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For we are laborers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building. 1 Corinthians 3:9

Ten Babies were delivered during November (December information is not in yet) by the medical clinic at the Children's Village. The clinic provides health care to the entire area. While the people who are able are asked to pay, most of the care is given for free. Our current budget shows estimates that the total fees collected will not cover the cost of the medicine that is provided.

Eighty-Five Orphans are now being cared for full time by the Children's Village. These children are feed, clothed, housed and educated solely by the ministry. The estimated number of children who will eventually be cared for is 250. In order to provide the expanded level of support we have initiated a $25 per month campaign. As the figures on the website show, for $25 per month a child receives complete care by the Village. In order to take on more orphans sooner we are asking people to make a continuing monthly commitment. Materials are being developed and a special section built on the website to highlight this part of the ministry. Help us get the word out about this program.

The Next Trip to Liberia is planned for this March. The trip will be approximately 2 weeks and the typical cost of airfare and food is $2,000 to $2,500. This trip will be made in conjunction with a film crew preparing a documentary on our ministry work. Please see www.liberianministries.com for more information about making the trip to Liberia. It is a tough trip but well worth the effort. Advanced planning is required. God changes you when you make this trip

A Shipping Container with two used passenger vans is leaving within the next 30 days for Monrovia. The shipping cost has been received (thank you everyone) and there are many additional items needed that can be shipped for free if we can collect them soon. A complete listing of the items needed is available at the website or call Rodney Edwards (615-202-3517) for a verbal or faxed copy. It would be very helpful if different people would take on a specific item or group of items in order to obtain and deliver them to us. In the way of a praise, we found a new shipping company that will deliver a 40" container to us in Bonifay, leave it for two days, pick it up and ship it to Monrovia for $4,500. That's $1,100 less than we had quoted previously. Savings leave more for the children.

Construction Started this month on a brand new, permanent school building for the children. The building is a little over 20,000 square feet in size and includes classrooms, a cafeteria, rest rooms and offices. Currently the school has an enrollment of 300 children. With the new facilities even more children can be educated. Shadrach estimates that as many as 1,500 children from surrounding villages would attend if we had the space, money to feed them lunch and could supply materials and teachers. As the business enterprises within Monrovia expand there will be more profit to pay for more teachers, food and materials. Thanks to everyone who has already given money for capital asset acquisition. See the website for a list of current needs.

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