



# Missionary Retreat Fellowship, Inc.

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Dear Friends,

As this is being written, a blanket of fresh snow is falling on the MRF property—a reminder of the fresh, new year ahead of us and the grace of God that makes it all possible.

2018 was a busy year on the property:

- \* Our homes were almost 100% occupied throughout the duration of 2018. We have seen missionaries stay on home assignment, while others are still raising support for their first term. We have had returning residents who call MRF “home” regularly, while others came for the very first time.
- \* Summer saw Compton Hall and the Pavilion rented out on a regular basis. It’s wonderful to see churches and families use our property for various events.
- \* The workshop was completed and has been put to good use. Brian is able to repair vehicles and do other mechanic or construction work, as well as store his supplies, without them being in the way elsewhere. It’s a blessing for him to be able to take care of missionaries’ vehicles while they’re here.
- \* A new, one-bedroom, one-bath home is now attached (but not adjoined) to Unit #3 (the “red house”). The outdoor construction is complete; Brian will be using this winter for the inside finish work. We are thankful that the large appliances for this home have already been donated!
- \* A new swing set was purchased thanks to funds donated by a local Christian school. It should be up by summer. This same school joined us for a day of serving in May for the second year in a row.
- \* A replacement generator in Compton Hall was installed, as well as generators for Units 1 & 2 in case of a power outage like we experienced in March 2018. This will provide an actual home with beds, two kitchens, and three restrooms for residents—as well as the use of Compton Hall— if we are without power for an extended length of time.

However, 2018 ended on a sad note as Don's beautiful wife, Gail, went to be with her Savior on Nov. 30. We were humbled by the presence of every current MRF resident, and some frequent residents, at her memorial service. She was a lovely woman of God who is greatly missed. Thank you for your love and prayers for Don and his family during this difficult season.

Thank you for being a part of the ministry of MRF. May God continue to be glorified at MRF as we seek to minister to those on the frontlines of ministry.

Don Schuit (Director)

Brian & Lisa Biegert and family (Maintenance & Hospitality)



Photos clockwise from left: A recent watermain break being repaired (God provided a beautiful day following many days well-below freezing to get it done); Special music from all present missionary kids at our annual Board/Resident Christmas meal; Front view of new addition

