



# Place of Hope Africa



"For I know the plans I have for you...to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11

May 2013

## PRAISE !

- The Lord has provided a very generous contribution! Providing us with the means to purchase a refrigerator, car seats, dresser, and other much needed items.
- The children are all adjusting quickly
- There is a fireplace in our home to keep us warm on these cold & chilly days
- Peace in spite of missing an important family crisis!

## A New Partnership...

After much prayer and discussion, the decision has been made for us to make a change. We love and appreciate our friends at Place of Hope Ministries, but feel that the time has come to partner with the Regeneration Center to better serve us and you our faithful supporters.

A big **THANK YOU** to Place of Hope Ministries for our time with you and we look forward to continuing our relationship into the future.

The Regeneration Center was formed a number of

years back and co-founded with Marv's son Tory. Their original ministry was to men coming out of prison to have discipleship and a new lease on life.

As happens many times...the Lord has taken them on another journey. The original ministry is still in place, run by another man.

Regeneration Center is now partnering with a number

of ministries such as, "Bread to the Nations", bringing the talking Bible to other countries, and locally teaching Life Skills classes are just a few.



## Personal note....

Many have heard the news that Marie's niece, Laura passed away suddenly on Memorial Day while camping with family.

At this time they have been unable to find a cause of death which makes this even harder for the family.

For those in South Africa, you may remember that Laura came to stay

with us for a few months in 2004-2005.

Marie tried to make the trip back as Laura was like a 2nd daughter, but flights and times were not falling in to place. Once the decision was made to stay in SA there was a complete peace about the situation.

The hugs and smiles of the babies

were all that was needed to confirm the right decision had been made.

Please keep Laura's daughter and my sister in your prayers along with the rest of the family.



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[WWW.REGENERATIONCENTER.ORG](http://WWW.REGENERATIONCENTER.ORG)

Make your checks payable to:

**Place of Hope Africa**

The only designation that will be needed - if you want your contribution to go to the building fund.

Write **Building** in the memo. Thank you!



This is how it will work now....after you have sent in a contribution you will receive a thank you and a self-addressed envelope for your next donation.

We will have a set amount for our salary (as in the past) and the rest will go into the operating expenses of Place of Hope Africa. The only designation that needs to be made is if you are wanting your funds to go into the purchasing of the property or felt led to purchase a specific item (ie:2nd vehicle).

Checks will be made payable to: **Place of Hope Africa**

Mailed to: **Place of Hope Africa** PO Box 1196, Alexandria, MN 56308

Donations may also be made online at::

[www.regenerationcenter.org](http://www.regenerationcenter.org) click on Place of Hope Africa link

This site will be updated with photos and messages from us in the future.

## Interested in Ministry...

Came across this in some reading and felt led to share...

"And he calls you, maybe for the umpteenth time, maybe for the first time. It is a commanding call that stops you in your tracks. It is an arresting call that commands your attention and demands your response. It is never a call to some trivial activity. He calls you to big things and makes heavy demands. It is a royal call that requires an answer. How will you reply?"

The Lord uses those who are truly willing to be open to what He has for them. He may have had you in mind and you decided that you would do something, but not that or you just didn't want

your life interrupted. Just remember...your life is there to do His will and not ours.

Looking to the future...

If you have a passion for babies and children and know that the Lord is wanting you to take a step to do something...we are in need of someone who has admin skills and abilities. A couple or responsible young adults who can come stay and oversee while we take furloughs.

*Thank you for your continued prayer and financial support—both are very important to doing the ministry here!*

*Marv & Marie Bjorklund*

**We had a birthday!**

**Lloyd has turned one year old. Our sweet and quiet little guy.**

