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Fayetteville Area

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GOD'S TIMING

Everyone is asking
...When will the OIAM
building be opened?
Volunteers and contractors
are faithfully working
towards completion in
January 2009 Please Pray!

Of Buildings and Souls 🚏

How do you repair a forgotten building? ...how do repair a fragile soul? With God's hand, his people and a vision.

efore we ever began or asked, God chose the very people we would need to begin this journey of faith at 531 Hillsboro Street. Each came offering their unique talents and became an essential part of His plan ...and we rejoiced!

Who did God choose?

Bob Shuller a retired architect who believed, from the very beginning, that no vision was too big for ordinary people.

Tom Goetz an incredible architect who took up the vision and gave it life.

Dick Detter a mechanical engineer who brought comforting warmth in the winter and cooling relief in the summer.

Steve Flemming a structural engineer who gave strength and security to shelter those who will come.

Bryan McKenzie a talented plumber who placed the lines to bring the quenching water.

Wilson Teachey a generous businessman who petitioned on our behalf and many said yes.

Lanny Clark a concrete merchant who turned ordinary blocks into a place of prayer.

Ray Andrade a master carpenter and humble servant of God who gave unselfishly of his gifts.

...and every volunteer

Who lent their skills, made a donation or prayed

...the love you have shown to God's people has refreshed them.

Philemon 1:7



A door becomes a wall



Sometimes the workmen are women



Tireless volunteers frame on & on & on



Measure Twice-Cut Once



Big Job...Big toys!

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🖝 sewing teddy bears & blankets 🗞 fishing 🍖 laundromat outreach 🗞 puppets 🗞 cookies for cops 🗞

Fayetteville Academy Senior Class Tradition

Over the last 6 months the 2008 & 2009 senior classes have shared their youthful enthusiasm



with families chosen to receive a yard makeover. In November, the Sophomore Class followed this model under the leadership of **Bruce Sanborn**, High School Director.

Our thanks to **Ellen Brooks**, Senior Advisor extraordinaire for coordinating this generous effort.

2009
Spring Blitz Day
Saturday April 4th
It's more than just a

casseroles for neighbors & singing & communion in nursing homes &

It's more than just a neighborhood... it's our entire community that needs the *OIAM* touch. Stretch your imaginations and get creative! We need fellowship hall projects and community ministries that make it known...

letters to inmates and troops 🐟 blood pressure checks 🗞 auto checkups 🗞 fishing 🔊 sports camp

our God hears and He provides!

ICU hospitality & life books for foster children & flipping mattresses &

Pergola, Plants & Prayers

Young oak trees swaying overhead, a sweet breeze, the ring of wind chimes and sounds of praying. Can you see it ...do you hear it? This holy ground, where anyone can find God's peace and presence.

As plumbing lines were trenched, the concrete floor was cut into large blocks that were destined for the landfill. But God had a deeper purpose for these stones just as He has for our lives. The stones were transformed into a groundwork of promise. Chipped edges, scars of abuse, and varied shades couldn't mar the beauty of what was to become this place to meet with God.

Out of the hearts & hands of children came the gift of a Pergola to complete a vision of hope. We are deeply grateful to the **6th grade Vacation Bible School** of **Snyder Memorial Baptist**

for bringing the pergola to life. And, are indebted to **First Presbyterian & Marilyn Britt** for the solid foundation and anticipation of planting a beautiful testimony to God's creation.

MERIN

'My hope is in you

The Word In The Walls

Didn't your mama tell you 'don't write on the walls!' During the framing of the OIAM building we invited all volunteers and visitors to inscribe The Word on our walls. With pen in hand and prayer in

heart they covered the boards, and door frames with scripture and blessings. Inside the very walls is written the word of the Lord to stand guard over all who enter this place.

Gifted To Give ... to show them His Love

Contributions Received June 18, 2008 Through November 11, 2008



INDIVIDUAL

Peggy Averitte Allen Steven & Kathy Arle Dave & Mickey Averette Allan & Vivian Bass Richard & Frances Beasley Larry Beattie Jan Belk Graham & Mary Rose Bell Ron & Joanne Blackwelder Robin Burrs Wayne & Sue Byrd Ron & Reba Kennedy William & Julie Cotty David & Clara Crocker Jay & Stafford Currin Colbert & Earle Dilday Jim & Jean Duncan **Edward Fields** Margie Foy Stan & Faye Griffin Ann Griffin Ann Hagelberger Ralph & Susan Hamilton Joyce Holbrook Arnold & Jewel Houston Beth Keever Phil & Andrea Leffew David & Donnie McMillan Virginia Thompson Oliver Don & Polly Orr Menno & Suzanne Pennick David & Melanie Pound Antonie & Lynne Romyn Joyce Smith Michael & Patricia Starling John & Teresa Strickland William & Mary Taylor Jeff & Paula Thomson Harold & Ann Warren Lee Warren William & Coleen Wellons



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CHURCHES

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BIRTHDAY

Lisbeth Anne Marin

by: Wayne & Sue Byrd

Ruth Jones

by: Joel & Margaret Hedgecoe

Mary Rice

by: Wayne & Sue Byrd Jill DeVore Bill & Catie Drewery Andy & Chris Foley Geron & Kathy Gambill Scott & Janet Hagwood Jim & jo Nance

Mavis Tew

by: Margaret Bucy



GRANTS

National Cooperative Baptist **Fellowship**

St. John's Episcopal Church Elizabeth Strange McNeil Elliot Memorial Fund Wal-Mart Stores Inc.



MEMORIALS

Hazel Clark

by: Lanny Clark

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by: Tom & Martha Goetz

Pete Pittman

by: Pauline Johnson Flossie Pope

by: Harold & Ann Warren

Glen Rowell

by: Joel & Margaret Hedgecoe

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by: Harold & Ann Warren Wade Warren

by: Harold & Ann Warren

Vision Statement

To walk among the broken and struggling, being the hands and feet of Jesus

Mission Purpose

Operation Inasmuch is designed by God to grow and make it's home in any church or heart where Jesus Christ is Lord. Our purpose is to go outside the church walls to a world in need, offering the talents and gifts with which we have been blessed. We believe that God has called us to be his hands and feet as we share his love with "the least of these".



IN KIND Allbuild Home Improvements

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HONORARIUM

Kay Edwards

by: Bobby & Martha Parrish

Patti, Louisa & Cameron Monroe

by: Richard & Susan Shereff

North Carolina Presbyterian Pilgrimage #88

by: John & Neill Legg

Jim Pittman

by: Peace Presbyterian

Speak out for those who cannot speak, for the rights of all the destitutedefend the rights of the poor & needy. **Proverbs 31:8-9**

In the event your name has accidentally been misprinted or omitted, please accept our sincere apologies and notify our office so we may include you in the next issue of The Mission.



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JfL luncheon at Hay St. Methodist



First we'll till and then we'll plant!

Fayetteville Beautiful

Our thanks to **Hay Street Methodist Church** and **St. Luke AME** for representing OIAM by cleaning Hillsboro Street on October 4, 2008.

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OIAM Classifieds

Breakfast Program

Seeking churches, bible study groups, Sunday school classes or Christ-centered individuals to serve with us on a rotating basis with the following tasks:

- Meal preparation
 & cooking assistance
- Kitchen & dining hall clean-up
- Servers & hospitality
- Devotion & music

Jobs *for* **Life Facilitators**

JfL's objective is to provide job training and support that enables participants to secure meaningful employment and experience new life in Christ. OIAM will provide facilitator training to any interested compassionate person.

Grounds, Flowers & Plant Lovers

Do you have a green thumb or want to 'grow' one? Our landscaping will be in place by springtime and we'll need folks who'll dig, plant and water our prayer garden and grounds.



We are gathering our teams in preparation for our much anticipated opening in:

Winter 2009

Can we include you? Call 433-2161 email sue@faoiam.org

No experience necessary, no resume required, no pay, ... heavenly benefits!

