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The Struggle is Worth It

Every month at about this time, I bring myself to try again and relate my thoughts and feelings on paper. Hard to do? For those who know me, the answer is "yes". But, nonetheless, it is a task that needs to be done. It seems that, once I start, the words flow.

If I had to describe a perfect day, I think today would be it. The temperature is around 70, very low humidity, puffy white clouds drifting in the brilliant blue sky, a soft gentle breeze, and a slight hint of autumn in the air and in the trees. The intense heat of this summer is behind us, with the anticipation of cooler days and winter looming in the distance. This time next month, our 21st annual Quilt Auction will be

over and we will be talking about next year's auction and how we can improve on it.

I try to think back 21 years to figure out how

our auction actually came about. But, without Sandy's help, I draw a blank every time. I do know that it was one of the many "brainstorms" that she had. It was her favorite time of year. She loved all the work that went into it and all the fellowship on auction day.

This week a very dear friend passed away. Jacob Oberholtzer, the local Mennonite Bishop, had been a close friend to us since he and his wife, Mabel, along with their 17 children moved to Kentucky in 1976. The funeral was huge as Jacob had touched many lives in the 84 years of his life. I attended the funeral at the church house just over the hill from us. It started out with a steady rain which lasted



Mom in her glory!

all day and night. Enough rain that it brought back memories of the May 2nd flood when we received over 10 inches in one day,

We were blessed this past week with a work team of 34 young people from the Merrietta Mennonite Youth Group in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. A lot of work was done in four days. The largest job being a new hog house and all new hog fencing. After nearly 25 years, our hog facility was really getting a little "shabby", to say the least. We appreciate all the work of the teams that venture to Kentucky to lend help to us.

Let's update some of our children. Ena is at Johnson Bible College in Knoxville, Tennessee. She has been there for about a month. She seems to be settled in but still has some homesickness. She is a very outgoing, determined type of girl and makes friends easily. She is our 18-year-old daughter from Honduras who had her entire family massacred when she was four years old. In one week she and I will head to Homeland security in Louisville, Kentucky. She will be fingerprinted as part of her citizenship procedure. Her prints are run through the FBI database to see if she has had any criminal activity during her lifetime. Her final citizenship ceremony should be before the end of the year. For anyone who would like to write Ena, her address is: Ena Tucker, 7900 Johnson Drive, Box # 777-429, Knoxville, TN 37998. Her email address is: ena.tucker@gmail.com.

Speaking of citizenship, Abdul from Afghanistan had his finalized this past month. He has been here at the Galilean Home for 20 years. He came as a boy who had both hands and one eye blown off during the Russian-Afghanistan war.

Sissy and John, who married this summer, are doing very well. They live just a mile from here and both work for the Ministry. John works here at the Home and Sissy works at the Bread of Life Café.

Another one of our "kids" is leaving us, Marlene Graber. Marlene has been our Blessing House supervisor for 6 years. She is moving back to Hamilton, Indiana. She will be greatly missed by all of us. She had become an official member of the family.

All of these activities and events would not be possible if not for you. Yes, you! It takes a lot

of help to achieve all that is done around here. For those who have visited us, you know what I mean. Many buildings that require upkeep and maintenance, and 137 employees that need paychecks. This number of employees includes the Café, Trading Post, and the school. Of course, there are vehicles and equipment that require maintenance along with costly fuel. The list goes on and on.

I keep saying in my newsletters that God gave Sandy and I the vision and dream of the Galilean Home nearly 40 years ago. He placed a lot of people in our lives to bring it all into reality and to sustain it. We have been here a long time and plan on being here a lot longer, as long as the Lord carries His return. Those who have stood with us, continue with us. Sandy left a huge legacy when she left three years ago, and by the Grace of God and help from our supporters, I plan to uphold that legacy as best as I can. May God be with us all as we continue this journey, looking forward to that reunion in Glory Land! I will leave you with this final thought:

*The pressure makes us stronger,
The struggle makes us hunger.
The hard lessons make a difference,
And the difference makes it worth it.*
—Firelight, Rob Hawkins

God's Love to All,

Jerry —Jerry

PS: On October 2nd I will be 70 years young and I believe I will finally try to move into our cabin (part time anyway).

After two years in production, we now have a 30 minute DVD on the Galilean Home entitled "*The Story*". It is available on request with any donation.

Please remember that the two books Sandy wrote are available upon request with any donation.



Quilts and more quilts!

Kristi, Effie, and Molly auctioning off their handmade rugs.