

## note FROM nicole

"Peace I leave you, My peace I give you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, nor fearful."

John 14:27

Change is hard. We all like the comfort and safety of knowing something will be the same. When situations or plans change, there can be sadness over the loss of expectations made or fear and worry of "What will happen now?" Thankfully, our loving Savior doesn't change! And His promises stay the same. When we go through difficult times that bring loss and unknowns, He is there to comfort us and give us peace as we trust Him.



There has been quite a lot of change lately, in our ministry and in my own family. As many of you may know, earlier this year, God chose to take one of our ministry's missionaries, Robin Awe, home to heaven. Robin was wife to our president, Jeff Awe, and the mother to my dear friend and teammate, Amber, along with her husband, Chris, and grandma to their daughters. And because GHH is such a tight, small group, her loss was felt even amongst Juli and me. It was sudden and unexpected and

seemed to come at the worst time as we all were just about to leave for our summer ministry travels, but God is good and faithful! He gave our team the strength to continue our full itinerary and not miss any programs, despite spiritual attacks, like bus issues and sickness, that seemed to be thrown our way by Satan to discourage us even more. But the word of God's salvation was given to many boys and girls and their families as we talked about the "monsters" of sin in their lives and God's solutions to them. The lessons spoke to us too as we talked about God giving peace to replace our worry and to trust Him instead of being fearful. Praise the Lord, some responded and turned their hearts to Jesus! We always appreciate your prayers as we travel from one place to another and the Lord protected us even though we had a few complicated travel days. Many weeks were spent at familiar camps and churches, and we also had a new church contact in Iowa. It was a

## prayers ~ praises

Our team has a busy fall and winter schedule filled with several programs for family fall festivals, AWANA's, missions conferences and Christmas events.

We pray for good health and strength and great ministry!

Pray: for healing for my dad. (see back for information)

Praise: for a little extra income while working at Brookside Farms again this fall.

Pray: for continued adjustment for all the staff as we navigate new added responsibilities to accomplish the roles that Robin fulfilled.



The Reach More building continues to move forward as the Lord provides the money. Here, Jeff and I are leveling and installing insulation for the in-floor heating before the cement is poured. Please pray that we will be patient and wait on the Lord's timing to finish the project. And rejoice with us over the countless hours of time and labor donated by volunteers.

blessing to meet some new friends and hear stories of how they experienced the ministry of GHH so many years before at a camp when founders, Bob and Shirley Friedl, were still traveling.

In September, my family was hit with some surprising news of my dad unexpectedly hospitalized and diagnosed with kidney failure. He spent a week in the hospital while doctors ran tests and tried medications to jump-start his kidneys again. Unfortunately, they only kept declining, resulting in having to start dialysis treatment. I was glad to be able to spend some time in Chicago during that week and help my mom and spend some time with Dad. I would greatly appreciate your prayers as he adjusts to this new schedule of dialysis three times a week. Each treatment is three to four hours long and makes him quite fatigued. The doctor has prescribed he do this for three months and then reevaluate his kidneys to see if they have resumed normal function. We are praying the Lord will heal his kidneys and that he won't have to stay on dialysis permanently.

Thank you for your faithful friendship, prayers and support! You are a true gift of encouragement from the Lord as I continue to serve Him.

*Joyfully Serving,*

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A quick girls' day spent with my sister and cousin while I was in Chicago.