



Family Circus Children's Ministry Update
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"Giving Thanks"

Hello again friends,

Thank God for all His blessings. The ministry to the children & their families continue to grow. Those calling Family Circus their church home are approaching 7,000. We continue to obey His instructions to feed the poor, feeding thousands of severely malnourished kids each week, bringing in the lame, deaf, widows, orphans. God remains faithful to supply the needs. We do a lot of praying, and though we grieve when we see some young people abandon Him, make wrong choices, and even have their lives snuffed out early, there still remain so many who have their names written in the Lambs book of life.

We've been living under a "death threat" this past week and at the same time we rejoice that Jesus is alive as we celebrated His birthday with thousands. God is on the throne and He's looking after us... Prayers appreciated.

We just completed a short 4 month furlough, and saw the signs of the downturn in the world's economy written on the "For Sale" signs on many streets. We still experienced the overwhelming love, miraculous support, and generosity of God's people from all across the world. It seems like people are prioritizing their giving and tightening their belts, and in spite of the hard times, they are not forgetting Him nor the needs of the less fortunate.

Our three children love the Lord, and now we have a grandson, little "D.D." Our foster daughter Doraday is 14 years old and is a beautiful young lady filled with the presence of God. How rich (in Him) we are.

Sandy and the team ladies made up Christmas packages for our poorest of the poor families from out of the thousands that attend the Family Circus services. This past week we found Michael after several months disappearance. He still needs the medicine for TB and food (looks like he's lost weight (age 12, only 56 lbs) we will do what we can for his dying grandmother, his only caregiver for he and two other siblings.

This week Sandy and our team traveled around town and even into surrounding cow pastures to deliver the gifts. The description of where some of these people live is heart wrenching, but when our team drive up and greet the families, and after distributing hugs and gifts, the parents and their children's level of joy would be no less than that of the richest kids on this planet who'll receive a bag of Santa's latest and greatest toys.

I'd dare say many of these children would be far happier and the joy of this Christmas may even last in their memory for the rest of their lives... In comparison, how many rich kids will remember this Christmas as it gets lost in the piles of stuff they receive both this year and in the future?

This Christmas, other than priceless love, what gifts did the poor kids receive? Some clothing, salt, rice, food, soap, toiletries, some small toys, perhaps a stuffed animal, specially gathered and or purchased just for them.

For the next two weeks our plans are to spend time relaxing and being refreshed before getting into a new year with all the business that accompanies serving the King in the heart of one of His harvest fields.

Looking ahead to Christmas Eve, I'm dreaming of taking a short boat ride to another small island and setting up a table with a candle or two on a white sandy beach, and then enjoy dinner with my sweetheart of 31 years, and our son & his wife, as well as our long awaited grandchild, while watching the gentle waves and the palm trees swaying in the breeze. Just taking time to reflect on the wonderful birth of our Savior and how blessed we are to serve the King of Kings.

For the King & His kids,
Darrell & Sandy

P.S. We still lack about \$69,000 to pay off the Family Circus property. It is critical that we do so ASAP. We trust

that He who began this walk of faith will be faithful to complete it.

The cafeteria now has water 24/7, and the city transformer is to be installed ASAP!!

It's not completed yet but you can get a 'sneak preview' of a new Family Circus video that will be available soon.

<http://www.youtube.com/user/jaymccutchen#play/all/uploads-all/0/>

While watching it our tears flow... our heart...

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PS For an update on the FC Restaurant/bakery please go to www.familycircus.org

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Web Site: We have several new posts at our site, with pictures for our email updates. Check them out on-line when you have time www.familycircus.org

Let us know what you think.
Thanks!!



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If you would like to share this information with friends, please forward this message or encourage them to email us at familycircus@agmd.org to join the list. We enjoy hearing from all our friends.

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