

Filming AND Staging

Following in the pattern of the past several years, Chris has developed a correlating curriculum for the current year's series. The lessons walk through the beatitudes listed in Matthew 5, since this summer Beatitude Bayou will be making a reappearance. We were able to film all 12 videos by our calendar goal, which is slightly unusual. We give praise to God for good health and weather this year, which kept us right on schedule! We even got a bonus video filmed which involved all of us missionary staff just sitting around sharing memories of the ministry. We are hoping to release these in short segments online throughout the rest of the year in honor of GHH's 40th Anniversary!



I have been given the opportunity to be involved with a local theater group presenting, through Scripture, the testimonies of biblical characters spanning from Adam through Jesus. It's been a fun challenge memorizing more Scripture, but I'm really enjoying it! *The Story* performances will be in April.



Of course, a new year, means a new stage. A few months back I gave the stage design to Jeff and he has it all built and ready for me to paint. I'll be starting soon and as of right now, I don't foresee any problems that will make it long or complicated.

Juli and I were able to order some much-needed new appliances due to the kindness and generosity of others! We are loving them!

Thank you,

friends for your prayers and generous, sacrificial support. I greatly appreciate it! Feel free to check out our website for our spring schedule.

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Every good and perfect gift is
from above, coming down from the
Father of lights, with
whom there is no variation or
shadow due to change.
James 1:17



note FROM nicole

Updating

Everything is constantly changing; technology, clothing styles, cars, decor, etc. Sometimes we naturally update without really knowing. "My phone upgrade is available." "My computer downloaded the new software." But sometimes we get used to a certain thing and don't realize it needs updating, or maybe we realize, but just don't have the time or money to do anything about it.

At GHH, we try to keep our equipment up to date as best we can, however, the money and time to spruce up the home office area has never really been available in the past. But over the past few months, God has generously provided the finances, (including many great sales to get cheaper supplies) volunteers, and the time to complete a few projects around the office that were needing some maintenance. I have had the privilege to be heavily involved in these projects, working alongside Jeff, figuring out what things needed replacing versus things I could just freshen up with paint. I have also been personally blessed and encouraged to see how the Lord has accomplished this.

The whole main floor area of the office has been freshly painted, new doors installed, vinyl flooring purchased to replace the old carpet, recessed lighting, some room switching for better use of work space and even an added bonus of a couple of individuals donating some gently-used furniture. We are excited to see how these new changes will benefit us in the future, even in just the way of a little more comfortable atmosphere for those visiting, including board meetings and those wanting a ministry tour.

But the office is not the only thing that has needed an update. Many years ago, our ministry founder, Bob Friedl, created a large dog mascot, named Barney. Barney would travel with Bob and Shirley and make appearances at different places during their summer travels. One of Barney's favorite places to visit was Camp Barakel, especially during their HisAbility week. These special needs campers just loved on Barney, so much so, that eventually Barney just stayed at Barakel, and he's lived there for about the past 20 years!

It's not too hard to imagine that after 20 years, a large dog mascot that runs around camp with dirt, dust, wood chips and little critters, will look like an old, dirty, matted-down stuffed animal that belongs in an antique store. One of the missionary staff members at camp asked if we wouldn't mind taking Barney to the "spa" this winter. So...Amber and I have been learning a lot about what all is entailed in grooming a 7 ft. dog! Thankfully we still had the same color material!

After talking about all of these changes though, it reminds me how thankful I am for God being unchanging! Over the past few weeks, God has brought certain Old Testament people to my mind: Moses, Joshua, Esther. They all had to trust God with some huge things they were going through. And, of course, their God, who is also my God, was good and faithful to them! Time does not change our God!