

Note from Nicole

Merry Christmas!



Without the birth of my Savior, for which we celebrate, I wouldn't be writing this newsletter right now! Because of Jesus' sacrifice and death on the cross, and His resurrection and victory over death, I have been made new and changed! He has forgiven my sin, a debt that deserves death in hell. No matter what I do in life, I can never repay what He has done for me. But because I love Him, it is a joy to serve Him, which is why I work with God's Helping Hands! The Lord directed my life here and I have enjoyed the opportunity to share the love and forgiveness of Jesus with children and their families these past 7 years! If you have never surrendered your life to the Lord Jesus Christ, I pray that this may be the year you do so and truly celebrate CHRISTmas!

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid.”

- Matthew 5:14



This was the theme verse from the summer series *Light Up Your Life*. Many children heard the good news of the gospel and accepted Jesus into their life! The pictures above are some highlights of the year. Beautiful Michigan lighthouse tours helped inspire creative thinking as we prepared to take the series on the road. The secret to young, healthy-looking skin is found at camp in the mud pit! I enjoyed playing one afternoon with the campers and my brother, who was on staff. And recording one of our weekly podcasts with “Uncle Charlie” VanderMeer from Children’s Bible Hour was priceless. It brought back so many memories of hearing his voice on my CBH cassette tapes growing up!

Work at the GHH office continues to go smoothly. I have been working on remaking some of our teams’ puppets; and, come the first of the year, it will already be time to start a concept stage design and gathering props and costumes for the new season. Our team’s schedule is all set for 2015! It’s not too early to start praying for the camps and churches to whom we will be ministering.

The Lord continues to provide for my needs; but as you read in *The Glance* that was sent a couple weeks ago, my support level is only at 39% of my full-time support. I am still in need of \$1,610 a month. Please pray with me that there would be 100 individuals (50 supporters for me and 50 supporters for my roommate, Juli) who would be willing to pledge \$35 a month so that both of us can be fully supported.

Have a wonderful Christmas season with your family and friends! I’m looking forward to spending time in Chicago again this December. It’s always great when my family can all be together for a few days! Laughs, hugs, yummy food, and hours spent playing board games are all greatly anticipated!

Thank you for your prayers and support, Friends!