

Serving Those Who Have Served



Fall 2022

Thank you for your prayers for us as we weathered another hurricane. We are counting our blessings and thankful Hurricane Ian passed south of us. The storm lasted for two days, bringing 16 inches of rain and wind gusts up to 69 miles an hour. Overnight we saw more water on this property than we had ever experienced before, and this picture captures that "worst spot." Overall, there was very little damage to the property: a few roof leaks, several trees toppled, and plenty of debris on the walkways and roads. But, with teamwork, the clean-up was mostly done in about one week.

We were just wrapping up the hurricane clean-up when we had another "fire to put out" – literally! On a routine Sunday morning security check, Gary spotted smoke coming out of our carpenter/ construction building and called the fire department! After the fire inspectors sorted through the mess in the construction office, they determined the cause of the fire was a lithium battery being charged in the office.

As we have been immersed in the cleaning up and rebuilding from the fire, we are praising the Lord that it wasn't worse. How thankful we are for God's care and leading: to prompt Gary to check on the buildings that Sunday morning *when* he did, and for the very timely and expert help God brought our way when we needed it! The ceilings, walls, and floors in the construction office have all been replaced, as there was smoke and water damage to the room. (Only a few items were destroyed by fire - although soot found its

way into every drawer and paper in that room!) By the time you receive this letter, we will have moved back into that office!

So, as we head into this new month and our Thanksgiving season, we find ourselves counting our blessings, and praising the Lord for His continued watch and care for the ministry here at The Homes of Ethnos360.

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