

# Beth-haran Newsletter



## *Since you last heard from us..*

Spring is in the air! We are all looking forward to spring and all it symbolizes. Three baby goats were born on the farm and we are now enjoying fresh goats milk every morning. In anticipation of the warmer weather we fenced a large plot for a garden and laid grass seed where the mobile home once stood.

The recently finished family room and two bedrooms in the girl's dorm are furnished and getting good use. A hearty thanks to everyone who pitched in to help along the way!

## *Family update*

About a month ago Jeff's younger brother suddenly became ill and died quite unexpectedly. Sandwiched in between this, Hannah's parents, who are both terminally ill, have needed her assistance. As a result both of us have been playing tag with one another, as we have been gone helping to meet the needs of our loved ones. Our older girls and volunteer, Amy, have been a great help during this trial in our lives, and we can never thank them enough. As strained a time as it has been for all of us, God has given us His peace. We feel too that the ministry at large has not suffered. We continue to see good growth in both of our students and our own family. This has been a great comfort as it has been a testimony that God surely has been with us all.

Our eldest daughter Rebekah has recently returned home from her three-week trip to Israel. She had a most amazing time. As she shares with us about the places she visited that are mentioned in the Bible, the Scriptures have come alive in a fresh way.

We are looking forward to a visit from our daughter Elisabeth who will be flying in this summer from South Korea. She will be home for a month before she returns there to start language school full time.

We want to thank so many of you for your correspondence, support and involvement with us. We feel our Beth-haran family is much larger than just the walls of this home.

"Let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth."  
1 Jn. 3:18

## *Our New Student Shares..*

It's been a little over 2 months since I've arrived at Beth-haran. They have probably been the best two months of my life, although it has been difficult getting used to a new lifestyle. It's been a blessing to go to the church fellowship and all of the activities Beth-haran offers.

But most of all it is comforting to know that I have a chance to get my life back on track with help from people who care.

## *Can you help?*

We are seeking assistance in teaching life skills and useful crafts to enhance the lives of our young ladies. Volunteers are now working with our girls in sewing and handicrafts. Some areas that we are still looking for help are:

gift items  
arts/crafts  
beauty care  
etiquette

Or old fashion skills such as:

soap making  
candle making  
cheese making  
etc.

Weekly classes or a one-time class would be a blessing to these girls.

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The biggest project around the farm this summer will be the re-roofing of our home. We cannot go through another winter with all the leaks we experienced this winter. We will need a large amount of volunteers for this to happen.

## *Prayer Concerns*

To continue developing a strong and efficient discipleship program.

Volunteers for the ministry and for the roof project.

In February we took in a new student and have another one coming this week. Please be praying for the moving of His Spirit in all the girls' hearts and for wisdom for us as we endeavor to help them. We strive for every moment in their healing process at Beth-haran to be effective as they persevere though their one-year commitment.

## *A Big Thank you!*

To the Lilly family for helping us prune our trees & putting up a garden fence.

To Christian Woman's Fellowship for furnishing our downstairs with blinds. Also for volunteering to do a Home Economic class once a month.

To all who diligently prayed for Hannah's dad who recently passed away.