

June 1, 2011

We have three new residents on the farm—two of them are Selena and Loxanna. They happen to be llamas. These two llamas were donated by a wonderful couple named Jay and Sharon. When they first asked me if Danny and I would like a llama, I honestly didn't know how to answer. Knowing absolutely nothing about llamas, we did a little research.

About nine months later, money was donated to purchase some calves. We made a down payment on 8 calves. While waiting for the calves to be weaned, Danny set about the task of educating himself on raising cattle. What he discovered surprised us—llamas are among the best protectors for cows! All of a sudden, we realized we needed a llama. After getting back in touch with the llama's owner, we found out they were still available. They offered to donate two females. After a long drive from Pennsylvania, they llamas arrived on Our Father's Farm under the watchful eye and supervision of Tony and Alicia. We now had our "watchdogs" for our soon to arrive cows.

This past week, Ken and Judy, pastors from Michigan spent a week on the farm. Ken was intrigued and a bit intimidated by the llamas. He asked Alicia if he could meet them. She made the introductions, explaining that sometimes they blow in your face, but it is a friendly gesture. Selena, the blonde one, was on guard and watched at a distance. To Ken's surprise, Loxanna walked directly up to him. With her face less than an inch from his, she blew. She then buried her face in his armpit. After more sniffing and blowing, Loxanna wandered off leaving a "don't know how I feel about that" Ken staring after her.



Loxanna

Later that evening, as Ken sat quietly in the Lord's presence, he saw an image of Loxanna blowing in his face. AS suddenly as the image came, it changed into the Lord's face. Then He blew in Ken's face!



Selena

Ken jumped as he felt the burst of air on his skin. The Lord was up close and personal. Ken felt the Lord's love for him. A single tear ran down his cheek. His wife and I watched in amazement. As I pondered Ken's encounter, I thought about the fact that this wasn't the first time God had blown in a man's face—He blew into Adam's nostrils, and as a result, man became a living being. And Yeshua/Jesus blew on the apostles in the upper room—imparting resurrection life into their spirits. God used two llamas to touch the heart of a man in a way that was life-changing.

Because of Ken's experience, we have decided to officially add these two llama's to our ministry team. Thank you, Jay and Sharon for your gift—it turned out to be so much more than any of us knew.

Our third newest resident is an 11 year old mare named Miss Kitty. Miss Kitty came to us all the way from Nebraska. She joins our herd giving us a total of seven horses. Miss Kitty has been trained using natural horsemanship and also spent two years serving on the police force. She's only been here a week and already she's loved. It is obvious that she's going to be a wonderful asset to the ministry. A big thank you to Mike, Kathleen and Kelsey for your very generous and thoughtful gift of Miss Kitty!



Miss Kitty

Rev 2:1-7 "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: The One who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks among the seven golden lampstands, says this: 'I know your deeds and your toil and perseverance, and that you cannot tolerate evil men, and you put to the test those who call themselves apostles, and they are not, and you found them *to be* false; and you have perseverance and have endured for My name's sake, and have not grown weary. But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love. Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place--unless you repent. Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.'

Beloved, I believe we have entered a season of discipline in our nation. Our number one preparation must be inward that we might be filled with His oil and shine with glory and power and light. In 1949, there were 800,000 believers in China when communism took over. They lost their bibles, were tortured and many killed for their faith. The result—in just 50 short years

they went from 800,000 to 80 million believers. There is well over 100 million now. We've had a life of ease and comfort in comparison to the Chinese people. I believe our finest hour is ahead of the church in this nation. The Lord is coming to wake up Sleeping Beauty (His bride), to challenge our hearts, to bring us back to Him and to simplicity and purity in Him. It's time for us to get low (humble ourselves) and fall in love again! Your money, status or good works can't save you.

UPDATES AND MINISTRY NEEDS:

HEALING MINISTRY BUILDING: Thanks to your gifts, we were able to purchase all of the floor joists for the first floor of this 20,000 sq. foot building. We spent \$27,000 and our supplier, Trim-fit, Inc., donated \$5,000 worth of floor joists, which was a huge blessing. Our next step is to purchase the flooring, which will cost approximately \$30,000. We are so grateful for your prayers (please continue) and your donations.

VAN NEEDED: The van we use to pick up food six days a week from Whole Foods and Price Chopper is 11 years old and she's letting us know that she's quickly approaching retirement. We need a reliable van (because of the long drive and gas prices). Please join us in asking the Lord to provide.

GARDENERS AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS NEEDED:

We are presently constructing a home and in need of anyone who is willing to learn or already knows how to build. If interested, please phone Danny at 816-522-9011. If you like to watch things grows we would love your help. Please e-mail me at rhonda@harvesthome.org for more information on how you can be a part.

ENCOUNTERING GOD TRAINING TESTIMONY:

"I believed the Lord would have me begin to teach someone I met with last night what you taught us over the weekend. With minimal guidance, he had a beautiful encounter with God. He was SO excited to begin to understand Jesus was happy to be his facilitator, was available 24/7, and was significantly better at facilitating than I was! I LOVE how you taught us to encounter God. I have done an encountering God "session" with myself at least twice a day since the Encounter God weekend and find the time with Jesus to be life changing. I am learning to be with Him just to enjoy Him. I must say that teaching people they can encounter God themselves and let Jesus help them when they get stuck is so fantastic! I am really looking forward to The Tree of Life this weekend. Thank you so much for what you do. Last weekend was a watershed weekend for me. It is the most significant event I can remember in my Christian walk of 31 years." Steve M., Kansas City

ENCOUNTERING GOD TRAINING WEEKENDS: cost \$40/\$70 couple (on Our Father's Farm)

July 16-17 Part 1: Encountering God

July 23-24 Part 2: Tree of Life

July 30 **Advanced** Training \$20 (you must have attended Pt. 1 & 2)

Space is limited so please register early or for more information, please contact: bev@harvesthome.org

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

Aug 5-7 Lake Tatuk, B.C. contact: Cindy Lauze at: LauzeC@spsd.sk.ca

Sept. 16-18 Tom's River, NJ: Church of Grace and Peace...contact: Judi Valencia jvalencia@graceandpeace.org



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