## HOPE AT THE BRICK HOUSE

To see every family loved and cared for

Grateful......Blessed

We are all of those and more as we reflect on the past year. We began this year with plans to build an addition on to our building. We just celebrated at our recent banquet how God has provided, stepped in, intervened when needed, and blessed us in so many ways.

- In Jan 2023, our building addition quote was \$600,000. Unable to even consider, we put the project on hold to raise money and form a new team. Enter Year 2024.
- Over 25 teams of volunteers and contractors, led by *JD Coussens*, did everything possible to save us money. The price dropped over \$150,000. Many volunteer hours and donated materials were provided.
- We needed indoor paint & painters. Sherwin Williams donated all the paint needed inside. Campers on Mission said they would put together a few people to paint... 17 people came!
- We needed outside paint. Pittsburg Paint provided it.
- Our building was completed in 5 short months!
- Many people joined in fundraising efforts in many different ways but as we approached the last month, we still needed \$100,000. Our upcoming fundraisers would not be in time to make our final payments.
- I received a phone call and we were told we were being given a \$100,000 interest-free loan! Our goal is to raise enough to pay the loan off by Christmas 2024!
- A St Ambrose graduate and former employee took a job with a local company who selected us as their charity to volunteer with and raise funds for. The local RSM employees volunteered 353 hours and their employees and matching Foundation gifts raised \$56,000! It will help pay off over half of the loan!
- In addition, we celebrated our kids by their "performance" at our recent banquet. Second grader, AJ & his mother shared. The students' sang belting the words, "I believe in the life of Jesus...that He gives us power... that He is the Son of God."
   "I believe it!" Joyce















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## **Volunteer Needs**

- Christmas cookies for Open House Dec. 19th (contact office staff).
- Paper products.
- Adopt—a—Room in our new addition.
  Work with our Interior Designer to
  sponsor the cost of floor and wall coverings to help decorate and reduce the
  echo sound.
- Mop floors one time per week. Flexible times and days.
- · Van drivers one day per week.

Join Us!

## CHRISTMAS Open House

DEC 19 5:00-7:00 PM

Hope at the BRICK House 1431 Ripley St Davenport IA

See our new addition and celebrate with us at our upcoming Christmas Open House. Decorated for Christmas and open to view, our kids will give you a tour of their new space and they will also sing.

Thur. Dec. 19 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Kids music 6:00-6:15 p.m.





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