

Latest Breaking News...

Progress Continues Despite Weather Challenges



The picture at left was taken of Residence Project One just moments before this issue went to press. As you can see, windows have been put in, and roofing will be finished within another day. These projects are moving along quickly, and just as quickly we will need to be paying invoices for the interior outfitting. Electrical fixtures, plumbing fixtures and everything from paint to flooring must be gotten in short order to turn these charming houses from an expense to an asset. The

sooner we can get them functional, the sooner our grateful staff can begin experiencing the benefits of having a suitable home.

The time to give is now! It's easy; just text:

HOUSING
--to444999
...or, you can give at the Uchee Pines website. For sending a check, write: Staff Residence Project 30 Uchee Pines Rd, Seale, AL 36875.

Thank you!

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Housing Project



The Staff Housing Situation Has Reached Critical Point

Old and cheap housing has deteriorated to the point that some is nearly unlivable, and needs to be replaced

The time has truly come, when we have to focus somewhat on staff housing. For years, it has been a recurring problem, but now, increased staff levels have brought it to the forefront again. The plan has been to replace the "trailers," one-at-a-time; but with the needs so critical, it will have to be a total replacement effort. We have people who have been on a waiting list to come to our campus for mission work, but have not been able to make plans to come, due to housing shortages and inadequate housing. Many who would complement the Institute have not been able to come, for one reason only—no housing available.



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This Time, We're Asking You To Help Our Local Work At Uchee Pines

Not very many EYH Issues focus on the needs of our staff, but the needs are real

What do a young family with small children, three young men, and an elderly woman in her eighties have in common? They've all lived in the same trailer, one after another, over several years at Uchee Pines. Single-wide mobile homes are designed to provide instant homes for people with limited resources, but mostly they are

cheaply built shelters, designed to be replaced within a few years. That's why they have roughly the same trade-in value of a used car: they tend to depreciate over time. At this time of year, you could be thinking how you can help God's work financially. Our financial partners have been a generous people over the years, and we're asking—no, pleading—that you consider what you can do to help those who have given so much to pursue mission service. It could make the difference in a life!

THIS SPECIAL ISSUE:

■ Staff Housing Situation Reaches Critical Point

■ Funds Are Needed NOW
■ "Residence One" Progress

■ Exciting Opportunity Depends On Continuing Donations

Funds Needed for Special Project on Housing

Donor Sponsored Programs Dependent On Uchee Pines Finishing Up Each Home

Several donors, interested in a pilot program that will allow our “self-supporting” Institutes to provide inexpensive, but well-built homes for staff have designated Uchee Pines as part of the pilot. Enough funds are donated to “dry-in” each home, with the remainder left to be raised in each instance. That leaves about half of the funds needed to complete a home yet to be raised for each one. Many of you are aware of the critical need for adequate and appropriate housing at these missionary institutes. Some of you have had the experience of living in sub-par housing; but you were willing to do it for the sake of God’s work being done with every available dollar. Now it’s time to help, and here’s how to do it:

Text “HOUSING” to 444999

or go to this web address:
<https://www.uchee-pines.org/donate/campus-needs/staff-housing/>

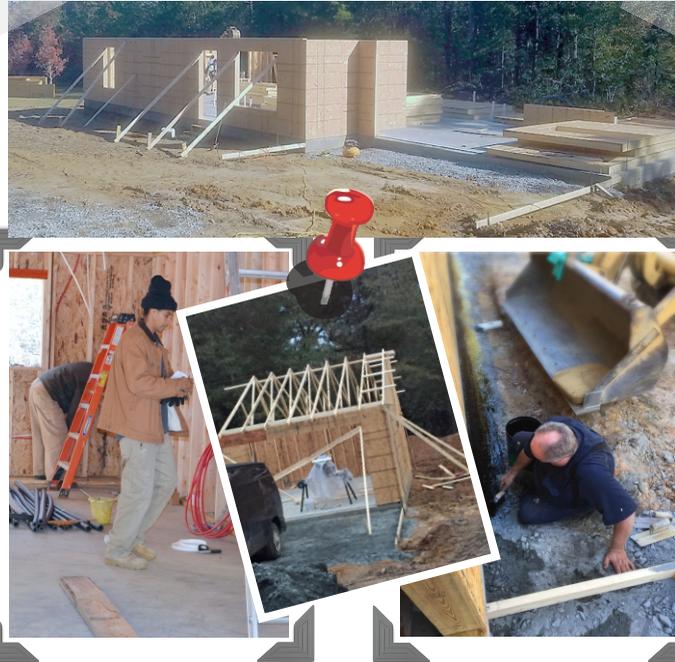
Of course, you can always send a check (for \$100 or more!—kidding) via snail mail to our address: 30 Uchee Pines Rd, Seale, AL 36875 USA.

Thank you so much for helping!



Mark Sandoval, M.D. is Medical Director at the Uchee Pines Lifestyle Center. Dr. Mark left a lucrative practice to go into mission service, finally joining our staff in 2012. He lives in a four bedroom house on campus, with his wife and six children.

“Residence-Project One” Moving Along With Sponsorship



Pictures of “Residence ‘One” going up, top: first walls go on foundation; below right: preparing for backfill; center: first trusses; bottom left: installing wiring

After a few weather related delays, it was a real encouragement to see the walls beginning to go up on the first planned residence of the Staff Home Building Project. These homes are three-bedroom, two bath homes with an attached garage, which will provide much needed space for current and new workers. We plan to place at least three 3-bedroom homes, and two 2-bedroom homes on campus.

An emphasis is being placed on providing

sturdy, well-built but simple homes. While we economize in every way possible, we must also provide durable and adequate domiciles for our missionary families to occupy. Another concern is making the home as “healthy” as possible, within the budget. Air filtration systems that remove pollens and spores will make a more healthy residence for our health educators, with plenty of natural lighting available to brighten the home and spirits of the occupants.

Exciting Opportunity for Staff Accommodations Replacement Begins With Two Projects

Donors Begin Pilot Project

by Cal Thrash



When Uchee Pines started in 1970, we all lived in one home; the original farmhouse on campus, now called, “Cedar.” (I never knew where the names came from, since they

woods in half with a chainsaw, to cut off the broken-down, rotten part, and add on a whole-new back with another bedroom (making three bedrooms) to jam his family of six into. That cot-

“At least half of the funds to finish still needs to be raised.”

age eventually became the “Glen House,” and another newer cottage stands in that spot today. So many families and trainees arrived so quickly that we had to have “instant” housing, and a local mobile home dealership donated several used “trailers” to fill the need.

places like Uchee Pines can quickly put sturdy and representative homes up for volunteer workers.



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Even though Mom told me she never wanted “trailers” on Uchee Pines, we had to have something, so we got trailers. That was forty-something years ago, and we still have mobile homes on campus.

Thanks to several donors with an interest in helping our staff have actual homes on our campus, a new Staff Accommodations Replacement Project has begun. The idea is to have small, simple, inexpensive but durable homes that can be replicated easily; providing a path for similar mission institutes to follow. We plan to replace the trailers with homes, (finally!) while at the same time helping to work out kinks in the basic plan so that other



While “seed money” is being given for this project, at least half of the funds to finish these homes still need to be raised. That’s where you come in. Please, won’t you consider helping? I really want to see the “trailers” finally go! Don’t you think so, too?

For more information on Uchee Pines, visit our website, www.uchee-pines.org, or call, 1-877-UCHEEPINES.