

# Thanksgiving

Look at What the Lord has done!

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First Assembly of God-The House of Every Nation truly has become the house God built! How? Love! When Michael and I took on this project, many told us, "Do you have any idea what a MESS THIS BUILDING IS?" Probably not...but we had a dream, and we felt God was going to do a miracle. He has, and there are more to come. **What do you do when you get a key to 22,000 sq. ft. that is in such BAD SHAPE NO ONE WANTS TO INSURE IT?** You pray, you trust God, and you give thanks you are a part of the Body of Christ called the Assemblies of God! **Since we are in a season of Giving Thanks, and we owe THANKS TO SO MANY.** Here are a few reasons we are GIVING THANKS!

The lobby was dirty, old pink frayed carpet with mint green walls that hadn't been painted in nearly 30 years. We watched people walk in, look around, and walk out. Everything needed replacing. By faith we tore out all the old carpet, **we had NO IDEA and no funds to do anything,** we simply took a step of faith. God met our faith, and in a few weeks an incredible church bought tile and came a laid all of it for us. We are so THANKFUL!

*Bathrooms before and after*

**The roof had leaked for decades.** When it rained outside, it rained just as hard on the inside. Much of the hanging ceiling had fallen, and with each storm it continued to fall. When we knew it was going to rain we had to set buckets all over the building to keep it from flooding. **A roofing company told us \$18,000 to repair it.** Never had our faith been so tried. We didn't just pray, we wept! Miraculously 3 churches gave and we were able to replace the roof, rain gutters, and down spouts. We are so THANKFUL!

We turned 3 small rooms into a community area, and an old crate we found in a Sunday School room was stained and became a coffee bar. What a huge change! We are THANKFUL!

The second largest of 5 sanctuaries hadn't been remodeled in many years. The carpet, 60 years old, once brown had turned green. It took days to pull it up, repair the platform, lay carpet tiles; but look at it now. It's not about how nice it looks now, **it's about it becoming a sanctuary where international pastors can meet and reach other nations.** **The picture on the left is the inauguration of our African group.** We are so THANKFUL!

We are about 80% through remodeling the building. I can't tell you what it does for my faith to walk around the building and know that I am surrounded **by MIRACLES of love, faith and sacrificial giving.** We're still a few miracles away from finishing, and we still need church groups or finances to finish. **Skills needed: lay carpet tiles, and paint walls** in the nurseries and Sunday school classrooms. **Contact me if you are interested in helping.**

We are IMMENSELY thankful to the Maps RVer who have done so much to help us, and to each person, and pastor that has invested in helping repair the building so that we can reach the nations for Jesus. We are THANKFUL!

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