

"There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard." Psalm 19:3

We want to thank **EVERYONE** who helped us in our attempt to reach 70% of paying off our church property by the end of 2024. Because of people like you, we were able to surpass our goal and have now reached just over 75%! We could not have done this without your help and prayers. It was a blessing to hear from prior students that we taught in junior high and high school who were helping to share our challenge with others. We have 15 months left to take care of the remaining 25%, but we know God is able.

December is the busiest time of year for us like most churches. We always enjoy our annual Christmas party and crazy games, Sunday breakfast, and we had several brave the cold to go Christmas caroling in sign language. Two of the senior hearing couples we went to visit were visibly moved. One was our church insurance man who had recently lost his wife, and the other was a Christian couple who lives down the street from us. After we finished singing, the couple said, "For years we always sang to others, but this is the first time someone has come and sang to us." They were truly touched. We ended the year with our Candlelight Service and we were blessed to have all of our children and family with us for Christmas. It doesn't get much better than that.

The new year began with our church being able to take on a new missionary to support, and we braved the freezing temps to take 3 of our men to the Deaf Men's Retreat in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. We were also blessed once again to attend the Heartland Church Planting Conference in Oklahoma City. Our church was able to help several church planters this year. For this we are grateful.

We ask you to please pray for Bro. Frank Rasmussen in the home going of his wife, Ursala. This is the precious Christian couple who loaned us the funds to purchase our church property. My wife and I will be participating in the funeral service next weekend in Wisconsin. They both have/had a great love for our church and the Deaf around the world. Her beautiful smile will be missed.

These frigid temperatures and weather have impacted some people's ability to be able to attend services, but we continue to have visitors and are able to do discipleship classes with people through FaceTime. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.



Sign language Christmas carolers



Praying for her unsaved husband



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