

December 2011

Dessert and Pledge night

We were very encouraged and thank God for the large turnout we had at our pledge night on October 29. It was wonderful to see so many supporters and friends that evening. Many we haven't seen for almost a year; not since the time we were last in production on Industrial Avenue. There were a number who had traveled several hours to attend the event that evening. The support by way of donations and pledges since that evening has given the Board of Directors of the Prairie Gleaners the confidence to know we can resume food aid production in the new facility. We have signed a lease for one year and will make efforts to raise the funds to actually purchase the property for \$350,000 - (building, equipment, on 7 acres) as soon as possible. Thank you everyone.

Moving in

As of December 1 our lease became effective at the new facility. Some preparation work was completed by a few volunteers over the past few weeks, before the snow arrived. A fence went up around the dugout, corrals were removed, a new water line was trenched to the building, and signs were made to be displayed at highways # 3 and # 120.



Trucks at new location

Our trucks and trailers have been relocated to the new site. There will still be quite a bit of set-up required before vegetable processing can begin again. The installation and testing of our dehydrators will take a few weeks. The large cooler, freezer and the water system all need to be thoroughly tested since they haven't been in use for more than 3 years. Our goal is to start working with vegetables again on a limited scale in January. However, until the vegetable production begins, volunteers are welcome to join us in the mornings (Wed. – Sat.) for the preparation work. We are located on Range Road 63 – 2 ½ miles south of Highway 3. Look for our sign 2 miles west of the airport on Hwy # 3 opposite a large greenhouse on the north corner of Range Road 63.



Putting up a fence

*The Prairie Gleaners accepts its mandate from **Isaiah 58:10** - If you give food to the hungry and satisfy those who are in need, then the darkness around you will turn to the brightness of noon.*

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