

# THE BUCKWHEATS

" GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD "



**I...**(Braverd) finally joined the 60 club. Donna threw me a surprise party with great food, live music, and a time of celebrating with family and friends.

## From 2023 to 2024

2023 was another year where we saw many marriages restored, lives changed and the young and old get the healing from the Lord they so desperately desired. God was so faithful and we are humbled that He continues to use us.

One little project we were able to finish was installing the barn doors in both houses. We, or I should say Donna, have waited patiently to be able to do this as it was something she wanted for the houses from the beginning.

They turned out great.

So other than a few furnishings they are **DONE!**

## 2024...finishing up the excavating and landscaping.

As you remember from our previous letters how COVID effected the building industry and being able to get things done in a timely fashion. The excavator that installed the septic system decided that he had enough. He had been in business for 45 years and retired. So we we are back to the drawing board. It was too late as winter was setting in so we continued to believe for the right person. Thank God I was able to contact the young man who helped us in the very beginning when we cut the first tree down and pulled the first stump out. He and his father in-law got it all started. It looks like we are all set for spring to bring the fill dirt in, get things up to grade, and finish the hardscaping and landscaping.

As you see in the picture on the the right it will be brought up about 2", this will allow us to finalize the parking spots for each house and install a dimensional stone path from the new rear entrance of the main house to the houses in the back. Thank God for a Christian company who donates all the landscape material....what a blessing!

**As of January 2024 we have raised \$3000 to finish the excavation. We will be praying that God will multiply the fill as the going rate is \$175 for a 10 yard dump and we will need at a minimum of 250 yards.**



### SEPTIC SYSTEM BALANCE UPDATE

As you remember covid took the \$8500 septic system and made it an almost \$17,000 system. God has been so faithful to move on the hearts of the friends of the ministry to cover the \$10,000 we had to borrow to get it installed. As of June 2023 the balance of the note was \$3750. We just got great news that the last \$1000 came in January of 2024 so the balance of **“Zero..... yes that is Zero!”** Praise God for his faithfulness and of course you believing with us as your generosity shines forth. That is a big hurdle to get by but we know it was the Lord !

### So what is up between now and spring?

We have ministry receivers coming to stay with us that will keep us busy through February.

Once Spring comes and it warms up we will get things finished up.

We are so grateful for you and your hearts devoted to the Lord.

**Love and Blessings !!** Braverd and Donna