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Colossians 3:23

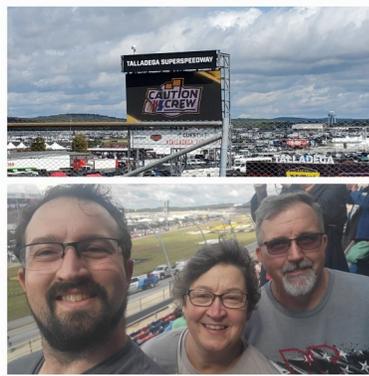
Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.

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Doug spends a fair amount of his work days updating the mapping of camp: buildings, roadways, underground utilities, elevations, etc. As we continue moving forward with different designers for the future growth of camp, this helps them to have accurate information. He, along with other staff and board members, have had several meetings with architects and engineers to assist in the plans that are being put together. Occasionally he gets down to the maintenance shop to help with some odd tasks. Currently they are replacing the carpet in the upstairs of our dining hall building. Since his office is currently in that space, (and torn apart) he is helping with the floor prep and getting that project completed.



Our fall was filled with travels. In September we spent 2 weeks in MN doing a bathroom renovation at his sisters house. In October we took a trip to Alabama. It was a nice time of catching up with friends and family. We spent a few days with Jacob doing an outdoor project and surprising Doug with a NASCAR race at Talladega speedway. Such a fun time! The smile on his face and listening to him tell all about it was great! In November he spent a week in Northern MN deer hunting with our brother in law. He was able to come away with a #150 field dressed buck. Our freezer will be set for another year.



For several years Doug has wanted to close off his shop from the rest of the garage and insulate/heat it so he can spend time in it when the weather is not desirable to be outside. Late this fall that finally came together. He has been working on that project, and very happy to have a place to work on projects during the long winter.



A note from Lisa:

Besides traveling this fall with Doug, I had a few of my own opportunities to travel. I spent time with my sister for a long weekend, a visit with my dad and step mom, and my mom while in MN for a craft show with Doug's sister. I find myself appreciating each opportunity I get to see my parents, and giving extra long hugs when I leave.

I was given a devotion book, **31 Days toward Trusting God**, by Jerry Bridges. One of the devotions had to do with welcoming adversity. The analogy that day was about a moth that had to free itself from its cocoon. Someone thought they would be kind and help it by snipping the shell of the cocoon. What that person didn't realize is that the struggle to emerge from the cocoon is an essential part of developing the muscle system of the moth's body and pushing the body fluids out into the wings to expand them. So, the moth would never be able to fly, only crawl on the ground.

James 1:3 says, we are to welcome adversity "because the testing of your faith produces perseverance." Most of us would admit that adversities spoil our peace and try our patience. We don't find joy in the trial, but the development of our character, from the adversity, is something to rejoice in. Still, we shrink from adversity. We want God to snip the cocoon of adversity we find ourselves in and release us. Because of His love for us He isn't going to remove it until we have developed in whatever way He intended that trial to work in our life.

Why would I share this story with you? Well, because not only do I have trials in my life that I need to grow from and trust God to carry me through, but so many friends and family close to me are carrying some heavy burdens as well. I want to encourage you to keep on trusting that God is in every one of those situations, and He will get you through them too.

Through the fall months (when I was home) I was working on making quilts for the fall craft show. I was given a fancy "new to me" sewing machine. It was been fun learning how to use it. I used it to make all of the stuff I did in the last couple weeks leading up to the show in November. It was nice to go with a variety of quilt sizes to offer people besides just the baby stuff. We had a really successful day and were encouraged by all the people and sales. I spend the cold winter months down in my craft room sewing new projects for others and next years show.

Just after Christmas we will kick off our winter camp season. We think it will be a good one because it is only the middle of December and we have **lots** of snow. NOT something that has happened the last several years. Camp's summer registration will open in January, and I will be much busier with my camp job.

We want to wish you all a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy 2026!!**

Hopefully we'll have the opportunity to see many of you next year.



Kind of a crazy picture of us, but we had so much fun working together.

Please continue to pray for our monthly support level. We still haven't achieved our monthly goal, so we are ending the year with a deficit. If you would like to support us you can give online <https://llbc.org/staff/doug-lisa-browning/> click the blue box that says **DONATE TO DOUG AND LISA BROWNING**

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We are thankful to so many of you who have supported us with prayer and finances all these years.

Blessings to you,
Doug and Lisa