

September 2009

Dear Friends and Supporters of Rahab's Rope,

We hope this finds you doing well. It is hard to believe it is already September. It is unbelievable how fast time goes by. We are happy to let you know our store move from Thompson Bridge Rd. to the square in downtown Gainesville will be complete and official this month. To help us with this move we are having a moving sale at the Thompson Br. Rd. location, only. So, if you live in the area please come by and receive 25% to 50% off everything in the store on Thompson Br. Rd.

Exciting news! We have a new video out. If you haven't seen it yet go to the website [www.rahabsrope.com](http://www.rahabsrope.com) for viewing, it only takes three minutes. You can also view the video on facebook. Join us on facebook and you will receive brief updates between newsletters. Please share it with your friends!

September 18th and 19th is the annual Heart & Hands Emporium at First Baptist Church Gainesville, Ga. It will be a wonderful place to be, as this year's event will benefit the North House, a place for women. Come by and see us!

If you live in the Maryville, TN area, we will be at the Global Voices Summit Global Marketplace at 1735 Old Niles Ferry Rd. on Friday Sept. 25th and Sat. Sept. 26th. You can check out the details at [www.globalwomengo.org](http://www.globalwomengo.org)

Now, what is happening in India? I hope you remember the story of Gaythri and will continue to follow her. She is now living in a children's home with girls her own age and going to school, this is so exciting! I can't wait to watch her grow and see how God is going to use her life. Mary Theresa is studying in preparation for testing to enter pre-university and then on to Nursing School. We have one girl ready to enter Beauty School and are waiting for another one to join her. Our

newfound artist is busy working on designs for a line of note cards and the list goes on.

Yashoda deserves a paragraph all her own. She is the girl that has hearing loss and needed multiple sinus surgeries. I cannot begin to tell you how well she is doing. She looks like a different person, her pain is gone! You can look back and realize that she had learned to cope and live in extreme pain and now that is removed from not only her facial expressions but in the way she carries her entire body. Thank you to all who prayed and those that gave financially for her surgeries. The doctor had said she would not have lived another year without the surgery. You have literally saved her life! Not only has her life been saved physically but also there is complete transformation in every aspect of her life. After her last surgery the doctor said with speech therapy for two hours each day for two months she should be able to speak her language plainly. Not only is she already speaking plainly but, since Mackey's return she is speaking in English! Amazing! She is a bright beautiful young woman that now has hope and a future. Thank you!

Mackey, our schoolteacher, returned to the center at the end of July after a few weeks home for a visit with her family. I am not sure who is more excited, she or the girls. Her first few days back is when Yahshoda stood in class and spoke in English, how exciting! Shortly after her return she had a group of women join her from First Baptist Colleyville, TX. The team was an encouragement to both Mackey and the girls. They accomplished so much in such a short period of time. They covered topics and activities including; massage therapy, photography and art, child rearing, needlepoint, and proper friendships. They sang new songs and played games. The team shared personal testimonies of various events and difficulties in their lives; this is always an encouragement to the girls at the center to let them know there is hope and victory. We are always appreciative when others give of their time and resources to invest in the girls and women of Rahab's Rope. Your investment changes lives! This week Stephanie Caldwell

will join Mackey. Stephanie plans to volunteer at the center for two years. She will lead and direct the various teams that visit the center and help organize and administer various projects. Next week we have another group of women arriving at the center to work with the girls. We are so thankful to have so many people investing in the lives of our girls. Thank you!

The little things we take for granted... Last week Mackey was teaching the class with word pictures when they came to a picture of popcorn. No one in the class recognized the picture because no one had ever had popcorn! So you guessed it, the next day Mackey served popcorn! Amazing!

Thank you all for your continued prayer and financial support!

Blessings,

Vicki

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