

## Dear Friends,

## Merry Christmas!

2017 is drawing to a close and this newsletter will recap the major events this year at Llano Christian Academy. A year ago I informed everyone who attended our Annual Christmas Program that we had been contacted about the possibility of being given a building to be our new home. Six months later we started renovations with the help of General Contractor John Scott and the Texas Baptist Builders. Many people expressed to me that the job was impossible but nothing is impossible if God is involved every step of the way.

LCA raised tuition to support the sustainability of the school for our future. We lost 16 students due to this increase. A few people expressed their belief that the school would not last much longer with the increase in tuition. On the contrary, we are gaining students and our numbers are steadily increasing. Our spirits have not dropped because our job is to be faithful to what the Lord has started at this school and in the student body.

We started our school year at home because our building was not ready to occupy. The teachers presented the students with packets to work on and we officially opened our doors on September 5th. This was such a special day. We had a home for the students. If you haven't been able to visit the school, come take a look at us. We love our home and the students have shown a great deal of respect for the building and property. We are blessed.

In September, a steering committee made up of parents, grandparents and a Board member, with volunteers and secondary students, decorated the Kuykendall Center and put on a successful Community Banquet. This is a small way LCA can say thank you for the acceptance and love we have been shown by the community of Llano. The auctions, silent and live, set the stage for fun in the bidding process, some will not be outbid! All the monies raised went either into our general fund for day-to- day operations or into the land and building fund. We were blessed by the generosity of so many friends and supporters.

We close 2017 with gratitude and love for our Lord and what he has provided for the students and teachers. In five months we will graduate two students and each one will attend a Texas institute of higher learning. Please continue to pray for LCA as we provide a Christian and academic foundation for future success. Pray for LCA as we serve our community and make a difference wherever we can...

Merry Christmas and God bless, Dr. Alice Smith Headmaster/Principal

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given...

## We Wish You A Merry Christmas

Here are some highlights from our 2017 Christmas Program



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## And A Happy New Year!



