

Global Ministries is pleased to share with you a **Capital Campaign** skit presented at Webster Groves Christian Church in Saint Louis, Missouri. This skit was written by church member, David Ingram.

### **A REALLY EXTREME HOME MAKEOVER**

SETTING: *At the opening, the stage is bare. Then Barnes and Cottage enter from stage left and head to center stage, each carrying a 2 x 4 board. One is also carrying a cloth bag. Kneeling, they put the two boards at a right angle. Then Barnes takes a hammer and nails from the bag and starts hammering away while Cottage holds the boards in place. Ranch enters from stage right, carrying a Bible. Sees the other two and approaches them.*

Ranch: What's all that noise for?

Barnes: *(looks up. Importantly)* This is a construction zone.

Cottage: *(nods in support)* There's always noise in a construction zone.

Ranch: *(points)* Hammering two boards together doesn't make this a construction zone.

Barnes: Well, we just started.

Cottage: Give us time. You won't believe what we're building.

Ranch: *(shaking her head)* I'm sure of that.

Barnes: Huh?

Ranch: *(waves a hand)* Never mind. All right, what is this "thing" you're building?

Cottage: *(looks at Barnes, who nods, then back at Ranch)* We're building a house for God.

Ranch: *(frowns)* You're building a house of God? Like a church?

Barnes: No – *for* God, where the Lord can live. That way whenever anyone has anything to say to God, they'll know where to find the Lord.

Ranch: You're joking.

Cottage: No, we're serious. We keep hearing about people searching for God. *(points at the wood)* This way, they'll know just where the Lord is, all the time.

Barnes: When someone wants to talk to God, all they have to do is come here.

Ranch: *(paces away. wryly)* Well, that will help the travel industry.

*(Barnes and Cottage look at each other. Their eyes go wide when they realize this would be a good thing. They say together, smiling)*

Barnes and Cottage: Heeeeyyyy.

Ranch: *(comes back to them)* Look, how are you going to build a house for God?

Barnes: *(frowns)* We're still working that out. My dad had some spare lumber.

Cottage: *(looks in bag)* But we could use some more nails.

Barnes: *(looks around)* And a place to put it.

Cottage: *(looks at Barnes)* And some plans. *(nods)* Plans would be good.

Ranch: *(smiles)* I think I can help you with the plans.

Barnes: You can?

Ranch: Yes. *(opens the Bible and starts flipping through pages)* There are some plans right here in the Bible.

Cottage: Wait a minute. They're not in cubits, are they?

Ranch: *(smiles)* Nope, no cubits. *(turns to Psalm 104)* Here we go. "God stretches out the heavens like a tent, and lays the beams of God's upper chambers on their waters."

Barnes: *(looks at the wood, then up at the sky)* I don't think we could get this that high.

Cottage: *(looking at Barnes, concerned)* And what about the foundation?

Ranch: Oh, that's in here too. "God set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved. You covered it with the deep as with a garment."

Barnes: *(shocked)* How could we build something like that?

Ranch: You could do it like God did. *(paces while reading)* "The waters stood above the mountains, but at your rebuke the waters fled. At the sound of your thunder, they took to flight. They flowed over the mountains. They went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them." *(ends up by Barnes and Cottage)*

Cottage: Wow. I don't have that big a voice.

Barnes: *(looks at Cottage)* We could never build something like that!

Ranch: Thankfully, we don't have to. *(gestures to the world surrounding them)* The Lord made this wonderful creation, and invited us to share it with God. Wherever we go, be it the deepest valley or the highest mountain, we're still in the Lord's house, and God's always there with us.

Cottage: *(eyes wide)* Wow, that is one *really* big house.

Ranch: *(smiles warmly at Cottage and Barnes)* You've got that right. One really big house, built by a really big God.

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