

Dear Hart Felt Volunteers and Friends,

As Chairman of the Board of Directors for Hart Felt Ministries, I would like to start by thanking God for your participation in the work of this ministry, and extending a belated "Happy New Year" to you.

The Board has decided that in the year of 2012: "A New Era Begins". More than a cute "slogan", it represents our desire to ask God's guidance in leading us toward a goal of greater service to Him, to the clients who seek our assistance, and increased support of our dedicated group of volunteers.

Our Board of Directors met on January 21<sup>st</sup>, at the home of Board Member Loree Reed. This gathering represented our 2012 Board Retreat. However, from the outset, it was evident to all that there was something "special" occurring. Highlights from our Retreat include the following:

- An acknowledgement that as long as we continue to keep God's will for our organization as our focus, that we can pursue a **"bold" agenda** with anticipation vs. fear.
- While our current Board is comprised of only 8 members, the **willingness of each of those Board members to support each other** in fulfilling the mission of Hart Felt (whatever that might be) would allow us to effectively confront all obstacles to any/all goals and projects that we will pursue.
- Mr. Tony Smid, Chairman of the Governance Committee, directed a **review of the Vision, Mission, and Core Values of Hart Felt**. As a result of this review, we are comfortable that they are an accurate representation of Hart Felt in their respective area(s).
- Mr. Nick Edwards, Treasurer of Hart Felt Ministries, presented an Expanded Vision algorithm that will allow Hart Felt to **improve the safety and efficiency of the dwellings** in which our Hart Felt clients reside. In pursuing this goal, we are pursuing Hart Felt's Vision of providing "a community where frail seniors no longer fear where and how they age". Our prayer is that this model may also grow to serve as a model of successful cooperation between local builders/contractors, Hart Felt clients, and the Hart Felt ministry.
- Each Board Director will commit to visit a client **at least once per year**. This is to insure that each Director has **direct contact with our clients and mission**.
- We will work diligently to host an **Annual Dinner/Silent Auction for 2012** that will be a blessing to all in attendance.

Again, a heartfelt "Thank You", for being a part of our journey. Know that it is appreciated, that we thank God for you, and that we will work to be good stewards of this blessed organization.

Sincerely,

Cecil White Jr., DMD MSD  
Chairman, Board of Directors  
Hart Felt Ministries