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Father's Joy is officially up-and-running, thanks in large part to our donors in 2004! Their generosity has allowed us to print 3000 of our "Down Syndrome" brochures, which are being distributed to new parents of children with disabilities through The Rise School of Houston, the offices of Bishop, Bryant and Dickerson pediatrics and some local hospitals. We were also able to print 3000 copies of our new brochure entitled "Having a Child With Special Needs", which is also being distributed to new parents.

These donations provided the necessary funds for the creation of a new website. You may view our new Home Page at www.fathersjoy.org. We are currently working on content for the site, which we hope to have available in March 2005.

Because of our donors we have not only been able to provide positive, uplifting literature to new families of children with disabilities, we have also been able to minister to many of these fami-

lies by sharing God's Word and helping them to find joy during what can be a difficult time. Thank you all!

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Thanks also to everyone that has allowed Father's Joy to use photos of themselves and their children and to the volunteers that have donated their time and talents to help Father's Joy begin operations. We could not have done it without you!

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Inspirational Corner

You can tell what they are by what they do.

Matthew 7:16

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Income & Expenses

2004 Finances

Income	
Donations	3,335.00
Interest	0.20
Total Income	3,335.20
Expenses	
Licenses & Permits	150.00
Meals & Entertn	185.94
Office Supp	236.73
Printing & Reprod	1,774.50
Website	550.80
Professional Develpmt	200.00
Total Expenses	3,097.97
Overall Total	237.23

Goals for 2005

Literature - Father's Joy plans to continue its outreach and support through distribution of its existing brochures. In addition, Father's Joy plans to develop at least two new brochures for distribution in 2005.

Website - Father's Joy plans to continue development of its website by adding content that will inform and minister to new and prospective families of children with disabilities. This content

includes medical checklists, recommended toys, books and activities, therapies, resources and other information.

Education - Father's Joy plans to explore opportunities and develop and implement a plan to educate the medical community regarding the needs and expectations of families and prospective families of children with disabilities.

Support and Mentoring - Father's Joy plans to continue its support and mentoring of families through its website, email, phone calls, literature, and visitation.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Jeremiah 29:11

Editorial Corner

In this quarter's Editorial Corner we would like to introduce you to our Board members:

Roger Dautat (Spiritual Advisor) - Roger is vice president of SAE Systems, a software engineering and consulting company. He is an experienced software engineer, developer and project manager contributing to both domestic and international projects for over 35 years. He has been a Baptist deacon for over 30 years and a Bible teacher for over 40 years. He is an officer in Gideon's International.

Cassandra Dickerson - Cassandra is a medical doctor specializing in Pediatrics and is affiliated with Grand Parkway Pediatrics. She has

experience treating children in general pediatrics and, additionally, those with disabilities and special needs.

Jan Stailey (Vice President) - Jan is currently director of The Rise School of Houston, a preschool specializing in early childhood education services for children with and without disabilities. Jan has over 30 years experience as a teacher, educational diagnostician, director of an early childhood center, and central office administrator, facilitating staff development sessions in early literacy education and technology for students with special needs.

Kristin Tassin (Secretary/Treasurer) - Kristin

is an attorney with experience providing litigation and consulting services to clients in the areas of business torts, contracts and intellectual property law. She is former managing partner of the law firm of Dry & Tassin, L.L.P. and is a mother of a child with Down syndrome.

Shannon Tassin (President) - Shannon is a senior manager at Accenture, a global management consulting firm. He is an experienced project and program manager, with a background in software development and implementation. Shannon is also a father of a child with Down syndrome.

