

Dear Friends,

Since I gave you my last update (August 29th), JW House has made a lot of progress! Today marks another milestone in the history of our Dream House: its first wall went up early this morning! I will show you proof but let me first tell you what happened between late August and now...



September 4th ...

Another very sad day for our family: our beloved mother and grandmother dies of cancer. From now on, she will live with JW in Heaven.

Geert was able to make it in time to Belgium. It feels good that he had the opportunity to talk to his mom and we are also grateful that we could tell grandma a few last times how much we love her and that she was able to give us kisses of love and caring by phone.



September 11th...

We are pouring our first round of concrete!



September 12th...



September 13th...



September 14th...



September 17th... Only 3 days later!



September 18th... Electricity on the way...



September 20th: those piles of wood look VERY promising!



September 21st: that can happen to your hair when you have twin sisters...



September 22nd.
19 years ago, I became a first time mom. This made September 22nd the (besides August 3rd and November 30th of course, when JW's siblings were born) most beautiful and precious day of my life. And nothing will ever change that.



September 23rd. After their piano lesson, the girls and I visit JW's tree in Bellarmine.



September 25th. Ann, April, Dr. Wong, and I reorganize our JW House storage.



October 1st. We're pouring the slab!



October 2nd. The real floor plan of JW House!!!



October 3rd. Now we actually tell where the different rooms will be situated!



October 4th.
8:30am. Our devoted Project Superintendent and friend Tim Thompson sends us the picture of another milestone: JW House's very first wall is going up! In no time, the "entire world" will be excited about what is happening 😊!



Saint Clare School welcomes author Matthew Gollub; the kids have a wonderful time enjoying his books and entertainment 😊!



And our builders... They never ever stopped hammering, sawing and transferring the job site little by little into a real house 😊!!!

I assume you are thrilled with us.

In the midst of all these wonderful realizations, we have to keep in mind that we will still need a lot of money. If you are considering a contribution, please don't hesitate to do so!

Another way of helping us, is attending one of our events. I attached 3 flyers of upcoming events - one in Belgium (Golf, October 21st), the other two in California (Italian Food Tasting on October, 24th and our annual Winter Event on December 2nd). We look forward to seeing you there and to spending some precious time with you!

Thank you so much for your continuous support!

FYI --- Our friends in Belgium are preparing another Celebration of JW's life (in Leuven, Belgium). Mark your calendars for January, 6th 5pm. Details to follow.

We will back in a couple of weeks.

Warmly,

Anne Marie & crew.