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Hey y'all, I wanted to give you an update on how things have been going here for the last few months. We certainly have been busy in ministry. Click the link to see out latest newsletter.  
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We do want to brag on God every chance we get. This event didn't make the newsletter, but it is certainly a chance to show you how God works even when we don't realize it. So, this is a personal story, not a ministry story

**March 16/17<sup>th</sup>** – we had crazy high winds here in Schroon Lake. We even mentioned, multiple times, the danger of the huge pine trees here in the Adirondacks when the wind is so violent. Around 12:30 a.m., we heard a major crack and a crash outside. Realizing that nothing had hit the house, we tried to see what had happened, but it was too dark. Needless to say, it was a little restless for the rest of the night.

**March 17<sup>th</sup>** – we woke up to this.



This big tree had broken off and was hanging in the trees, balanced on its own trunk on one side, wedged in the branches of another pine tree, but being stopped from falling by another "tree."

Oh, and it was hanging right above the propane tank for the apartments. The middle "tree" in the picture below was the one that stopped it from falling toward the tank (The second picture shows you how big that tree was – the middle tree in that pic too.)





We spent quite a bit of time praising God that it fell away from the apartments and was held up in the air by the other trees. Super thankful that it didn't land on the propane tank. God is good, right? (Of course, He is...even if it would have hit the apartments and or the tank.) But praised Him many times last week for His protection of both our tenants and us. Especially every time I looked at that tree.

**April 2** – Today, we had one of the local tree guys come by to take it down (Shout-out to Craig Maisonville). After removing the tree hanging in the trees, he came and told me the rest of the story. The “tree” (the one in the middle in the pics above, the one between the hanging tree and the propane tank) wasn't a tree growing from the ground!

Nope, it was the top of another huge pine that had snapped off and landed with such force that it stuck in the ground, making it look like it was growing. Oh, it landed about this far from the tank.





Yes, that is my foot!

So, we get to praise God a little more today! Who knows what would have happened if that tree had landed two feet further south? But today, I just get to thank God for His protection.

Thank you for your prayers and support. It is not always ministry events that need prayers. We are so grateful for everyone who prays for us.

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