

HANNAH'S HOUSE HOLIDAY EDITION 2012

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What Does it Take to Run a Ministry?

(excerpts from an article by S. Johnson, 2008)

What does it take to run a ministry--or to run Hannah's House in particular? It takes a lot of little things, like toilet paper, clorox wipes, paper towels, toys and a number of big things like...

Prayer

Annually the Board of Directors of Hannah's house has a prayer retreat where they leave their daily routines and set themselves apart to talk to God about Hannah's House. We pray to hear from Him about the issues great and small. Of course it takes more than praying once a year to keep a faith-based ministry afloat. The Board members and the Director "bathe" Hannah's House in prayer on a daily basis.





Devotion

It takes people devoted to this ministry to help "keep the lights on." Whether its the support of our donors or the commitment shown by our full-time and part-time staff; "Hannah's House is a ministry of the heart, not the pocketbook," says Executive Director Cody Mathis. Hannah's House keeps administrative costs low by seeking out staff who have a deep devotion to the work of this ministry.

Resources

Most people are aware that it takes money to run a household, even one blessed by God and open simply to do His work. Hannah's House has the same household expenses that your house does: utilities, supplies, insurance, phone, food...the list goes on. Our resources come from our faithful donors. We have applied for grant monies, and we receive some donations from several churches. However most of all we depend on...





You

This ministry needs your help to keep running. If everyone on our mailing list gave a little we would be more than able to provide for this ministry. The devastating truth, however, is that many people who read our newsletter never respond financially.

To donate online, please visit hannahshouselansing.org/ donate to pay via PayPal.

> Won't you take this opportunity to help support homeless expectant women and new mothers? We would sincerely appreciate your gift.

Make new friends...

Hannah's House is blessed by two new residents, MaryAnn and Denise.

MaryAnn is 21 weeks pregnant and is due in March with a girl, Jurnee Nai'a. She is looking forward to her daughter's arrival and is excited to see how God uses Hannah's House in her life. Please keep her in your prayers.

Denise is due any moment with a girl, Mariah Emon. She has had a tough pregnancy and is extremely excited to be near the end and meet the wonderful child God has allowed into her life. She is originally from Detroit and is feeling a bit out of sorts here in Lansing, but she is learning and she seems to be feeling more at home here. Please continue to hold her up in prayers.





Jayden (and mommy, Liz) are doing great! Jayden is 3 1/2 months old and growing sooo big! Mom is enrolled in Lansing Community College's High School Completion Program. She is finding that motherhood and schoolwork don't always cooperate, but she is enjoying both nonetheless. Please continue to keep Jayden and his mother in your prayers through the holiday season.

IMMEDIATE VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Daytime Respite

Be a presence in the home for a set number of daytime hours each week. Interact with residents, answer phones/messages, and bless women in need!

Overnight Respite (Sunday nights)

Be a presence in the home for overnight period after church (1 pm) until work, or other commitments, Monday morning (7 am). This is a very relaxed and fun position for someone wanting to be involved one Sunday a month.

Social Media "Guru"/Intern

Make Hannah's House a presence on social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn Flickr, Foursquare, Pinterest, etc).

Please send an email of interest to hannahshouselansing@gmail.com.

THANK YOU FOR DOING A REALLY SWEET THING!!

HANNAH'S HOUSE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THE INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT DONATED ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE INTERNATIONAL DESSERT NIGHT AND SILENT AUCTION 2012.

About the Home ACF HARDWARF GRAND LEDGE AIM HIGH ASHLEE WILLIAMS A771 JEWEIERS BADER & SONS BARBARA HESS Bella Rio Salon BENSON'S VINAIGRETTES BEST BUY BONNIE VIEW CARRABBA'S CELEBRATION CINEMAS CLADDAUGH IRISH PUB COMPOUNDS & CROSSBOWS CORNER CONE ICE CREAM COUNTRY CLUB OF LANSING COZY KOI BED & BREAKFAST CRACKER BARREL CREATIVE WELLNESS CUGINO'S CULVER'S Dan Reid DAYS INN DEB SHAUGHNESSY DEBBIE MCCAFFREY DELUCA'S RESTAURANT DETROIT REDWINGS DOMINO'S PIZZA Donna Austin FATON COUNTY SHERIFE'S DEPT FDRU SKATE-O-RAMA **EVOLUTION GAMES** FAMILY VIDEO FINIFY'S

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OR OCCUPANT

Hannah's House Transitional Program Needs (Starred/bold items are immediate needs)

**Diapers size 1 to 4 Wipes Bottle Brushes Diaper Bags Gently used (or new) clothing sizes 0-4T Socks (infant/toddler) **New (or gently used and non-recalled) car seats, strollers, and cribs **Dressers/storage tubs **Disinfecting Cleaning Wipes **Laundry Detergent Envelopes (3 5/8 x 6 1/2) Twin size sheets Mattress Covers



Upcoming Events

January 20, 2013 Sanctity of Life Sunday

February 23, 2013 Bowl for Babies @ Royal Scot

May 4, 2013 Hike for Hannah's House-Sharp Park

October 5, 2013 International Dessert Night and Silent Auction

