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Hannah's House January 2013

A Christ-centered transitional shelter for homeless expectant women

Sanctity

Cody Mathis, Director

This Sunday is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. As I reflected on the millions of lives lost to the Roe v. Wade decision forty years ago, I was struck by the impact that a few people can have--for good or for bad. It is often hardest to undo a wrong, but it is our hope and our prayer that this will be righted, that life will be recognized from conception on. Life is a reality that I have been blessed to bear witness to for over a year now-in the babies born here, in those that were sent home early, and in the women who felt God's touch. In fact, I was blessed with my own new life and new hope over thirteen years ago, in this very home! Please join Hannah's House in remembering that we are all precious in his sight--set apart for things we have yet to know...

Jeremiah 1:5a

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart . . ."



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR 57 MILLION PLUS BABIES

Commemorating 40 years since the Roe v Wade ruling

A memorial prayer service at:

St. Mary's Cathedral, Downtown Lansing, MI

219 Seymour Avenue

Saturday, January 19th, 10:00 am



WELCOME BABY MARIAH EMON!! December 9, 2012 7 lb. 9 oz. 20.5 in Denise got what she wanted for Christmas here at Hannah's House. Not only were the women abundantly blessed by group generosity, she welcomed her daughter Mariah Emon in time to spend the holidays in Southfield with family! Praise God. Mariah, and momma, are doing amazing! Denise is currently seeking full-time work as a dietary aide (or similar). Please pray she is able to find work quickly.

Jayden is growing and reaching every milestone. He is nearly six months old!! What a joy to have a young man in the house. He is loving "school" and is enjoying his new adventures with "solid" food. Please keep Jayden in your prayers as he and momma prepare for transition from Hannah's House this Spring.



Jayden's mom is doing well. She is entering her second semester at LCC for their High School Completion Dual Enrollment Program. She is still deciding on where she would like to advance to once her diploma and her college degree are completed. Please keep her in your prayers this semester as she moves towards a major transition period.

Mary Ann is entering her third trimester and is eagerly awaiting the arrival of her own bundle of joy, Jurnee N'iah. She is expecting in March, via C-section, so keep her recovery in your prayers. She is currently seeking volunteer opportunities and is considering going back to school. Keep her family in your prayers through the next few months of transitions.



IMMEDIATE VOLUNTEER NEEDS

URGENT!! Snow/Yard Assistant

Be available to shovel snow on days with considerable snow and also mow the lawn, as needed, during warmer months.

URGENT!! Daytime Volunteer House Manager

Be a presence in the home for a set number of daytime hours each week. Interact with residents, answer phones/take messages, and bless women in need by being a presence in the house. Once a week is all it takes to change a life!

URGENT!!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 night 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.



Dear Faithful Friends,

It has been an amazing journey over the last fifteen months. In that time I have had so much joy brought into my life by our residents, my staff, my Board and especially those who faithfully supported Hannah's House through prayer, letters, financially and volunteering!! I want to thank you for how you have inspired the women who live here, as well as me personally.

What an honor it has been, but as Ecclesiastes so aptly states, "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven..." With bittersweet tidings, my season

as Hannah's House Director is ending, but I will still be heavily involved in other capacities. I appreciate continued prayers for my family, particularly my health as I continue to seek healing from a battle I am fighting right now physically. I ask that you also fervently pray for God's leading in the heart of each Board member as they choose the next Director.

Thank you so much for allowing me the opportunity to serve alongside you all, impacting the lives of homeless pregnant women. I know, personally, that Hannah's House changes lives, and I am blessed to have it change my life twice!

God bless, Cody Mathis

Executive Director of Hannah's House

Hannah's House, a Christian non-profit maternity home located in downtown Lansing is seeking an Executive Director to manage its day-to-day business operations. This position is salaried. Currently this is a small ministry seeking to expand.

The successful candidate will have:

- Minimum of an Associate's Degree
- Fundraising experience
- Event planning experience
- Management skills
- Proven organizational skills
- Communication skills
- Proficiency with computers and the ability to learn new software

Responsibilities include supervising employees and conducting extensive community outreach. It is also helpful to have solid leadership skills.

The applicant must be a strong Christian of good moral character, hold prolife Christian values, and be active in a local church.

Please send your resume and salary requirements to:

Hannah's House

P.O. Box 27595, Lansing, MI, 48909

or email resume and cover letter to: hannahshouselansing@gmail.com . NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

Upcoming Events

January 19, 2013 Memorial Service Roe v. Wade St. Mary's Cathedral 10 a.m.

January 20, 2013 Sanctity of Life Sunday Olga's Fundraiser (see below)

February 1-3, 2013 Mid-Michigan Women's Expo

February 23, 2013 Bowl for Babies @ Royal Scot, 1-3 p.m.

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



In the last newsletter we highlighted what is required to run Hannah's House. We are so thankful to all who answered our call to financial support. However, 2013 has arrived and we are still short of our funding needs of \$97, 586.00 for the year. Would you consider supporting Hannah's House monthly in 2013? If 250 additional supporters committed to supporting Hannah's House for \$25 each month, we would meet our financial needs for our ministry this year. Please prayerfully consider helping support new life and new hope for homeless, pregnant women and their babies!



SUPPORT HANNAH'S HOUSE BY ENJOYING A DELICIOUS MEAL AT OLGA'S

When: Sunday, January 20th from 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Where: Olga's Kitchen - Lansing Mall (517) 323-2888

5330 W. Saginaw Highway - Lansing, MI

What: Simply present this flyer and we will donate a

percentage of your bill to Hannah's House.

Visit http://www.facebook.com/olgaskitchen to R.S.V.P., print extra flyers and invite friends.

Visit http://www.olgas.com for location information.

