



SUMMER 2012

A CHRIST-CENTERED NON-DENOMINATIONAL MATERNITY HOME FOR HOMELESS WOMEN

Hannah's House

THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH THE BIG HEART

To live for results would be to sentence myself to continuous frustration.

My only sure reward is in my actions and not from them.

~Hugh Prather

It has been a busy six months for me as the new Director of Hannah's House. I came into this position with lofty goals, an eager heart, an abundance of optimism, and a burning passion for these women. These are all great attributes to possess when working in the human services field, but it can go too far if it is led by your own desire for results and not led by the prompting of God's heart for restoration. In fact, it can be devastatingly dangerous to live by your emotions. Comparing the results I wanted and the results I was getting was causing me to struggle with trust, my faith to waver, as I dove head first into a river of anxiety.

I had seen more than I was prepared to handle, and I wasn't sure I hadn't become a present-day "Jonah," bringing down the "ship" until I sacrificed myself to a "whale." The problem was, I wasn't running from God and there was no whale. No, I was definitely stuck in a worry vortex, one that was terrifying and had me questioning, "Lord, what is going on?" That is when I read a poignant quote from Joyce Meyer, "Satan can control you if you let outward things determine your security."

I was convicted, crying, and completely face-down repentant. I had given in to my emotions, rather than give up my all to my Father. I had let my security rest on the outward (seen), not the inward (unseen). I had let my own visions rule, rather than let the Lord rule. I gave up my worry, laying it at the cross and trusting God when he said, "*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.*" (Isaiah 55:8, NIV).

Cody M Mathis

Make new friends...



WELCOME!
Robyn Lorene
May 15, 2012
6 lbs. 13 oz.
20 3/4 in.



Elizabeth joined Hannah's House in late April. She is due August 19th and is looking forward to finishing high school by the time she leaves Hannah's House. She hopes to dual enroll at LCC and major in something that will allow her to do event planning in the future. Please keep her and her soon-to-arrive son in your prayers!

...But keep the old...



Former resident, Michelle, her fiancé, Justin, and baby Noah, stopped in during a visit while back in Michigan. Both Michelle and Justin have secured factory work in Racine, WI, and are seeking a house together. It was such a blessing to have them stop by and visit!

Elizabeth "Caiti", will be leaving Hannah's House in mid-June. Please pray for her as she embarks on her healing journey from the loss of her daughter, Sarah Grace. Sarah was born at 23.5 weeks and went to be with her Heavenly Father on May 13, 2012 (Mother's Day). Caiti will be completing an internship through Ross and ready to find employment as a Medical Assistant in late June. Again, please keep her in your prayers!



Former resident Ashly gave birth to Brayden last month. He was a month early, but still weighed in at just under 6 lbs! Please keep these two in your prayers as they continue to bond and "grow" together.





Hannah's House is currently seeking a part-time House Manager. Work hours are from 5:00 pm Friday through 8:00 pm Sunday every other week. The house manager is required to spend two nights in the house. The preferred candidate will be a mature Christian woman who can act as a "mother" and mentor to the women who live at Hannah's House. It is imperative that she has a wealth of compassion for vulnerable pregnant women and small babies, while maintaining a spirit of accountability. She is required to cook one meal during the shift (Rachel Ray not required) and attend to light housekeeping chores not already assigned to the residents.

It is preferred she have her own car and insurance with a good driving record. This position is ministerial in nature, not high-paying, so it would be helpful if the candidate is looking to do ministry or mission work. Please send a cover letter and resume to hannahshouselansing@gmail.com, or mail to P.O. Box 27595, Lansing, MI 48909.

WE DID IT !



The Hike for Hannah's House 5k Run/Walk was a SUCCESS! Thanks to all of you who showed up despite the less than sunny weather--your support made the world a bit brighter for a mom in need!

WE DID IT!!!

Thank you to all of the wonderful people who have supported us in the Art Van Charity Challenge!! We successfully raised the \$5,000.00 for the matching grant!!! This money will help Hannah's House serve more women and babies and share the love of Christ!!





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