

HANNAH'S HOUSE JUNE 2011

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SUMMER THOUGHTS

It's summertime. The time when we all come out of our nice warm hiding places to have some fun in the sun. I am especially liking this summer. Why? Because I have run into a number of "girls" from Hannah's House, former residents who are now making it on their own. I have enjoyed seeing the children that were newborn babies not so long ago, and hearing about the trials and successes of some of our past residents. I ran into Alexis and Renee at Meijer. Alexis had married her baby's father and was in the process of trying to get her GED. Renee was still looking for a job, but was successfully raising her baby and still had her own apartment. I also ran into Shameka at the store. She had just been hired for a job in the medical field, which is her area of interest, and she was able to save up and purchase a car. Cathy dropped by in

April with Easter gifts for the current house residents. I saw Martha at a church where I was visiting to speak about Hannah's House, and Lindsay contacted me by phone to let me know that everything was going okay.

I have been blessed recently to see and hear from these young women and I thought I would share some of their triumphs with you, since it is your faithful donations that helped them get on their feet and gain a chance at establishing a new life.

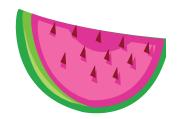
I want to let you know that Hannah's House is making a difference in the lives of young women. When women come to us, homeless and pregnant, we do our best to instill in them the desire to make good life choices, and to build those choices on a foundation of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Yes, Hannah's House makes a big difference.

But without your help, Hannah's House will cease to exist. Then, where will the women go to find a resting place where they can recover from poor choices or tragic circumstances? How will "the least of these" get the opportunity to turn their lives around for themselves and their children?

Social services are strained to the breaking point, and there is no other organization that cares for pregnant and newly parenting mothers like Hannah's House. We take a woman in at any time during her pregnancy and allow her to stay up to nine months after her baby is born, all at no charge.

Help us continue to be the Lord's hands to pregnant women and babies. Please send a generous donation to Hannah's House. Buying one less summer souvenir can buy something of lasting value instead -- the chance to impact lives.

You can donate on our website, or by sending a check. Both addresses are listed above in the masthead of this newsletter. Thank you for your help!



THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH A BIG HEART!

HANNAH'S HOUSE UPDATE



Jamie and baby Destiney

Hannah's House received a third resident on May 9th. Her name is Jamie and she has been homeless for an extended period of time. She came to us in her ninth month of pregnancy after living wherever she could during most of her pregnancy. Jamie is a high school graduate and likes photography.

There are now two new babies at Hannah's House. Jamie gave birth to her daughter Destiny on May 26th after a fairly easy labor.



Becca and baby Jocelyn





Things didn't go

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Breanne and baby Preston

for Breanne, who gave birth by Cesarean section on June 4th.

We now have a full house with three babies. Please keep Becca, Breanne, Jamie and the babies in your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE!

Can't wait until next year to attend a Hannah's House event? You don't have to! Save the date of **Saturday, October 8, 2011** when Hannah's House will be hosting its 5th Annual International Dessert and Silent Auction Evening. The event will take place at Mt. Hope Church's Garden Prayer Chapel from 6-8 p.m.

Each year, talented bakers create beautiful and tasty desserts from different countries to create the international portion of our event. It's all you care to eat desserts while you bid on fabulous auction items collected by Hannah's House staff and volunteers.

There's live entertainment and you'll have the chance to hear more about Hannah's House from one of our former residents or staff.

Don't miss it! We have a wonderful time!

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PLEASE TAKE ACTION!

Dear Faithful Partner,

Our newsletter recipient list has grown significantly over the years. The process of printing the required number of newsletters, not to mention folding, stuffing and stamping them has gotten to be quite a feat. We are asking you to help us make better use of today's technology, and in the long run help us be more efficient, by choosing to receive future newsletters electronically.

be more efficient, by choosing to receive future newsletters electronically. Many of you enjoy reading the newsletter simply to find out what is going on at Hannah's House. Others of you use what you read in the newsletter to faithfully pray for us. We enjoy keeping you informed about the happenings at Hannah's House by providing you with regular updates. We will continue to keep you informed, but we need to hear from you if you wish to continue having a printed newsletter mailed to you. Whether you are a casual reader of the newsletter or one of our faithful prayer warriors, we don't want to lose you. Please let us know if you want us to continue sending you a printed newsletter, OR if you would like us to send the newsletter to you electronically through your e-mail account, OR if you will be going to our website to read the newsletter. Please let us know how you would like to receive future editions of the newsletter by using one of the following methods: 1. Print out this page and print your current name and address on the lines provided below. Check one of the options. Cut along the dotted lines and send this piece of paper to us at the address on our masthead. _____ I would like to read the newsletter on your website. I would like to have the newsletter sent to my e-mail address:

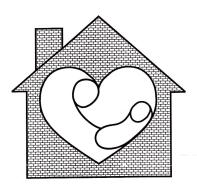
2. E-mail us at hannahshouselansing@gmail.com with the subject line, Hannah's House Newsletter, and include your name, address and how you would like to receive future newsletters.

3. Call us at (517) 482-5856 and tell us how you would like to receive future newsletters.

I would like to continue having a printed newsletter mailed to the address above.

We look forward to hearing from you.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: If we do not hear from you before June 30th we will assume that you will read the newsletter on our website and do not wish to receive a printed or electronic copy of the newsletter.



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WALKATHON RESULTS

Finally, we had a great day for our walk! In the past few years it has been cold and rainy, but Saturday, May 21 was a beautiful sunny day that was an answer to prayer. Approximately 55 runners and walkers participated in our event. Everyone enjoyed the music, fellowship and sack lunches provided by Hannah's House. Prizes of \$20 gas cards were given to the first runner to finish the race, and to the couple that raised the most money for the fundraiser. Four names were drawn from the participants for prizes that included a gift certificate from Deluca's Restaurant, a Meijer gift card and certificates from Great Lakes Chocolate and Coffee. Hannah's House raised a total of \$3300 at the event.

Special thanks to our sponsors who provided funding for the prizes and sack lunches. They included:

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We've already had discussions about next year's walk/run. As soon as we have the date, we'll put a Save the Date memo in our newsletter. We hope you will join us then.



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