

# HANNAH'S HOUSE

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A Christ-centered non-denominational maternity home for homeless women

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### ***DO A REALLY SWEET THING!***



We don't really have to ask if you want to help homeless mothers and babies. We already know that you do. So now is the time to take the opportunity to do a really sweet thing, well actually, to do two really sweet things.

Make plans to attend Hannah's House 5<sup>th</sup> Annual International Dessert Night & Silent Auction where you can sample delicious desserts from different countries. The second sweet thing? Bid on a variety of useful and fun auction items to support Hannah's House ministry.

The event will take place on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. at the Mt. Hope Church Garden Prayer Chapel located at 202 S.

Creyts Rd. in Lansing, MI 48917. Tickets are \$12 per person and can be purchased in advance or at the door. To purchase advance tickets, call Hannah's House at 517-482-5856. We will accept cash or checks only for tickets and auction items.

You may have read in your local paper that Hannah's House was recently the recipient of grant money. That's true. The Capital Region Community Foundation and the Granger Foundation gave us gifts this year to help with expenses. What you may be unaware of however, is the fact that it takes more than \$6,000.00 per month to run Hannah's House. Our expenses encompass more than the food we provide for our residents. We are required to pay employment costs, insurances, utilities and much more to keep Hannah's House up and running.

If you've ever wanted to help, why not join us for the International Dessert Night & Silent Auction. You can support Hannah's House while having a great time! Our program will include music by Christian recording artist and award winner Noelle Garcia. A former Hannah's House resident will tell you what Hannah's House has meant to her...and then there are the desserts!

Come out and celebrate a great ministry, while helping to raise the funds that will keep us going. Do a really sweet thing!

## THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH A BIG HEART !

# ***HANNAH'S HOUSE UPDATE***



***Jamie and baby Destiney***

***Breanne and baby Preston***

***Becca and baby Jocelyn***

All three of the babies who currently live at Hannah's House are growing and thriving. Each of the mothers at Hannah's House has done an excellent job of bonding with her baby. These little ones are well-loved and well-cared for.

Jamie and her baby Destiney are doing well, although Destiney had a rough start. For her first few weeks outside the womb, Destiney failed to gain any weight. But once she got the hang of eating, she made up for lost time. She is now gaining at a steady, healthy rate.

Becca and her baby Jocelyn, or Josie as we call her, will soon be leaving us. They need your prayers. Becca is having a hard time finding housing because of previous circumstances. Pray that she'll find a place to live by the end of September, when her time at Hannah's House will be up. You will notice that Becca is wearing an eye patch. For a few scary weeks she struggled with major health issues, however the Lord blessed her and brought her through. Pray that she maintains her health.

Preston, the only baby boy in the house, is being nursed by his mother and is also growing well. In fact, at first it was hard for his mom to keep up with his demands. For a while he wanted to nurse every hour or so. But he has slowed down and his mom Breanne is doing a beautiful job with her decision to breast feed.

Of our three young women, only Becca is employed. Jamie and Breanne are in the process of looking for work. We solicit your prayers that they will find jobs and good daycare situations for the babies.

## ***STEPHANIE SAYS GOOD-BYE***



***Stephanie K. Johnson***

It is with regret that the Board of Hannah's House announces the resignation of our Executive Director, Stephanie K. Johnson. She has served four years with diligence and wisdom. She will be greatly missed. Please be praying for wisdom for our house managers and for our board during this time of searching for and selecting a new director.

**Peggy Goffin**

**Hannah's House Board President**

It's hard to say good-bye. I've spent the past four years at Hannah's House pouring love and energy into this ministry and it's tough to leave. However, lives and circumstances change and we have to be open to what's next on the road for us. I have accepted another job offer.

I would like to thank the Board of Hannah's House for their help, thoughtfulness, and prayers while I was executive director. They are a great group of committed Christian people and I will miss them.

I will also miss all of you. I feel I know many of you through the faithful donations that you send to Hannah's House. I have learned to recognize the names of most of our loyal partners. My special thanks to those of you who sent notes of encouragement along with your checks. Your encouragement was a blessing.

My prayer is that the next executive director will be as blessed by the work as I was. God bless.

**Stephanie K. Johnson**

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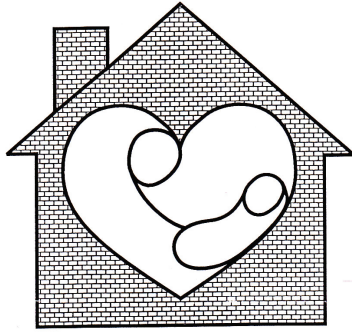
## ***EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WANTED***

Hannah's House, a Christian non-profit maternity home, is seeking an executive director to manage and administer its day-to-day operations. This is a salaried position with the possibility for a flexible schedule.

The successful candidate will have: the minimum of an Associate's Degree, fundraising experience, event planning experience, management skills, proven organizational skills, communications skills, and proficiency with computers and the ability to learn new software. Responsibilities will 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 pro-life Christian values, and be active in a local church.

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### ***Executive Director Wanted*** (Cont.)

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P.O. Box 27595  
Lansing, MI 48909; or e-mail it to

[hannahshouselansing@gmail.com](mailto:hannahshouselansing@gmail.com)

No phone calls please.

### ***Upcoming Fundraisers!***

Hannah's House will be holding two fundraisers during the months of November and December at Olga's Kitchen located in the Lansing Mall.

The first will take place on Sunday, November 20 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The next will be on Sunday, December 11 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

During those Sundays, present a fundraising flyer when you order your meal and Olga's will donate a percentage of your bill to Hannah's House.

To download a flyer, go to our website at [www.hannahshouselansing.org](http://www.hannahshouselansing.org) and print one off for the date you choose. You may also go to [www.facebook.com/olgaskitchen](http://www.facebook.com/olgaskitchen) to print flyers.

If you do not have computer capabilities, call Hannah's House at 517-482-5856 during business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) and we will send you a flyer in the mail.

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### ***Prayer Requests***



Pray for a new executive director for Hannah's House

Pray that Becca will find housing

Pray that Jamie and Breanne would find jobs

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