



# JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2012

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

# Hannah's House

THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH THE BIG HEART

November 1998.

Dear Diary,

*It is Fall, nothing noteworthy is occurring in the news (aside from presidential indiscretions), and the city of Lansing is bustling. But, I can't say that I am part of the crowd excited about much. I found out last month I was pregnant. It is only six short months until my child is due and I have nothing, nothing at all. Even worse, I just lost my job (because I am pregnant), I have to move (I am already sharing a bedroom in a tiny, two-bedroom with my sister, I know I can't stay here), and the father of the baby disappeared when I mentioned the "p-word" (pregnant). I just hope that God can hear me...*

UPDATE--January 2012

*I am happy to report HE did hear her. This young lady found hope, a home, and the Heart of Jesus in the people serving at Hannah's House. This young woman was me thirteen years ago when I found myself very unexpectedly pregnant and completely unprepared. Hannah's House opened the door to a tangible witness of God's unconditional love in my life and allowed me to feel worthy of love beyond my understanding.*

*It is such an honor, privilege, and blessing to be able to come full-circle and serve the ministry that served me so very long ago in a very dark hour. God bless each and every one of you that supports this ministry, without it I know I would have been lost.*

In Christ,

*Cody M Mathis*

Cody Marie Mathis  
Executive Director



← Left: Cian Andrew 1999 at Hannah's House



Right: Cian Andrew, now 12, and his baby brother, Colin Joseph, 2011 →



**What a wonderful Christmas Hannah's House residents had. We were overwhelmingly blessed by several groups that adopted the women and babies, as well as by those who financially supported Hannah's House this past holiday. Thank you for helping us show Christ's love to those seeking Him!**



Hannah's House is currently seeking a part-time House Manager. Work hours are from 3:00 p.m. Monday through 6:00 p.m. Wednesday every other week (a total of 4 paid days per month). The house manager is required to spend Monday and Tuesday night 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](mailto:hannahshouselansing@gmail.com), or mail to P.O. Box 27595, Lansing, MI, 48909.







Do you have a special talent you think would be beneficial to pregnant women? Are you a good listener and just want to be a shoulder? Not sure how you can help, but want to get involved? If so, please contact Cody, Tina, or Lorraine at 517-482-5856 for more information on how you can impact the life of a woman and baby in need.

**Ways to help:**

**Friend/Mentor**

**Craft Teacher**

**Cooking Instructor**

**Employment Skills Instructor**

**Prenatal Instructor**

**Event Volunteer**

**Parenting Instructor**

**Donations Assistant**

**Mailing Team**

**Prayer Team**

**Maintenance**

**Group Projects**



**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!**  
 Bless a staff member or young woman at Hannah's House the Valentine's Day and send a card reminding them how much God (and you) loves them. What a practical way to witness!

**Around the house...**



Ashly is thriving at Hannah's House. She is still employed 40 hours a week, despite some health concerns. She is getting prepared for baby this June and is looking forward to self-sufficiency. Please keep her health and baby's health in your prayers.



Preston is getting SOOO BIG! And, boy, is he a mover and a shaker. He has mastered mobility like a champ. He and momma (Breanne) will be leaving by month's end, which will be bittersweet. We are so proud and happy for them, but will miss them terribly too!



Destiney is revving her crawling engine. She is well on her way to walking, starting to pull herself up on things and really getting around. Please pray for Jamie and Destiney as they enter their new home and for continued success in work and school.



Mid-Michigan

# WOMEN'S EXPO



LANSING CENTER

FEBRUARY 3 - 5, 2012

FEBRUARY 3, 2012 10AM - 8PM

FEBRUARY 4, 2012 10AM - 6PM

FEBRUARY 5, 2012 11AM - 5PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR OR  
ADVANCE DISCOUNT TICKETS AT MEIJER

HANNAH'S HOUSE WILL BE AT THIS YEAR'S MID-MICHIGAN WOMEN'S EXPO, FEBRUARY 3-5, 2012. COME SEE US AT BOOTH 217 AND ENTER TO WIN A GIFT BASKET, SIGN-UP FOR FUTURE EVENT/E-NEWSLETTER NOTIFICATIONS, MEET CODY MATHIS, THE NEW DIRECTOR, FRIDAY (9-6) AND SHOW SUPPORT TO WOMEN IN NEED! THERE IS SO MUCH TO DO WITH OVER 500 OTHER BOOTHS TO VISIT. SO GATHER UP YOUR GIRLFRIENDS, SEWING CIRCLE, AND/OR MOM GROUPS AND COME HAVE FUN AT THE 2012 MID-MICHIGAN WOMEN'S EXPO!!! WE HAVE \$1 OFF COUPONS HERE AT THE HOUSE, CALL 517-482-5856 AND WE CAN GET ONE TO YOU, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION (AND A DOLLAR OFF COUPON TO PRINT AT HOME) YOU CAN GO TO [WWW.KOHLEREXPO.COM](http://WWW.KOHLEREXPO.COM) AND CLICK ON THE MID-MICHIGAN LINK. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

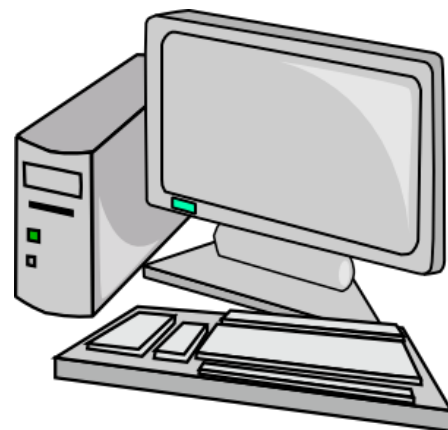


## FEBRUARY 25, 2012 -- 1-3 PM

### 1ST ANNUAL HANNAH'S HOUSE BOWL-A-THON ROYAL SCOT

IF INTERESTED IN HAVING YOUR YOUTH GROUP PARTICIPATE,  
CONTACT SARAH YOUNT, 517-488-6389.

DO YOU HAVE A COMPUTER SEEKING A NEW HOME? IF SO, CONSIDER DONATING IT TO HANNAH'S HOUSE. THE WOMEN USE THESE COMPUTERS FOR JOB SKILLS TRAINING, SEEKING EMPLOYMENT, HOUSING, AND COMPLETING SCHOOLWORK. THESE VITAL TASKS HELP THE WOMEN SUCCEED HERE AND BEYOND. WE ARE HOPING TO HAVE THREE BY SPRING IN ORDER TO ALLOW EACH RESIDENT ACCESS TO THIS TECHNOLOGICAL BOOST!



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