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

"The Lord is close to those who are of a broken heart and saves such as are crushed with sorrow..." Psalm 34:18

often times the women who come into Hannah's House are broken hearted and filled with sorrow. I see jaded hearts broken by circumstances that do not meet the fairy-tale these women thought their lives would be. They find themselves without homes, hopes, and their hearts yearn for true love. It is in their brokenness that God is able to work. He is the ultimate restoration guru. He doesn't use glue, nails, sandpaper, or paint. He uses only Himself--working on hardened hearts instead of weathered woods.

I see angry, bitter, and tired young mothers transformed by the power of God's love. Their hardened hearts soften and rough edges and rapid reactions fade like old scars. It is this transforming power within a new family (momma and baby) that makes every task at Hannah's House a precious witness, and every moment spent serving these wonderful women like seeing through Jesus' eyes.

I wish I had time to personally thank each and every person, group, and organization that supports Hannah's House--and to let them know that their gifts make such a difference in the life of an unborn child by giving a new hope to the mother.

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In Christ,

Lody M Mathis



Make new friends...



We are so blessed to have 3 new residents in the house this year! Mai Doua (left) comes to us from Lansing and entered Hannah's in February nearly 10 weeks pregnant. Early in March she found out that she had experienced a missed miscarriage. Please pray for her as she grieves her loss. Jackie (right) is also a Lansing resident. She is due May 11th and is excited to be having a girl. Please pray for both of these amazing women as they reside here at Hannah's House and learn about how God has a plan for their lives.







Caiti moved in right after Michelle and Justin left for Wisconsin. She is due in September and attends Ross Medical School. She is quiet and mature. We are enjoying getting to know her. Please keep her and her baby in your prayers.



...But keep the old...



We are so sad as we say good-be to Ashly, who left March 10th. It is with a blessing and prayers that we see her off. We wish her the best for baby boy (due in June). Please continue to pray for her.

We are so blessed to have past residents visit the house. Preston came over to visit this past month and got too pooped to party and fell asleep in the jump-up!



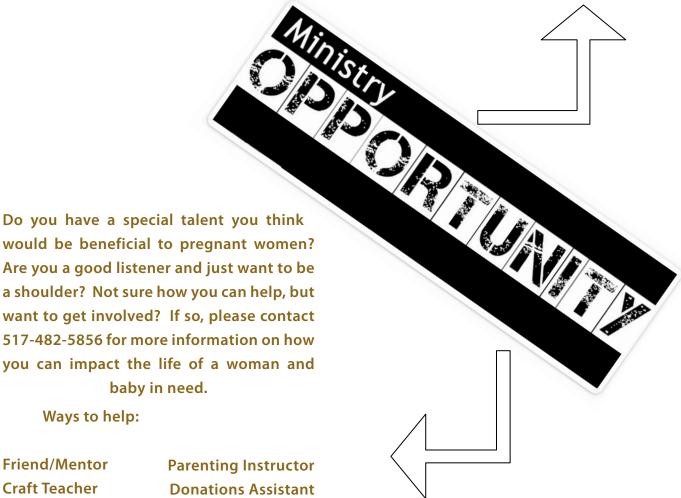
Michelle came to Hannah's House at the end of February. She was due mid-March and Noah was right on time!! Noah was 6 lbs, 7 ozs., and was 20 in. long. Please pray for Michelle, Noah and her fiance Justin as they embark on the next leg of their journey in Wisconsin March 24th.



Hannah's House, a non-profit maternity shelter for homeless pregnant women and their babies, is currently searching for a full-time housemother (or two). The preferred candidate(s) will have the following skills and characteristics:

- Mature Christian woman who has a personal relationship with Christ
- Ability to effectively cook, clean and run a household
- Parenting experience
- Driver's license, car, insurance and a good driving record

If you are interested in the position, contact Cody Mathis at (517) 482-5856 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. weekdays or e-mail: hannahshouselansing@gmail.com



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OR OCCUPANT



Don't forget that Hannah's House was awarded a matching grant opportunity up to \$5,000.00 from the Art Van million Dollar Charity Challenge. If you would like your financial support to double, be sure to mark the memo "Art Van"!!





Get ready to run, walk, and crawl your way to the "Hike for Hannah's House" 5K event. This May 12th at Sharp Park in Delta Township, join other supporters in making a difference in the lives of homeless women and their unborn children. The race begins at 10 with registration at 9:00. There will be a "Tike Hike" prerace event for those supporters under 48" tall. Enjoy all God's greenery and give to a worthy cause. See the center insert of the newsletter for registration and sponsor information. We look forward to seeing you there!!!

