



## HANNAH'S HOUSE

June 2023

Dear Sister in Christ,

I am writing to invite you to consider joining us at Hannah's House in serving and guiding young women who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy and have chosen life for their unborn child. The position is known by the title of House Manager and is part time. I wanted to take a moment to share with you a bit about the women who join us as Guests at Hannah's House, and then, the sorts of responsibilities that would be yours, should the Lord lead you to join us.

### **Our Guests**

Most frequently, the women that join us are young, 18-24 yrs old, although some have been in their early 30's. Many have not completed their High School education having struggled for various reasons with schooling. Many have experienced trauma of some sort, either from their family situation or through the experience of sexual abuse. Often they come to us unaccustomed to living a disciplined or purposeful life, unable to move forward with dreams and goals for their future as women and mothers-to-be. They need our love, our guidance and support, our thoughtful mentoring along with our prayerful accompaniment and friendship. Some of the women come having had some experience of faith in Christ while others have not. We desire to see them have an encounter with Jesus Christ, to come to see themselves as Beloved Daughters of the Father and to experience new life through the gentle work of the Holy Spirit in them. Some come to us resisting guidance or faith, while others have a deep hunger for life in Christ. It is both a challenge and a joy to be part of these women's lives.

### **House Managers** (Our role falls across three domains)

#### ***a) Spiritual Motherhood or Sisterhood***

- Leading evening devotion
- Participating in weekly Bible Study (if held on your shift, or you are invited to participate if you so choose, even if not on your shift!)
- Sharing in the faith formation of our guests, (always sensitive to their degree of openness or reticence, or even in some cases, resistance) through sharing your own experiences in

faith and scripture, your love for Our Lord and his faithfulness throughout your life, whether in times of joy or despair.

- Maintaining our own friendship with Christ as Lord through frequent conversations with him (prayer) receiving his Word (scripture) sharing in friendship with other sisters and brothers (our community and your own faith community).
- Informal teaching of skills related to homemaking, childcare, self care or communication, all from the standpoint of seeking to be a woman of faith in Jesus Christ

***b) Caseworking***

- Assisting guests in applying for social services
- Maintaining daily written records on your shift regarding the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of our guests
- Assisting guests in applying for section 8 housing
- Seeking out additional resources as necessary to support the needs of a guest (i.e. vehicle assistance, bus schedules, security deposit, doula, professional counseling, childcare options, etc.)

***c) Managing a Home***

- Overseeing and participating in homemaking responsibilities with the women (assigned tasks – aka chores!), maintaining beauty and order in the home, planning and preparing meals
- Ensuring guests abide by house guidelines and when necessary engaging in conversation about expectations of the house.
- Applying discipline in the form of “write-ups” or loss of privileges for intentional defiance or resistance to cooperating with house expectations
- Other tasks as needed to create and maintain a home environment of respect, and enjoyment together, of the good, the true and the beautiful

**Compensation**

The compensation for this work is modest. Your commitment would involve a “live-in” shift of either 24 or 48 hours. You would receive the joy of participating with Our Lord in bringing his truth, goodness and beauty to a group of women in need

**Application Process**

Along with the attached application, we would be happy to receive your letter of interest sent to us by mail to:

Hannah’s House  
625 N. Walnut  
Lansing, MI 48933

Or sent by email with attachments, to:

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

I look forward to receiving your application and scheduling an interview together. We are grateful for your interest and pray for the Lord's guidance and blessing on you as you seek to discern his will for you in becoming part of this ministry to young women who are preparing for motherhood and beyond.

Sincerely,

Susan Ayers  
Executive Director  
Hannah's House

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