

Hannah's House

March 2008

A Christ-centered, nondenominational maternity home for homeless women

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THE PATH OF LIFE WALK-A-THON!!

It will soon be time to shake off the winter doldrums, dust off your walking shoes and step into Spring by joining Hannah's House for a major fun and fund-raising event! Make plans to join us on May 17, 2008. That is the date for our annual Path of Life Walk-A-Thon. The event will be held at Hawk Island Park in Lansing and will begin at 9:00 a.m. We've spruced up our plans for this year's Walk-A-Thon and we hope you'll join us as we attempt to involve more walkers, some friendly-spirited team competition and some great prizes too!

We're looking for team captains who will form groups of five to ten walkers to help make the event bigger and better than ever before. Interested? Then send in the attached Walk-A-Thon sheet and you'll be contacted and sent a packet to help you begin forming your Walk-A-Thon team.

Do you want to walk, but don't want the responsibility of forming a team? Contact us and we'll find a place for you on a team, or as an individual walker if you prefer.

If you'd like more information, please contact Stephanie K. Johnson at hannahshouselansing@gmail.com or by phone at Hannah's House (517) 482-5856.



FUND-RAISING CALENDAR 2008

We're excited about the plans we have for fund-raising in 2008. We have decided to stick with doing just a couple of fund-raisers a year so as to devote our energies into making them more exciting for you and to raise more support for Hannah's House. But our enthusiasm for the changes we're planning won't go very far without you! Please save the following dates on your calendar and make it part of your plans to participate in Hannah's House fund-raisers this year.

The Path of Life Walk-A-Thon, May 17, 9:00 a.m. at Hawk Island Park (Lansing)

Second Annual Dessert Night and Silent Auction, October 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Mt. Hope Church (the church with all the flags)

Hannah's House Annual Pie Sale, October 4-30.

Pie pick-up or delivery November 8, 2008

The little house with a BIG heart

HANNAH'S HOUSE UPDATE

Hannah's House is nearly filled to capacity. We're currently housing three moms, two babies, and one pre-born child is on the way.

C. and S. whom you read about in our last newsletter both gave birth to healthy babies within one day of each other. C. gave birth to Isaac who weighed in at nine pounds, and S. gave birth to Ania (pronounced ann-i-ah) who weighed in at six plus pounds. Both babies are three months old and thriving at the time of this writing.

Our other mom F. is due to give birth to a girl in late April or early May.



Isaac gives us a smile.

A Special Blessing

Hannah's House received a very special blessing late last year. You may recall that in our last newsletter we presented a wish list of items that we wanted to receive for the ministry. One of the items we wished for was new carpet for the living room and dining area to replace the stained and threadbare carpet that we had. Through the generosity of one of our readers, we received a donation earmarked for new flooring. Because of the generosity of the gift, we were also able to purchase new vinyl flooring to replace the worn out tile in our kitchen. We praise the Lord for the gift and the giver, and also for supplying our needs.



House Manager Evelyn spruces up our new carpet blessing.

We Still Need Your Help

Hannah's House is primarily supported through personal and church donations and fund-raisers. We receive a couple of grants, but that's it. We receive no government funding so that we can insist on church attendance and Bible study for the young women we are trying to reach with the message of Christ.

We were truly blessed by your generosity during the last quarter. But since early January 2008, donations have dropped considerably. Perhaps you can help. Donations of any amount are much needed and always greatly appreciated. Or, if God has blessed you with funds from a tax return, perhaps you will in turn consider blessing the ministry of Hannah's House.

We depend on donors like you to keep this vital ministry going.

HANNAH'S ATTIC

Hannah's Attic is another part of the ministry of Hannah's House. How does it work? Baby items that are donated to Hannah's House are distributed to those in need who have small children.

We accept baby clothes in good condition in sizes 0-3T. We also accept baby furnishings such as chairs, swings, etc. For safety reasons, we ask that the items not be too old.

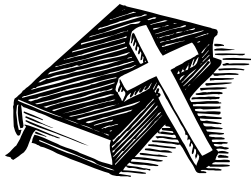
Items are given out on a first come-first serve basis, with the residents of Hannah's House being served first.

We also accept diapers to use at Hannah's House or to be given away...and right now with two babies in the house we could really use diaper donations! (Sizes 2 and 3).

If you have items to donate, or are in need of items for your baby or toddler, please contact us at (517) 482-5856 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

SPECIAL THANK YOU!

A very special thank you to the men of Teen Challenge for helping to keep our walkways and driveway clear this winter by shoveling snow.



SCRIPTURE THOUGHT

He prayed, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like You in all of heaven and earth. You keep Your promises and show unfailing love to all who obey You and are eager to do Your will."
II Chronicles 6:14 New Living Translation (NLT)



HELP WANTED!

HANDYMAN Do you like to putter? If so, we have an opportunity for you! Hannah's House is in need of a handyman (or woman) who can volunteer

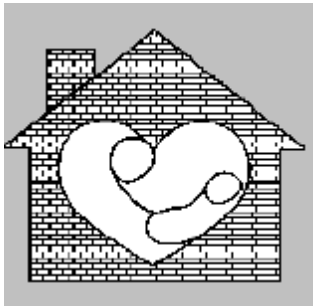
to devote a few hours a month to helping with the upkeep on our house, and who could be available for those pesky household emergencies that crop up from time to time. Is your church group looking for a project? This might just fit the bill. Do you know a retiree who might be interested in doing some volunteer work for a worthy cause? You get the idea. If you're interested, or know someone who might be, send us an e-mail or give us a call.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE MANAGER Hannah's House needs a dedicated Christian woman who can volunteer to spend some week-ends at the house in order to give our other house managers time off, sick time, etc. The position includes a bedroom of your own to sleep in as well as meals and the opportunity to influence the lives of the residents for Christ. Give Stephanie a call at the number listed below.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR Hannah's House needs an organized and enthusiastic person to coordinate the activities of our volunteers.

Those interested in assisting us with any of this vital work should call Stephanie K. Johnson at (517) 482-5856, or e-mail hannahshouselansing@gmail.com.

Stephanie K. Johnson - Director Evelyn Malcolm - Full-Time House Manager Barbara Armstrong - Weekend House Manager Robin Robbins - Weekend House Manager



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THE PATH OF LIFE WALK-A-THON!!

May 17, 2008

9:00 A.M.

Hawk Island Park, Lansing

If you would like to participate in the Walk-A-Thon Fund-Raiser for Hannah's House, please fill out and return this form.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

_____ YES! I'd like to be a captain and gather a team to walk for Hannah's House.
Send me a packet.

_____ YES! I'd like to participate in the walk. Put me on a team.

_____ YES! I'd like to walk individually.

_____ No. I can't participate in the walk but here is my donation of \$ _____
to Hannah's House.