

January 2017



# Hosanna Home

## WOMEN'S SHELTER

OUR MISSION: *Providing care in a Christian home for women in transition.*

### Christmas at Leah's House

Delight yourself in the LORD  
and he will give you the desires  
of your heart. Psalm 37:4

Every year God provides in a different way to bless our residents and this year was extravagant! We had three residents at Hosanna Home and one little family at Leah's House. All of their wishes came true! Even children that are estranged were remembered with gifts provided by Saints of the Most High God through His people.

**The Way Baptist Church, Calvary Baptist Church, Calvary Christian Home Schoolers** and many individuals provided amazing, personalized gifts and food for our Christmas dinner. Words cannot convey the gratitude. Our staff was even blessed with special remembrances!

Never having been parents, being part of the Christmas morning festivities at Leah's was a joy for both David and I. He helped get the toys out of the steal-proof packaging so the kids could play with them. And our House Manager, Robbett, showed them how the new toys work.

It was a beautiful opportunity to show the love of Christ to this little family. The mother even received a gift to send to her 15 year old in California, which made Mom cry tears of joy!



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## Christmas at Hosanna Home



Special gifts were purchased based upon the requests of our residents -not only for the residents, but for their children also.



Warm clothing is always a need!



Beautiful Decorations!

**Calvary Baptist Church, Austin Baptist Church,  
& Kingston Baptist Church provided all of the  
beautiful gifts for the residents at  
Hosanna Home!**





## OUR NEW PLACE IS WORKING WELL!



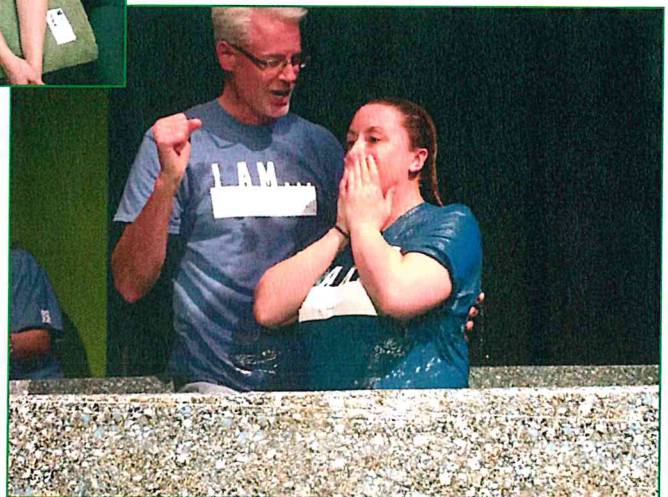
The living and dining rooms are much larger than our place on Center Street





## JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

At the heart of Hosanna Home's program is the desire that every lady that is touched by Hosanna Home hears about salvation and freedom in Christ. On December 11, 2016, two of our residents (Tiffany and Michelle) were baptized at Summit Christian Church. It was a beautiful night of celebrating their salvation and we are very grateful to the Lord for His work in their lives.



### CURRENT LEAH'S & HOSANNA HOME NEEDS

- ☐ Freezer gallon & quart size baggies
- ☐ Canned & Fresh Fruit
- ☐ Coffee and liquid creamers
- ☐ Thin spiral or composition notebooks
- ☐ 13 gallon trash liners
- ☐ Mr. Clean Magic Erasers
- ☐ Lysol Wipes
- ☐ Snack bars/granola bars for lunches
- ☐ Sugar & Sweetener
- ☐ 409 Cleaner Refills
- ☐ Non-skid slippers (all sizes)
- ☐ Paper towels & Kleenex
- ☐ Canned tuna, chicken and soups

### NEW VOLUNTEER TRAINING CLASS

**Saturday, February 4, 2017**

**9 am - 11 am**

**Come be a part of this Life-changing Program!**

**Call Linda for details: 232-5416**





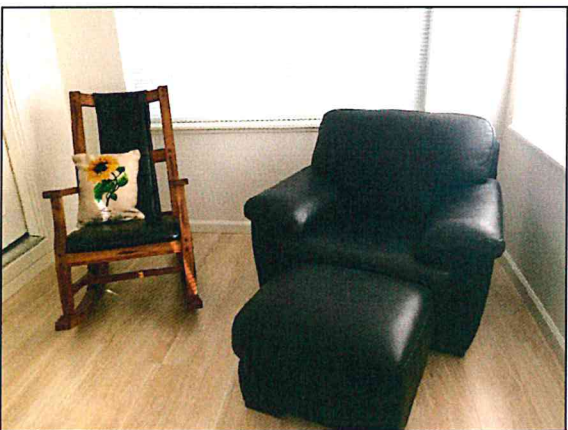
## LEAH'S HOUSE UPDATE



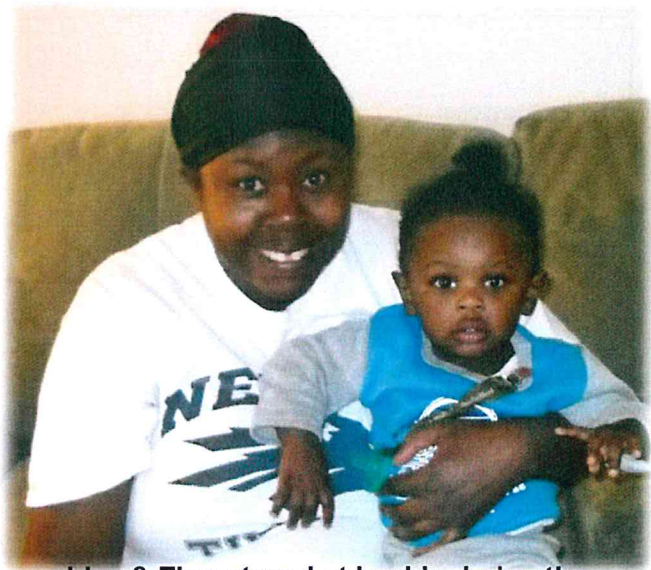
At the end of November a new little family came to stay with us. A meeting with volunteer Megan for childhood development is one of our first steps to a new future. Mom was able to find a great job and is currently moving into her own apartment in Feb. Thank you, Jesus!



During our move from Center Street to our new facility in Sparks, we housed our residents from Hosanna Home at Leah's House for 3 weeks until the new house was ready in November. During that time the residents had a game night there with two of our volunteers.



A beautiful easy chair was donated by Daphne Chin for our playroom.



**Lisa & Zion stayed at Leah's during the first week of 2017.**





## HOSANNA HOME RECREATION



Christmas Snowmen



Life Group Game Night



Calvary Chapel Christmas Tree Project



### *Our Community Donated to our Volunteers*

Over 50 gifts were donated by the following businesses to show appreciation for their selfless hours of work at Hosanna Home/Leah's House & Esther's Closet:

1. Water Springs Restaurant -\$20
2. Beyond Nails -\$25
3. Maurices-\$35
4. His Word -\$25
5. IHOP-\$50
6. Marble Slab \$20
7. Sawasdee Thai Restaurant-\$20
8. Cheesecake Factory -\$25
9. Outback Steak House -\$90
10. Salon Galleria-\$25
11. SK Noodle-\$40
12. Portatography Inc. -\$65
13. Sizzler-\$40
14. Bed, Bath & Beyond-\$20
15. Legacy Nails-\$20
16. Round Table Pizza-\$40
17. Red Robin-\$20
18. Mirage Spa-\$36
19. Nicko's Greek Restaurant-\$75
20. Shearz Hair Salon-\$50
21. Port of Subs-\$240
22. Mc Donald's (Vista)-\$50
23. Atlantis Casino-\$50
24. Hawk Insurance -\$100
25. Jersey Mike's Sub-\$175
26. Sport Clips-\$500



Carolyn Singley  
handmade donated  
door prizes for every  
volunteer!





## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Every year our volunteers are treated to a scrumptious lunch and party - hosted by Nancy Pieretti with gifts donated by various businesses in the community. Here's our 2016 Bash - It was Amazing!



Our Hosts at the Continuum



Prizes from Esther's Closet



Special Recognition for all of the volunteer hours

It was a wonderful day of fun and thanksgiving for all that participated. Everyone was recognized and provided with a lovely door prize in addition to the special achievement awards.



# Esther's Closet Ministry News



On October 15 & 16, 2016, the Women's Expo was held at the Grand Sierra Resort (GSR). There were over 200 booths and 50 tables of vendors all designed to highlight women's health. This year their selected charity to support was Hosanna Home.

Esther's Closet provided the fashion show with clothing all from our donors and it was spectacular.

We even had a lady stay at Leah's House because she heard about us at the event. So God used it in many ways.



In November we held our annual Christmas Event with over 100 shoppers that night. It was awesome to see all of the beautiful clothes and all the smiling faces!



**Esther's Closet Upcoming Schedule**  
**March 25th (10am-4:30 pm):**  
**Bridal Fair &**  
**Customer Appreciation Event**



**SPECIAL THANKS FOR SPECIAL DONATIONS!**

**You can support Hosanna Home with all your Amazon purchases. Just go to Amazon Smile and select us as your charity.**

**The address is: <http://smile.amazon.com/>**

- ☺ Kathy Kubly - DVD Player, towel set & toiletries
- ☺ Byron & Joan Meyer - Sandwich tray, snacks, packing tape, paper goods, sugar, coffee, gifts
- ☺ Kathy Brown - Coffee maker and shoes
- ☺ Ernie (River Rock) - milk, yogurt and bread
- ☺ Summit's Women's Bible Study - Food, paper products, cleaning supplies
- ☺ Mercedes - food
- ☺ Claudia Nelson - Open House Cookies
- ☺ Jen Unruh - Food
- ☺ Bobbeye Bowes - pies for Thanksgiving
- ☺ Melody Solton - Groceries, Juice & Coat
- ☺ Nicole @ Salon Galleria - haircut for Tiffany
- ☺ Doris Arnold - Bread
- ☺ Wayne & Lola Handrock - Groceries
- ☺ Barbara Roth-cookies & umbrellas
- ☺ Bonnie Hale - Avon products
- ☺ Byron & Joan Meyer - New electric fry pan for Leah's House
- ☺ Pastor & Kathy Vaughn - stuffed animals
- ☺ Tom Nichols - Fiesta Cups, Snacks, food, product Starbuck gift cards
- ☺ Beverly Johnson - Gifts for Christmas, popcorn & veggies
- ☺ Kathy Brown - fresh vegetables
- ☺ Tavern Products - 2 cases of vinyl gloves
- ☺ Ruth Shipman - potatoe salad & jeans
- ☺ Patty McCord - Carpet cleaner, space heaters
- ☺ Liz & Dan Hults - coffee, toiletries & computer
- ☺ Elaine Nichols - non-perishable food







**IN HIS LOVE**  
**Linda Schmitt,**  
**Executive Director**



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

2 Corinthians 5:17

What a busy season Christmas is. I believe it must have been like that when Jesus was born, too. Can you imagine riding to Bethlehem on a donkey, giving birth and then having visitors (Shepherds and Wise Men) come to greet your child? Makes Christmas shopping seem easy, right?

As you can see in this newsletter, our 4th quarter was filled to the brim with changes, blessings, crafts and joy.

We begin this New Year with a lot of hope as the Executive Director is now a full-time volunteer with Hosanna Home. I've retired from my paid job and will focus strictly on serving our ladies who come to Hosanna and Leah's House.

We have a new Board President and a new member. Our staff continues to grow in the Lord and we begin a new study with our Care Partners in February.

You will see in the chart below that this work is costly but definitely worth it.

When children are taken out of 4th Street weekly motels and when ladies are no longer sleeping on the street, God is honored.

**Thank you for all of the support and prayers you provide to continue to prosper this ministry.**

**Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.**

Galations 6:9



### IT'S JUST LIKE RAISING KIDS!

Ever wonder what it costs to run Hosanna Home? Well here are some statistics from the past nine years of serving women in need. As our program has grown, so have the costs. Our graduations are more numerous and the number of days that residents stay has also increased. We are happy that 170 ladies heard the Good New of Jesus during these past nine years. I can't wait to see how many will be in Heaven because of your generosity with time and financial resources. We have returned 72% of all resident fees paid-in back to them to restart lives.

**ANNUAL RESIDENT STATISTICS AND COSTS (Leah's House Opened In 2015)**

Year	# of Residents	Total # of Days @ HH	# of Graduates	Left: No Sobriety	Other Issues	Annual Cost	Cost per Resident	Cost per day
2008	10	1072	4	1	5	\$ 52,010.23	\$ 5,201.02	\$ 48.52
2009	10	1027	4	2	6	\$ 57,766.75	\$ 5,776.68	\$ 56.25
2010	15	1356	4	1	9	\$ 62,778.96	\$ 4,185.26	\$ 46.30
2011	20	1208	5	1	14	\$ 91,052.31	\$ 4,552.62	\$ 75.37
2012	22	1422	3	5	14	\$ 120,768.30	\$ 5,489.47	\$ 84.93
2013	27	1945	2	11	14	\$ 151,901.02	\$ 5,625.96	\$ 78.10
2014	16	899	6	6	5	\$ 94,809.47	\$ 5,925.59	\$ 105.46
2015	25	1294	5	4	16	\$ 98,704.76	\$ 3,948.19	\$ 76.28
2016	25	2200	7	1	17	\$ 182,038.50	\$ 7,281.54	\$ 82.74
<b>Cumulative</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>6085</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>\$ 536,277.57</b>	<b>\$ 3,154.57</b>	<b>\$ 88.13</b>