



Bethlehem
MATERNITY HOME

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The Road To Bethlehem

**LET'S CELEBRATE CHRIST'S BIRTHDAY AND THE BIRTHDAY
OF THE BETHLEHEM MATERNITY HOME!
PROVIDING A "HOUSE" TO CALL "HOME!" AND A NEW BEGINNING!!**

FROM THE DESK OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT:



The Gabriel House
(above)



The Clare House
(above)

As we near the end of 2020, we reflect on the many challenges faced by our community because of the pandemic! We are saddened by those who lost loved ones and those struggling with economic uncertainty. We look to our Father in Heaven for healing and the strength to persevere.

God has had his guiding hand on the Bethlehem Maternity Home and provided in a huge way during 2020. In late Summer, God surprised us with the perfect location to establish The Bethlehem Maternity Home. The location near downtown Victoria is on a large lot with a two-story home and attached mobile home. With the generosity of our supporters, we were able to purchase the property in October. A special thank you to the K.R. and Laura Miller Foundation and other donors for making the purchase of the home possible.

In October, we also hired a Director for the home, Lisa Howard, and work began in earnest to prepare for opening our home to pregnant women needing housing. Lisa and some awesome volunteers have been cleaning, organizing, receiving and sorting material donations and assessing needed furniture. Of the 9 bedrooms 4 have been sponsored by individuals and groups for furnishing and decorating. There are still 5 bedrooms available for sponsorship. A special thank you to Jill Crain for sponsoring "A Christmas Cheer Event" for the maternity home. The mobile home with 5 bedrooms has been named the Clare House in honor of the Sisters of Poor Clare who formerly owned the property. The house has been named Gabriel House in honor of the Archangel Gabriel.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Blessed 2021!

Fred A. Williams

Our Mission: *The Bethlehem Maternity Home is to serve women 18 years up to 30 years of age in crisis pregnancies by providing safe housing and life-affirming services in a Christian environment.*



MEET OUR DIRECTOR

Lisa understands the situation of the expectant mothers and believes God called her to her role as director. She was a 16-year-old unwed expectant mother in a crisis situation 38 years ago. She said her options were abortion or adoption, and she did not believe in abortion. So she moved into a facility for unwed mothers in San Antonio and put her son up for adoption. She met him last year for the first time. "If there had been a project like this 38 years ago, I could have kept my baby," she said. "This is a beautiful ministry where we can teach them how to take care of their babies."

Want to volunteer? Want to see our beautiful new home and take a tour?? Contact Lisa at 361.541.5695.

LISA HOWARD

calendar of events:



1. Be looking for the invitation to attend our Open House COMING SOON!
2. The Diocese of Victoria-Office of Pro-Life Ministries in their journey of "Walking with Mothers in Need" has selected The Bethlehem Maternity Home to be the recipients of proceeds received from a Virtual 5K!! [January 21-January 29](#) – visit their website: <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/pro-life> to find out details and to register!! Your support is deeply appreciated!
3. Don't forget the Candlelight March for Life on [January 28](#), downtown Victoria- DeLeon Plaza!

CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

FOR OUR MOMS:

- MATERNITY CLOTHES
- SLEEPWEAR
- TOILETRIES
- HAIR DRYER/HAIR CARE ITEMS
- BREAST PUMP

FOR OUR BABIES:

- DIAPERS/WIPES
- RECEIVING BLANKETS/QUILTS
- BABY CLOTHES (NB-6MO)
- TOWELS AND WASH CLOTHS
- CHANGING PADS
- BABY TOILETRIES
- FORMULA
- BABY MONITORS
- DIAPER BAGS
- CAR SEATS
- (3) BABY CRIBS WITH MATTRESS
- (3) BABY MATTRESSES
- HIGH CHAIRS

(PLEASE NOTE THAT BABY CRIBS CANNOT HAVE DROP DOWN SIDES)

FOR OUR HOUSE:

- KITCHEN TOWELS
- POTS AND PANS
- SERVING BOWLS
- HAND TOWELS
- WASH CLOTHS



CHRISTMAS WISH LIST CONTINUED

There are larger items that are needed for
THE GABRIEL HOUSE:

- Washing Machine
- HVAC system \$5,000 (2 systems in the house but one is just about out)
- Upright Freezer

Please keep us and our needs in your prayers.



THE PICTURES ABOVE ARE TAKEN OF THE INTERIOR OF THE GABRIEL HOUSE



Give the Gift of Life this Christmas



Give the GIFT of LIFE this Christmas, DONATE and/or join our "Circle of Life Donors".

A "Circle of Life Donor is a donor who commits to an ongoing monthly donation.

LIFE - \$200 a month (Protecting LIFE from conception to natural death)

LOVE - \$100 a month (Sharing & Giving our LOVE in so many ways)

HOPE - \$50 a month or less (Giving HOPE to a Mom and her unborn child)

You can donate Online: www.victoriagabrielproject.org/maternity-home
or Mail: PO Box 345 Victoria, TX 77902

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."- 2 Corinthians 9:6-8



Thank You Volunteers

OUR "VOLUNTEERS" ARE SUCH A BLESSING!!
WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT
EACH ONE OF YOU!



*"A house is made with walls and beams;
a home is built with love and dreams."
-Ralph Waldo Emerson*



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MEET GABRIEL!
OUR ADOPTED HOUSE CAT!

MERRY
christmas
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thank You Donors

Our "Donors" are a blessing! We couldn't have done it without you!! You have blessed us just as Mary was fortunate, in her difficult circumstances, to have the love and support of her cousin, Elizabeth, who welcomed the young expectant mother with the following greeting:

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" (Luke 1:42)

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