

Help Wanted

| Volunteers to help out in our store, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:50 to 1:00 or other days. Volunteers to help paint, or do other menial tasks. Volunteers to join our Wednesday morning work crew doing maintenance tasks and projects on the property 8:30 - 12. Volunteers to pray Monday mornings at 10. | | | |
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Letter from the Director Dec 2024

Hello and Merry Christmas to all our friends,

As I was contemplating on this time of year and celebrating our Lord's birth, I thought if it were not for God sending Jesus, I would not be writing this letter. It's only because Jesus was born and died that we can be reconciled to the Father. (John 3:16) So as I write this letter, and let you all know how we have been blessed and have been a blessing to so many ladies, all the praise goes to our Lord Jesus Christ.

This year has been challenging for the ministry and for me personally, yet we have been able to help four of our ladies who moved on into their own places this year. Which also meant repairs, cleaning and painting to get the apartments ready again for new residents. Five new ladies just moved in, making a total of five ladies with children in apartments and two single ladies at Grace House.

We started the new duplex build, which should be finished by spring. With our Christmas donations and savings, we will be able to cover the total cost of the build, appliances, landscaping etc. and be debt free. Our Wednesday volunteers have been doing a lot of the work and will be doing all the finish work of painting, cabinet installation. trim work, door installation, etc. They can always use help, if any of you men out there, are interested. They meet in the office at 8:30 for coffee and donuts and to discuss what needs to be done, then leave about noon.

Our thrift store, Redeemed Treasures, has been doing well. So many have given donations and we have been able to put the ladies to work until they find permanent employment. It helps us and them. We are short on volunteers right now at the store, so if any one would be willing to put in a few hours any day, but especially Tuesday and Thursday mornings, please come by and see us. All revenue from the store goes right back to the ministry to help the ladies. Right now, the store looks like a Christmas wonderland – come check it out!

We have been able to give 5 donated cars to our ladies this year. One from my cousin, David and his wife, Maurine, who drove all the way from Tennessee to bring a car (see picture) and other donations. The other cars were donated by people in Aiken. I wish you all could see the joy and hope these ladies have when they get a car. We still need more vehicles for the ladies and one for the ministry that can seat at least 8 people.

Please be praying that God will send us another resident manager for Crossroads Community. We were blessed to have Jodie for so long, but it was time for her to move into her own place. She loved the ladies and children and did so much to love and encourage them and help Linda and I manage the store and all that needed to be done.

Through it all we have seen God's hand and look forward to this next year for the blessing of seeing what God will do in the lives of the women He sends our way and for the ministry. We are so grateful for all who pray, give and volunteer. We would not be able to do what we do without God using you to bless us.

All for His Glory,

Debbie Lamb

Director

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Our new duplex build: Next step is siding outside and sheet rock inside

SATCM NEEDS

Besides contributions needed to pay off the <u>duplex build</u>, we have other needs at our ministry:

- Furniture to fill the duplex: twin beds, dressers, end tables, couches, lamps, TV stands.
- Twin and full size sets of sheets for the new duplex, apartments and Grace House
- Plastic covers for twin and full size mattresses
- Mattress covers for twin and full size beds.

We could always use <u>supplies</u> donated to help the ladies out:

- Cleaning supplies such as Windex, bleach, toilet cleaner, Awesome Cleaner, etc.
- Laundry detergent
- Toilet paper, Paper towels, Kleenex, Kitchen garbage bags, Large trash bags, Napkins, Gallon Ziploc bags

In addition, we appreciate gift cards for Wal-Mart or grocery stores to help ladies with food as they first come in, or clothes and shoes required for certain jobs.

And our <u>thrift store</u> always appreciates donations of any kind: clothing, jewelry, household appliances, home décor, toys, furniture, and miscellaneous. All the funds from the store go to the ministry of Stand at the Crossroads and provides jobs for those in need of employment.

<u>Dependable cars</u> are always needed for ladies who come here. And the ministry especially needs a reliable SUV car or mini bus to get ladies to church, work and appointments. Drivers are needed to help those without cars.

Thanks

Thanks to First Presbyterian ladies who did some painting and put out pine straw and to Kathy Timmerman's grandkids who helped pick up branches and leaves from the hurricane.

Thanks to Lee Wortham and the P.E.O Chapter 5 group for the gift cards for the ladies to Walmart and the grocery store.

Thanks to Larry Bowling and to Shiloh Baptist Church for the Thanksgiving meals for the ladies.

Thanks to Women of Woodside for providing a refrigerator for the duplex.

Thanks to the many people who donated cars for the ladies this year

Thanks to Lighthouse Baptist Church, &Calvary Chapel, who provided Christmas presents for ladies & children at SATCM.





Megan is so happy to have a new car, all the way from Tennessee





Some of our ladies and children in front of the duplex build and one in front of an apartment.

