

Quarterly News

June 2025

Sweet Summertime Brings Change

Summer has finally arrived in Northeast Ohio. The sun is shining, and the roads seem to be more crowded as people travel to sporting events, concerts and go on vacation. You can hear the tractors, lawnmowers and the excited screams and squeals of children playing outside. Summer brings an increase in activity as the world seems to move at a rapid pace during a season designed for recreation and leisure. Things are just different.

Our annual **Christmas Angel Gala** fundraiser will look a little different this year and we are so excited some of the changes. We have partnered with the Norwalk Eagles Club to host the event with the goal of extending our scope and reach in the community. This year's event will move to a Saturday night and have a catered meal! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 13, 2025.**

Things are looking a little different at **Hope Restored** as well. We are going to be a little more vocal about our Christian faith and how it directs every initiative, every program and every effort we make towards ending abuse.

On **April 5, 2025**, we celebrated the 3-year anniversary of the opening of **The Hope Center**. Over the years, we have held groups that helped provide practical tips on having healthy relationships, like <u>5 Love Languages</u> and <u>Keep Your Love On!</u>

We have had programs for kids that equip them to keep their heart safe, through education and art, in our *Great Art-Safe Heart* program for teens and our *Safe Heart Kits*.

We have held multiple <u>Finding</u>
<u>Freedom</u> domestic violence
support groups that give a voice to
abuse victims and empower them
to be more than survivors in life.
We aspire to break the cycle of
domestic violence in their families
and in our greater community.

We have worked with those who have suffered abuse and trauma to obtain inner healing through our <u>Search for Significance</u> small group and one-on-one <u>Heart Sync</u> sessions.

We continue to offer solutions that **PREVENT**, **SUPPORT** and **RESTORE** individuals and families that have been affected by trauma and abuse.

Our mission remains the same. We are Bringing peace, ending violence for every man, woman & child.

- Blessing To you from Hope Restore

Thank you for your support.

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WITHOUT THORNS

Without Thorns is one part of our organizational design to address and eradicate domestic violence and abuse. We aspire to establish a Batterer's Intervention Program (BIP) that will work with abusers to break the cycle of violence. This initiative will go beyond anger management and get to the root of the issue, ending violent behavior and healing families.

In February, we held our first 6-week men's group using <u>Rock Solid Men</u> curriculum from the **Man in the Mirror** organization. The curriculum covered the practical ways a man of faith could live his life with faith at the center.

Another 6-week group was held in April and May, completing the <u>Wild at Heart</u> curriculum, authored by **John Eldridge**, a teacher and licensed counselor. The study focused on the identity & divine design of men.

What do these groups have to do with ending domestic violence?

They are designed to mentor and develop men of faith who will become leaders in their families and community. The curriculum will be used in the forthcoming BIP, with some men rising up to become leaders & mentors.

- Are you someone who wants to be a part of this groundbreaking effort?
- Do you just want to attend a future group and grow in your faith?
- Would you like to connect with other men of Christian faith, <u>across denominational lines</u>?

COME TO OUR EVENT IN AUGUST MEN OF EVERY AGE ARE WELCOME!



Saturday, August 2, 2025 10:00am - 2:00pm MOVIE & COOKOUT

Event will be held at 414 Gibbs Road, Norwalk, OH *R.S.V.P. on our website today and bring a friend!*

Fall Program Updates

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Love is incredible.

Loving others can be difficult.

Which of the following groups would you be interested in attending this fall?

5 Love Languages

8-week group - Learn to love others using the 5 Love Languages

Keep Your Love On!

10-week relationship group
[Communication-Connection-Boundaries]

Love & War

8-week video series for married & pre-married couples

Complete our brief poll today using the following online $\bigsqcup NK$ or by visiting our website.

SAVE THE DATE

7/25 & 7/26 - Summit Motorsports Park
Blue Suede Cruise 50/50 Fundraiser

08/02/25 - Without Thorns Men's Gathering

8/09/25 - Love Norwalk

9/12 & 9/13/25 - Roll It Forward Fundraiser

10/4/25 - The Hope Gathering

12/13/25 - Christmas Angel Gala Fundraiser



Thank you for reading!