



SOJOURNER TRUTH MINISTRIES, INC.

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SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2025

Warmest Greetings, (literally!)

As we are in the midst of our Big 25, there are so many things and people to be grateful for- all those who have come and gone before I have come, the multitude of volunteers, many Board members, those in leadership and on staff- through seasons of struggle as well as through seasons of blessings- it's culminated to this point: this year is our 25th Birthday! And still, we serve many people in need.

Sojourner Truth Ministries has "served the souls of this city" in many ways, and thousands have been helped in one way or another. Over the years, this ministry has been a life line to many who've been helped with overcoming addictions, crisis, and needed safe space during the day.

I am reflecting on how grateful I am to get to be a part of this ministry! People have been fed, of course, with meals, offered choices of perishable and canned foods to help get them through tough times, given shoes, socks, clothing and hygiene items. They have had opportunities to be spiritually fed and nourished, to hear devotions and Messages, to attend Bible studies, small groups, video series, topic-based lessons, learn basic life skills, hear speakers from various agencies (we have had weekly presenters prior to lunch for several years)- social services assistance, referrals, and more.

We've seen God do miracles of healing and provision. Several years a woman who had been blind was healed after prayer! She DROVE herself in to tell us! During a time of prayer for her, a little girl awoke from her coma and sat up and started talking! There are many less drastic miracles, and we believe by His grace there will be many more.

The House of Hope was initially opened for women leaving homelessness behind and learning life skills to prevent going back (a 9 month program) .Unfortunately, we had to close due to lack of funds. God willing, the program will be resurrected. We've been meeting, praying, planning and anticipating next steps and future. A "side hustle" of making instant custom photo magnets is in progress, with the goal of becoming a large funder for the Program and to offer future women job training as well as opportunity for earning income. This will be a major factor in sustainability.

Your support will be welcomed! Every magnet makes a difference. You can help by purchasing one (or hundreds), and spread the word! Check us out on social media through FB: Sojourner Truth Ministries, Inc. Contact me for more details! Cell 610-428-5721 Angelique4stm@gmail.com
This is an exciting time for us. JOIN IN! We'd love to share more of this journey with you!

Gratefully, Pastor Angelique

PARTY IN A BOX –

As we continue to celebrate our 25th birthday, to **we invite you to invite us to your church** to celebrate with us! We'll bring the party hats, noisemakers, and birthday cake. AND, we'll tell you about why and how we're so much more than a soup kitchen. We feed body, mind, and soul in our community and want you to share in the joy of hearing some of our "success" stories. It's pretty amazing! We'll also share some challenges, as well as what's on the horizon. If you want to bring a birthday gift, anything "on a roll" is always very helpful. Last year we served 36,400 meals. That's a LOT of things on a roll! (toilet paper, paper towels, Lysol wipes, etc.) The churches that have already participated have had a great time and are grateful to have heard more of the story of how we help people to move up the ladder one step at a time.



WELCOME NEW TEAM MEMBERS!

Patty Beggs – Office Assistant
Taylor Murray – Summer Intern



UNITED WAY
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Pennsylvania

At Sojourner Truth Ministry, we are deeply grateful for the continued support of the United Way North Central PA. Their partnership helps fuel our mission and strengthens the services we provide to individuals and families in need. Thanks to United Way's generosity, we are able to offer not only a hot meal weekdays but also the compassion, resources, and hope that help our neighbors move forward.

Summer Lunch & Learn Series Empowers Our Community

This summer, we launched an exciting new *Lunch & Learn* series designed to inform, inspire, and equip our community with practical knowledge and tools. Attendees enjoyed a free lunch while participating in interactive sessions on meaningful topics such as:

- **Recognizing Trauma:** Understanding your own responses and those of others
- **Internet Safety:** Navigating the digital world with confidence
- **Tech Savvy:** Tips and tricks for getting the most out of your digital devices

The response has been overwhelmingly positive Stay tuned for upcoming sessions as we continue to grow, learn, and support one another!



Join Us Friday August 22, 2025 for Williamsport Welcomes the World. And be sure to stop by our booth! We'll be offering custom instant photo magnets—a fun and memorable way to capture your experience with friends and family. All proceeds from our booth will go toward reopening the House of Hope, a ministry for women coming out of homelessness

W.H.I.N.E. Dessert & Design: Why Hope Is Not Enough

W.H.I.N.E. Dessert & Design is a unique event combining a guided watercolor workshop, an engaging interactive presentation, and—of course—delicious, sweet treats.

We thank all of our sponsors: UPMC, Carrs Trailers, Real Estate Excel, Hudock Capital Group, Maneval's Notary and Tag Services, Fisher Insurance Agency, Liberty, Andrew Nichols and Roche Financial

Three events were held in July. Additional events are planned for the future. Churches or groups interested in hosting a W.H.I.N.E. Dessert and Design event may contact Pastor Angelique at angelique4stm@gmail.com for further information.

All proceeds will go towards Sojourner Truth Ministry - House of Hope



We would like to thank Alabaster Coffee Roaster and Tea Company for supporting our soup kitchen through their Community Tap. For every Community Tap Coffee purchased, \$1.00 helps support the great work being done our community.

Meal Totals: April – 3,263 lunches and 1,889 bag lunches; May – 3,347 lunches and 1,961 bag lunches; June – 2,913 lunches and 1,763 bag lunches; July – 2,303 lunches and 1,242 bag lunches. Between April and July, 105 volunteers contributed a total of 747.5 hours in the kitchen, with an additional 157 volunteer hours in the office.



Thank you to our incredible volunteers and generous donors for your support, you make everything we do possible!

Some of our current and upcoming needs are: non-dairy powdered coffee creamer, Equal sugar substitute packets, napkins, plastic forks and knives and individual sides of snacks, chips, breakfast bars, etc.. Non food items need Deodorant, Toilet paper Tissue packages (small pkgs to hand out), body wash, and shampoo.

* Please note – our office hours are 8:30-1:30 Mon – Fri, we close at 1:30*

Please call us at 570-323-1797 if you would like to provide something on a larger scale. Leave a message and someone will return your call.

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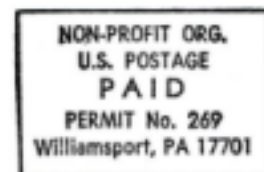


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WE WANT TO PARTY, PARTY, PARTY...
AND YOU ARE INVITED!**



INVITE US TO YOUR CHURCH TO BRING A PARTY IN A BOX TO YOU



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