

*"For you created my inmost being
you knit me together in my mother's womb."*

Psalm 139:13 NIV



Beerlahai Roi Women's Ministries

A Haven for Homeless Pregnant Women

June 2025

Our

Mission:

*Offer care and
compassion
to homeless
pregnant
women in a
safe and loving
environment.*

Celebrations and Plans for the Future

Ebonie's Story Continues

On April 26, 2024, Ebonie came to stay at the BeerLahai Roi Women's Ministries home. She was expecting a daughter due to be born in August. While she waited, she worked part time at a local restaurant and was looking forward to becoming self-sufficient again so she could be a better parent for her baby.

On April 24, 2025, there was a party at the ministry home to celebrate with Ebonie being one year sober. "It took changing the people, places and things in my life," she explained. Certainly, many things have changed over this year and continue to change as she looks to the future.

She is thankful to God for the opportunity to stay



at BeerLahai Roi and all that has been happening for her. "Staying here has allowed me to get back on track," she said "to build a stable life for us. I'm learning what adulthood really means, what's important, the difference between needs and wants. I feel confident about our future."

Ebonie has been working to complete her GED online. She is about to begin a pre-CNA course to prepare herself to enter the CNA program at Lincoln Land Community College this fall. She said, "I like helping," as she explained her career choice.

Another celebration is being planned for August

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Mark your calendar

Join us at **Hike for Babies**
at Lincoln Park in Springfield
on **October 4, 2025.**

Watch for all the details and
Registration/Sponsorship forms coming
in early September.



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when little Mariah will turn one year old. Ebonie is thankful for recent test results indicating no signs of spina bifida. "She (Mariah) is healthy and up-to-date, a good baby. She's learning to communicate with her hands, and rolls around to get where she wants to go," said the proud mother with a smile.

Ebonie and Mariah will likely be moving on from BeerLahai Roi later this year. As she looks into future options for housing and other decisions she will need to make, she asks us to "Pray for guidance" for her. We're excited to see what plans God has for this family in the next portion of their journey. Until then, Ebonie says, "I hope to see everyone at the Hike for Babies in October."



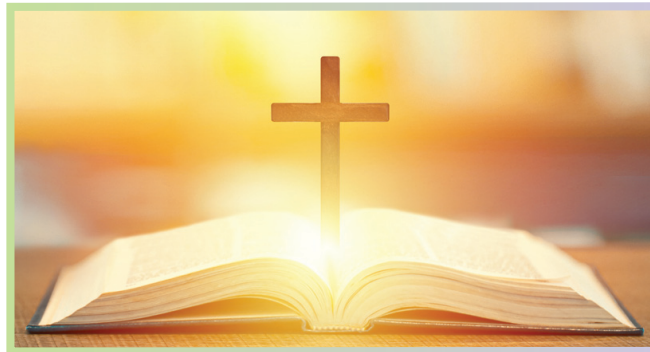
A Bible of Her Own

In January a woman we'll call Lisa came to stay at the BeerLahai Roi Women's Ministries home with her five-month-old daughter we'll call Eliza. They needed a place to stay while they waited on a list for more permanent housing; and we had an open room.

Part of staying here includes attending church with Debbie, the house mother, and participating together in Bible study during the week. Even before Lisa came to us, she sometimes went to church and Bible class with someone and saw people marking in their Bibles with multi-colored pens. When she received her own Bible during her stay with us, she was thrilled and immediately said

she was going to save up to buy a set of pens so she could write in her Bible, too. Someone did give her those pens, but the point is that she was hungry to be in God's Word. Having a Bible of her own meant a lot to her.

Before leaving BeerLahai Roi on April 1, Lisa accepted Jesus as her Savior. God used her brief time with us to show Lisa His love for her and Eliza. Even the simple gifts of her own Bible and a few ink pens became part of His plan to draw her closer to Him. This was possible because of your prayers and generous donations to BeerLaHai Roi Women's Ministries. Thank you for supporting us so we can be available to help women like Lisa.



House Needs & Desires

*Donations will be received at the resident home located at 3128 Superior Drive in Springfield.
Please call the home at 217/698-4194 to drop items off.*

**30-gallon kitchen trash bags
Toilet paper, Paper plates, Facial tissue,
Newborn diapers, Lysol wipes, Deodorant
Dryer sheets**

**Resident seeking used car for
travel to classes/work**

Help Wanted

**We are looking for
someone to help maintain
our mailing list in
compliance with
USPS bulk mail guidelines.**

**Contact Laura at
217.494.0503
to discuss this volunteer
opportunity.**

