



# NEWS & NOTES

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## CELEBRATING OUR 10TH BIRTHDAY



With joy and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father, Wings of God is celebrating 10 years ministering to our precious Pearls. Join us for an evening of food, fun & fellowship!

The party will be held on Saturday, April 9, from 5-7pm at Freshwater Community Church's Commons Room, 600 E. Michigan Ave., Paw Paw.

Admission is free, but donations are accepted and appreciated. Door prizes will be given throughout the party, and there will be a gift for everyone.

Come hungry and ready to party — all are welcome!

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### *Witness the Hope*

Our monthly tour and luncheon, held on the second Thursday of each month, resumes Aug. 11, 2022. A casual lunch, generously provided by Amore Pizza of Paw Paw, is served promptly at 12:00 noon. Please RSVP three days prior to the tour by calling the Wings of God office at 269-415-0777 or reserve your spot online at [www.wingsofgodinc.org](http://www.wingsofgodinc.org).

# Pearl Spotlight



Hello,

My name is April White. I have been in addiction for 25 years. I tried everything that I thought was possible. God has had His hand out the whole 25 years. But after failing to grab His hand for all of those years, I finally realized there was no other way but in Jesus Christ.

The great things that have happened to me since I started following Christ are amazing. I have now been clean for 14 months. I have got my kids, grandkids, and my Papa back in my life. With God's grace, they are giving me another chance. Thank you, Jesus — never thought that would be possible!

Also, now I am at the Wings of God Program, where they have taught me so many things about God's love; how to love myself and others; the way we should be living in the world sober. With the grace of God and Wings of God I am drug-free and learning the New Way of Life. Thank you, God, for taking my hand and setting me free from 25 years of addiction.

## Resident Milestones & Blessings

On February 16, 2022, Pearl Kim celebrated her one-year anniversary at Wings of and was given a quilt made by Tara with her favorite verse, Joshua 1:9.

Kim recently purchased a car with the help of family. She has not had a car for several years.







## Wings of God announces openings of two new residential homes this year

### NEXT STEP FAMILY HOME



Meeting the incredible need for affordable housing in our community for women with a jail background, Wings of God has purchased a duplex in downtown Paw Paw, MI. The home will be used exclusively for Pearls who have minor children or have regular visitation with their minor children. This home was **PAID IN FULL** and is **DEBT-FREE** thanks to a generous donor. Repairs and improvements are underway and will soon be open to housing our first Pearl in late Spring 2022.

### WINGS OF GOD LEGACY HOUSE

After years of community need and much prayer, men will now have a place of healing similar to the Wings of God women's house. Wings of God is leasing a home in Paw Paw to provide a welcoming home for men.

The mission of the Legacy House is to equip men to break free from the stronghold of addiction within the safety of a Christ-centered home as they strive to pursue a life giving, hope-filled, legacy rooted in Jesus Christ.

The Legacy House will be a home for men who desire knowing the TRUTH and to be SET FREE from the affects of poor life choices. It will accommodate seven men, sharing the common areas of the home and shared bedrooms. Each participant will pay a program fee while working full-time and participating in the program. The home is anticipating opening in July, 2022.



# 2021 Benefit Dinner Update

We were blessed at last October's annual fundraising dinner with wonderful fellowship, great food, and messages of hope from our Pearls. We rejoice that we reached our goal, raising over \$30,000!

We look forward to this Fall when we host our next annual banquet. Praising God for all our wonderful Wings of God extended family!



## Save the Date

**2022 BENEFIT DINNER** Thursday, October 6 at Lawton Community Center

## Quick Facts

96 Pearls since inception February 2012.

212 children have been impacted by the 96 women who were ministered to at the home.

5 program participants as of March 23, 2022:  
Kimberly, Bethany, Tanya, April, & Candy.  
Please pray for them!

## Generosity Report

### 2021 Giving

Last year was, once again, one of abundant grace and offerings bestowed upon all of us here at Wings of God. Our Annual Report for 2021 will be released in May. You can be read our past reports at: [www.wingsofgodinc.org/annual-report](http://www.wingsofgodinc.org/annual-report)

During 2021:

26 churches  
blessed us



71 businesses  
supported us

307 individuals  
donated





- 112** Total volunteers hours January 1 through March 15, 2022
- 40** Volunteers hours in JANUARY 2022
- 44** Volunteers hours in FEBRUARY 2022
- 28** Volunteers hours in first half of MARCH 2022
- 54** Individual volunteers through 3/15; some are repeat volunteers on a monthly basis, such as: morning muscle leaders, transportation drivers, and class instructors.

**If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, email us at: [info@wingsofgodinc.org](mailto:info@wingsofgodinc.org).**

## Volunteer Opportunities

Studying a variety of books is part of the programming at Wings of God. Across four semesters, 16 books are taught in a group setting. The books chosen for this curriculum are a part of our mission to equip women to successfully change their lives. Study guides are provided for each book. Four teachers are needed for the first Fall semester starting on August 29, 2022 for eight weeks, once a week, ending October 21, 2022. We also need four teachers for the second eight-week Fall semester October 24 — December 16, 2022.



If you are interested in teaching one of these books, please contact Rhonda Cochran, House Manager, at [rhonda@wingsofgodinc.org](mailto:rhonda@wingsofgodinc.org) or call the Wings of God office at 269.415.0777.



Wings of God Staff and Pearls are looking for about ten volunteers to join them on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, from 9:30 am until 12:30 pm for the Adopt-a-Highway Spring Clean-up project. We'll meet at Covey Hill Baptist Church parking lot, 33566 28th Ave, Paw Paw, to begin beautifying M-40 Highway between Armstrong Corners (where M-40 & M-43 intersect) and 24th Ave. (west towards Gobles). A FANTASTIC lunch will be provided by Covey Hill Church!

Go to this link for more info on how it works, or call us at 269.415.0777.

<https://wingsofgodinc.org/wings-of-god-adopts-a-highway/>

# More Volunteer Opportunities

## We need Pledge for Pearls volunteers in June

Join us for our 4th Annual Pledge for Pearls! This amazing event raises funds to support Wings of God Transition Homes in Paw Paw, MI. On Friday, June 17, and Saturday, June 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Wings of God volunteers will be blanketing the streets of Paw Paw collecting money in support of women who are seeking positive change and leaving behind lives of addiction, crime, and despair.

### Be a Bucket Brigade Volunteer!

Be prepared to have fun and be amazed at the generosity of your community! Volunteers sign up for a two-hour shift and will be stationed around downtown Paw Paw. You can sign up as a family, a group, or we will match you with another enthusiastic volunteer. Click on this link and sign up through Google Forms: <https://wingsofgodinc.org/pledge-for-pearls/>



## We've started something new!

You can organize a donation drive. Here is a link to our website with all of the details. <https://wingsofgodinc.org/organize-a-donation-drive/>

# Organize A Donation Drive for Wings of God!



**Wings of God**  
TRANSITION HOME, INC.

**KITCHEN PANTRY DONATION DRIVE**

Date:

Hosted by:

- 30.5oz Folgers Coffee (AutoDrip)
- Coffee Creamers
- Sugar
- Cooking Oil
- Alcohol Free Vanilla Flavoring
- Rice
- Pasta
- Instant Noodles
- Gravy
- Breadcrumbs

**IMPACT OF YOUR DONATIONS**

Your donations allow us to help women who are seeking positive life change! Women who have experience incarceration find love, healing, and hope at Wings of God. Help us continue to minister to women in a home where we promise that they will be safe, hear the Word of God everyday, and are loved like they have never been loved before!

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Wings of God Transition Home  
PO Box 3 Paw Paw, MI 49055 269.415.0777 [wingsofgodinc.org](http://wingsofgodinc.org)



**Wings of God**  
TRANSITION HOME, INC.

**KITCHEN SUPPLIES DONATION DRIVE**

Date:

Hosted by:

- Tinfoil
- Plastic Wrap
- Ziplocs (all sizes)
- Paper Plates
- Dish Towels
- Parchment Paper
- Fantastic Cleaner
- Kitchen Sponges
- Dish Soap
- Tall Trash Bags

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**UTILITY DRIVE**

- Bath Scrubbies
- Body Wash
- Lotions
- Disposable Razors
- Deodorant
- Women's Daily Vitamins

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# Wish List

**Please feel free to call the Wings of God House at 269-415-0777 to donate any of these needed items.**



- Frozen pizzas and frozen pizza rolls
- Bottled Water
- Individual snacks: nuts/granola/non-tree nut and non-peanut snacks
- Coffee and creamer
- Paper towels and Toilet paper
- Liquid Laundry Soap
- Room air fresheners
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Shower Loofah Sponges
- Disposable Razors
- Food gift cards for Save-A-Lot, Meijer or Walmart grocery stores



- Blue Ray/DVD player
- Toners for the office Lexmark CX725 Printer:  
#74C1SK0, #74C10Y0, #74C1SM0
- 2 box fans
- 8 Comfortable twin sheet sets in dark colors  
such as Dark Gray or Navy Blue
- 8 Comfortable twin sheet sets in bright colors  
such as Bright Pink, Baby Blue, Lime
- 8 Brightly Colored bath sets: 1 lg bath towel,  
1 hand towel, 1 wash cloth
- Colored laundry baskets—need 2 of each color



## Clothing needs have been met, but sorting help still needed

At this time we have been blessed with an abundance of clothing items from our generous community! We will update our website's Wish List page when we are accepting clothing donations and any specific clothing/shoe, etc. needs.

<https://wingsofgodinc.org/wish-list/>

However, if you would like to volunteer with sorting in our clothes closet - please call our office at 269.415.0777. Thank you!