#### House tours have returned — get your socks blessed off!



Come join us for one hour of food and fellowship. Enjoy a pizza lunch with the Staff & Pearls and take a guided tour of the house. All are welcome, but you must RSVP. Tours are every month (except December) on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 12 noon.

Please RSVP prior to the tour by calling the Wings of God office at 269-415-0777 or reserve your spot online at

wingsofgodinc.org/witness-the-hope/

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### **RSVP Today for the Benefit Dinner**



## NEWS & NOTES

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## Quick Facts

- → 100 Pearls since our inception February 2012.
- → 218 children have been impacted by the 100 women who were ministered to at the Wings of God.
- → 4 program participants as of AUGUST 31: Candy, April, Amy, and Carolyn. Please pray for them!!

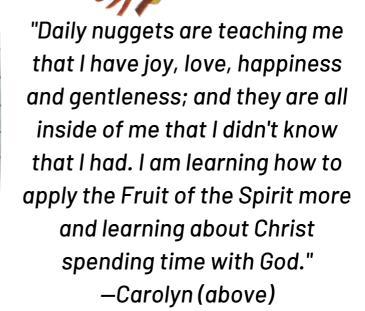


Come together for an evening of inspirational speakers, food, entertainment and so much love! We are excited to be sharing impactful stories of changed lives and glorifying God together. You don't want to miss out on this beautiful evening. Seating will be limited.

October 6, 2022

Sign up today as a Table Host or individually at <a href="https://wingsofgodinc.org/benefit-dinner/">https://wingsofgodinc.org/benefit-dinner/</a>





"Wings of God saved my life. If you are ready for change, this is the place for support, and spiritual education, and love — and celebrations with CAKE!"

—Candy (left)

### Milestones reached, lives changed

- Tanya graduated from the program and is a One Year Conqueror
- Kimberly graduated from the program and is a One Year Conqueror
- Bethany graduated from the program and is a One Year Conqueror
- Rebecca graduated from the program and is a One Year Conqueror
- Bethany moved into the Next Step Family Home
- Candy celebrates one year clean
- Amy was promoted to Phase 2
- Carolyn is adjusting well to the Wings of God program



Tanya receives a quilt and celebrates her WOG Graduation with cake!

# Pledge for Pearls Recap

A big thank you to our sponsors & community who gave generously to Pledge for Pearls Bucket Brigade 2022. Praise God!





Fundraising Total: \$25,6000

## Volunteer News

Volunteers donated

240

Total hours
March 16
through
August 15,
2022

Pearls Candy and April with Jeff Rebenstorf, a volunteer Morning Muscle leader who taught Spiritual Gifts Class. MM is a time to share some words of encouragement from God's Word to start the day.





Volunteers from Renovation Church priming our recently installed new fence. There are quarterly yard maintenance volunteer opportunities.

Groups are welcome!

## How you can volunteer

### Host a Donation Drive to help fill our food stores

Our food budget is being stretched and you can help by hosting a food drive.

A food donation would be greatly appreciated! Gather together your church, family, friends, or co-workers to work together in support of Wings of God. Visit our webpage for info on how to organize your drive, donation drive ideas, flyers and donation bins.

<a href="https://wingsofgodinc.org/organize-a-donation-drive/">https://wingsofgodinc.org/organize-a-donation-drive/</a>



#### KITCHEN PANTRY DONATION DRIVE

#### Date:

#### Hosted by:

- 30.5oz Folgers
   Coffee (AutoDrip)
- Coffee Creamers
- Sugar
- Cooking Oil
- Rice
- Pasta/Pasta Sauce

DONATIONS

- Individual Snacks
- Granola Bars
- Bottled Water

#### **IMPACT OF YOUR DONATIONS**

Your donations allow us to help women who are seeking positive life change! Women who have experienced 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!

#### More volunteer opportunities can be found at wingsofgodinc.org/volunteer

Wings of God does not receive any state or federal money. We are 100% funded by generous donations from the community.

Donations can be made online: <u>wingsofgodinc.org</u> (includes options for Venmo, PayPal, and Apple Pay); **OR** by mail: P.O. Box 3, Paw Paw, MI 49079.

Consider becoming a sustaining monthly donor.

## More Ways to Bless Us.

### **Legacy Giving**

Have you updated your will in the last few years? Would you be interested in a conversation about Legacy Giving? Please call Karina at 269.415.0777



#### **Prayer**

Pray that the previous Pearls reach out to God and ask for help in all areas of their lives.

Pray that the Wings of God Staff remain steadfast with the Mission of sharing the Gospel and serving the Pearls.

Pray that those who are hurting find comfort and Peace in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pray for God's Perfect will over the Men's Home.

### **Sustained Giving**

We have "charter supporters" that have been giving a modest amount directly from their bank accounts each month since signing up at our first benefit dinner. These small, sustaining gifts added together make a great contribution and help us rely on a minimum monthly budget. You can set up a sustaining gift by clicking on DONATE at <a href="https://wingsofgodinc.org/">https://wingsofgodinc.org/</a>.

### How might you support us beyond mere financial support?

Send a Card to one or all the Pearls
Refer a potential sponsor for events
Follow our Social Media
Share our newsletter
Follow our Blog
Share your talents (see below)

#### Don't miss these events:

Paw Paw Spirit 5k Run/Walk 10/29/22 — link on our website WOG All-you-can-eat Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser in Feb. 2023

# Sharing what you love doing isn't work — it's fun!



Volunteer Pastor Katie conducts Morning Muscle exercises as Pearls build faith through daily Bible study. Volunteer Teachers are needed for the 2023 Summer classes beginning June 5th to July 10th and July 17th to August 21st. We are looking for individuals who would like to teach a fun class such as crafts, painting, crocheting, nature walks with God, or any special talent that would demonstrate God in a new way to our Pearls. You would be sharing your talent for one hour once a week for the six-week semester.

If you have a desire to share your special talent or interests, please call our office at 269-415-0777.

### Taking the next step is easier at our new Family House

Our Next Step Family House is finished and occupied! Meeting the incredible need for felon-friendly and affordable housing in our community, Wings of God purchased a duplex in downtown Paw Paw, MI.

This home will be used exclusively for Pearls who have benefited from the Wings of God program and have custody or visitation of their minor children. By virtue of a \$150,000 donation from a generous family, this home is PAID IN FULL and is DEBT-FREE. Praising God, through the Welcome Home Capital Campaign donations, all of the repairs and improvements were completed.



This home is a dream come true!

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Many people caught the vision and volunteered to paint, build, clean, donate furniture and landscape the yard.

Everything was done with excellence in service to the Lord!

#### Matching Capital Campaign November 2021 — July 2022

Total Campaign Gifts: \$123,962 Initial Goal: \$150,000

We give thanks to The Lord for He is good. His people responded to our call for financial support through our Welcome Home Capital Campaign.

I thank my God every time I remember you.
Phillippians 1:3



### Wish List





Liquid laundry soap Air Fresheners Paper Towels Toilet Paper Face Masks



Toners for Lexmark CX725 Printer: #74C1SK0, #74C10Y0, or #74C1SM0 AAA Batteries



C Batteries
D Batteries

\$5.00 gift cards for Walmart, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, or McDonalds

\$5.00 Bigby Coffee gift cards for residents Food gift cards for Sav-a-Lot, Meijer, or Walmart

We would be blessed to accept gift cards from Meijer, Walmart, Dollar General, etc. for the purchase of new items such as winter boots, winter coats, and new undergarments as needed for our Pearls.

Please call the office at 269-415-0777 to arrange a time to stop by and drop off your donation. Our regular office hours are 8 am to 5 pm Monday — Friday; weekend hours vary, so please call. You can always find our current wish list on our website: wingsofgodinc.org/wish-list

### Contact us!

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#### Clothing needs at the WOG home

We have DISCONTINUED the clothes closet at the Wings of God Transition Home for Women and will no longer be accepting clothing or shoe donations. It is more effective to meet the clothing needs of Pearls to utilize the local clothing resources such as Lydia's Closet and the Community Thrift Store in Paw Paw, Jodi's Closet in Mattawan, and other community resources.

Please see the Wish List for other ways you can meet our needs. THANK YOU!