

the Sheepfold



Providing Hope and
Refuge For Mothers with
Children in Jesus' Name

January 2021

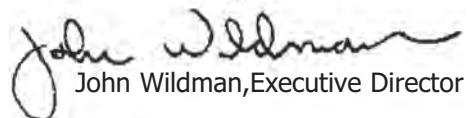
2020 Challenges Met

We are grateful to enter 2021 after so many changes last year. Twenty-twenty was very challenging for everyone at The Sheepfold, as we needed to make many adjustments and changes due to COVID-19. I'm extremely proud of our Staff who, as essential workers, never waivered in serving the moms and kids in a high risk environment. As one of our House Managers stated, "We simply trust in the Lord to protect us."

We never closed our doors, but instead pivoted to create a Quarantine House for incoming residents, remodeled and repurposed a shed and bedrooms into spaces for work and school purposes, and implemented many other changes to make sure safety protocols were a top priority. The core essentials of The Sheepfold, daily Bible study and seeking Jesus, remain unchanged. We continue to seek Jesus for peace in uncertain times.

During the quarantine, we had additional time in the homes to council and love on the moms and kids which we have seen much fruit from – in the last year we have had many salvations and baptisms. We have been so blessed to lead these families to the Lord.

Thank you for standing with us, we look forward to the new year, whatever it might bring, because we stand on the Rock, Jesus who is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.


John Wildman, Executive Director



Happy
New
Year!

"Then I will go to the altar of God, To God my exceeding joy;
And on the harp I will praise You, O God, my God."

-Psalm 43:4

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Enhancing Trust

Baptisms



As a Sheepfold House Manager, you're no stranger to requests, questions or needs from residents and their kids.

"Are there more size 5 diapers?"

"Can you get more milk?"

"What happened to all the Legos?"

"Where is my child's other shoe?"



But never have I received a request as special as "Will you baptize me?"

I had the privilege to participate in what, for many of us, is one of the most significant moments in our lives as followers of Jesus. This truly was a high honor only made possible with your continued support.

—Monica, Sheepfold House Manager



"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit "

-Romans 15:13



My baptism experience was an amazing one! Being baptized was something I have always wanted to do to get closer to the Lord. Throughout every single one of my abusive relationships, I sinned a lot with the things I did and the things I said.

My baptism was very special because I had just chosen to forgive those who hurt, traumatized and bullied me. During the baptism ceremony I realized that I needed to also forgive myself, not just those who have done me bad. Forgiving them was hard because they did me wrong plus, I have always had a difficult time forgiving people.

I feel that now that I have been baptized, all my strength, loyalty, power, words, love and gratitude has been given to the Lord. I had a conversation with my mom before I was baptized, and I asked her why I was never baptized. She said "I wanted you and your brother to choose that, I didn't want to choose that for you."



—Sheepfold Mom

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A Glimpse Inside the Shelter on Christmas Day



Thank You to everyone who made this day one to remember!!

Repurposed

Thank you to our generous donor for allowing us to construct spaces to meet the changing needs of our families! Due to Covid-19, many of our moms and kids are distance learning or working remotely in our homes. Additionally, many appointments such as counseling, doctor check-ups, and even social worker visits are done on Zoom, and we have had to make changes to accommodate this shift. Pictured here is a garden shed at one of homes which has now been repurposed as an office space with our family's needs in mind. Your donations provided air conditioning, a new internet hot spot, laptops, and the furnishings to make this happen.

—Carley, Shelter Supervisor



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patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer."*

-Romans 12:12

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LET US PRAY

"For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith."

And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

—Ephesians 3:14-21 NIV

