



NEW LIFE FOR GIRLS

MINISTRY IN ACTION

LOVING, CARING, AND SHARING SINCE 1972

RAQUEL'S STORY.....

MAY 2011



My name is Raquel. I am 32 years old. I was raised in a loving home with parents who are still together. I am the youngest of three children. Growing up I didn't think much of myself, and developed a poor sense of self-worth. I was a child with many health issues. As an adult, I lived a double life. On the outside it appeared as if I had it all together. I lived alone, had a car, and was able to achieve a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice. Due to my health

issues, at a certain point I ended up in a coma, with no hope of coming out of it. I did come through it, but my life then went into a whirlwind of destruction. I was placed on pain medication, and psyche meds. I was living a numb, catatonic life. When I would run out of my prescribed medications, I turned to street drugs. After years of being in and out of detox programs, I came to New Life For Girls on June 26, 2010. I was just looking for relief from myself.

God has done so much for me at New Life For Girls. God has shown me that He has been with me from the beginning. In Zephaniah 3:17 it says "The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save, He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing". I take great comfort with that scripture because the Lord is with me, He chose me, He saved me, and the most special part about all that is He delights Himself with me, me! When I couldn't love myself, or see God in me, He always did! I am so grateful for New Life For Girls, to have a place like this for me, to find who I am in Christ Jesus, to know that I am a co-heir in the Kingdom, to know that He gave up His Son for a wretch like me, who called me out of darkness into His wonderful light (IPeter 2:9).

From My Heart

My name is Wanda and I have a problem with learning to read and write. This has been a source of pain to me for years. I have often felt it was useless to even try. I thought I would never read or write like other people do and that I would always be this way. I thank God for New Life For Girls who has cared enough to figure out ways to make it possible for me to learn. This is a very slow process, but I am on my way. I know that I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me! What a blessing to know that God loves me enough to place others in my path to encourage me and help me to learn. This is what I thought would always be an impossible dream....now it is coming true!



Thank you to the York Literacy Council who has partnered with us to help make this dream a reality for Wanda.

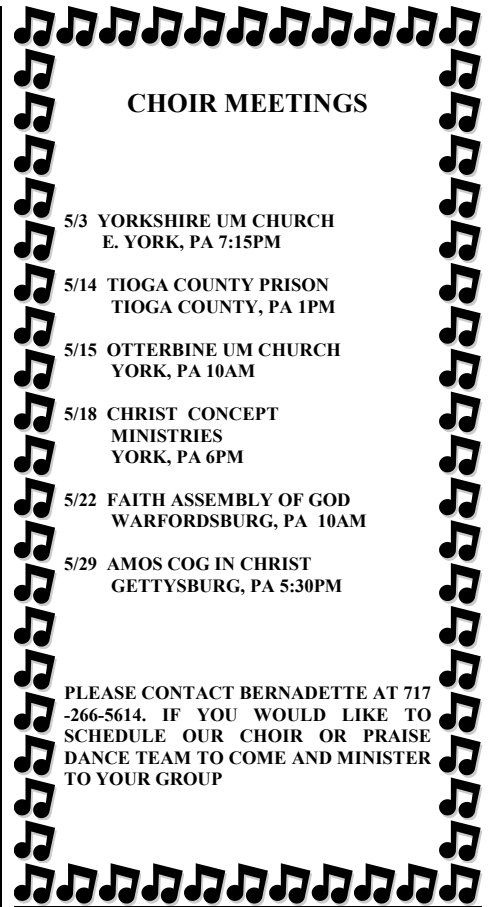
TAKING NOTHING FOR GRANTED....

Some say the culture we now live in, here in these United States, is one in which many people take things for granted. Over and over, we hear it said from sources inside and outside this country that we are a spoiled nation, rich with opportunities and freedom unlike no other place on earth. As Memorial Day approaches, our nation will honor and celebrate those who have laid their very lives on the line for the freedom we do enjoy. It is a true statement that many of us may go through our days never once thinking about how blessed we really are. Possibly not knowing on a personal level anyone who has fought and is serving in the armed forces. Yet, we each enjoy the benefits of the sacrifice so many others have made. We honor each one of you this month who have served, or whom are currently serving in the Armed Forces, as well as those of you whom have lost loved ones in service to our country.

On a different level, with regards to Wanda's testimony this month, most of us take for granted the ability we have to read and write. We don't think twice about it, we just do it. Freedom is precious, no matter what it is applied to. Neither does it come easy, or without a cost. The freedom to be set free from illiteracy, the bondage of drugs, alcohol, abuse, regrets over past failures and mistakes, insecurities, depression, hopelessness, or sickness in our body, soul, or spirit is a freedom that is not to be taken for granted. We are a ministry that is humbled by the love of God that has been so freely poured out upon so many lives all these years. We are grateful to God, and grateful for each one of you whom have sacrificed countless times to help make the dream of a brand new way of living, become a reality for so many.

We thank you for your support and ask that you continue to keep us in your prayers as you seek the Lord this month for direction in your giving.

GOD BLESS YOU



CHOIR MEETINGS

- 5/3 YORKSHIRE UM CHURCH
E. YORK, PA 7:15PM
- 5/14 TIOGA COUNTY PRISON
TIOGA COUNTY, PA 1PM
- 5/15 OTTERBINE UM CHURCH
YORK, PA 10AM
- 5/18 CHRIST CONCEPT
MINISTRIES
YORK, PA 6PM
- 5/22 FAITH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
WARFORDSBURG, PA 10AM
- 5/29 AMOS COG IN CHRIST
GETTYSBURG, PA 5:30PM

PLEASE CONTACT BERNADETTE AT 717-266-5614. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE OUR CHOIR OR PRAISE DANCE TEAM TO COME AND MINISTER TO YOUR GROUP

BUILDING PROJECT



TOTAL NEEDED FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT
\$871,490.00

PHASE I \$476,021.00
PHASE II \$182,952.00
PHASE III \$212,517.00

GOAL
\$871,490.00

APRIL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BUILDING PROJECT
\$ 1,275.00

\$362,289.91

OUR FIRST PICNIC OF THE SEASON IS COMING UP
COME ALONG FOR THE FELLOWSHIP

12 NOON
JOHN RUDY PARK
MAY 30TH

WE ALWAYS LOOK FORWARD TO THESE SPECIAL TIMES TOGETHER WITH ALL OF OUR NEW LIFE FOR GIRLS FRIENDS AND FAMILY. LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING, OR EVEN IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH THE PROVISIONS...HOT DOGS...HAMBURGERS...SODAS...AND MORE. CALL KATHY AT 717-266-5614. WE INVITE YOU TO COME AND BE A PART OF OUR FAMILY FOR THE DAY.

"THANK YOU"

TO EACH OF YOU WHO HELPED TO PROVIDE FOR EASTER DINNER WE WERE TRULY BLESSED! WE HAD EVERYTHING WE NEEDED AND SO MUCH MORE! WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU. EVERY DETAIL OF OUR DINNER, INCLUDING CANDY FOR ALL OF THE SWEET TOOTHS HERE AT NEW LIFE FOR GIRLS WAS TAKEN CARE OF!

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



One of the unique aspects of New Life For Girls is located in Glen Rock, Pennsylvania. Our New Life Center For Children and Mothers is where women who have completed the program can reside with their children, as they work towards transitioning back into their local communities. Leo Tate, who is the Director (affectionately called Grandpa by all those that know and love him), along with help from both our Maryland Intro, and the Dover Center are seeing a freshness and new vitality in the women as they spread their wings and take flight into the new life God has prepared for them. What a blessing to hear them speak of what it feels like to hold a job, go to school, drive a car, and most of all, become the mother they always wanted to be. This is a crucial time for these women. They are striving to put into practice all that they have learned while being in our program. We are so blessed by this part of our ministry and ask that you keep them in your prayers.

SPECIAL GIFTS

**GIVEN BY
ALAN & DENISE TAYLOR
IN HONOR OF
BETHANNE GURRERI
AND ALL OF THE LADIES
AT NEW LIFE FOR GIRLS**

As always, we thank Printed Image for reduced printing cost

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