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Rahab Ministries Newsletter

Summer 2011

Running for Rahab!

Want to be part of something that's fun, healthy and makes a difference? We are looking for folks that want to be a part of our fall fundraiser, Running for Rahab. The idea is simple: We ask for runners in the Akron Marathon to get friends and family to sponsor them in the race. Proceeds go to our ministry. If you are already running in the Akron Marathon or are considering doing so, won't you run for Rahab?



This support is very appreciated as we enter the winter months. For those of you who aren't runners, there are plenty of opportunities to work behind the scenes. For more information contact us at believe@rahab-ministries.org.



I am happy to introduce to you Rahab's newest addition, Joann Zarkovacki, who is joining us this summer on an internship program. We are excited and honored to have Joann be a part of our team.

Joann shares some of her thoughts; I am currently a student at Moody Bible Institute where I am aiming to attain a Bachelors of Science degree in Biblical Studies. Within this degree program, I am required to intern with a Christian organization in the field to which I feel called to serve the Lord in full-time ministry. It was through a Thailand missions trip that the Lord instilled within me a passionate desire to invest the life I have been given to help the many other countless women

in need which exist throughout our world.

Rahab Ministries has a variety of ministry areas where I am able to become involved. Participating in Bible Studies and street ministry, I felt that Rahab would better prepare me for working in women's ministries. I hope to become better equipped in ministering effectively to meet the needs of these women - which I am learning begins by "going to them" - stepping into their world in hopes of bringing forth the transformation which Jesus is longing for them to embrace. I plan on graduating 2012 and I am not sure what is next for me, but I am 100% confident that the Lord has it all worked out just perfectly - and it's my job to just trust and wait for Him to use me as Psalm 27:14 declares.

This is what it's all about...

Several weeks ago the outreach team met a young lady named Melissa. She was walking the streets and when we approached her she seemed embarrassed to be "caught" prostituting and high. She admitted to being on heroine and said she hates her life. After literally chasing two men away, we were able to pray with her and leave her a phone number and an invitation to Bible Study.

Through the work of the Holy Spirit, Melissa showed up at the study the following Friday. She was warmly received and even joined in the praise and worship. We were able to send her home with food, clothes, many hugs and an offer of hope for her future. It is the lives of women like Melissa that God treasures. He loves when we enter into those lives and commit to being God's army with boots on the ground. Thank you for coming in agreement to be the eyes, ears, arms and feet of Jesus.

Enjoy these warm Summer days!
 - Becky Moreland

Save the Date!

November 11, 2011

3rd Annual
"The Scarlet Cord" Benefit Concert at West Minister Presbyterian Church, Akron

Watch for ticket information on our website. www.rahab-ministries.org

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House Mom Janet Gives Thanks

I'm sitting here reflecting in ways God has blessed the Rahab House this past spring!

We had a client move into a sober house with no furniture, now she has a bed, pots and pans, toaster etc...she's glowing. We've had a freezer full of food delivered along with gift cards for groceries, a white board and a corkboard wall. Thanks to all of you who donated!

A special thanks goes to "KEY BANK COMMUNITY NEIGHBOR'S DAY" of Cleveland. They chose Rahab Ministries to give back. They mulched, painted, installed a new fan with a light in the dining area, got a much needed light over the kitchen sink and helped with the seasonal switch of clothes in "Our Sister's Closet"

We appreciate all the kind words, encouragement, prayers and donations and only through Him it can be done.



Jim Harnett, Rahab Ministries Board Member along with Fellow Volunteers from Keybank.



Our spring retreat was held at Camp Y-Noah this year and our theme verse was Malachi 4:2: "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing its wings." We prayed for forty women to come and hear of this hope. God answered with forty-two women in attendance! Thank you to so many of you who made this retreat possible. Through your prayers, financial donations and time, the retreat was outstanding and we all left with a deeper love for our Savior. We look forward to more of the same at our next retreat. If you are interested in playing a part in the retreat planning, please feel free to contact us at believe@rahab-ministries.org .- Bonnie Coventry



Rahab Ministries joined in at the Grace Race 2011 on Memorial Day and lended a helping hand! We brought in and had a lot of fun working with women from CBCF in Akron. It was a hot day, but that made us that much more popular with our serving watermelon, snowcones, and hot dogs straight from the grill! With over 500 people in attendance for the first Grace Race put on by Grace Church, Bath Campus, it's already on their calendar again for next year! We are thankful for the support Grace Church gives Rahab Ministries and we love paying it forward right back to you with bringing our gang of 15 volunteers!