



Lansing Teen Challenge

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LTC Sisters' Maternity Center Fundraiser Banquet

Upcoming Events!

- 12/13/2009

Rally at Kingdom Family Church, Holt

10:00am

- 12/17/2009

Sisters' Maternity Center Fundraiser Banquet

Charlotte A/G

6:00pm

- 12/25/2009

Merry Christmas!

- 1/01/2010

Happy New Years!

- 1/08/2010

LTC Graduation

Calvary Assembly of God

7:00pm. Dinner to follow

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LTC is holding a banquet on December 17th, 2009 at 6:00pm at the Charlotte Assembly of God Church. For those who are not familiar with the Sisters' Maternity Center, it is a place that allows pregnant women with life-controlling issues to have and keep their babies while they finish the program. LTC is hoping to purchase a brand new, beautiful home in Eaton County.

At the banquet, you will be blessed by the LTC Praise and Worship Band and the LTC Drill Team. There will also be testimonies on how God is helping the women at SMC to become new creations in Christ and how He is teaching them to "train up their children in the way they should go."

LTC will be serving dinner which will include our extremely popular fried chicken and smashed potatoes.



There is no admission to the banquet but a love offering will be taken and 100% of it will go toward the building fund for the Sisters' Maternity Center.

Please call Marco at (517) 484-6050 ext. 18 to reserve your seats today!



Inside Story: Brother Tom's Graduation Testimony

Graduate Testimony

My name is Tom. I was born on December 14th, 1961. I was born into a suburban Detroit family with both parents and two brothers. I was always shy and somewhat of loner growing up. I didn't have many friends in elementary school or junior high. My family and I went to church and bible school as a family until I was about 12 years old before my parents got divorced. At age 16-17, I felt empty inside and that something was missing. So I picked up the Bible again and starting reading. At that time I came to know the Lord and was saved.

During my high school years, I had quite a few friends, both male and female. But I didn't date because I never had the courage to ask anyone out. I felt more comfortable around women if I had one or two beers in me to help loosen me up.

In college, I never really drank much unless we were going out to the bar or to a party. But never drank alone. After leaving college and starting my own construction company, I found it relaxing and comforting to have a drink or two after a hard days work. But never really had too much to drink and continued to grow in the Lord during this time.

As I gained in years, so did my consumption of whiskey. I got married at age 31 and continued to work hard at my job and when we got home from work, my wife Kim and I would have a few drinks together.

As time went on, I found myself starting to drink earlier every day until I found myself addicted. I found that a drink at night would put me to sleep and one first thing in the morning would get rid of my jitters. Without going through all the gory details I found myself in and out of treatment centers, emergency rooms, and doctors' offices for many alcohol related illnesses.

About 21 months ago, I lost my younger brother to an alcohol related death and I felt I was on the same path. My wife, family and some close friends had an intervention and the next day I found myself at the doors of LTC. Everything was planned in advance by my wife and my brother (Dirk), who had also tried to get my younger brother Frank into Teen Challenge out in California years earlier.

My time at Teen Challenge has taught me so many things about relationships. How to love others even though I sometimes hate the things they do. How to forgive others and not hold on to grudges. How to obey authority, even though sometimes it doesn't make sense to me why that person is in authority. Finally, not to take offense by others or situations because I know God is for me and not against me. Most of all I learned to take everything to the Lord in prayer.

Through all the years, I never felt that the Lord had abandoned me because I know there are times when I should have been dead. I have learned to love my brothers unconditionally, my family and friendships have all been restored, and my love and knowledge of God gets stronger every day.

The verse I stand on is Jer 29:11.

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Sowing Seed in the Missions Field in Your Own Back Yard

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____

Phone (home): _____

Phone (work): _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

I want to help LTC/Sisters Maternity Center By:

(Check all that apply)

- Enclosing a **One-Time Investment of:**
 - \$500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$25.00 \$_____
- Please designate my gift for use in the General Fund Capital Improvement Fund
- Sponsoring a Student with Monthly Support of:**
 - \$500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$25.00 \$_____
- Supporting the annual **Sisters Maternity Center Golf Scramble** by:
 - Sponsoring the Event Sponsoring a Hole Playing in the Scramble Donating Prizes
- Making a gift of **Appreciated Property.**
- Establishing a **Charitable Giving Plan.**
- Remembering LTC/Sisters in my **Will** or **Trust.**
- Donating a Vehicle** (running or non-running).
- Donating a Needed Item.** Please provide me a list of specific needs.
- Using LTC's Labor Services** (construction, woodshop, and general labor) for donation.
- Using LTC's Catering Services** for donation.
- Purchasing LTC's Holy Grounds Coffee.**
- Volunteering** my time and talent.

Please Provide Me Information

- Someone I care about needs the **prayer** or assistance of LTC/Sisters.
- Please contact me.** I would like to speak to someone who can provide additional information on my ministry options and the tax benefits of charitable giving.