



SAYING GOODBYE

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"Let not your heart be troubled. You believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house there are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." John 14:1-2

Saying goodbye to someone or something that you love is always hard. We cannot forget the memories, the laughter, the tears. Yet when we say goodbye it does not have to mean the end. It can mark the start of a new beginning.

I remember when we first walked onto the property in Coatesville. It was 1971. After talking to the Cooks, the owners, we had to decline the property because it was more than we could afford. As we walked to the car Jimmy

and I agreed that this would be a great place to make a home for pregnant young women.

Then God did an amazing thing. He gave us one miracle after another, and in July of 1972 the property was ours! What was too big for us was not too big for God.

Jim and I personally lived in the Coatesville home for 11 years and cared for over 200 young women during that time. Over time the home was enlarged, and we passed the torch to other houseparents. Eventually a second and third home was built, expanding the original vision. Hundreds of young women sat at our table. Hundreds joined us for devotions in the family room. So many children were saved and born through House of His Creation. These memories are so precious and are a testimony of the Lord's goodness.

I recently had dinner with a young woman and her husband. She had once lived at House of His Creation. Even though she only knew about us as the founders of the home, her life had been changed by the work there, and she wanted to thank us.

Now it is time to say goodbye to the Coatesville house. Because of the needs of the young women we serve in the home, we need to be in a place where there are bus lines and jobs within walking distance. We also need more educational opportunities for the young women. In the Lancaster area there are junior colleges, Bible colleges, universities, and easy bus routes to employment.

As a Board we have prayed and sought God's heart. We looked to the example of Jesus, Who was always willing to go wherever His Father led Him. Often this involved moving from town to town, teaching the Truth of the Lord to as many people as He could. Jesus understood that He had to let go of His physical presence with the disciples and return to the Father. He knew that the leaving would be sad, but would produce greater joy! He left so that He could prepare a place for them, and for us, in Heaven. He left, but sent His Spirit to guide the disciples, who moved out and changed the world with the good news of the Gospel!

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Remember that every goodbye is also a new beginning. As we release the property at Coatesville to a new owner, the work that has been done there can never be taken away. Lives have been changed, and will continue to be changed, as we move to a new location. The heart of God for the young women we serve will be just as strong, no matter where He leads us. As one door closes, a new door opens. Let us celebrate each new thing the Lord brings into our lives and release those things that need to be let go.

Jesus, help us to be able to say goodbye. Help us to know that the Spirit of God moves with us wherever we go, and what has been accomplished can never be taken from us. Help us to release and then receive the new things You have for us. Thank you Lord for all the years, for all the joy, and for all the tears. We celebrate lives changed, and we look forward now to a new home with great opportunities for the young women You have called us to serve!

Jimmy and I will always carry the Coatesville home in our hearts. We thank the Lord for allowing us to be part of the great work He established there and the work He will continue to provide in a new place. We celebrate the work of God's hand.

- Anne Pierson (Founder and Board President)

P.S. When we received the Coatesville house, the light of Christ was already shining there. The Cooks, with their faith in God, had prayed that the property would be used to glorify Christ. This is a very special property. House of His Creation has kept the light of Christ shining, and many lives have been changed as a result. We pray that the light will continue to shine and the Truth of God will continue to come forth through this property. *Thank you Lord for the blessing You have brought through this property, and may You continue to allow it to be used to honor Your Name.*

Resident Update

Danayah, pictured right with her mom, Chayonnah, was born in August 2009, at our Coatesville home. After returning to Philadelphia for a few months, they came to join our Lititz family in March of this year. Chayonnah is 16 and Danayah will be a year old on the 19th! Chayonnah enjoys crocheting, knitting, shopping, and playing with her daughter. Chayonnah usually wears something purple and is always up for having pizza. She will continue attending Warwick High School this fall and plans to study nursing when she graduates.



THANK YOU
to all who participated in
the 3rd annual

**Creation
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MOTORCYCLE BENEFIT RIDE!



70 bikes with 115 riders came to show their support. Over \$11,000 was raised to make it possible for the young mothers and their children in our program to have a chance at a better future. Thank you!

8th Annual
HOHC Golf Benefit
Friday, September 10th
Moccasin Run Golf
Course
Schoff Road—Atglen, PA

4 player team scramble
Contests-Prizes-Raffle
Even a chance to win a Harley!

Registration due: **September 3rd**
Call: 717.442.4890
E-mail: golf@hohc.org
or print out registration forms at:
www.hohc.org

Golf Sponsorships Available
call for details

Hoss's Community Day
Route 501, Lititz
August 13th

Present this newsletter when you pay for your meal and
20% of your total ticket price will go directly to our operating expenses. Invite your friends, church, youth group and neighbors to support us by eating at **Hoss's of Lititz**

11am - 10pm
Friday, August 13th.
HOHC group # 9015

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