



Ena and Ebony

For 3 years Mom (Sandy) had a vision and a dream of adding a new gift shop to the Bread of Life Café. When she became sick in 2005, that dream was put on hold until she recovered. She has gone Home now, but that dream will soon be realized. Starting March 1st, we will begin construction on a 48'X48' addition to the restaurant. This will be used as the distinctive gift shop she envisioned. Plans are to have it completed with the Grand Opening being on June 18th, the one year anniversary of Mom's Homecoming. Please join us in prayer as we begin this important project.

P.S. from Jerry

It's been 3 1/2 months now since I had prostate surgery in Nashville, TN. I would say that I am probably at 95% to what I was before surgery.

The days and nights are still hard and probably will be for the rest of my days. My only consolation is that Mom is free of pain and worries. She is at peace! Just a week ago was our 45th anniversary. This was probably the hardest day for me since she passed away. As was her dying wish that we continue on without skipping a beat and by the grace of God, that is what we have been doing. Our plate remains as full as it can be! My plans are to fly into Honduras this month. I have not been there since February of 2005 because of her illness. We cherish prayers and letters of encouragement.

Our March newsletter will be all photos.

Bread of Life Café Winter Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7:30am-2:30pm
Thursday 7:30am-8:00pm
Friday & Saturday 7:30am-9:00pm
Closed Sunday
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Our Mission Statement

The Galilean Home is here for one reason. That reason is to glorify God by serving His children. *Matt. 18:5*. It is the mission of the Galilean Home to provide for children that have been abused, neglected or abandoned. Children who are in need of medical treatment and/or surgery. Children who have had no place to call home. Our mission on this earth is to open our hearts and doors to:

Any child born to an inmate (*Born Free Babies*) that the prison system will allow to be placed in our home. These babies will receive all the care and love that we can give them. They will be taken to visit with their mothers to facilitate the bonding process. *Matt. 25:36*. We will serve the children in America, who need us, to the best of our ability...but we must not and will not stop there.

We know that God has no geographical boundaries. *Rev. 14:16* He has called us (*we have no choice*) to serve His children in many different ways, all over the world.

We will treat our international children with the same dignity and respect that all children of God are entitled to.

We will, with honesty, integrity and great privilege provide children of all ages, from one day old to "children in their 50's", with love, care, medical attention, education, recreation and spiritual training. We will, with all of our

hearts, and with God's help, do our very best to provide a safe, comfortable, and stable environment that God's children can be happy to call Home *Matt. 18:2*

Our Purpose

The Galilean Children's Home is a non-profit mission oriented organization designed to minister to children that have been abused, rejected, neglected, are medically needy, or whose mother is in prison. They have come from broken homes caused by alcohol or drug abuse, rejection, mental illness, mental abuse,

crime, physical illness, political upheaval, and abandonment. The majority of these children are not orphans but have greater individual needs as a whole. Their faith and confidence in themselves and their world has been shattered and they no longer know the love and security of a family. Our purpose is to restore the children's faith in themselves, God, and their world.

This is accomplished through our expression of individual love for the child and their acceptance into the community. They are loved just as Christ loved the church. To this end, the Galilean Children's Home, with the continual help and guidance of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and our dedicated supporters, so dedicates itself.



Dad and Mom 22 years ago

Our Goal

Our main goal is to take care of a child's physical needs while ministering to their emotional and spiritual needs. Those needs are constantly changing just as society changes. Many of the children cannot be reunited with their own family. When this occurs, we provide a home for as long as the child needs it, until they reach adulthood, graduate from high school, or even college. There are many that will not return home and are dependent on our love and care, such as those that reside in the Blessing House. The Home also reaches out to third world countries to bring children that need medical care that cannot be provided in their own country. They remain here to be healed and ministered to and then are returned and reunited with their families. We then continue to offer our support while they carry on with their lives and share what they have learned here. We want to empower the children that come here so that they may realize better lives through improving the barriers that impede functioning levels and enhance education, self esteem, family dynamics, coping skills, and interpersonal skills that will generate a positive and safe future for change.

Teamwork

We believe that teamwork is the basis for the success of our programs. We will emphasize that all members of our organization work together to accomplish our common goals. We believe that through cooperative teamwork employees and residents will reach their best potential. We feel that through a high level of sharing each other's knowledge, skills, and abilities all will benefit and flourish.

Accountability and Excellence

We will strive to remain accountable to those we serve. With an emphasis on quality and recognizing established standards of excellence we will further strive to be a leader

in enhancing those standards. We will expect all members here to perform their duties in a manner which reflects these standards. Not only will we remain open to scrutiny, but we will encourage it and invite any and all feedback. We will responsibly manage all the resources of the Galilean Children's Home. We will act ethically and honorably in all that we do. These are the principles we live by and use in our decision making. Children are still our main focus here, Christ is our reason. We believe that children are a gift from God and that we are accountable to Him for their care and nurturing. "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, I was a stranger and you took me in." *Matthew 25-34-35*

Our mission is humbling in a sense that so many lives come our way. Many come reaching out for comfort, shelter, love, and salvation. All we can do is reach out in faith. There are many young lives finding refuge and love for the first time when they arrive here. There is no better feeling than to be accepted and loved.

We remain nondenominational, born again, Jesus serving and loving, in brotherhood with all God's children. We refuse to be caught up in differences that hamper our work for Christ. We have received children who were Muslim, Buddhist, Jewish, Atheist, and many Christian denominations. Most all religions of the world have their qualities and truth. God did not assign us to be the judge, but to just follow the footsteps of Jesus.

As we enter 2008, we pray that all of you that have believed in this ministry will continue to stand with us, to laugh with us, grieve with us, share with us, and become part of us. There are many criteria to become members of some churches and ministries. To be a partner in this ministry requires no qualifications except to know that you care. Visitors are always welcome Monday through Saturday, 9am-3pm. Sunday is our day of rest and time to spend with family. When you come to visit, make a day of it and plan on eating at our restaurant, The Bread of Life Café, located on the 127 bypass just south of Liberty. The Children's Home is located 8 more miles past the restaurant. It is 70 miles

south of Lexington, Kentucky and has been home to us for over 35 years. We are nestled in the middle of the old order, horse and buggy Mennonites.

It is amazing to see children of every race and religious background love and care for each other. Never is color, language, physical or mental challenges, or religious differences an issue or even spoken to one another. Everyone is accepted for who they are. Yes, we have rules here—no cursing, no disrespect, no dating until the age of 18, and no rock music. The children are required to wear modest clothing. We are a very structured and well organized facility and expect all children to follow the rules and guidelines that are set forth. We thank God for being able to provide them with a Christian education with the Bible and prayer as our foundation. These children are clean, fed, comfortable and happy. Just think of the ones out in the world who are starving, neglected, and abused. May God bless His children and those who have compassion for them. The world that we live in is in a degrading tailspin and our only hope and Salvation is Jesus Christ.

We continue to refrain from state funding, relying solely on God's people to provide the funds needed to maintain all divisions of this ministry. Words cannot begin to express our appreciation for being a partner with the Galilean Children. This time of year, right after Christmas, is traditionally a very slow time financially. Please continue to remember us with your support and prayers. May God continue to bless you for the sacrifices you make on behalf of the children.

With Love to All,



Perry (Sandy's brother), Jerry, and the children

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- ✓ "Clorox Anywhere" Spray
- ✓ Powdered Infant Formula
- ✓ Orajel (for baby teething)
- ✓ Jars of Baby Food

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To all of the beautiful people that take care of all those little angels

First, I would like to say that for the last 2 1/2, years I've watched you bring those babies to see their mothers. I've been here at Pewee Valley and also at Dismus Charities in Owensboro. You came faithfully to bless those mothers with being able to hold and love their children. Every time I see you soldiers for God bring those angels to see their mothers, I cry because it brings a blessing to my life to see how you care for these mothers in wanting them to bond with their children. I feel God's love every time I see you. You are God's faithful servants! I want you to know how your love has a ripple effect on others. You sure have touched my life by the mission you are so greatly faithful to. I have sent an offering to help God's people help those little angels. I keep your mission and those babies in my prayers. May God continue to bless your mission. In Jesus' name, Amen!

(this letter was sent by an inmate who is not one of the mothers where we take their babies for a visit)

Solar water heaters put to use at the Galilean Children's Home

In September of 2007, the first of two solar hot water systems were installed. Both were donated by Golfwood Services, a regional supplier for Apricus evacuated tube solar hot water collectors. Within the first 37 days of operation, the laundry, which operates 7 washing machines, 18 hours per day, 6 days per week now reports having ample hot water supply, which they have not had in the past. The second unit was connected to a conventional 80 gallon electric water heater in the Angel House. Solar Energy Solutions of Lexington, KY, and D&D Heating of Liberty, KY, provided engineering and installation services for the project. Thanks to all who had a hand in helping our Ministry save money, thereby freeing up more to care for the precious ones God has placed here.