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To nurture deeply hurting girls to restored relationships with God, family, and community.

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Sojourners Volunteer on Campus

We were blessed to welcome the Sojourners to campus during September. The Sojourners are a Christian group comprised of retired individuals who travel to small congregations, church camps, and children's homes to help physically and spiritually. Their tasks range widely from repair work, cleaning, painting, teaching Bible class, preaching, and more. They are ready to serve wherever they're needed.

Jim Heath and his wife, Gloria, have been with the Sojourners since 2005. Jim says he heard about Sojourners at his home congregation in Troup, Texas. The model of Sojourners appealed to him, especially with his background in home remodeling. Jim said that Carpenter Place is his favorite place to serve. He and Gloria have been helping at Carpenter Place since 2013. The friends he's made while here are what keep him coming back year after year. He especially enjoys visiting with houseparent Luke Campbell.

Another Sojourner, Pam, said she learned about the group at her home congregation in Houston, Texas when she was eight years old. It was the only time she saw a presentation, but it resonated with her, and she knew that was something she wanted to do when she retired. Pam has been with Sojourners for two years and loves traveling around the country, making new friends, and serving the Lord at the same time. She said, "Why sit around and read about someone else's adventure when you can go out and make your own!"

Carpenter Place has benefitted over the past few years by having the Sojourners help out around campus. Jennifer Campbell, Director of Campus Life says because of the effort required to daily maintain a facility the size of Carpenter Place, what the Sojourners accomplish in the two weeks they're on campus, would take several months to complete on our own. "We are also so blessed to have them modeling Christian





service and good work ethic to our girls. Christ taught us to be servants and this is modeled by every sojourn visit." Jennifer and her husband, Luke, enjoy inviting the Sojourners into their home. Some of their favorite memories are sharing a meal, stories, and laughter. "It was a beautiful coming together of life, ministry, and friendship."

To learn more about the Sojourners, visit their website at sojourning.org.







Around Campus





Baptisms





Houseparent Appreciation

Addy & Anna were baptized into Christ in September. Welcome to the family! We celebrated our Houseparents in September with an appreciation luncheon. We love our Carpenter Place Houseparents & are so thankful for the love and support they give our girls!



End of Summer Activities

The girls have been very busy recently! They visited the Sedgwick County Zoo, roller skated at Carousel Skate Center, attended a high school football game, and visited the Kansas State Fair!



Back to School

The girls returned to school in August. We are blessed to be able to provide education at Carpenter Place in the Shellee Morrison Christian Learning Center.

Follow Us!

Make sure you are up-to-date on everything that happens at Carpenter Place. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



A Note From The CEO

Several years ago, I was asked to lead a team to complete a project that would normally require a significant amount of detailed planning, hard work, and successful execution from every team member. I knew very little about the team I was asked to lead, and I had no way of knowing what they were capable of. Time was not a luxury we had been gifted. Even so, we pressed on. Shortly into the project, I felt as if we had been tasked with taking a convoy of cars on a cross-country trip, and the cars hadn't received regular maintenance or repair for many years. I was sure the check engine lights must have been



ignored so long that they eventually burned out. After overcoming many challenges, we completed the project. This project taught me a valuable lesson, a lesson I kept in mind when I was asked to start leading the Carpenter Place team last September. I committed to spending time looking for any "check engine lights" that may have been ignored or overlooked in the past. I felt this time of review was necessary to ensure our continued success in carrying out the mission of Carpenter Place.

I am pleased to report my findings of the review over the last 13 months. For many years, Carpenter Place has been blessed with a wonderful team of mission minded leadership, devoted staff, volunteers, churches, and individual supporters. They valued the importance of regular maintenance. This has positioned Carpenter Place well, to continue the success of accomplishing the mission of nurturing deeply hurting girls to restored relationships with God, family, and community.

As you scan this newsletter, I hope you are encouraged by every happy face you see. I hope you are uplifted by the images that capture the moment when two girls made the best decision of their life. Please know, you help make it all possible. We greatly appreciate your time, love, prayers, and support of Carpenter Place.

Michael B. Bunch Michael (Brady) Bunch, CEO

Meet Teresa Worman

Teresa Worman is the Director of Education at Carpenter Place. She provides classroom structure, helps with lessons and concepts, and teaches the girls to be independent learners.

Teresa has been with Carpenter Place for over 8 years. She enjoys mentoring the girls and loves seeing their personal and spiritual growth as they progress through the program.

Teresa is married to her husband, George. They will celebrate their 25th

anniversary in November. They have 3 grown children and 4 grandchildren. In her spare time, Teresa enjoys working in her garden and spending time with her family.



Items in red are especially needed at this time

- Little Debbie Snack Cakes
- Individully wrapped snacks
- Chicken/Beef Broth
- Crackers: saltines, Ritz type, snack crackers, Chex Mix
- Paste, Rotel tomatoes (no spaghetti noodles please)
- Canned fruit (not lite or pineapple please)
- 100% juice of any kind
- Olive oil, Canola oil
- Condiments: Mayo, Miracle Whip, BBQ Sauce, Dill Pickles, Salsa (mild, medium, & hot), Ketchup
- Peanut Butter
- Velveta Cheese
- Salad dressing: Italian, Ranch, & Honey Mustard are favorites
- Alfredo sauce
- Instant flavored oatmeal packs
- Cereal
- Salt & baking soda
- Brown sugar, powdered sugar, white sugar
- Chocolate chips
- Lysol/Clorox wipes
- Anti-bacterial cleaning products
- Scrubbing Bubbles bathroom spray
- Tampons (plastic applicator), pads, cotton balls
- Acne face wash, small hand soaps
- Mouthwash no cinnamon
- Shaving cream (no razors please)
- Toilet paper
- First aid items
- Laundry detergent
- Windex, Lysol spray
- Kleenex
- Dishwasher soap/pods
- Paper plates
- Ziploc bags ALL SIZES
- Trash bags Kitchen (13 gal) & bathroom sizes
- Canned beans & canned mixed vegetables



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In Honor of...

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February 11, 2023

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