

# Real Lives Changed...

*"I established so many healthy relationships at Rachel's House that continued even after I moved out on my own. I have real friends: people I can turn to for help when I'm struggling, who hold me accountable. And best of all, I have a restored relationship with my children. We are a family; my daughters have a mother."*

Shauna, program graduate

*"We value our partnership with Rachel's House. It is instrumental in meeting both the needs of offenders and our communities to which they will transition."*

Warden Patricia Andrews

*"After years of being deemed 'unfit for society', God led me to Rachel's House to truly begin my life's transforming journey. I have been surrounded by His love through His many disciples here at Lower Lights Ministries and the church."*

Delaine "Birdie" Dayton, resident manager

## **Please help us continue our ministry!**

All monetary donations go entirely to the care of the women in our program. Lives are changed and families reconciled through the support of donors like you!

- A \$265 donation supports a new resident for her first month at Rachel's House.
- Regular monthly donations support the cost of providing quality programming.
- Special one time gifts allow us to enhance our service to our residents.

**Thank you for your prayer and your support! See the back of brochure for information on donating.**

# Rachel's House

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## Give to Rachel's House

Believing in this program and knowing the great financial needs of Rachel's House...

- I commit to pray daily for the ministries.
- I would like to serve in the program.
- I commit to financially support Rachel's House:
  - \$500 per month
  - \$200 per month
  - \$100 per month
  - \$50 per month
  - \$25 per month
  - \$10 per month
  - \$\_\_\_\_ per month
  - \$\_\_\_\_ one time gift
- I wish to sponsor a resident for her initial month with \$265.

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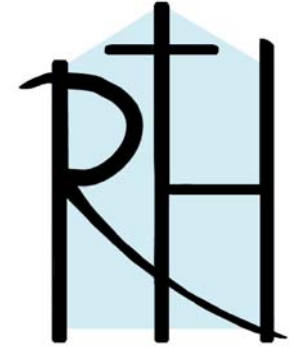
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Make checks payable to Lower Lights Ministries  
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# Rachel's House

*A program of  
Lower Lights Ministries*



Rachel's House

*Rachel's House exists for previously incarcerated women to experience the love of God in a physically and emotionally safe environment, empowering them to establish healthy relationships with God, family and community.*

*"Do not weep any longer, for I will reward you. There is hope for your future..."*

Jeremiah 31:16-17

# *A House of Faith, Hope, and Love*

Jeremiah wrote that “Rachel weeps for her children, refusing to be comforted – for her children are no more” (31:15). Such is the plight of some in our society. Due to uncontrollable circumstances or poor life choices, many adult women find themselves incarcerated. Often alienated by friends and family, these women are left with nowhere to turn upon their release from prison.



That's when Rachel's House intervenes. By joining our residency discipleship program, women find the resources, companionship, and hope necessary for them to reenter society. Residents are supported as they reconcile with their families and become contributing members of their community and of the Kingdom of God.

## *Transitional Housing*

We believe that there is much more to a home than simply a sheltering structure; home is where one should be comfortable, loved, and secure. Coming out of prison, many feel that they can trust no one and that they must always fend for themselves. Rachel's House stresses a lifestyle of community among our residents and volunteers to foster a safe setting for their transition into society.

## *Spiritual Formation and Life Skills*

Convinced that building a life on God's Word is essential for anyone, our residents are engaged in weekly Bible studies and women's fellowship. It's important to us that each woman has a supportive community to keep her accountable and help her learn life skills. At the center of that community is a personal mentor, boosting her self-confidence and ability to succeed. Many of these strong personal relationships continue long after the residents leave the program.



Our mentoring program aims at instructing women how to begin living abundant life by providing support, fellowship and direction.

## *Job Placement Assistance*

Unemployment is a tough hurdle to overcome for anyone. Add to that a lack of transportation, a criminal record, and a poor work history, and the equation becomes even more daunting. At Rachel's House, we partner with employment schools and provide a job mentor to assist each woman in finding employment quickly.



## *Financial Counseling*

Rachel's House provides residents with a supportive financial team to help them work through issues of budgeting, banking, and Christian stewardship. The women learn to be financially responsible as they create savings accounts, pay off debts and plan for their future.

## *Recovery*

Residents are given a safe environment in which to recover from drug and alcohol addictions, emotional pain from their past and unhealthy relationships and mindsets. Besides AA meetings, they attend a Biblically-based 12-step program, pastoral and mental health counseling, and they receive services from the Lower Lights Christian Health Center.