

*Changing Lives,
One Child at a Time*

July 2011

Morning Star

Ministries of the North Penn Area, Inc.

A New Start...in a New Direction



From Our Hearts



Exciting things are always happening here at Morning Star! Along with welcoming four new miracles into the world, we have been continuing with the renovations on the Aftercare House. We have been blessed with so many great volunteers!

Mike Fallon from the National Association of the Remodeling Industry Bucks Mont Chapter has been so instrumental in helping us. NARI works with non-profits and they try to get as many materials donated as possible along with the labor. Mike had a great crew of area members out for two weekends framing the new bathroom on the first floor and putting in new drywall throughout the first floor along with replacing the front porch. Local men like John Alderfer, Dale Pringle, Jon Huber, Nelson Floyd IV, and Chuck Brennan also put in a lot of hours. I also want to thank my husband, Nelson Floyd, for the countless hours he put in coordinating everything. We still have a ways to go, but it's looking good and we can't wait to have an open house so all our supporters can see it.

We would also like to thank Tom Gibson from Bathfitters for his support of Morning Star. Along with putting in an acrylic insert and surround here at Morning Star, Bathfitters will also be installing an insert and surround at the new property. Bathfitters did a beautiful job and the girls are enjoying a shower and tub that no longer chips. We are so thankful for their support and it has been a pleasure working with such a great company.

Some other local churches sent people over to give a helping hand. Arlo Slemmer from Christ

Reformed Church at Indian Creek helped us out with adding and replacing electric receptacles. Christ Covenant Church had a team of teenage girls come and help us paint the second floor. They were traveling from Minnesota and were in the area to help local ECC churches with service projects. Linda Kratz coordinated it for us. It was great to have them helping and they even got a chance to take a dip in the newly renovated Souderton pool. Linda & Vern Kratz, Jan Marcheski, Bob & Norrell Weisenborn, and Don Nibbelink (all from Christ Covenant Church) have also been working hard getting the bedrooms, hallway, and stairway fixed up and painted.

It is so humbling to know that so many people are willing to give their time and talents for the work we are doing here at Morning Star. We can't thank you all enough. If you haven't been contacted yet to help, don't worry -- there is plenty more that needs to be done.

Many people have committed funds to the Aftercare House over the next 2-3 years through our initial capital campaign. We thank you so much for your continued support. There was some question about when to start sending in your contributions and the time is now if you haven't already begun. If you are interested in giving to the Aftercare House, please contact us at 215-723-8103 or send us an e-mail at morning_star_min@hotmail.com. We hope to have a PowerPoint presentation at our annual banquet on Saturday, September 24, 2011 documenting the renovations at the new house. In the meantime, keep us in your prayers and as always thank you for your faithful support.

Christina Floyd, Director

News from our House Parents



We have been very busy since our last newsletter. It is amazing how quickly time flies; Jim and I have been here for almost ten months already. And they have been busy, wonderful months filled with love, laughter and even a few tears. We are learning and growing along with our girls.

Since our last newsletter we have welcomed four new Morning Star miracles into our family. **Kasima**, who went back home about a month before her baby was due, gave birth to a beautiful baby boy on March 3rd. Kasima called when she went into labor and I was able to venture out on my first train ride into Philadelphia to be with her. She is doing very well and loves being a mom to Kasim. On April 1, we welcomed our only girl, precious little Kristie, born to **April** while she was in Philadelphia. Following a short stay with Ron and Kathy Mininger, April and Kristie are now staying with family in New York. **Keshia** blessed us with our next baby on April 11th. A beautiful boy she named Jayson. Keshia and Jayson are still with us at Morning Star as she waits for her housing voucher. Every day we are blessed to watch this little one grow and discover his world. Right now he is fascinated by lights and ceiling fans. He recognizes our voices and melts our hearts with great big smiles, coos and giggles. Our last baby of the group was born on May 1st to **Ashley**. Although she originally planned to place her baby for adoption, she changed her mind and decided to parent little Liam. Ashley and Liam are currently residing at Angel Baby Ministries, a home for very young girls and their babies. We are so blessed that the girls keep in touch with phone calls and visits. It is wonderful to see our girls grow into their roles as mothers as they use the skills they learned while living here at Morning Star. Our awesome teachers and mentors make all the difference.

Jim and I enjoyed our first Bowl-a-thon in March. It was wonderful to see so many of you there who faithfully support our ministry. We were able to introduce little Kasim and his parents to many of you. Our 5th graders from Leidy's Church especially enjoyed meeting Kasim and seeing how God answers their prayers and uses their fundraising

efforts. It was also great to meet some Morning Star graduates and their babies.

Last month the youth group from Grace Community Church along with their Pastor and some volunteers came by to plant flowers and help us sort all the donations of clothes in the baby barn. There were about 30 people covering the property and lending a hand wherever they were needed. A great big thanks to all of you for all your hard work. Our yard looks beautiful and the barn is in great shape.

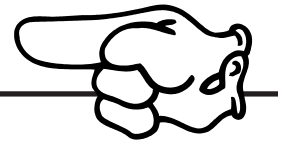
Two weeks ago we welcomed our newest girl, **Alberta**. Last week we went for an ultrasound and found out that she will be blessed with a little girl the end of October.

As we enjoy the summer season with food grilled outdoors and corn on the cob, we look forward to getting in some swimming and maybe even a day at the shore. And we thank all of you who make this ministry possible. Please know that your efforts and sacrifices are making a huge difference in the lives of the girls who come here.

Blessings & Love,

Darlene White
House Mom

Our Needs



Lawn mower
Dehumidifier
Wal-Mart, Target, or Payless gift cards
(for personal needs of our girls)

For Aftercare House:

Dishes
Cookware
Utensils

Fundraiser Banquet



Just a reminder that our annual fall fundraising banquet is scheduled for Saturday, September 24th, at the Family Worship Center, 1000 Troxel Road, Lansdale. Please mark your calendars now if you plan to attend. Our guest speaker for the evening will be John Anderson, author of the book, "*Cry of the Innocents -- Abortion and the Race Towards Judgment.*"

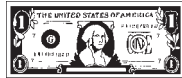
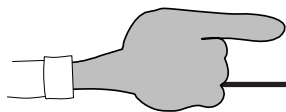
If you have never attended our banquet and have an interest in knowing more about it, please call the office at 215-723-8103.

Please Note



In this month's newsletter you will find an insert regarding a fundraiser at Chick-fil-A in Quakertown. We have set the date for Monday, August 8, 2011 and we hope to see you there. It will be a fun night of food and fellowship and the best chicken sandwiches around!

Please remember to bring the enclosed paper with you and please feel free to invite some friends and enemies too! We look forward to seeing you there.



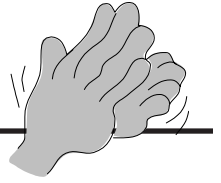
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Another way we would like to start bringing in extra funds is through selling things on **eBay**. If you have any items that you would like to donate for that purpose, please contact us at the office by calling 215-723-8103 or by e-mail at:

morning_star_min@hotmail.com.

Look for us on **eBay** sometime in the fall.

Many Thanks



We'd like to extend a special thanks to the following churches for their participation in our baby bottle fundraiser program:

Christ Reformed Church at Indian Creek
Faith Church of Worcester
Family Worship Center
Indian Creek Church of the Brethren
Old Goshenhoppen U.C.C.
St. Peters E.C.C.

If your church or organization would like to know more about collecting 'change for babies' in one of our baby bottle fundraisers, please contact the office. We'd be happy to come out and meet with your group. It's a fun and easy way to support our prolife ministry.



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