

# MARGIE HOUSE OPENS!

*"A Haven and Refuge for Female Ex-Offenders"*

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Much has happened since our last newsletter. **Renovations are completed** and our resident housemother, **Kim Neal, has moved in!** The gifts of money, prayer, labor and household items from you, our supporters, has yielded a warm, friendly, clean, furnished home. The outpouring of love that has surrounded this project has been wonderful. Thank you to everyone that has contributed. On behalf of the women that will get a new start on life in this home, the Margie House Board wishes to express our **sincerest thanks** for your giving.



Kim Neal  
Margie House Housemother

Margie House now moves on to the next phase. We have solidified the application process for our future residents and anxiously await our first referral. We will be considering applicants through the recommendations of ministries that work inside the jails, such as Lydia's Place, and the chaplain's offices. This ministry's goal is to help those women who have made a commitment to Jesus Christ and need the help of the Christian community to get a new start in life outside of the prison walls.

We estimate that operating costs will run around \$2,000.00 per month for this ministry. That amount covers the household expenses as well as the insurance we must carry. All of our board members, including Kim, our housemother, are volunteers. As a result, there are no administrative costs. **ALL MONIES DONATED GO DIRECTLY INTO THE MINISTRY.** Please prayerfully consider a monthly contribution into this ministry - for yourself and/or your church.

## CALL FOR INTERCESSORS

Are you willing to pray for this ministry?

If so, please let us know by emailing board member Judy Mihon, at [jmihon@earthlink.net](mailto:jmihon@earthlink.net)

We will periodically give you prayer requests and updates.

A very **special thank you** to both the **Murrysville Women's Bible study group** that came to intercede for the house/ministry right after we purchased the home, and more recently, the **intercessory group from Mount Ararat Baptist Church.** You are true prayer warriors.



Mount Ararat Baptist Church Intercessory Group

Kim Neal has been ministering inside the Allegheny County Jail as part of the ministry team from Mt. Ararat Baptist Church. She joined the Margie House Board in the spring of this year. Her insight and compassion for this ministry has been a great addition. As she worked with the Margie House board, God birthed in her a desire to do more, and thus become the resident housemother. Kim is anxious to be used of God "to rob the enemy of these precious lives he has deceived". Kim shares a similar background with the women she will mentor. She's been "giving back" to the Lord for six years now and reflects the love of Jesus more and more each day. Margie House is blessed indeed that God sent her to us.

## BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED!!

If you can advise/assist this ministry in one of the following capacities, WE NEED YOU.

- Clergy
- Attorney/Legal Advisor
- CPA/Accountant
- Criminal Justice Experience
- Corresponding Secretary
- Administrator
- Handy Man
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## CINCINNATI UPDATE

As many of you know, Margie House falls under the umbrella of Christian Inn Ministries. Also under that umbrella are Esther House and Macedonia House, which are flourishing in Cincinnati. This year a Furniture Resale business was birthed and serves to help support the ministry and employ the residents. Please pray as God is opening still more doors for expansion of this outreach in Cincinnati.

## MARGIE HOUSE/ADDITIONAL NEEDS

- Vacuum cleaner
- Printer for computer
- Bookcases
- TV for resident's living room
- Clothes racks