

MINISTRY

HIGHLIGHTS



Lifespring Residents who attended the 2018 Benefit Dinner

We are grateful for the provisions that were afforded to us through last year's benefit dinner. So much fruit is, and will continue to come, from the generosity of all who attended.

The evening would not have been possible without the support of the committee that helped plan and execute the event. As we look ahead to this year's event we know the work we have before us, and we prayerfully ask that God would raise up a team to do that work.

Our first planning committee for this year's benefit event will be held at Lifespring Ministry on **Monday, March 4th at 6:00 PM.** We would love if you could join us.

Even if you are not able to attend this first meeting please prayerfully consider getting involved. If you would like more information about joining this committee please reach out to Lifespring Ministry Director, Jody Cantey at jcantey@waysidecross.org or call her at (630) 851-0187



OUR MISSION

To honor God by loving and serving the afflicted and powerless through sharing the Gospel of forgiveness and hope in Jesus Christ by empowering them to be disciples of Christ.

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

LIFESPING INTERNSHIPS Lifespring has several internship opportunities available for degree seeking women. **THANK YOU** Read on to see all Lifespring has to be thankful for. **REFLECTING** God is doing a mighty work in women's lives we are grateful to take part in the work. **PLEASE PRAY** Continue to pray for Baby A who is still recovering from being very ill.

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LIFESPRING INTERNSHIPS

Lifespring Ministry is a Christ-centered recovery and long-term transitional living program that offers women who have lost their housing due to addiction, abuse or financial crisis, the support and reaffirming care they need. We minister to the whole person through Bible studies, biblical counseling, classes in parenting, finances, cooking and nutrition, GED tutoring, computer skills and more.



Here at Lifespring we strongly support the education of future social work and human service professionals.

We strongly believe that student interns enhance the service delivery at Lifespring Ministry through their willing participation in program activities that enrich and compliment the programs in which they are placed. As such, Lifespring Ministry has several available internships throughout the year. Assignments and duties are

based upon the student's current skills and abilities and all are welcome to apply.

During an internship at Lifespring, students will build on previous coursework through "hands-on" experiences that will effectively meet their learning needs related to engagement, assessment, interviewing, basic casework, etc. Students are expected to have flexibility to accommodate program needs and are required to complete administrative tasks as associated with their placement functions.

A qualified (LCSW, or otherwise appropriately credentialed) licensed staff member will provide students with field instruction including 1-2 hours of supervision weekly.

If you know of any women in a degree seeking program desiring an internship, please contact Morgan Baumert at: mbaumert@waysidecross.org or by phone at: (630) 952-1103 and she can get them the application materials.

LET US CONSIDER HOW WE CAN SPUR ONE ANOTHER ON;
TOWARDS LOVE AND GOOD DEEDS. Hebrews 10:24

PLANTING HOPE

Sometimes the long winter months can cause us to get a little stir crazy as we anticipate spring, so we are grateful for our volunteers who come in and offer us a little respite from the confinement cold weather often brings. Our families were recently blessed by a volunteer who came in with, plants, pots, and soil. Not only were our families blessed with plants for their rooms, but they were taught a valuable life skill.

Though there are still several weeks of winter before us we are grateful for the reminder that spring is coming.



IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING YOUR
SKILLS AND SERVICES,
PLEASE REACH OUT TO OUR
PROGRAM COORDINATOR,
MORGAN BAUMERT AT:
MBAUMERT@WAYSIDECROSS.ORG
OR BY PHONE AT:
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NEEDS LIST

Hand Sanitizer	Ibuprofen
Cough Drops	Body Wash
Single Subject Notebooks	1 Inch Binders
Colored Pencils	Index Cards
Cough Syrup	HE Laundry Detergent
Ethnic Hair Products	Adult Cold Medicine
Children's Cold Medicine	Gallon Ziploc Bags
Cooking Spices	Baking Mixes
Alarm Clocks	Jelly
Pasta Sauce	Cereal
Cooking Broth (all kinds)	

THANK YOU SO MUCH



Thank you Exchange Club of Naperville for your generous gift to Wayside Cross Ministries. A portion of the raised funds will be allocated to Lifespring and we are looking forward to putting those funds to good use.

The Exchange Club of Naperville was chartered in 1987 and is dedicated to the elimination of child abuse and domestic violence. Through financial contributions to more than 50 local charities, the Exchange Club has raised more than \$16 million from its service activities at Ribfest.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY

BABY A WAS RECENTLY RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL. MOM AND BABY ARE CONTINUING TO RECOVER FROM THE WEEKS LONG HOSPITAL STAY.



Please continue to pray that Baby A would continue to heal from his various infections and that he would begin eating and gaining weight on his own. He is currently still only receiving his nutrition through a feeding tube and requires a great deal of care and attention. Pray that mom would be able to find her rest and security in her Heavenly Father and that she would not turn to earthly things. Pray that she is able to return to Lifespring as the community here misses her greatly.

OUR MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT

Thank you to all of you who have supported Lifespring Ministry over the years with your time, talent, and treasure. Last year brought so many blessings to Lifespring. **Thank you to all who make Lifespring possible.**

As we move forward in the New Year, we continue to need resources to bring Christ's healing to the women who enter these doors. Your tangible gifts, no matter how small, will help us provide staff, counseling, meals, housing, and protection to women and their children who are seeking to grow spiritually during their time here.

CONTACT THE MINISTRY DIRECTOR, JODY CANTEY AT JCANTEY@WAYSIDECROSS.ORG OR CALL (630) 851-0187 TO SEE HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

UPCOMING EVENTS

GATHER AND GO NIGHTS Please join Lifespring Ministry for a night of prayer, ministry updates, and to learn how to get involved. The Gather and Go Nights occur every 12th day of the month from 6:00-7:00 PM.

TOPGOLF FUNDRAISER On March 10th from 2:00-4:00 or 4:00-6:00 PM, Lifespring will be hosting its first ever fundraiser at Topgolf, located in Naperville, IL. **SLOTS ARE STILL AVAILABLE. PLEASE CALL TO RSVP.**

BENEFIT DINNER COMMITTEE MEETING Save the Date! Our annual benefit planning committee will be meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 6:00 PM.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Thank you for all who came out to Culver's to support Lifespring Ministry on Tuesday, February 26th. It was a pleasure serving our community and we greatly appreciate you.

Thank you Culver's on Lincolnway in Aurora for hosting a fundraiser on our behalf.

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