



July 2018 Issue

## 5th Anniversary



**To God be the Glory!! ..... As we celebrate 5 years of this ministry!!! To get to witness the "Great things he has done!!!"**

We have been blessed to serve a total of 104 women and women with their young children from 22 counties all across the state of Texas and 2 out of state. We currently have 78 active volunteers who have logged 1,090 in volunteer hours. This ministry is made possible through His amazing provision and guidance with support from 55 individual and 23 church monthly donors. And, annually the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of so many more; Meeting our needs and seeing Him prove himself faithful, continually increases our faith.

By His grace and mercy, lives are truly being transformed. We are so grateful He is allowing us to be a part of this ministry.

## Our Graduates



Addie Boyd

Karlee Knuth



Malissa Da-

## Adopted Rooms

One of two beautiful rooms redone by FBC Adult 5-Larry Hill and Circle of Friends SS



**Sisters Loretta Posey and Kelly Gore** painted, furnished and decorated this lovely



Thank you to  
**Caren Cummings**  
For decorating and  
furnishing this



# Thank you for your Labor of Love



Turnertown Baptist



Billy Moore Corrections tore



Mike Baker painting our building.



Billy Moore Corrections bringing donations



## Special Thanks



CWJC of Rusk County



Billy Moore Corrections

## How Can You

- Prayer for our staff, residents, and board of directors
- **Volunteers to Transport**
- Backup generators for freezer/fridge and computers
- Goal 50 Churches giving \$200 and 300 families giving \$50 monthly
- Furnishings and décor for resident's room
- Volunteers to help fundraise

## Karlee Knuth



**My name is Karlee Knuth** I am 35 years old and I have two beautiful children Kyler, and Kace Knuth. I had a rough childhood my parents used and sold drugs for 10 years, I was the oldest daughter, so I had a lot of responsibility taking care of my siblings. I didn't grow up in church, but I always wanted things to be good, and I was always longing for something at the time I didn't know that it was God I had been searching for my whole life. When I was 12 my parents went to federal prison for Conspiracy to Distribute and were sentenced 5 and 6 years. I started using drugs at 23, I went from using sometimes to using all the time. Things got worse I fought my addiction for 11 years I couldn't just stop I tried moving, getting a new job. Then I had my first son I thought I could quit for him, but 6 months after Kyler was born my Dad passed, and that was hard it was the first time in my life someone so close passed I couldn't imagine life without my Dad. I went to a rehab when Kyler was a year and a half old for 3 months. That was the first time I started praying, and having a relationship with God, I was clean for 3 years after that and things were good. But, I decided I wanted to live in my own will again and I started using again. It just got progressively worse, I ended up losing my son for 8 months because CPS got involved, I went to jail. I ended up doing what I had to do to get him back, but I was living a lie. I again tried to move tried to be a functioning addict, but it didn't work. I got pregnant with my son Kace, and I knew things had to change, but I couldn't stop on my own. On April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 that was the last time I used CPS showed up at my door, and I had an open CPS case they were waiting for me at the Hospital on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April when I had Kace, and I didn't know it at the time, but that was a beginning to an end of the nightmare I was living. I had to leave my children and family to get help. On May 26, 2017 I got to Son Shine Lighthouse, I was welcome with open arms and the Love of Jesus. That's where my life could begin again, I got my children back, my families support, and a wonderful support of Christian women. I am currently enrolled in Kilgore College for Business Management. I have a apartment at Buckner Pathways in Longview. Son Shine lighthouse taught me how to live again and be a Godly mother to my children. Also, how to love myself again. I am so very grateful. God is so good, he has blessed me abundantly.

