



TEEN CHALLENGE OF THE MIDLANDS

Pella Teen Challenge Women's Home Newsletter

May 2009



Mighty to Save...Kim's Story

Growing up, my life was pretty normal. That's what I thought anyways. Parents divorced when I was 12 and through that experience I began to believe that I didn't matter. I went for a long time bottling up everything and thought that only I could get me through the storms. Wrong! That thinking led to getting pregnant, married at a young age and then divorced. Things continued to spiral out of control after that, and the worst part was that I thought I was doing just fine alone. I started drinking and getting involved with different relationships, lying to my family and financially drowning. I ended up going to jail a couple of times for writing bad checks. Through it all I continued to lie to my family and myself. I would tell myself that I could fix everything. After ending another relationship, I found out I was pregnant again, and with that I made a choice that will always be with me. Once making that decision I only wanted to hide and be left alone. I hid my hurt and pain until I ended

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YOU ARE INVITED!
MAY/JUNE EVENTS

Prayer Requests

Pray for jobs for women moving into the final phase of the program, and their witness in those jobs.

Pray for families of women, many have children and need prayer as they deal with being away from their mothers.

Pray for continued financial support from individuals and community support financially.

Prayer for staff for wisdom, discernment and peace in the midst of some challenging situations.

**VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES**

up stealing from my job and landed myself in jail. This time it wasn't overnight...it was 3 months. It was here that I found myself alone and broken, and it was here that God met me. In my brokenness he began to rebuild what had been shattered...me. I found myself beginning to depend on Him in jail and began to have a new hope. I am thankful that God loves me so much to stop me dead in my tracks and pull me out of the fire, even if it means burning His arm, I know He will always hold onto me.

I have now been at TC for 9 months and since coming here have experienced God's healing hand in every aspect of my life. He has opened my eyes to the truth that there is no greater love than the love our God has for us. That even when we give up on Him, He never gives up on us. I used to hate thinking about my past, but now I love to just look back to see His faithfulness. How in every part of my life (the pain and joys) he has always been there, helping me back up and brushing me off. I was walking in death before Him and can now say I am walking in life.

One thing He always tells me is "you are not your old life, so don't live like you are. I am in You and now you have life, so live it. I am yours and you are mine." Knowing this, I want to reach out for more and more of Him. A verse that I have learned to love is this:

Zephaniah 3:17 (NIV)

"The Lord your God is with you he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you he will quiet you with His love, he will rejoice over you with singing."

You are Invited...to

Supervisory Staff
(Weeknight & Weekend
Shifts)

Mentors

NEEDS

- Finances for new air conditioning/furnace unit
- File Cabinet (One that locks)
- Hot glue gun/glue sticks
- Laundry Detergent / Dishwasher Detergent
- Wall Clock
- Fresh Fruit (oranges, bananas/apples)
- Garden Hose Reel
- Garden Tools: 2 hoes, 2 garden rakes, 1 spade, 10 tomato cages.
- Coffee Grinder
- Coffee
- 1 Push Broom
- 2- Standing Oscillating Fans
- 1 large outdoor extension cord
- Bicycle Tire Tubes
- New screen material for side door

DONATE!

[TCMID Website](#)

Tina's Completion Service.

Please come and join us as we celebrate another life changed by the power of Christ!

Refreshments and desserts will be served following the service.

When: July 3, 2009

Time: 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: First Baptist Church

709 Independence, Pella

(directly south of the women's home)

If you have questions on how you can help the women of Teen Challenge by donating or volunteering, please contact me at (641) 628-2808 or email me at c.wilson@tcmid.org

Blessings,

Candace Wilson

Pella Teen Challenge Women's Home

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May/June Events

May 22nd: Ottumwa Outreach Center Dinner

May 30th: Dam to Dam Race-20 K, Des Moines

June 5 & 6: ChristLife Phase 2, Third Reformed

June 13th: Colfax Men's Graduation Ceremony-POG Church, Waukee

June 19-20: Father's Heart Ministry, Pella, IA

July 3rd: Completion Service-First Baptist Church, Pella