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-STATISTICS-Total Life Recovery Bibles Distributed: 80.470

Total Bible Study Workbooks Distributed: **41,840** 

#### -VOLUNTEERS-

Pen Pal Volunteers: 4 Office Volunteers: 51 Prayer Group Volunteers: 7 Stepping Stones Volunteers: 11 Jail Ministry Team Volunteers: 18 Special Event Volunteers: 150

#### -BOARD OF DIRECTORS -

Vonnie White, President

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Steve Land
Jim Shelburne
Dr. Dustin Turne

Rosalind Bates Shirley Daniel Dr. Carter Karr Becky Logsdon Yvonda Stokes



Thursday, March 24, 2011 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Civic Center Grand Plaza Guest Speaker Carol Kent



Carol Kent

International author and speaker, Carol Kent, is hilariously funny, biblically sound, and heartbreakingly transparent in person and in print. Come hear the story of how Carol, and her husband Gene, watched their comfortable lives take a horrible detour when their beloved son was arrested and eventually sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. At the time, they could not know that this was only the beginning of a journey that would never again settle into their expectations.

You are encouraged to support Sharing Hope Ministry by attending this event. Tickets for the dinner and speaker are \$30 each or you can purchase a table for \$240. Contact the Sharing Hope Office to make your reservations by calling 358-7803.

**Print Your Orange Of Store Sourcesy of: The Travel Store Dickets are \$50.00 each** Drawing to be held at HopeFest, March 24, 2011

Tickets available through Sharing Hope.



# From Inception to Opening God's Path Laid Out

A Program of Sharing Hope Ministry, Inc.













# 2000

Volunteers Patsy Britting and Juanita Taylor, begin visiting our local jails. The desire to do more after the women are released is born.

# 2005

July – The Long Range Planning committee lists their "OUT OF THE BALLPARK" dream of someday opening a transitional home for women who return to Amarillo from incarceration.

# 2006

Both of the Sharing Hope Ministry fundraising events double their income from the previous year. Excess money is moved into Money Market accounts to be used for future expansion of the Bible ministry and for the Patsy Britting Benevolence Fund, which would help with aftercare and be available for future use to establish a transitional home.

Staff and volunteers begin a feasibility study on the need for a prison release transitional home and the organization's ability to maintain this home. A positive recommendation is given to the Board of Directors.

### 2007

**February** – several representatives from area shelters provide a presentation to the Board of Directors.

March – After much research and prayer, the Board of Directors vote to move forward with Patsy's Place Transitional Home. Fundraising begins for Patsy's Place.

November - The Patsy's Place Prayer Team is organized.

# 2008

March – Stepping Stones volunteers are trained to prepare to work with Pasty's Place women.

September - The Psalm 119:11 Donation of \$100,000 is given to purchase the future home.

# 2009

April – The announcement is made during the Hope Fest event that the contract has been accepted on the building at 2300 W. 7th Street.

July – The Patsy's Place building is purchased.

August – Demolition of the top floor begins in preparation for construction.



- 14 The Soroptimist Club of Amarillo in the Client Room They Decorated
- 15 Peacemakers/Ambassadors Class Provided and Decorated a Client Bedroom



# 2009 (continued)

November - The Hard Hat Tour introduces the Amarillo Community to the future Patsy's Place Transitional Home.

# 2010

March – The Mary E. Bivins Foundation provides the remaining funds needed to start construction. June – Renovation begins on the building. December - The final renovations are being completed.

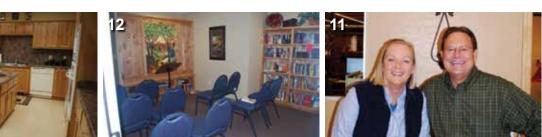
# 2011

January – The Ribbon Cutting and Open House of Patsy's Place is celebrated.

**February 1st** – The first woman moves into the Patsy's Place home

March - The Meadows Foundation awards Patsy's Place \$73,000.

#### Visit out website at www.sharinghopeministry.org to see the Smilebox slide show of Patsy's Place.



- 16 Decoration Co-Chairs Benita Brown and Cheri Boyd at the Open House
- 17 Staff members Aletha White, April Riggs, Patsy's Place Program Director Ersela Demerson, and Leigh Link at the Open House





- 1 The Patsy's Place Building
- 2 Randall County Jail Trustees
- 3 The Hard Hat Tour
- 4 Contractor Sam Rigdon

5 Early Renovations

- 6 Construction
- 7 Southwest Church of Christ Volunteers Clean for Move-in
- 8 Ron Allen Installing Blinds
- 9 Bob Garrett and Ron Boyd Washing Windows 13 The Kitchen
- 10 Mindy and Doug Briggs Decorating the Run-A-Latte Room

11 Paula and Buster Foster - Thanks Buzula! 12 The Chapel/Library





18 The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 19 Dan Hetrick and his Stained Glass Window 20 Guests at the Open House Event









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Sharing Hope **BOARD OF** DIRECTORS

Sharing Hope Ministry would like to give a heart felt thanks to retiring board members Dan Hetrick and Dr. Chris Brady. Dan has served as the Finance Chairman and most recently as Board President. Chris has served as the Personnel Chairman. Both will continue to volunteer as "Friends" of Sharing Hope Ministry. Their leadership has been a blessing to the ministry.

We welcome three new board members that have made a commitment to serve. Incoming board members are Rosalind Bates, Kim Hutchens and Dr. Dustin Turner. We are thrilled to have them join the Sharing Hope Ministry Board of Directors.





**Touching the Multitude** Duncan & Boyd Jewelers

#### **Giving God's Hope**

Cheri and Ron Boyd Happy State Bank Connie and Bob Garrett Gloria and Scott Herrick Janey's at 2500 MTS Transportation Merrill Lynch

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