



THE Sheepfold

Shelter, refuge, and a new beginning
for abused women and their children

November 2011



The *Lord* is my strength and shield; I trust Him with all my heart.

He helps me, and my heart is filled with *Joy*. I trust Him with all my heart.

As Thanksgiving is approaching we asked our resident moms and kids to express their thanks. Here are a few of their thoughts.

"I'm thankful that this year I'm going to spend Thanksgiving in this house with the managers and the people I have so grown to care about."

-Sarah

"I am thankful for my family, my daughter and a new beginning."

-Jacqueline

"I'm thankful for being here at The Sheepfold, spending time with the staff and playing with the kids. I am thankful for God."

-7 year old

"I'm thankful for a new family in Christ that loves me unconditionally and a place to call home. Thank you Jesus!"

-Mom & 8 year old

"I am thankful for a roof over my head, safety and that I am learning more about Jesus. Also for my son, that I am able to go to school, for clothes and shoes. I am also grateful that I am overcoming my fears and that I am alive!"

-Resident Mom

"Thank you, Sheepfold, for being my shelter after the storm."

-Shaleigha

"Thank you Sheepfold for giving me and my children a second shot at life. So much more than shelter, is the love of Christ that permeates the walls of this new found home."

-Vanessa

I burst out in songs of *Thanksgiving* —Psalm 28:7 NLT



It Was a Home Run!

The Angel game was a blast, from the cotton candy and ice cream to the home run hit with fireworks! It was great



getting a chance to explain to the children about the 7th inning stretch and teaching them how to sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game". Fun was had by all and they have shirts, hats or bats to prove it!

The best part of the evening was watching everyone walk away with pride because the team they cheered for won!!! Go Angels and thank you Jeff and Cindy for hosting this amazing night for the third year in a row!

—Kelly, House Manager

Comments heard after the game:

"The Angel's game gave me wings to fly!! Which means—a fun night out without the babies!"

—Vanessa (mom)

"It was so exciting. We got hats and ice cream and we did the 'wave'."

—Jaylen 7 years old

"Guy's night out! No sisters!"

—Skyler 5 years old

"It was so special to be able to take our sons to their FIRST professional ball game. None of the boys had been to a stadium before."

—3 Moms

"I had a blast with my daughter and I really enjoyed sitting with you guys at the game. Thank you for taking her to get an ice cream with you. She really enjoyed it! God bless!"

—Mom and 6 year old girl

Holiday Volunteer Meeting

We are looking forward to another glorious Christmas season. The Sheepfold has many opportunities for volunteers to help during this time of year as the homes begin to look forward with excitement to celebrate the birth of Christ.

We need volunteers who can work a **3-hour shift any day or days, Monday – Friday, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. or 1:00 – 4 p.m.** sorting and wrapping gifts for the women and children. We will be holding a volunteer orientation meeting on **Saturday, November 5th from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.** at The Sheepfold office. Call for location. Come and be a part of the excitement!



If you have helped during Christmas in the past, there is no need to come to the orientation meeting, just call and let us know when you would like to volunteer. For more information or to confirm your reservation, please call:

DeAnne, Volunteer Coordinator at 714-237-1444 or email deanne@thesheepfold.org.



Would You Like to Adopt A Family?

At Christmas The Sheepfold provides a joyous and Christ-filled holiday for the women and children who are staying with us we are able to do this with the help of individuals and companies who generously donate gifts or by participating in our **Adopt A Family** program.

Adopting a family means providing a portion of the gifts they receive Christmas morning. When you call or email, We will give you their AAF number (to protect their identity), age, sizes and gift suggestions from their Wish List. The information will be available by the 1st of November.

Our deadline to drop off the *unwrapped* gifts for the AAF program is Thursday, Dec. 8th. This allows us enough time to organize, wrap and transport the gifts to the shelter for Christmas morning.



Please call Kathy Novak at 714-237-1444 or email kathy@thesheepfold.org to participate in our Adopt-A-Family program.

Their only suggestion was that we keep on helping the poor, which I have always been eager to do.

—Galatians 2:10 NLT

Christmas Gift Suggestions

We greatly appreciate all of your expressions of love, and we know how hectic the holidays can be, so for your convenience we have compiled a detailed list in response to your requests for suggestions.

As part of our stewardship accounting we are required to record every new item donated to The Sheepfold. It would be a great help if those who bring gifts would include a list of the items including value, or a register receipt that lists them by name.

Thank You!

Girls and Boys

Clothing (winter or summer)
Socks/underwear
Sleepwear/slippers
Shoes/tennis shoes
Jackets
Hair accessories
Disney character toys
Polly Pocket
Barbie Dolls
Little Mommy Dolls
Little Pet Shop
Dora the Explorer
Zhu Zhu toys
Hello Kitty
Strawberry Shortcake
My Little Pony
Art sets
Hot Wheels
Action Figures
Transformers
Imaginex
Kinex
Sports trading cards
Dolls
Books
Games
Tonka trucks
Remote control cars
Educational toys
Children's CD players
Adventure Bibles
Magna Doodle
Leap Frog toys
Legos
DS or Wii games
(rated E or E10)
Outdoor toys
Tricycles/pedal cars/wagons

Infants

Clothes
Shoes/socks
Baby's first toys
Diaper bags
Baby slings
Snugly

Teens*

MP3 Players/IPods
Clothes (winter or summer)
(modest young fashions)
Scarves
Ugg (like) boots
Socks/underwear
Sleepwear/slippers
Shoes/tennis shoes (Vans)
Sports T-shirts
Jackets
Hair accessories
Hand-held video games
(appropriate for Christians)
Games
Watches
Christian music CDs
CD Player (portable)
Jewelry
Extreme Teen Bible (NKJV)
Bath & Body sets
Teen devotionals
Cologne
Jewelry/Craft sets
Skateboards & protective gear
Teen nailpolish/manicure sets

**Teen gifts are appreciated
because our inventory is low.*

Mothers (Size sm to xxl)

Bath & Body sets
Study Bibles (Life Recovery,
New Living, NIV,
New King James)
Devotional books
Clothes for job/Sunday
Sweat suits
Casual wear
Dress or tennis shoes
Socks/underwear
Robes/slippers
Sleepwear
Jackets
Purses
Wallets
Cologne
Watches
Journals
2012 Day Planners
Bible covers
Make-up/Manicure sets
Curling irons
Flat irons
Blow dryers

Christian Family Entertainment

Christian DVDs or Videos
"C" Rated family videos
Veggie Tale DVDs or CDs
Christian music-praise and
contemporary
Christian books

Shelter Needs

High chairs
Umbrella strollers
Twin sheet sets
Twin blankets
Pillows
Mattress covers (twin)
Shelf stereos
Silverware sets
Mixing bowl sets
Knife sets
Cookware sets
Alarm clocks
Tupperware (plastic ware)
Washers/Dryers
Vacuum cleaners
Compact umbrellas

Gift Certificates

Grocery store
Phone cards
Gasoline cards
Walmart
Target
Kohl's
Christian book store

Adopt-A-Family

If you, your church group or company would like to adopt a family or shelter, please call the office for more information 714-237-1444, or email kathy@thesheepfold.org.

Groups or Companies

If you desire to give larger items other than listed above, you may call the office for suggestions 714-237-1444.

Please Note:

- Please bring gifts **UNWRAPPED**.
- We will receive gifts starting Tuesday, November 29, 2011 from 9 AM - 4 PM, Monday through Friday.
- All gifts will be received at The Sheepfold office. Please call for directions 714-237-1444.
- **Gift Drop-off DEADLINE: Friday, December 9th** (So we have time to sort, wrap and distribute before Christmas.)
- We request **NEW** items because these are gifts.
- Wrapping supplies, boxes and ribbon are appreciated.
- If possible, please bring a list or receipt for the items you donate. (For our tax purposes.)

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

“My life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus – the work of telling others the good news about God’s wonderful kindness and love.”

— Acts 20:24 NLT



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Matching Gift 2011

Only Two Months Left

If you are considering a gift to The Sheepfold in 2011, now is the ideal time. November and December remain for our generous \$250,000.00 matching funds donation.

As of this writing (October 7th) we are pleased to report your wonderful response. We have received \$93,694.01 in special donations marked “mortgage payoff”. With the match, \$186,822.21 is paid off. **What a Blessing!!** This means that there is the opportunity of \$150,000 matching funds still available to reduce the mortgage on the Orange County Second Step facility.

*Thank you for responding to this generous matching gift opportunity.
May God Bless You as you partner with us for abused mothers and children.*



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