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## **NEW DECADE, NEW BEGINNINGS!**

by Carmelita Aufdemberge, Executive Director

A new year brings about a season of change for many, and New Beginnings is no different. In the past few months we have welcomed a new Case Manager, our former Case Manager became our new Executive Director, and Aaliyah gave birth to Noah! In addition to these changes, we are excited to announce that we are partnering with Lead2Change this year! Lead2Change is a non-profit organization that helps youth in Milwaukee by providing job-readiness training. I met Lead2Change Director Dionne Grayson at a Christian leadership breakfast in Milwaukee. As we were walking to our cars, I introduced myself and asked her what she does. She described her organization, and I described New Beginnings. I asked her if she has any tutoring services available. I later gave her a tour of New Beginnings and introduced her to Aaliyah and Erika, and she told us about Lead2Change. Lead2Change created a program specifically for

the women at New Beginnings! The program includes one-on-one career coaching, business etiquette classes, and parenting classes all at New Beginnings! The program ends with a job-related summer internship for the New Beginnings' residents!

The New Beginnings' mothers, New Beginnings' staff, and Lead2Change staff are all very excited to work together to increase job readiness skills, thus increasing the likelihood of the women graduating and finding sustainable careers. In a later meeting with Dionne, she told me that it was on her heart for a while to expand Lead2Change to work with group homes. It is amazing that we met and are starting this project together. What are the chances that we would have left that breakfast at the same time and that I would have turned to the right to say hello to a stranger? I love ministry work; I never know where God will lead me.

## **WELCOME, NOAH!**

Aaliyah gave birth to Noah last month! He is a healthy and happy baby. Aaliyah is excited to share her passion for God's creation with Noah.



### **MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH**

New Beginnings has MORE exciting news! We are hosting our first Mother's Day brunch on Saturday, May 9, at Davian's, located at N56W16300 Silver Spring Drive, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin. The mothers and babies of New Beginnings will be present as well as New Beginnings' staff. This is a family event, so all are invited! Our brunch event includes a buffet, mimosa fountain, sip & paint, children's crafts, raffles, flower pull, and a small silent auction! Tickets are \$20 per adult and \$15 per child 12 and under. Children 4 and under are free. For more information or to register, go to homeformothers.com/mothersday or call (414) 376-0595.

If you cannot come to the event but would still like to participate, we can use the following items:

- Flowers
- Gift baskets
- Raffle Items
- Auction Items



If you would like to donate any of these items, or would like to inquire about sponsorship for this event, please contact Carmelita at carmelitaa@homeformothers.com

# Help Wanted!

THE MOTHERS AT NEW
BEGINNINGS ARE IN NEED OF
VOLUNTEER BABYSITTERS!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY, CONTACT CARMELITA AT CARMELITAA@HOMEFORMOTHERS.COM

### **GIVING TUESDAY**

We raised over \$7,000 from Giving Tuesday in 2019! Thank you for your support! Below are some messages directly from the New Beginnings moms:





#### **OUR GIFT OF LOVE**

Our Change for Life program incorporates themes for each giving season, and our theme for February is "Our Gift of Love." The program is simple to organize at your church or workplace! Learn more by emailing Christina at christinap@ homeformothers.com. Last year, we raised over \$50,000! We have faith that the Lord will continue to provide for the moms and babies this year. Please consider participating in this fun, simple, and life-changing project!







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