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A Home for Mothers located in Milwaukee, WI

Growing Branches



Here We Grow...With A New Executive Director

By Brianne Hansen

There have been many times when the New Beginnings' ministry itself experienced a new start. This month marks a new beginning as I move on from my position as Executive Director to pursue other opportunities. Carmelita Aufdemberge (**pictured above, right**), has taken over this position after serving as Case Manager for one year. As Carmelita moves into her new role she says, "I have loved my job as the Case Manager for New Beginnings, but I am excited to transition into the Executive Director position as well. As the new Executive Director, I plan to help New Beginnings expand so that we can reach more single mothers and their children. I plan to help increase resources and funding for the residents and the organization. I am most excited to see how God will continue to use me to further our mission and spread the Gospel!"

We are excited for what these new changes will mean for the ministry – and for the mothers and babies that we serve. The past five years have served as a new beginning for me as well. I have felt so blessed to serve the mothers and their babies. What a blessing this journey has been! We have seen some big changes in the past five years, and I am excited to see where Carmelita will take New Beginnings next. Sharing the Gospel with our moms was by far the greatest reward. This is a bitter-sweet farewell! I wish everyone so many blessings. You all do so much for the moms and children, and I know you will continue to do God's work with outstanding compassion, love, and a fervor for spreading the word of Christ. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for all you do!

Brianne Hansen served as New Beginnings' Executive Director from August 2014 to October 2019



WELCOME, AALIYAH!

A big welcome to our newest resident, Aaliyah! She is due in January with a baby boy. Welcome, and God's blessings on your new beginning!

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

SHANEKA & KIARRA

Then: Shaneka joined our program in 2015 and stayed at New Beginnings for 2.5 years. While in the program, she gave birth to Kiarra (9/9/15), was baptized, had Kiarra baptized, secured a job at USPS, and grew both spiritually and personally.

Now: Kiarra is 4 years old and is excited for school! Both her and Shaneka still attend church regularly and pray together. Shaneka says she is "working nonstop" at Froedtert and as a manager of a group home.



JASMIRA & CALEB

Then: Jasmira joined our program in 2016 and had her son, Caleb, on 7/27/2016. While at New Beginnings Jasmira enrolled in school, took budgeting and parenting classes, and grew in her faith. She graduated from the New Beginnings program after one year.

Now: Jasmira is married to a wonderful and loving husband! Their family attends church regularly and plans to move to South Milwaukee soon. Caleb is excited to start school soon!

NEW BEGINNINGS IS HIRING!

Paid, Part-time Case Manager Position

Email Carmelita at carmelita@homeformothers.com for more details regarding this unique job opportunity!



Wine Event Success!

Our annual Wine & Dine took place on September 12 at Davian's in Menomonee Falls, and it was a huge success! We raised over \$8,000 with all of our expenses covered. Thank you to everyone who attended, donated, and volunteered. It was a great event filled with delicious food and wine, a stellar silent auction, wine pull, and a raffle. Make sure to save the date for next year: **Thursday, September 10, 2020**. The event will take place at Davian's once again from **6:00-8:00pm**.



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NEW BEGINNINGS
MEET KIM & AXEL
FILL A BOTTLE. CHANGE A LIFE.

LOOK FOR DISPLAY!

Our congregation is participating in the Change for Life program to support the ministry of New Beginnings – A Home for Mothers. New Beginnings is a WELS-based ministry that helps single mothers pave the way to self-sufficiency in a Christ-centered home.

Learn more about the unique ministry you are supporting: www.homeformothers.com

Our Change for Life program incorporates themes for each giving season, and our theme for December is “Joyful Giving.” The program is simple to organize at your church or workplace! Learn more by emailing Christina at christinap@homeformothers.com. Consider sharing the love with mothers and babies by giving JOYFULLY! So far this year our Change for Life program raised over \$50,000! We are hoping to do even better next year. Please consider participating in this fun, simple, and life-changing project!

GIVING TUESDAY – DECEMBER 3, 2019

Giving Tuesday is an event that takes place the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving. It is a movement to create a day of charitable giving at the beginning of the Christmas season. We invite you to participate and come together for 24 hours to offer your support to the mothers and babies at New Beginnings! Help us raise awareness and funds for their new beginning by saving the date and making a donation on, or before, December 3 by visiting www.homeformothers.com/givingtuesday2019.

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