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A quarterly publication on the ministry of *New Beginnings* –
A Home for Mothers located in Milwaukee, WI

Growing Branches



GOODBYE & HELLO!

We would like to announce that Carmelita is stepping down as the Executive Director of New Beginnings, and we are welcoming Tabitha Schroeder to the team as the new Executive Director on May 17. Below are Carmelita's goodbye message and Tabitha's hello message:

It is with a bittersweet heart that I announce I am stepping down as the Executive Director. The decision to step down was not an easy one, but I know that God will continue to lead this ministry and the good work will continue!

I know some people will ask where I am going. I will be an in-home therapist for severely emotionally disturbed children and outpatient therapist for individuals suffering from PTSD, depression, and anxiety disorders.

It has been a blessing to serve at New Beginnings first as the Case Manager and then as the Executive Director. My experience with

this ministry has been the best occupational experience I have ever had! I will always have a special place in my heart for this ministry, and I plan to stay involved as a volunteer. It has been a blessing to watch the transformation that the families go through. In my time at New Beginnings I saw young women grow into mature adults and loving mothers, babies grow into toddlers, and new staff grow into trauma-informed professionals. I've seen both the families and the staff grow in faith and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit! It was such a rewarding experience!

- Carmelita

Hello! My name is Tabitha Schroeder, and I am so excited to join the New Beginnings team as Executive Director. I feel blessed to serve as part of such an important mission. Professionally, my background is as a psychotherapist working primarily with young women challenged by

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Goodbye, Carmelita



Welcome, Tabitha!

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anxiety, self esteem, and relationship difficulties. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Wisconsin Lutheran College and a Master of Science degree in Marriage and Family Therapy from Edgewood College. I'm looking forward to being able to apply the knowledge I have gained through my experience and education to lead and continue to grow the New Beginnings ministry!

I was born in Ontario, Canada, and have since moved around quite a bit in my life due to coming

from a family of pastors and teachers. I met my husband, Noah, at Wisconsin Lutheran College – we've been married nearly two years now and are members at Christ the Lord Lutheran Church in Brookfield. We have now officially set down roots in Wisconsin as we just recently bought our first house together. Our rescue dog, Ginny, is excited to finally have her very own fenced backyard! In my free time, I enjoy playing tennis, horseback riding, and learning how to cook or bake new recipes. I can't wait to get to know everyone who cares about and is involved with New Beginnings; please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or thoughts to share!

- Tabitha

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

COVID-19 did not stop the Holy Spirit and the spreading of God's Word! In March, Pastor Aaron Robinson of Fairview Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, agreed to hold private baptism and confirmation services for the families at New Beginnings. On March 28, Noah was baptized, and Erika was confirmed as a WELS member! It is a blessing to see the Holy Spirit at work!



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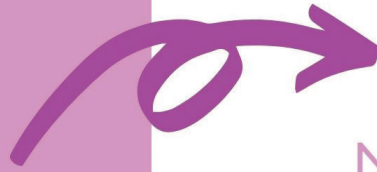
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You may be familiar with our old logo (to the left). This logo has served as our staple for over 20 years! Now, we are adopting a new look, and we hope you like it!



Aaliyah



Alazya

RESIDENT SUCCESSES

All residents at New Beginnings are taught financial management, and they have a savings account that they are only allowed to use for large purchases such as an apartment, a car, a home, etc. Last month, Aaliyah received her driver's permit and is planning on using some of her savings to pay for a car. She will then start an apprenticeship after she finishes her welding classes! Congratulations, Aaliyah!

Alazya recently celebrated being in our program for six months! Congratulations, Alazya!

WELCOME, SKYLAR!

Alazya gave birth to her daughter, Skylar, in February!



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**DRIVE-THRU
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