

THE HEARTBEAT

Newsletter of Life Saver Ministries/ Fall 2025

Grateful and Blessed

A common observation here at Life Saver Ministries has been just how fast the weeks and months have moved carrying us through 2025; there have been great heartaches and great joys all intermingled with the daily stuff of life. We have seen God move in both dramatic and subtle ways and are eager to see what He will continue to do through everyday miracles and radical life-changing events alike. We count it a blessing to be able to be a constant support throughout the years to the families God has called us to envelope in the warmth of love, acceptance and consistent care. Please pray over the opportunities you will see in this newsletter as the Holidays seasons provide special opportunities for generosity and graciousness. In the days head, may they know we are Christians by our love and may the power of kindness do more than we could ever imagine. To the God Who is Love be honor, glory, majesty forevermore. –Abbey Ballard, Ministry Director.

Gifts for Life



That time of year is fast approaching with our "Gifts for Life" program soon to be underway; this effort provides your church, workplace, civic group, circle of friends, whatever group you are part of, with tags that have specific needed items written on the back. These items are generally small such as hygiene items, socks, and other essentials that we generally need an abundance of to meet the needs of our community. If you would like to be part of this important effort, feel free to email us at lifesaverheartbeat@gmail.com or call the office at 518-725-5777 and we will send you the number of tags you would like so you can place them on Christmas trees or promote in any way you'd like. This effort is equally needed and appropriate for January as it is Sanctity of Human Life month, so there is plenty of time for such an effort to be coordinated. Thank you for considering being part of this important effort as it means so much to so many!

Fall Fundraiser

THERE'S STILL TIME TO GIVE!

Our annual fundraiser was October 4th and a beautiful time of fellowship and support was shared by guests who came from far and wide. Raising awareness of this work as well as raising support are some of the goals of the evening with the main goal particularly with this year being the 40th Anniversary celebration was to create an atmosphere of worship and gratitude for God's faithfulness through the generations of Life Saver Ministries. We are currently \$10,000 away from our \$25,000 goal; we welcome you to give toward this important piece of our overall funding with individual gifts or special churchwide offerings as you see fit. God continues to provide through His people and we trust He will continue to do so.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND

We have been blessed by a number of churches taking charge of supply drives in recent months to help bridge the gap and provide needed items for the ministry; it has become increasingly difficult to obtain items such as diapers and hygiene items in bulk and at reduced cost as we were able to do for a number of years through the Northeast Regional Food Bank. This creates more of a strain on our budget yet God continues to provide in a myriad of ways and always through His people. Any time of year is an ideal time for such an effort as the needs are ongoing. Thank you to each and every one who continues to be in tune with and responsive to the needs that we are striving to fill for the women and families we serve. May our love for our neighbors open hearts to the Gospel message and the life changing power of God.



WITH GRATITUDE...



A special "Thank You" to this year's banquet sponsors who helped in providing an amazing evening of celebration and support for Life Saver Ministries. We are so blessed to have so many people who deeply love this ministry and remain invested in the work from one season to the next. To those who attended and gave to this year's annual fundraiser, we extended our thanks along to those who could not attend but still supported with prayer and/or giving- Thank you!



Our Life Enrichment classes continue to be an essential part of the work of Life Saver Ministries as women attend class to be both poured into and heard as it is an opportunity for interactive instruction and fellowship. A wide variety of topics are discussed ranging from practical life skills to parenting and relationship navigation. All of this is offered to equip the women we serve with life changing strengths and skills all based in the ultimate authority for all aspects of life- God's Word. Class attendance is the means by which benefit items such as diapers, hygiene items and a wide array of necessities can be obtained on an ongoing basis all creating an atmosphere of accountability and investment which is so vital for meaningful change and growth.

As we gather...

We are so abundantly blessed to have the ability to have so much LIFE under our roof and in our care; what a sacred privilege and responsibility this is as we welcome women and children for our various ministries and opportunities. Our Thanksgiving brunch was held recently while our steady, longtime programs continue including our childcare ministry during Life Enrichment Classes, our homeschool tutoring group which has grown significantly and ongoing resources and services that create the extended family and community of care that we are called to be. Your prayers, time, energy and support are investing in so many lives and we are so grateful to partner with so many to be a needed resources in this mission field of upstate New York. May lives be profoundly changed and uplifted through this work and may generations be impacted for Christ!



"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever."
Isaiah 40:8

