

# ON TIME MINISTRY



2ND QUARTER NEWSLETTER



## Cedar Mountain

Since March, Cedar Mountain has welcomed four women into our home. Tracy\* arrived shortly after the mailing of the 1st Quarter newsletter at the end of March. She has since made a trip cross-country (that was 100% funded by our awesome DEFENDERS in only 3 short days) to fulfill legal obligations. The results of her court date were even better than expected, and she will only have to complete some online classes.

Stella\*, Rachel\*, and Merissa\* also arrived this quarter. They are all still very early in their healing. Rachel is our newest, arriving in mid-June. Each woman is focusing on her recovery, and will then move on to becoming more involved with the community through various volunteer projects. This will help them take on more responsibility, make connections that will help them when it comes time to find jobs, and will also give them the opportunity to heal while helping others!

Along with welcoming these four ladies, we also had three residents leave. Jasmine\* and Tasha\* decided to leave Cedar Mountain and while it broke our hearts to see them go, we pray for their success and will maintain a relationship with each of them! Sara\* also moved out of Cedar Mountain and in to Cornerstone in Houston! She has been with On Time Ministry for a year now. She has a job and a car, and she was ready to take the next step to independence. We are so proud of Sara and we're so excited to watch her continue to grow!

## Cornerstone

In March, we announced our decision for Steve and Tressa to move in to Cornerstone. The hope was that by living in the home, they would be able to build connections in the community and help even more women. Our prayers were answered in abundance! In just the three short months since last quarter's newsletter, we have made so many contacts in the area with such amazing people who help the home run smoothly.

We have also now welcomed a total of four women in to the house. One of which, Kristen\*, moved out to be closer to her family and will continue her recovery and growth near her home. There have also been multiple women who have taken refuge at Cornerstone for a few hours to a couple of days until they are able to be placed in a safe location equipped to best help them.

Our most recent resident, Sara\*, graduated out of Cedar Mountain and into Cornerstone. She has been with On Time Ministry for over a year and is doing so well with a great job and vehicle.

If you would like to volunteer your time or services, please don't hesitate to send us an email at [ontimeministry2012@gmail.com](mailto:ontimeministry2012@gmail.com).

## New Transition Home in Texas

In our last newsletter, we announced that we are in the early stages of beginning a transition home in southern Texas. We are so excited to report that we are making great progress towards this goal! Steve is planning a trip to the area soon in order to secure a location, staff, and raise community support. We appreciate your continued prayers during this time of expansion!

## In Loving Memory



Our hearts break with the loss of these beautiful ladies. By establishing a home in Texas, we hope our fight against trafficking will be strengthened and lives will be saved!

*\*Some names have been changed to protect the identities of survivors*

## The Julia Kay Project

The Julia Kay Project has remained busy this last quarter with several transports, assistance with entrance into rehab facilities, and more.

During these last few months, we were also approached with an opportunity to help another young lady in the area who has been trafficked. We have started the process of reaching out to build a relationship with her and hope to offer her residential care soon!

Another young lady that we had helped before but who had chose to return to her abuser, reached out once again to The Julia Kay Project. We are happy to say that she is now in a safe location, surrounded by loving supporters, and beginning her journey to recovery!

## Hogar de Gracia

In the last three months, Idelette and Manulita have been attending meetings with the mayor of Juarez where they have been discussing how to best help the abused and exploited in the area. We're thankful for the mayor's attention to this matter and praying that it

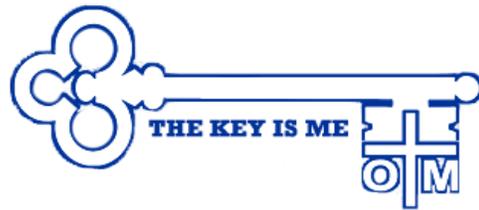


makes a real difference in the lives of these precious children!

Manulita also underwent knee surgery and she is healing well! Also, one of the girls, Sarita, graduated high school with excellent grades. We are so proud of her!

Another one of the girls, Jackie, is working on obtaining her passport so she can come visit us in Missouri!

We are also so happy to announce the engagement of one of our former residents. She met a wonderful man at church camp a few years ago, and will be getting married soon. On Time Ministry sends them all of our love and best wishes!



Our awareness campaign, The Key is Me, is continuing to grow! We have prepared "Safe Place" packets, "Home Awareness" packets, and are preparing to speak in schools during the 2018-2019 school year.

The "Safe Place" packets will be distributed to businesses and organizations who wish to serve as a momentary shelter for victims escaping trafficking situations until secure, emergency transport arrives. The packets will contain a sticker with the key symbol to place on a window or door and identify the location as a "safe place". Individuals at the location will be trained on procedures to protect themselves and the survivor.

"Home Awareness" packets are designed to help educate members of a community. Enclosed in the packets are ways to identify a victim of human trafficking and how to safely help them. With the guidance of the beLydia Organization, the packets were designed to be shared in an informal home setting, educating a small groups of people.

Thanks to the passion of educators in Southern Missouri, we have been invited to share with students in the upcoming school year. Our hope is to begin conversations with students that will help keep them safe and aware of trafficking schemes and situations to avoid.

Thank you to all who have helped to grow this awareness campaign! With each additional person reached, we are strengthening the fight against Human Trafficking!

If you are interested in obtaining either of the packets discussed, or would like to invite us to share in your school, organization, or church, please contact us at:

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