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**—STATISTICS—**

Total Life Recovery Bibles Distributed:  
**84,358**

Total Bible Study Workbooks Distributed:  
**43,040**

**—VOLUNTEERS—**

Fund Raising Volunteers: **150**  
Jail Ministry Volunteers: **18**  
Office Volunteers: **45**  
Patsy's Place Volunteers: **27**  
Pen Pal Volunteers: **4**  
Prayer Group Volunteers: **11**  
Stepping Stones Volunteers: **17**

**—BOARD OF DIRECTORS —**

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## Christmas In October™ Gift and Craft Show



Sat., October 29, 2011  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sun., October 30, 2011  
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Amarillo Civic Center  
South Exhibit Hall

Admission: \$4.00  
*(Children 12 and under are free)*

BENEFITING:



*Proceeds allow Sharing Hope Ministry to continue providing services for women who are incarcerated or who are in addiction rehabilitation facilities.*

### THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



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## It's THE Weekend for Fun!

Need a weekend activity? Let it be all about "Christmas in October". Food, shopping, a quilt raffle and the chance to win great stuff...it's THE place to be. And guys, this isn't just a woman's event. We have food, leather, woodworking items, man "tools" and did we mention food? Smart guys know that spending the afternoon with your wife builds credit for those days that you may need to dip into your reserves.

Although this weekend is fun, the real blessing is what you can accomplish by participating. Christmas in October raises money that purchases Life Recovery Bibles, Bible studies and helps us provide aftercare services to women here in Amarillo and throughout the nation.

*"I cannot imagine how you are able to provide these Bibles, but am extremely grateful, as are the women of Lebanon County Correctional Facility. The Recovery Bibles are helping the women to make connections between the Good News of Jesus and the 12 step program of recovery. They are able to integrate the truth of God's Word with the process of spiritual formation offered by the Steps. The end result has women who are excited about Jesus and recovery. Thank you for this wonderful resource."*

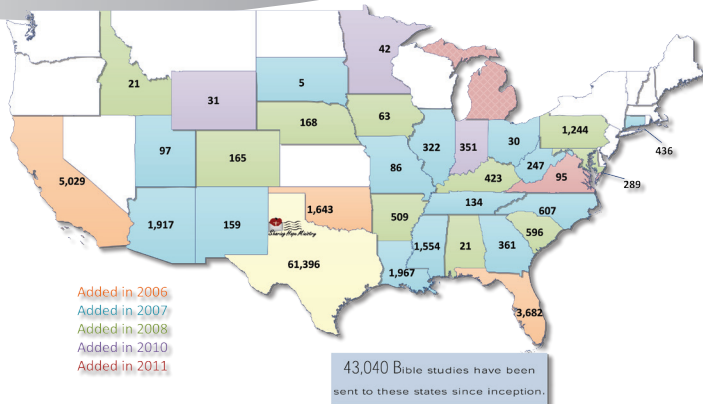
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Woman's Chaplain



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Number of Bibles Sent Per State



# Christmas In October



## ALMOST THERE!

We have been blessed by having some wonderful businesses and Sharing Hope friends to help underwrite the event expenses, but we still have a need. Sponsor funds provide the facility rental, insurance, publicity and also purchases the inventory for our booth. We are about \$1,000 short of our goal of covering all costs. Sponsor opportunities start at \$250. It would be exciting if every dollar raised during the event went to directly benefit the ministry's programs. Contact the Sharing Hope Office if you would like to help us reach this goal.

## Christmas In October Needs

- "Highlander" clear wrap from Hobby Lobby
- Pottery and/or platters, plates, bowls (no Lucite, paper or plastic, no tins)
- Wired ribbon and picks/holiday decorations ~ especially autumn items
- Gift cards to be used at Hobby Lobby or Michaels
- Volunteers to help set up, decorate bake sale items and work the day of the event
- Volunteers to distribute posters to area businesses

Contact [aletha@sharinghopeministry.org](mailto:aletha@sharinghopeministry.org) if you can help.

## EXPANDING OUR BORDERS AGAIN!

In February 2009, the downturn of our nation's economy and the establishment of Patsy's Place Transitional Home led Sharing Hope Ministry to temporarily suspend expansion to new states. Instead, we focused on providing materials to the pre-approved facilities in the states which we had already expanded. Towards the end of 2010, facilities in three additional states were accepted. God is good!... and earlier this year Sharing Hope Ministry made the commitment to once again accept new states as requests were received.

Since that time, Virginia was accepted as the thirty-third state to receive our services. Twelve additional facilities within our currently approved states have been added to the eligible list which now includes 212 correctional and addiction rehabilitation facilities. Sharing Hope Ministry's desire is to never again have to turn down a qualified woman who writes us with her own personal request to know Christ.

*"Yes, God, use me to show a broken, beaten down, incarcerated woman that there is hope for a better future!"*

### SHARING HOPE MINISTRY DONATION CARD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Monthly Pledge:**  I will make a contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month.  
 Draft my bank account each month for this amount. *(Please fill out bank draft authorization on back.)*

**One Time Gift:**  Enclosed is my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Charge my Credit Card for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ *(circle one)* M/C VISA DISCOVER

Card No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use this gift for Patsy's Place Transitional Home

*You may designate your gift as a memorial, honorarium, or Christmas gift. Please enclose the name and address of the individual(s) you wish us to notify.*



# Patsy's Place

Transitional Home

A Program of Sharing Hope Ministry, Inc

# Thank You

David Thurston, Larry Singleton and Jim Shelburne install grass in the newly finished courtyard at PPTH.



Men from Trinity Fellowship Church provide a fence for PPTH.

Hillside Life Group provides the landscaping for the finished PPTH courtyard.



*Thank you* to everyone who provided labor and items for the garage sale.

**We raised almost \$1000!**

*Thank you to All*

who provided the funds, the material and the labor which came together for a protected and beautiful outdoor haven for Patsy's Place Transitional Home women.

## Patsy's Place Needs

- 12 passenger van for transportation
- We need businesses that have jobs available for these women who are looking for a second chance
- Donated, used vehicles to be used with our program
- Blood pressure cuff

## A Special Thanks

When I first came to Patsy's Place there was no court yard and certainly no garden. All we could look at was the alley and the bar across the street. Not so good.

Now, every morning I start my day by watering and tending to my garden (that's right, I made it my own). I use no gloves because I love the feeling of dirt on my hands and the warmth of the sun on my face. God is Great!

Now we have the court yard to sit in (under the umbrella) and my beautiful garden to get lost in with all my thoughts and prayers. It is a haven to me unlike any other. I find so much peace and solitude here. The fountain is awesome for drowning out the noise of the neighborhood. There is so much to love about this place but for me the garden is the best. I can go unwind and just get lost in the glory of God. ~ dgb

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Saturday, October 29th • 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday, October 30th • 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
South Exhibit Hall, Amarillo Civic Center

## RECEIVE \$1.00 OFF One Regular Admission

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# Hope 2012 Fest

We are excited to announce that Christian comedienne and entertainer, **Anita Renfroe**, will be our special guest for Hope Fest 2012.



Renfroe, who some have described as “this generation’s Erma Bombeck” has been a featured comedian on ABC’s “Good Morning America” and has filmed a sitcom pilot for Sony/ABC co-starring Ryan Stiles and the late Dixie Carter. In addition to “Good Morning America,” Renfroe’s talent has been embraced by such top media outlets as “Dr. Phil,” CBS’s “The Early Show,” Fox News Channel’s “Fox & Friends,” XM Satellite Radio Network’s “Oprah & Friends,” “Inside Edition,” The Gospel Music Channel and others. Anita tours with her own comedy concerts and inspirational conferences where she routinely packs out venues across the United States.

This year’s Hope Fest will have a new format and will be packed with hilarious fun. We look forward to seeing you there on March 29th, 2012.

# Sharing Hope Supporters

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Aletha White

### IN MEMORY

**Doris Barrios**  
by Anita Bellieu  
**Mildred Carathers**  
by Sammye & Don Stark  
**Jerry Cates**  
by Phyllis & Johnny Hicks  
**Martha Courtney**  
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by Earlene & Byron Stiles

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by Perky Cates  
by Phyllis & Johnny Hicks  
by Carolyn & Jimmy Williams

### PATSY'S PLACE IN HONOR OF:

**Cheri Boyd's Birthday**  
by Connie & Bob Garrett  
**Louise Carroll**  
by Gloria & Scott Herrick

### IN HONOR OF:

**Beverly Clay**  
by Frances & Keith Clark  
**Diana Tolk's Birthday**  
by Linda Caldwell McCleary  
**Vonnice White for Mother's Day**  
by Aletha White

### IN-KIND PATSY'S PLACE

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