



# NEWS

## Sharing Hope Ministry

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**—STATISTICS—**

Total Life Recovery Bibles Distributed:  
**128,782**

Total Bible Study Workbooks Distributed:  
**60,836**

**—VOLUNTEERS—**

Fundraising Volunteers: **130**  
Jail Ministry Volunteers: **15**  
Office Volunteers: **43**  
Patsy's Place Volunteers: **21**  
Pen Pal Volunteers: **3**  
Prayer Group Volunteers: **6**  
Stepping Stones Volunteers: **8**  
Garden Volunteers: **11**

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Sixteenth Annual  
**Christmas In October**  
Gift and Craft Show

Sat., October 29, 2016  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sun., October 30, 2016  
12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Amarillo Civic Center  
South Exhibit Hall

Admission: \$5.00  
*(Children 12 and under are free)*

For Information, visit  
[www.ChristmasinOctoberTX.org](http://www.ChristmasinOctoberTX.org)

BENEFITING:   
**Sharing Hope Ministry**

Proceeds allow Sharing Hope Ministry to continue providing the Life Recovery Bible and services to women who are residing in correctional or addiction rehabilitation facilities.

**THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS**

**MTS** TRANSPORTATION LEASING  
Asset based, 2PL Company

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**Welcome Partner!**

 **RADIO in GRACE**  
102.3 and 88.7 FM



**WE NEED YOU!**

**BAKERS:** Join our team of volunteer bakers and help make this year's bake sale the tastiest ever! All baked goods must be dropped off on Thursday, October 27th, at Washington Avenue Christian Church or Friday, October 28th, at the Civic Center.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We are also in need of helping hands to make sure the event runs smoothly. You can help promote the event, help set up at the civic center, or even sign up to work a 2 hour shift on either Saturday or Sunday. If interested email us at [info@sharinghopeministry.org](mailto:info@sharinghopeministry.org)

## THERE'S NO TIME LIKE THE "PRESENTS"

Christmas in October offers a chance for everyone to get a head start on Christmas shopping. Go ahead, buy some of those presents and check them off your list. Our gift and craft show will offer a variety of gift ideas for the whole family! No one likes to wait in the long line at the mall to get Santa pictures. You can get those taken care of as well! Santa will be at the event Saturday between 12-5 p.m. We also offer a tasty medley of baked goods for any sweet tooth enthusiast. You can look forward to cake, and brownies, and cookies, oh my!

Let's not forget the reason for the season though! Spreading the word of Jesus to women that are desperate to know their savior has and will always be the goal of Sharing Hope Ministry. Christmas in October helps us do just that! By participating in this event you are helping raise money to purchase Life Recovery Bibles and Bible studies for the women that we provide services to. So please, help spread HOPE by joining us this year for our 16th annual Christmas in October Gift and Craft Show.

*"I would like to extend my most sincere thank you for the Life Recovery Bible that was sent to me from Sharing Hope Ministry. What a beautiful Bible with all of its easy to understand explanations, the way it ties scripture to the twelve steps, and how it gives an overall recovery process. I appreciate this gift more than you know. Thank you and God bless you and everyone at Sharing Hope Ministry."*

—Arlen, Central California Women's Facility



3rd Annual

# R4 RACE4RECOVERY

5K RUN AND 1 MILE WALK

## A BIG THANK YOU

to all of the participants, volunteers, and sponsors of the 3rd annual Race 4 Recovery! With everyone's combined efforts we were able to raise over \$16,000 for Patsy's Place this year! We fell a little short of our goal of \$20,000. Please consider giving an after event donation for the Race 4 Recovery to help us get closer to our goal. Your donation will directly benefit Patsy's Place Transitional Home.



Volunteers at the Race



Tim Merrill



Race Participants



Ersela Demerson and some of the Patsy's Place residents

Don't forget about

## #GIVINGTUESDAY!

Giving Tuesday is a nationally known day for giving a donation to your favorite non-profit organization. Last year an estimated \$117 million dollars was given on Giving Tuesday to various non-profit organizations. Be a part of our giving team this year! Your donation will contribute to sending Bibles and Bible studies to women all over the country who are desperate for direction in their lives! Give HOPE to these women by giving them God's precious word during the upcoming holiday season.

**Giving Tuesday 2016 will be on November 29th!**

Please make checks payable to  
Sharing Hope Ministry  
P.O. Box 7160  
Amarillo, TX 79114

Or you can go to [sharinghopeministry.org](http://sharinghopeministry.org) and pay through paypal

### PLATINUM

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Amarillo Town Club  
MTS Transportation Inc.  
Procrete Construction  
Service Solutions

### SILVER

Auto-Chlor of Golden Light Equipment Co.  
Choice Media  
Education Credit Union  
Golden Spread Redi-Mix, Inc.  
Scottco  
Shelby & Shannon Stapp  
Tascosa Golf Club Athlete  
Welcome Pardner  
Western Builders

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Dewanna Adams  
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Thank you **Washington Avenue Christian Church** for helping to provide needed supplies for the race! Also, thank you **United Supermarkets** and **Gandy's** for providing post-race refreshments. Thank you to **Radio by Grace** for coming and helping with the sound system, and thank you **LiveWellFit** for providing a pre-race warm up!

## T-Shirts for Sale!



**Race for Recovery  
T-Shirts for Sale!**

**\$10.00**

Call the office at 358-7803 or email [stevi@sharinghopeministry](mailto:stevi@sharinghopeministry) to see what sizes are available.

We are providing  
service to women  
in 49 states!

Just missing Delaware!

Over 128,000 Bibles sent!  
Over 60,000 Bible studies sent!



## Congratulations Laura

Congratulations to Laura Sims for receiving an award from the Randall County's Sheriffs Office for her Outstanding Service with the Randall County Jail Ministry!

# Celebrating One Year!



Charlie May has been living at Patsy's Place for a year now! You could say it is time for her graduation from the program, only she won't be leaving and moving on. It is safe to say that this is home for a once abused and neglected dog. Her story is not so much different than the many women who walk through our door. Charlie even has her own dog fund to help with the cost of her care. At this time, her fund is getting a little low. **We are asking all pet lovers out there to prayerfully consider giving to this fund to help us continue to give Charlie May the best care possible!**

## You Can Make a Difference!

Patsy's Place seeks women to become mentors and financial coaches.

Mentors provide spiritual and natural support/guidance, accountability and a listening ear to Patsy's Place residents throughout her time at Patsy's Place. In the same way, financial coaches help women with all of their finances. Both mentors and financial coaches are vital because they help residents discover, develop, and achieve both short term and long term goals.

*"Working with these ladies brings into sharp focus the difference between 'need' and 'want' and the complexities of addiction, poverty, debt, relationships, forgiveness, self-worth, and being called to set yourself apart as a member of the Kingdom. These ladies are being called to radically change their beliefs and value systems as well as their behaviors. Those that persevere are heroines! Financial coaching is humbling because coaches can only plant seeds through guidance, the rest is up to God. Coaches can claim no personal successes. As a coach you reinforce/teach skills, the Lord does the heavy lifting by changing these ladies' hearts."*

-Niki Dillard, Financial Coach

If you are interested in becoming a mentor or a financial coach please call Ersela at 806-418-2480 or email [ersela@sharinghopministry.org](mailto:ersela@sharinghopministry.org)

# Employers That Care

Since writing about our hopes of outside internships to offer the women in phase one of the Patsy's Place program, we have had employers come forward wanting to give the women of Patsy's Place a much needed experience away from their home and our office. This kind of opportunity gets the women out into the community and feeling more secure when the time comes to look for a job. A-1 Rocket Industries agreed to take on an intern named Betsy for a couple of hours a week for a month. Betsy was able to get out of her comfort zone and get some more experience working in an office setting. The women at A-1 Rocket Industries were very kind and gave Betsy some encouraging words while she was there. Another great opportunity for the Patsy's Place women comes from Scratch Made Bakery. They offer a rotating paid position on Saturdays for our women that are in phase one. The women take turns every week going to the bakery to help out. Not only is this a great way to build up their work ethic, but they get to learn valuable food prep and baking skills. From all of us at Sharing Hope Ministry and Patsy's Place we want to say thank you to these caring employers who are helping give hope to the women of Patsy's Place Transitional Home by giving them an opportunity to further their skills and confidence.



*"I want to thank Sharing Hope Ministry and A-1 Rocket Industries for allowing me to intern with each of them. It has helped me to learn the skills that I need for when I start looking for a job. I have gained self-confidence and encouragement through the Hands of Hope Internship program. It was an experience I have never had before, and I am very grateful for the opportunity."*-Betsy, a Patsy's Place resident

*Thank You  
Supporters!*

# Memorials & Honorariums

## May-August 2016

### IN MEMORY OF:

Mabel Hill  
by Connie & Bob  
Garrett

Mabel Hill  
by April & Dave Riggs

Bill Cain  
by Doris Cain

Romona Wakefield  
by Berean Circle

Bonnie Green  
by James & Dianna  
Brown

Mike Taylor  
by Joel & Karolyn Price

### IN-KIND

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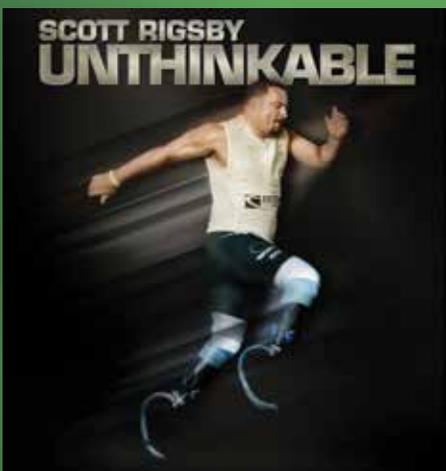
Admission: \$5.00  
*(Children 12 and under are free)*

*SHM Newsletter*

Photos with Santa  
Noon - 5:00  
on Saturday

Present this ad for **\$1.00** off admission price

*Save The Date:*



*March 30, 2017* **Hope  
Fest** 2017

Please join Sharing Hope Ministry as we welcome our guest speaker, Scott Rigsby, to our Hope Fest Banquet on March 30th, 2017. Scott was 18 years old, the summer before beginning his college career, working on a landscaping crew. After a hard and hot day of work in rural Georgia, Scott climbed into the back of a pickup for a ride with some of his friends. Suddenly, the pickup was hit by a passing 18-wheeler, throwing Scott underneath a 3-ton attached trailer, dragging him 300 feet. To Scott Rigsby, his life was seemingly over. More than a decade followed, filled with countless doctor visits and hospital stays. Feeling like a professional patient, those years included 26 surgeries, amputations, depression, fear and uncertainty. A battle with prescription drug addiction was inevitable, as was the loss of relationships and the trust of others. "Unthinkable" is the incredible true story of how Scott Rigsby turned his life around, reaching unprecedented heights as a world-class athlete. Scott not only has done the unthinkable, but he also sees no finish line in sight. He is on a mission, fueled by a simple prayer that if God would open doors for him, he would go through them. Scott's unique story, "Unthinkable," speaks of success and failures, all started with the decision and desire to never quit, no matter what, no matter how long.