



Our Stories: Kathy Bateman

“A thief has only one thing in mind — he wants to steal, slaughter, and destroy.” John 10:10

This is what addiction does, not only to the addict or alcoholic, but to their families. Addiction does not play favorites. It doesn't care what your skin color is, about your educational background, or your socio-economic status. You can't negotiate with it, put a limit on it or sweep it under a rug and hope that it goes away. It thrives in those environments.

I've known four people who have overdosed within the last couple of years. One of those deaths hit me especially hard. When I went to her funeral and saw her, I kept thinking, “this could have been me and this might be me one day if I let my guard down.” This is when realizations really started to come together for me while I was at Hannah's Haven.



On March 23rd of 2019, my testimony began. I was arrested for a DUI. This was my rock bottom. My life was in shambles, which is something I've been struggling with for almost 20 years. I have been prescribed many medications for anxiety, depression, and cravings. They did not work. I always felt like something was missing; like a hole I couldn't fill. Addiction convinced me that I was isolated and alone with no way out. Addiction led me down a path of destruction like a tornado destroying everything in its path and I couldn't fix it. After my arrest, I went to jail; neither my husband or parents would bail me out until they found a place for me to go. I prayed a sincere prayer for the first time in my life that God would help me because I couldn't do this alone.

After that prayer, this amazing sense of peace and calm came over me with a voice telling me “everything is going to be O.K.”. I wasn't a religious person, so at the time, I didn't know how to piece together what all this meant. Today, I know that was the Holy Spirit, which I now rely on to guide me on a daily basis.

After that calming peace and those words, things started to fall into place. A family member knew of Teen Challenge, so God led my family to Hannah's Haven.

As soon as we drove onto the property, there was a calming presence. Anyone who knows of Hannah's Haven will say it's because it is holy ground protected by the blood of Jesus. I deeply believe this. When I walked through the doors, Miss Bonnie gave me a big hug and said, “Welcome home, baby.” As I write this, tears well up in my eyes.



Hannah's Haven taught me how to be patient and wait on God's timing which makes all the difference. This was frustrating because it went against my natural instincts which was to do things my way and on my time. It was a tough process, but I am grateful because I now have a restored relationship with God and my family. At one point, my son did not want to see or talk to me because of the pain my addiction has caused him through his life. I now have a wonderful relationship with my husband, and my son; and my parents aren't constantly worrying about me anymore.

The morning I wrote this testimony, my devotion contained **Matthew 16:25: “For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me will find it.”** I had to loose a lot of things I thought I had a right to in my life when I went to Hannah's Haven, but God has restored my life and placed wonderful people in my path to walk alongside of me.

I now work as a secretary at First Christian Church in Williamston, NC. Pastor Karen and the congregation have welcomed me with open arms. Pastor Arthur Manigault and his wife Tracy from the Methodist Church in Williamston and Winfall, NC are wonderful spiritual advisors. Their church services light a fire in me. Each and every person God has put in my life during my time at Hannah's Haven and afterward has been such a blessing to me. I'm a child of God and I now look at life through a different lens than what I used to - a God lens - and it is so **GOOD!**





We want to say a **HUGE Thank You** to all of our sponsors and golfers who participated in the **Hannah's Haven 5th Annual Golf Tournament**. We also want to thank Luke and Debra Lambeth for hosting us again this year at Crooked Tree Golf Course. Golf tournament day is one of our favorites! We truly appreciate everyone who takes the time to spend a day with us supporting Hannah's Haven! The **Save the Date** for the 6th Annual Tournament will be coming soon!

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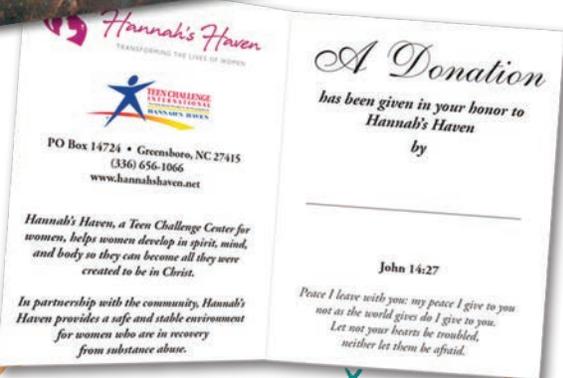
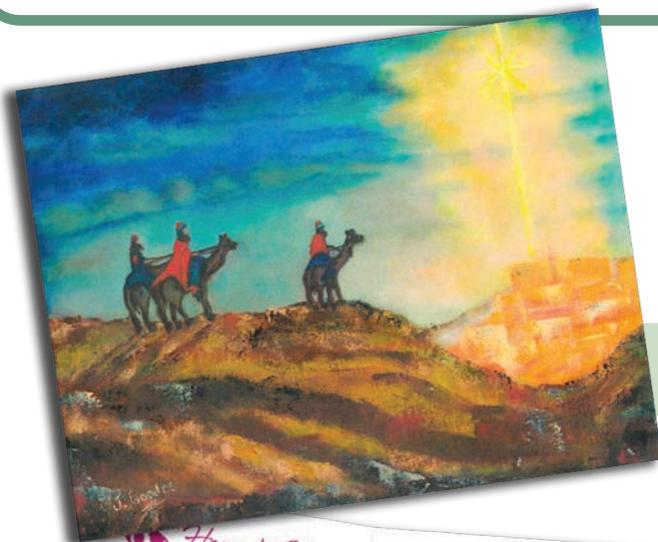
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Hannah's Haven seeks to provide a **S.A.F.E.**, stable, & peaceful environment for women to establish a lifestyle free of drugs & alcohol. The ministry serves women age 18 & older, who have undergone medically supervised detoxification if needed. The program consists of: Residential Phase—a minimum of 12 months, and Non-Residential Phase—from 6-12 months. All of Hannah's Haven residents must have a commitment to their own recovery.



Update on the New House

We are getting closer to the **new house** being completed. Plumbing has passed inspection and the bricks are up. This means we are another step closer to helping more women get free from addiction through the power of Jesus Christ!



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100% of each donation goes directly to Hannah's Haven.

Artist, Jeanine Goodes has a passion for Hannah's Haven and our mission. She believes God led her to Hannah's Haven and has graciously offered to capture "Star of Bethlehem" as the sixth edition honor card for Hannah's Haven.

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Hannah's Haven: 336.656.1066 | info@hannahshaven.net

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Bonnie Harris

Founder and Director



"For unto us a child is born unto us a child is given and the Government will be upon His shoulder And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 NKJV

I am so grateful this Holiday season to celebrate all that God is and all that He came to this earth to be for all of us. He has proven Himself over and over to be a "Wonderful Counselor," a "MIGHTY God," an "Everlasting Father," and the "Prince of Peace."



We want every woman who comes into Hannah's Haven, whether she stays one day or two years, to experience this Jesus! You can be a part of what God is doing here at Hannah's Haven by partnering with us through prayer and giving. It is easy to give and all donations are tax deductible. Simply go to hannahshaven.net or mail your gift to PO Box 14724 Greensboro NC 27415. Thank you for ALL you do to help us fulfill the vision!



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Mentor a lady in our Phase 2 program, email for more info: info@hannahshaven.net



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Pray the women will hear God's voice and obey willingly.
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