

HOUSE OF HESED

...building a place of loving-kindness

MOE'S MESSAGE

So, it's a new year and life at House of Hesed is wonderful. Over the years we have changed addresses, staff have come and gone and the names and faces of the residents have changed. But our God never changes. Through it all He has been more than faithful, extravagantly generous and lavish in His Hesed love. We have faced many challenges and will continue to do so. We trust in His unfailing love, His guidance, His wisdom, His peace and joy. His will for us is good and perfect. Because He holds us firmly in His hands we are more than conquerors. The other constant has been in our obedience to love the men and women He has called us to serve. The

men and women who call Hesed "home" are in various stages of health and many have suffered a great deal in their lives. But here at Hesed, there is love, laughter, peace and real affection.

As many of you may know we have had the vision for quite some time to own and operate a small apartment building (House of Hesed apartments has a nice ring to it don't you think?). This building would be in addition to our current home. We want to provide a safe, affordable apartment for a resident when he/she is well enough to live more independently. We know that God's timing is perfect and nothing will

happen until He deems it so. In the meantime we are building a strong team of staff and volunteers, and being good stewards of our current home. We desire Godly wisdom and discernment in preparation for expanding our ministry. If you feel lead to do so, please do join us in prayer regarding this vision. What a privilege it is to partner with all of you in serving our God through the ministry of House of Hesed. He is MAGNIFICENT and you are wonderful!

Teach me your ways, O LORD, that I may live according to your truth! Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honor you. Psalm 86:11



Hesed

is a Hebrew word used in the Old Testament to describe the eternally loyal, lavish, extravagant, unrestrained, compassionate, merciful love of our Father God.

As recipients of this divine love, we desire to emulate His compassion in our attitudes and actions towards others, particularly toward those people living with HIV/AIDS.

THANKS FOR DONATIONS

Once again we have been extremely blessed by so many of our friends this Christmas. We want to thank the following individuals, Churches and Businesses for your generous gifts. It was rare that a day would go by without the door bell ringing and opening the door to someone giving us baked goods, food, gifts and always with a smile and a hug.

- * Plett Trucking
- * Albright Church Women's Group
- * Global Knowledge
- * The Bridge Church
- * Air Canada Accounts Payable
- * Provencher Community Church
- * Immanuel Pentecostal Church
- * Youville Centre Staff (Dakota location)
- * Randy and Carol Dyck
- * Focus Africa
- * Tache` Pharmacy
- * Global Knowledge
- * David Turnbull and Beth Peterson
- * Sara and Ron Sawatsky
- * Transcona Christian Reformed Church (Daybreak group)
- * Sanctuary House of Prayer.

VOLUNTEERS

KAITLYN



We'd like to introduce Kaitlyn, one of our volunteers. She is one of the busiest people we know - but she still finds the time to share with us!

Kaitlyn says: "I have been a volunteer at Hesed for several years now and am proud to be part of such a great organization. I was introduced to Moe a

few years back when we started the dinner theater and had no idea how much I would grow to love this house and all those who are a part of it.

I have been part of many different fundraising efforts including the art auction, dinner theater and helping out with the weekly

grocery shop.

It's always great to visit with the residents and staff who will always greet you with a smile or a hug. I'm blessed to have been introduced to the amazing home and all those who pass through.". Kaitlyn

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THANKS KAITLYN!
You are awesome!!

WE APPRECIATE OUR VOLUNTEERS



We here at House of Hesus are so blessed by our wonderful team of volunteers, most of whom have been with us for several years. These men and women are faithful and committed to enriching the lives of our residents and staff.

Kaitlyn Lee – Grocery Shopping, Art Auction, Dinner Theatre

June and Clive Hickson – Winnipeg Harvest pick up and delivery!

Heather Plett – Card shark, Christmas cookie decorating etc. etc

Peter Tennbruggencate – Winnipeg Harvest pick up and delivery and handyman extraordinaire!

Jim Stuart – Winnipeg Harvest pick up and delivery

Bernadette Carlson – evening meal

Sherri and Chelsea Asman– cards, prayer backgammon, etc. etc.

Jen Plett, Gil and Kim, our Landmark crew – Provide and share supper once a month as well as attempting to conquer the Crazy Eights winning streak of one of our residents!!

Shaun Dyer- resident friend and light bulb changer (he's really tall)

Cheryl Friesen –Pick up and delivers Tim Horton's treats!

Dave Froese – taking residents on errands, playing cards, household repairs

Wavie Webster – Helps with Winnipeg Harvest, prepares evening meal and plays cards!

Thank you for choosing to join our "family". We love you and appreciate you more than we can express.



“THE HEART OF OUR HOME”

..Staff and Resident Thoughts..

Everybody is nice and kind. There's a positive atmosphere and I really like it here. Freedom to be myself. Talking & sharing with others. Like to play yahtzee – it's my favorite game. I have a family but it's like family here too! It makes me think about how my life was, and how I'm so much stronger now! I'm glad I came here!T

People here are so caring and giving. We all seem to be concerned for each

other and pray for one another. Trusting people now is powerful because I had a hard time with this issue. Love is one of the things I've come to understand.....W

I would have to say that I feel I'm at home with my second family when I come to Hesed. I enjoy getting to know different people and then, coming to love each one.....M

A home full of love, joy and peace.....G.

Hesed has helped me out a lot - helped me to stop drinking and doing drugs, and getting back into health. Now I just need to quit smoking. I can get help here. They even go with me to my dr appointments. And when I'm sad they're here to help me. I feel good living here.....D.

There is a constant sense and knowing of God's presence in the home. It feels like we are wrapped up in a blanket of HIS peace and love.....Moe



LIFE IN THE HOUSE

Christmas season was busy, but very fun as we celebrated the Hesed family. With the new year, we have started a weekly craft time and residents are really enjoying working on various projects. Another new development is that we have started a weekly Bible Study, which one of our residents calls

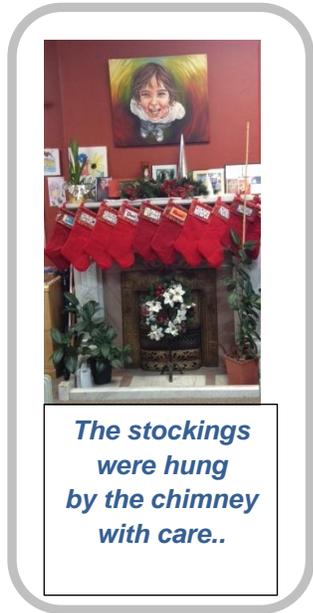
“Closer to Jesus”. It is such a blessing to sit around the table and get to know Jesus better through His word. Once a month we get together to enjoy “Feel Good Fridays” which includes popcorn and a movie. Community meals and lots of encouraging time together - this is life in our home!

Needed:
+ Coffee
(we drink a lot of coffee!)
+ Family friendly / positive movies.



To keep up with all our news and events
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The stockings were hung by the chimney with care..

SAVE THE DATE – HOUSE OF HESED DINNER THEATRE

“Pistols And Posies”

 facebook page
www.houseofhesed
for more information

To reserve your \$30 Ticket contact:

Moe, Linda or DaraLee
at House of Hesed:
204-772-4793

or Ron Labbé 204-885-2817
to pay by credit card.

April 24th, 25th, & 26th
St. Charles Parish Hall
320 St. Charles St.
Winnipeg

May 1st, 2nd & 3rd.
St Martyrs-Canadiens Hall
289 Dussault Ave.
Winnipeg