

Easter Egg Hunt



Come celebrate
the true meaning of Easter with
New Creation Home Ministries.

Saturday March 27th 10:00-12:30
at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto

Join us for a free Easter Egg Hunt, story time for kids, raffle, prizes and candy. Bring a friend and celebrate the joy of Jesus' resurrection! You'll also have the chance to hear more about the work of New Creation Home Ministries.

Some easy ways to support NCHM . . .

\$ Go Grocery Shopping! Albertson Community Partners Program gives NCHM a percentage every time you shop. Enroll at your local store or at www.albertsons.com

\$ Shop Online. Igive.com partners with great stores like Barnes and Nobles, Eddie Bauer and Best Buy among others, and will designate a percentage of your online purchases to NCHM. Go to www.igive.com to sign up.

\$ Appreciate Someone Special. Designate a gift to NCHM in someone's honor, and we will send them a card acknowledging your gift to them.

\$ Donate Ebay Items To Us! We are now accepting items that can be sold on Ebay—they must be worth \$20 or more and be shippable (not too big or heavy!). Email pamela@chesavage.com or call Pamela at (650) 504-1811 for more information.

Thank you so much in advance for your partnership!

New Creation Home Ministries' WISH LIST

- Cars in good running condition for moms in our programs
- An 8 passenger van for ministry use
- Adult-sized bunk beds
- Baby wipes (unscented)
- Diapers (all sizes)
- Children and adult medicines (Tylenol, cough medicine, cold medicine, Advil, etc.)
- Women's toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, dental care items, etc.)
- Baby toiletries (shampoo, Q-tips, lotion, dental care items, etc.)
- Bulk grocery items (toilet paper, paper towels, cooking oil, laundry detergent, dish soap, frozen meat, etc.)
- A PC laptop or desk top computer in **excellent** running condition
- Office supplies



*Clip this list, take it with you shopping;
call or email us if you can donate any of these items. Thanks!*

NCHM Staff Members

Katie Fantin, Executive Director
Ronné Wingate, Program Director
Marie Turks, NCH House Mom
Jeanette Hardy, Lighthouse House Mom

NCHM Board Members

Pamela Chesavage, Interim Board Chair
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New Creation Home Ministries' (Almost Spring!) Update



LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING AHEAD

What a year 2003 was! I am so blessed to be able to write and tell you of the wonderful things God has done at New Creation Home Ministries this past year. We were thrilled to welcome several new babies to the NCHM family, open the new Lighthouse program housing two mothers and their children, and see new growth in many of our mothers attending our parenting classes. Our 2003 curriculum included financial management, physical fitness, and even two sessions on basic car repair. We have been blessed to see two moms connected to NCHM become Christians this past year and to watch them continue on in their journey of faith. Also, thanks to your prayers and support, NCHM was able to finish out the year having met our budget, something many organizations have struggled to do in these challenging economic times.

As I look ahead to 2004, I see so many great opportunities for us, as NCHM begins its third year of independent operation. We continue to grow by developing the processes and procedures we need to sustain the work of supporting young mothers and their children. Each week on average, we receive 3 calls from young mothers who are in desperate need of safe, affordable housing for themselves and their children. While we can't always provide them with housing because of the great demand, we can offer them assistance through our weekly parenting classes and Bible studies and provide them with encouragement as they do the hard work of parenting their children on their own.

We have such an opportunity to influence so many mothers and children, and we want to seize the moment to do so! So I'd like to invite you to continue to invest in NCHM, as volunteers and with your prayers and financial support—the need is so great. You can view volunteer opportunities on our website and learn about other ways to connect with NCHM, as well as get updates on upcoming events.

May God's goodness and favor be demonstrated to you in new and wonderful ways this New Year!

-Katie Fantin, NCHM Executive Director

**NCHM STAFF SPOTLIGHT:
Ronné Wingate, Program Director**



Ronné enjoying her job

Where were you born?

San Leandro, CA

How long have you lived in California?

I lived here until I left for college, then moved to the DC Metro area. I lived in DC for 14 years, then moved back to CA to join NHCM.

What do you do for fun?

Gab on the phone with my sister, shop, watch black and white movies

What is your favorite food?

Pistachio nuts

Favorite music either group or style?

Contemporary Gospel (Fred Hammond) and old R&B (Stevie Wonder)

How many siblings do you have?

I have 3 brothers and 1 sister

What is your favorite part of working with NCHM?

When one of the kids says or does something absolutely hilarious it just makes my day.

Any goals for 2004?

I'd like to travel more, worry less, and find opportunities to try new things!

**Meet the newest addition to the
New Creation Home Ministries' Family!**



Ashanthie Mari 'ahni Sincere Rhodes was born February 1st, 2004 to Lighthouse Resident Sandra Artadi.

She weighed 6 pounds and 4 ounces and was 19.5 inches long! Ashanthie is healthy, happy and her mom is doing great!

2003 Year End Review

Program Highlights

- ✘ NCHM provided housing for a total of 7 young mothers ages 13-21 and their children at our New Creation Home (NCH) residential facility in East Palo Alto.
- ✘ NCHM provided housing for a total of 2 young mothers (19-22) and their children at our New Lighthouse facility in East Palo Alto.
- ✘ With support from NCHM staff, one former NCH resident and her child moved into her own apartment and is successfully living independently.
- ✘ One NCH resident graduated from high school.
- ✘ One NCH resident and one parenting class participant became Christians.
- ✘ 24 young mothers attended our weekly parenting class offered in 4 ten-week quarters. Eleven of these young mothers attended weekly Bible studies provided by New Creation Home Ministries.
- ✘ Over 2,184 volunteer hours were donated to New Creation Home Ministries in 2003.

2003 Finances

2003 Income: \$136,675.00
2003 Expenses: \$134,008.00



Expense Allocation
Program: \$83,651.40
Administrative Expenses: \$48,976.60
Fundraising: \$1,380.00



62.4% of funding went directly to programs
36.5% went to administrative expenses
1.1% went to fundraising



We'd like to express our heartfelt thanks to:

The Church Of The Nativity Parish
for sponsoring "Some Children See Him"
our 2003 Christmas Benefit Concert
All the "Some Children See Him" performers,
tech volunteers, and refreshment providers
for donating their time and talents
Our Amazing Donors
who by their generous year end giving allowed
NCHM to finish 2003 having raised our budget!

**NCH RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT:
Liliana's Story**



Liliana and her daughter, Cecile

New Creation Home has been very good for me because when I moved in, I was having a hard time with anger and sometimes thought fighting was a good way to solve my problems. Now that I have been at New Creation Home, I know that living with anger is not good for me or for my daughter. I thought when I moved in that it would be really hard because of all of the rules and living with other girls that I might not get along with. I did actually get used to the rules, and not all the other girls were mean or stuck up like I thought they might be. When we moved in, my two-year-old daughter was shy and serious and now she plays and is more friendly and silly.

The best thing for me about New Creation Home is having a safe place to live and knowing that people are helpful and try to do what is best for me. I still don't like all the rules and it can be really hard getting along with everyone, especially having all the kids getting along, since we all come from different backgrounds, but I know that it is good for me to be here until I can move out and get my own apartment after I finish my GED

The most important thing I have learned at New Creation Home is that people I don't even know are helping me and that helps me understand that God loves me and that He is my Father and that I am worth a lot no matter what I do. I am thankful that my daughter and I have been able to live at New Creation Home.

**Liliana is just one of the many young mothers served by
New Creation Home Ministries.**

**To learn more about how to get involved in supporting
(or even mentoring!) mothers like Liliana, please visit our website at
www.newcreationhome.org or call Katie at 650-321-3109.**

Thanks!