



SHARING HOPE | PROMOTING LIFE | CARING FOR FAMILIES

**FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:
BECAUSE OF YOU, HOPE WAS BORN**

At Wiregrass Hope, we often say, "We never know what a day will bring." This summer, one of those days brought us a woman whose story reminded us why we do what we do and why your support matters more than ever.

She came to us in her late 40s, quiet and weary. Years ago, she had a life many would envy: a husband, a home, and a beautiful son with special needs. But life unraveled. She lost her husband, her job, her home, and eventually custody of her son. Alone and broken, she found herself homeless on the streets of Dothan.

A man offered her shelter, a shed behind his house, in exchange for food and favors. When she became pregnant, he cast her out. She came to Wiregrass Hope early in her pregnancy, desperate and afraid. But without transportation or a stable place to stay, we lost touch with her.

Months passed. Then, unexpectedly, we received word: she had given birth several weeks early to a strong, healthy baby girl. Despite minimal prenatal care, this little one was a miracle. But the hospital couldn't release the baby without a plan for her safety.

We met with social workers and a Christian adoption agency to explore every option. But this mama, despite all she'd endured, was determined to raise her child. Through the Lord's provision and your generosity, we secured her a place at a Care-Net affiliated maternity home in northern Alabama, a haven for vulnerable mothers preparing for independent living.

I had the privilege of helping them discharge from the hospital and personally transporting them to their new home. As I drove, I watched a mother loving on her newborn in my backseat with a quiet strength that only God could restore. They will live together for up to two years with support, building a future, one step, one prayer, one day at a time.

This story is yours too. Because of you, this mama and her baby have hope. Because of you, love triumphed over despair.

We're seeing more and more young mothers who are homeless or housing-insecure. That's why we're pursuing a partnership with Love in Action in downtown Dothan to establish a satellite location adjacent to their Samaritan's Medical Clinic every Thursday afternoon. But to make this possible, we need more volunteer mentors, people willing to walk alongside these moms and dads, offering guidance, compassion, and hope.

If you feel led to join us in this life-changing ministry, please reach out. Whether at our main office or through this new outreach, your presence could be the answer to someone's prayer.

Thank you for being the heartbeat of Wiregrass Hope. Some days look different. Some days break our hearts. But every day, because of you, we get to be part of God's redemptive work.

Susan Anderson

CARE NET CONFERENCE AND AACC NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Our team has been busy! In August, eight of our staff attended the Care Net National Conference, and in September, Susan and Reagan, along with Amy Edge, participated in the AACC National Conference. Both gatherings provided powerful opportunities for learning, encouragement, and renewed vision for serving our clients. We are excited to see how the Lord will use these experiences in the days ahead!





DADFEST

CELEBRATING FATHERHOOD TOGETHER



We were thrilled to host our very first Fatherhood Conference, DadFest, on October 4th! The day was all about celebrating fatherhood and equipping men to grow as kingdom leaders through powerful teaching, breakout sessions, and fellowship. Fathers were encouraged and equipped on topics such as co-parenting, strengthening marriage, finding a career, managing anxiety, and more. We're excited to see how the Lord continues to work in and through dads in our community!

CHANGE FOR *Life*

This year, nearly 55 churches, schools, and organizations joined us in our Change for Life campaign, and we couldn't be more grateful! Together, they raised an incredible \$66,561.53 for Wiregrass Hope. Because of their generosity, we're able to continue serving families every day as we love, serve, equip, and share our greatest hope, Jesus Christ.

GRAND TOTAL:

TOTAL RAISED: \$66,561.53

NUTRITION CLASS



Our clients attend a nutrition class as part of the pregnancy program. Expectant moms are taught practical tips for a healthy pregnancy and lifestyle, from smart eating and reading nutrition labels, to baby's growth, gestational diabetes, and postpartum wellness.

Here is our amazing volunteer Audrey, a clinical dietitian at Flowers Hospital, with three of our moms.

Please Join Us For The 2025 Annual Fundraising Banquet!

We are excited to have Reagan Farris, our Counseling Director, as our keynote speaker this year. Reagan will reflect on the incredible impact Wiregrass Hope has made over the past year, thanks to your generous support, and share a powerful vision for how our ministry is growing and expanding its reach. You'll be invited to join us in this exciting season of growth and impact.



PLEASE RSVP BY VISITING [WIREGRASSHOPE.COM/BANQUET](https://www.wiregrasshope.com/banquet) BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 28.

Thank You Two simple words, yet when spoken from the depths of a heart changed by a life altering experience, they carry great power. On the front lines, we hear those words often, and we want to pass them along to you, our faithful prayer partners, volunteers, and supporters. Most of the lives you touch are ones you may never meet, but here are just a few of their precious faces.



With hearts full of gratitude for you, and for our Heavenly Father, the source of all hope, we say **thank you.**



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- *Pregnancy Program
- *Fatherhood Program
- *After Baby Program
- *Biblical Counseling

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