



Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you all healthy and blessed! Depending how long you've been friends of Pete and Angie Spackman and the Adullam House ministry, you may remember me as the smallest girl in the Spackman girls' singing trio. Rachel, Naomi and Hannah, dressed in matching frilly dresses, singing before dad preached. Thankfully the dresses are not so frilly anymore but we are all still ministering as a family, and God's faithfulness to us as a family and ministry continues to amaze me.

You see, I was about ten years old when we started taking children into our home, way before Adullam House became "official". It was pretty unique. Dad was on the road preaching all over and mom and we girls would bathe, feed, rock and teach little ones in between school work and piano lessons. As a child you don't recognize moments for what they are. You just take it as it comes and think it's totally normal to have six babies in the house!

I am so thankful that I have clear memories of those days. People showing up at the door with Christmas presents and diapers for the babies that very few people even knew we were caring for. I remember the first car seats being installed and donated cribs being set up in our bedrooms. I remember mom getting her first computer and setting it up in the living room to write her first newsletter. I remember the very first young ladies from England that came to Slapout, Alabama to move into a mobile home beside our house, to help us care for the babies. They were nervous and had no idea what it would be like. God uses ordinary moments and ordinary people, you know?

Today I'm sitting in my own living room attempting my first newsletter and I'm thinking back on the twenty-four years that have passed since that first Christmas. It's pretty amazing to see the things that God has done since then in addition to the homes on our main campus, Adullam House Christian Academy, Adullam House Thrift Store, Mary's Place, Harden Street Church, the homes for teenage girls and boys in Moldova.....digging a well in Africa! Whoa! God has stretched us and sustained us. God has been faithful. He has provided. *He has sent people to us, and joined people like you with us as partners.* It is nothing short of amazing!

Some of you have been with us from the very beginning and may actually remember those girls in awful frilly dresses. Some of you may have heard of the ministry of Adullam House from your church and helped run a canned food drive, or come to help cut the grass or paint a bedroom. Maybe you've just recently heard about the work God is doing here and you want to want to know more. At whatever

point in the story God has placed you- *please know that we are so thankful for you.* Twenty-four Christmases later, we are still here. The scale is bigger but the method remains the same- *we are still trusting God* for each baby, teenager, mother, staff member, and bag of groceries.

I would like to personally invite you to come see firsthand the ministry that you are praying for and supporting. I would love to make you a cup of coffee and give you a tour around our facilities. *You are a part of this story!* For the last 24 Christmases, and those to come...

Thank you,

Hannah Spackman Powell



Genesis



Ja'bor



Hampton



Paxton

Merry Christmas from a few of our handsome little guys!



Brian and Yvonne working away, packing up presents to send for Christmas in Moldova!



PRAISE REPORT: You may remember the desperate need for a van from the November newsletter. Well, the pastor at Lebanon Baptist in Titus, Alabama read the newsletter on a Tuesday, and already had a board meeting scheduled for the next day to decide what to do with their church van that was rarely used. So they decided it was obvious, and donated it to Adullam House! The funds that came in to meet this need are being used to do much needed maintenance/repairs on another ministry vehicle. Thank you Jesus! He is still a miracle worker!



Some of our amazing thrift store team who care enough to come on Sunday afternoon to decorate for Christmas. These guys work hard every day to make this place a bargain hunters paradise!