

# The Sharing Org

## Ministry to the Adult Foster Care Community

OCTOBER, 2014

### MINISTRY MOMENT:

BY: Jenn Davies

Dear friends and supportive prayer partners:

Sometimes God calls us to places in our journey with Him that are but only for a season, a short time before He moves us onto another point in His plan. One day all of the pieces will come together and we will see the picture fully; as Paul writes in 1 Cor. 13:12, *“For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.”* Until then we will continue to trust our Heavenly Father as He guides our paths, for only He knows how everything comes together perfectly.

It is with mixed emotions we must announce to you that, as of November 1, 2014, we will no longer be residing in Michigan or be able to be a part of The Sharing Org, as Drew’s employer is relocating us to Southern California. Our last official visit to the homes we serve will be Sunday, October 26, 2014.

We have been in much prayer about this decision, and it was a very difficult one to make. We have three grown children and a grandson who will continue to live in Michigan; we have both been born and raised in Michigan; and we both have very large families we are leaving behind. We have made friendships with the residents in the homes that we visit every week, and we will miss them as well.

Besides Drew’s employment, we feel God has a plan for us in California. There is work to be done there for His Kingdom, and we are excited to see what He has in store for us! I pray we are up to whatever tasks God is going to ask of us, and that He continues to equip us to become what is needed for His will to be done.

We have been so blessed to have worked with the Rock family. For those of you who have not had the pleasure of getting to know Megan, John and their beautiful kids, if you have the chance, you should do so! They are genuine, smart, witty, and kind people with a huge love for God and for the mission of bringing the Gospel to those in Adult Foster Care homes. We cherish every conversation and every bit of wisdom they have shared with us, and we look forward to hearing about how God is continuing to work in their lives and in this ministry. May God bless them for their selflessness and dedication to the people they serve as well as the God-fearing children they are raising with love, compassion,

and morals in a world that is lacking in all of these things. We are grateful to know them.

We will definitely miss the smiles on the residents and even the tears when they feel deeply moved at the mention of scripture-backed love God has for them all. If you ever wonder if ministries like this make a difference, you shouldn’t. We have had the greatest pleasure seeing the love of God brought to people who think they have been forgotten, and it is one of the best treasures we could ever grasp. We pray others may come forward and give of themselves for such a service to others, and we know with complete certainty, those reaching out will feel like *they* are the ones being blessed. In God’s “economic system,” He blesses those who give (of their time, money, resources), so they can continue to give. We have no doubt the contentment we feel comes from being part of this ministry and loving those who have been forgotten, in His name. We want everyone to experience this.

This is why we are praying, earnestly and daily, that people step up. People are needed not just to replace us in this ministry, but to add to it, to make sure the love of God reaches people in the AFC homes. God gives us 24 hours in a day and 7 days in a week. Of all of those hours, how many are we giving *Him* by doing His work and spreading the love? This ministry showed us that by spending 30-40 minutes weekly with a group of people, we can make the difference to them and share the love of God in what is probably the bleakest period of these people’s lives! John 13:34-35 says if we are His, we are to love one another as He has loved us. *This is a great way to love people!* God is so good that even though by doing these things we are storing up treasures in Heaven, He also rewards us *now* by filling our hearts with joy, knowing that we are making a difference. We pray that whatever God’s plan is for us in California, sharing the Gospel with those who would normally not be able to have access to it is part of what is in store.

Thank you for your support over these last months, for your kind words and your prayers. We plan to check in with the Rock’s to see how the ministry is doing, and we will keep them informed as to what God is doing out West.

Praying for blessings for you and your families,

## PRAYER LETTER

### FROM: The Davies

Please be in prayer for there to be more workers (“The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few” Matt. 9:37). Pray for God to send replacements in this ministry and for this ministry to grow, according to His will.

Please pray the residents who we have been serving will hold onto the Truth that they have been given and keep their hearts on God, until and even after the replacement missionaries are chosen and able to start ministering to them.

Please pray that we keep our focus on God’s plan for our lives and be in total surrender for whatever that plan holds.

Please pray we remember to rejoice, even in sad times, even while missing our loved ones. We must have joy even

if only for that fact that we are being called for His purpose and if we are *all* God’s people, we *all* have something to rejoice about *always!*

Please pray for all of those who are undergoing trials right now (James 1:2-4) that they will draw near to the only source of true strength and comfort, because His strength is made perfect in our weakness (2 Cor. 12:9).

As always, we’d like to know if we can pray for something more specific for YOU.

Praying is the most powerful thing one can do for another Christian. Please do not hesitate to let us know how we can pray for you. You can continue to email us at [jenn@thesharing.org](mailto:jenn@thesharing.org).

Thank you and God Bless,

Drew and Jenn Davies

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## PRAYER LETTER

### FROM: The Rocks

Of course, we are saddened to see the Davies leave, but we are excited to see how God uses them and happy to have been a springboard for them on their journey. They have served the residents diligently with great compassion and passion. Drew and Jenn will be sorely missed, and we pray for their future endeavors in ministry.

The Rock family is doing well; the baby is still consuming us as we all happily adjust. Ian’s gotten quite interactive, and it seems that the favorite game around here is “Who can make the baby smile the most?” So far, Gemma the 5 year old is winning that game.

Please pray for me as we have begun the annual shoebox program for this year. I mentioned to Sheri

who is helping me I am not sure I am going to have the physical stamina to do it again next year. Although I plan to do the shoeboxes again and again, I need to begin thinking about how to accomplish the task in a physically incapacitated state. Please pray I am able to do everything I need to this year and for wisdom about the next.

Other than that all is good. We are experiencing blessing upon blessing as a family, and I am making some pretty significant relationships with people at the homes. I really cannot ask for more.

Until next month,



John

