

## The Langdyn House of PLC Health Clinic Newsletter February 2024





**Housing Manager** 

Hello! I would like to introduce myself and tell you a little of my story and how I became the new Housing Manager for The Langdyn House of the PLCHC. My name is Stephanie Simerman and I'm from Decatur, Indiana. However, I grew up in Van Wert County, had my first fender bender during the age of cruising downtown, and graduated from Crestview High School in 1992! My husband and I have been married 30 years, have seven children, two daughters-in-law, and two precious one-year-old granddaughters who are the light of our lives. I was a stay-at-home mom for 17 years before attending Liberty University after having a wonderful pastor who invested in my life and helped me see my potential.

The journey God has taken me on was not the journey I saw for myself 30 years ago... BUT GOD! Over the past 12 years, he took me on an adventure to learn more about who I am and who he created me to be in Christ. I earned a bachelor's degree in Psychology with a minor in Church Ministry, assisted teens to create a full feature film which can be found online called "Two Steps From Hope", helped start an afterschool program, became a youth pastor, and now get the privilege of working with young women who perhaps feel the same way I did all those years ago before seeking the help I needed from childhood trauma.

Four months ago I would have said I would be in youth ministry for at least another 5-10 years, but circumstances beyond my control left me questioning God's plans. In October I found out I would no longer have a paid position as the youth pastor due to multisite planning and restructuring of our church staffing. I prayed for clarity and direction, and for God to help me find a job that fulfilled my calling to invest in the lives of others.

In mid-December, I posted on my Facebook page that I was looking for a job, and shortly after I received a message from Kelly Keysor about a position here at the PLCHC. Jody contacted me and told me more about the housing manager position and from there I understood exactly what God had done! He has been preparing me for this moment in his big plan... From learning about fundraising to helping start an afterschool program to learning how to be a good leader; starting this story by placing me in my internship at the PLC prior to graduating from Liberty. He has been preparing me for this season over the past 12 years!

Jeremiah 29:11 reminds us that God has good plans for us. I have held onto that scripture throughout the last 30 years of my life. Through the struggles, through the heartaches, through the questions, and through the doubts... God is faithful! We must listen to His voice, follow where He leads, and trust that He never leaves us or forsakes us even when we can't see the big picture.

I am so excited to have this opportunity to come alongside young women and help them become all that God created them to be. Their stories may not be mine, but I believe they will have a story to tell that's as unique and beautiful as they are. Please pray for those that will be walking through the doors of The Langdyn House, for me as I help them prepare to be the best mother and woman they can be, and for the Holy Spirit's presence to be felt the moment they enter.

Thank you so much for catching the vision of the PLCHC and for investing in our community. You are making a difference!

Blessings, Stephanie Simerman, Housing Manager

## Establishing Roots

Matthew 15:13-15 (NLT) says, "Every plant not planted by my heavenly Father will be uprooted, so ignore them. They are blind guides leading the blind, and if one blind person guides another, they will both fall into a ditch."

Did you know that if you take out certain trees' roots and happen to leave a small part of the root behind, it can regrow a new tree over a couple years! When God places his hand on anything it can be restored. The roots established in a person's childhood or through trauma are sometimes so deep and dysfunctional that one cannot imagine how they can overcome it. But they can! These deceiving roots impact the lives of many people around us, including those who will be coming into The Langdyn House. As we continue to watch the construction of the home, be in prayer for these young women. It takes time, patience, hard work, and a lot of Jesus to create a new story; one that they will want to share with the world. Remember, the greatest portion of our root came from God the moment he formed us in our mother's womb. Nothing is impossible with Him!





## **Prayer Requests**

-Construction and completion of the Langdyn House
-That God would send us the right volunteers
-For the future residents and their families
-For the right community partnerships
-Guidance & discernment

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