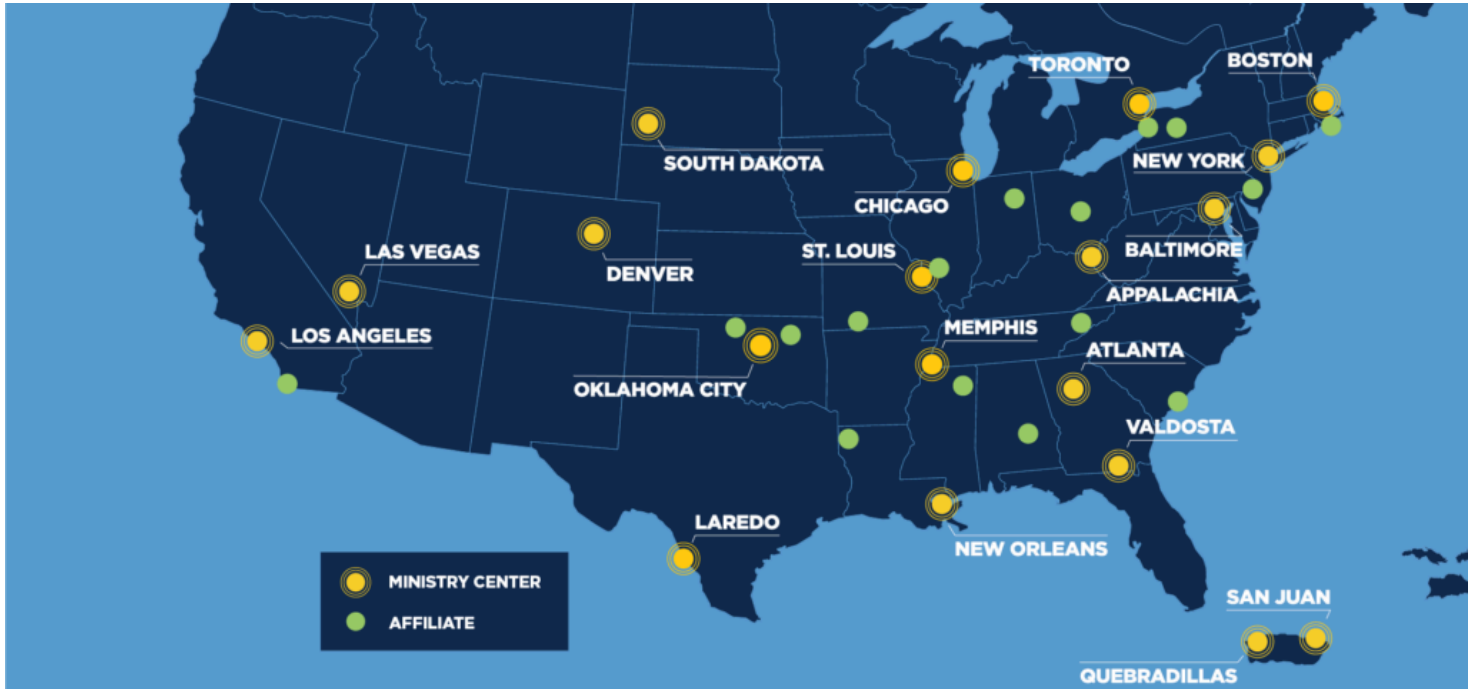


NEW LIFE NEWS

“FOR WITH GOD NOTHING WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE.” LUKE 1:37



A SEND RELIEF AFFILIATE MINISTRY CENTER

Send Relief is a collaboration between the International Mission Board and North American Mission Board that responds to crisis and strengthens vulnerable communities around the world by meeting physical and spiritual needs in Jesus' name. In 2023, they were looking to begin a newer initiative called Affiliate Ministry Centers.

Send Relief had reached out to the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana (SCBI) about this new initiative, and Dr. Ryan Strother (Executive Director of the SCBI) directed Send Relief to New Life Ministries. Following conversations and a tour, New Life Ministries entered into partnership with Send Relief towards the end of 2023, becoming the first Affiliate Ministry Center in Indiana.

As an Affiliate Ministry Center, New Life Ministries is part of a collection of ministries that offer restoration to their communities. With the help of Send Relief, as an Affiliate Ministry Center, New Life Ministries inspires, equips, and empowers local churches to take their next step in compassion ministry.

This partnership has been a blessing, and seeing our little green dot on the map alongside other great ministries has been an encouragement. We look forward to connecting with more individuals, churches, and mission teams through this partnership and hope to inspire other churches to serve their communities in the way God is calling them to serve.

MEET THE TEAM: PAM JONES-BAKER



It takes a team to serve our community, and we are excited to share more about one of our team members. Pam is the live-in House Manager at our Women's Life House. Every day, she mentors and serves the women in our program while making sure the home continues to be a safe place.

Share a little about yourself.

When I'm not working at the house, I work as a private caregiver and have been a CNA for 30+ years. I also have one son. Some things I enjoy are music, reading, and thrift shopping.

How did you get connected with New Life Ministries?

My parents started attending church at New Life Fellowship Church around five years ago. At this same time, I was living in Kendallville with a guy. We ended up breaking up, and he had kicked me out. I remember driving back into Huntington, and God clearly told me I needed to move back to Huntington. I then ended up going to church at New Life Fellowship with my parents and learning more about the ministries.

Why did you decide to serve as the Women's Life House House Manager?

At church, Carla (Life House Director) had come up to me asking if I knew anyone who might want to be a night manager at the Women's Life House. I was in need of a place to stay and moving in with my sister felt like a step back. But I also knew I needed a change of scenery. I ended up applying for and getting the position as the night manager (now House Manager).

What do you do as the House Manager at the Women's Life House?

Part of my job is making sure that residents are following the program expectations, and I work closely with the Part-Time Team Members at the house. On Fridays, I help the Men's Life House House Manager by co-teaching the Life Recovery class. But, most importantly, I get to be a support system for the residents. One of my favorite parts of my job is getting to encourage residents by sharing my testimony because I am able to share that change is possible but only with God.

What is your favorite part about being the House Manager?

I really like seeing the light on women's faces when they start to get their lives back together with the help of God. When I get to see the residents completing the program and making good life choices, it is all worth it!

How can people pray for you as you serve as the House Manager?

Please pray that I continue to have empathy, and that God puts the right people in my path.