



## Fall in Love with this Season!

The weather is turning colder and most of the leaves have fallen from the trees in our area of the world. It's a time when the days are shorter, and we move towards the Christmas season at lightning speed.

This fall, we were blessed with the opportunity to partner with **Roll It Forward** to raise funds for our organization. Imagine a permanent, indoor garage sale that happens every weekend. Shoppers are encouraged to make a fair offer for the goods they are interested in purchasing. The organization running the sale gets to keep all the proceeds. Goods not sold, roll forward to the next group, the next weekend. Woohoo ~ no cleanup!

We brought our **Safe Heart Kit** program to the children enrolled in the **Norwalk Boys & Girls Club of Northeast Ohio**. Each child learned how to keep their heart safe by using their senses to recognize a tricky situation then how to make the right choice to prevent harm through hands-on items in the kit. Every child completing the program became an official **Heart Defender** and went home with their own kit.

Our annual **Hope Gathering** took place on Saturday, October 5th. This year, we heard from two local victims of domestic violence through written statements. Attendees were surprised to hear about the local statistics and emotionally touched by the personal stories of victims.

We are putting the final touches on everything needed for our annual **Christmas Angel Gala**. In just a little over a week, on Friday, December 13th, we will gather for a fun, festive event that supports the work of **Hope Restored**. Tickets are still available.

We have some incredible programs coming in early 2025 and a celebration. Check out the rest of this newsletter for details.

As always, thank you for your continued support. If you are able to donate your time or resources, please reach out. Together, we are making a real difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Merry Christmas  
to you and yours  
Hope Restored

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# Spotlight News

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Life happens at warp speed. Days and years pass with the blink of an eye. It is hard to believe that we will be celebrating our 3rd anniversary at The Hope Center in March of 2025. Having a space to help those in need was only a dream a few short years ago.

So many people have come across the threshold of our doors in the last three years. Some came to learn, others could only cry. We have had reluctant participants while others embraced the opportunity to receive healing. Each person was received with love, respect and dignity, regardless of how they showed up.

Sometimes, we see people at their lowest, at a time of crisis in their life. They are often without HOPE. That's the one common thing we aspire to offer. HOPE.

**Hope - that things will get better.**

**Hope - that most circumstances are temporary.**

**Hope - that healing is possible.**

In March, we are going to take the time to celebrate the 3rd Anniversary of The Hope Center.

- Date: 08 March 2025
- Time: 10am-Noon [open house]
- Location: The Hope Center, 269 W Main Street, Norwalk, OH

**Please join us as we celebrate 3 years.  
Everyone is welcome!**

## Program Updates

5 LOVE

LANGUAGES

BEGINNING

06 February 2025

**The month of February is known for LOVE!**

**Would you like to improve your relationships?  
Do you want to learn how to love better?**

Join us on Thursdays for an 8-week study on the **5 Love Languages**. This class will explain the concept of love languages, you will discover your primary love language and learn how to love others well.

- Day: Thursdays
- Time: 6-7:30pm
- Location: The Hope Center, 269 W. Main Street, Norwalk, OH

**Sign-up on the website today!**

## Community Outreach

MEN'S PROGRAM

BEGINNING

20 January 2025

We are so excited to announce the launch of our men's mentoring program, **Without Thorns**. This faith-based program partners older, more seasoned men with their younger counterparts.

**One hour - once a week - for 6 weeks**

This 6-week session will use **Rock Solid Men - Strong Foundations** curriculum from the **Man in the Mirror** organization.

- Day: Mondays
- Time: 6:30-7:30pm
- Location: The Hope Center, 269 W. Main Street, Norwalk, OH

**Interested?  
Reach out through the website today!**

SAVE THE DATE

- 1/20/25 - Without Thorns 6-week group starts
- 2/06/25 - 5 Love Languages 8-week class begins
- 3/08/25 - The Hope Center 3rd Anniversary Celebration

*Thank you for reading!*

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