

CWJC Newsletter

Christian Women's Job Corps

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Ponderings From Pam

BROKEN HEARTS, SHATTERED DREAMS, HURTING FAMILIES....**CHANGED!**

There's nothing more exciting to me than observing women as they make changes in their lives that not only allow them to pursue their dreams and reach their goals but empower them to pass on the knowledge of how to believe in themselves and work toward their goals to their children and other family members. When this occurs, our community is positively impacted!

This 2015-2016 CWJC year has brought 60 women into the program through the Career Track, GED classes/tutoring and our McLennan County Jail component. These women are learners. They are learning to walk daily with Jesus as their guide. They are learning to forgive and move forward. They are learning to deal with depression and anxiety in more positive ways. They have chosen supportive relationships and are working, volunteering and making a difference in our community. They have hope and are looking forward to a brighter future.

Though we won't have classes in the center this summer, some of our GED tutors will still be working with our women who are nearing the final steps to receive their GED. We'll also continue the jail program this summer. The waiting list for these classes is long! It is so rewarding to see ladies eager to be a part of CWJC! Something beautiful is being made of their lives.

We couldn't help these ladies without you! Thanks to all who have contributed their time, money and resources to make CWJC successful!

Proverbs 8:35 NIV "For those who find me find life and receive favor from the Lord."



Celebrating the Christian Women's Job Corps Career Track graduating class of 2015-2016. We are so proud of these ladies! The time and dedication they placed in attending CWJC was admirable. We have faith that God has amazing things in store for their future. Congratulations ladies!!

PARTICIPANT PICTORIAL

Alumna and GED student, Angel, earned her GED and will attend McLennan Community College in the fall.



Fun times at CWJC!



Career Track and GED ladies share devotional time every morning.



GED end of the semester celebration lunch.



A big thank you to Sterling Woody at Christian Brothers Automotive for helping our graduate, Marina, find an affordable car to purchase.



GED participant, Kris, passed her citizenship test. Welcome to our new U.S. citizen!



Our Alumna and intern, Kristin, received her Associates Degree in Business Management from McLennan Community College in May. Her Mom is so proud! We are too!!

VOLUNTEERS....THE HEART OF CWJC!

"The MCC Radiologic Technology students enjoy providing lunch to the women of CWJC. It's a time to share the similarities and challenges of being students regardless of where learning takes place!

The MCC students bring an element of encouragement and a "can do" attitude all while being reminded that learning at any age or stage of life is important. The CWJC women contribute with inspiration and demonstrating an attitude of courage and commitment. Blessings abound for both. "**Deborah Quinn Radiologic Technology Clinical Coordinator/ Professor**



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Journey Partners



Baskets of Hope Volunteers

Tutoring

"When I retired from the business world, I wanted to give back to the community. Several ladies in my church were active in CWJC. I am SO GLAD I pursued this program. Helping others help themselves is such an honor. All of the ladies are like sponges, so appreciative! I am not the only one teaching....they are teaching me as well! What a blessing to be a part of this effort!"

Linda Kerr (teacher)

"I was drawn to Christian Women's Job Corps because it fills a need in Waco that no one else is meeting. As the Waco community helps children excel in school and change their futures, CWJC is changing the homes where these students live. It is hard to explain the comprehensive nature of the CWJC program: GED programs, computer skills, job interview experience, resume preparation, and more importantly the guidance through budgeting, setting healthy boundaries, and Bible studies. The whole woman is touched, mentored, and guided. The transformation overflows to those whom they love and serve. After completing the program, an entire home, church, and community benefit from a healthy woman who can teach the principles to others. Through it all, the Lord is glorified and His beauty reflected in the graduates and staff. It is an honor and privilege to serve on the Board of CWJC."

Susan Wommack CWJC Board Vice President

'At Harris Creek, we consider CWJC to be one of our most important and strategic partners in ministry for a number of reasons.

The primary thing we love about CWJC is their mission and vision is focused on sharing the Good News in both word and deed with those in need in our community. We also firmly believe in their empowerment model that teaches people necessary life skills to navigate our increasingly complex world. Finally, on a very practical level CWJC provides Harris Creek with a number of different ways for our people to serve hands on. We know that CWJC plays a vital role in connecting our church with those who are in need in our community, and that's why their model is one we fully support."

Brady Hebert, Lead Pastor, Harris Creek Baptist Church



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Calendar of Events

Career Track Day Classes

August 22 – December 1

Career Track Night Classes

August 23, 2016 – April 27, 2017

GED Classes

August 22 – December 8

Baskets of Hope

October 4, 2016



The first year in our new location has proven to be all we hoped it would be! Our center is now in the business environment which helps our women feel proud and motivated to dress professionally when they come to class. Because we're centrally located, more people are stopping by to visit; and people just drop in to see what CWJC is all about. We're very grateful to donors who have helped us cover the additional operational costs and for all who have made it possible for us to make this move! Please come see our new home at 1101 Wooded Acres, Suite 107.