



Teen Challenge Cincinnati Women's Home Love Letter

*For those who have a heart to
Rescue women from their distress and their children from death*

November 2010

Sarah Moore Testimony- Part II- This is no ordinary love story...

On a cold day in February in 2009, I stood on a city street and said "Goodbye!" to my husband Christopher. In that moment, it was like I was watching a bad movie where the two main characters just can't seem to work past their tragic circumstances and inevitably—DIVORCE. I took a deep breath and walked away. I let go of all the dreams I had of marriage and family. I was going to die addicted to Heroin and so was Chris. Praise God, He had different plans!!!

My name is Sarah Moore. I joined the Teen Challenge family as a student in February of 2009. My husband, Christopher, arrived as a student at the men's ranch about a month later. Separately, each of us embarked on a journey to seek God through His Word. We received guidance, support, and love from the caring staff. Our daughter, Carson, was born in October, and Christopher and I successfully completed the program in November of 2009.

There was no shortage of obstacles as we began to rebuild our lives. After ten years of neglect, things were a huge mess. I was terrified and so was Chris! It would have been so easy to give up and believe the lie that we would always be bound to our past. Instead, we had spent the past 9 months immersed in the truth of God's Word. We were free, loved, born again children of God! Our marriage mattered. Our family mattered. Our lives mattered. So we made a choice to step out in faith. We refused to return to our old lives- no matter how uncomfortable the changes felt at first. We had no idea where we were going or how we were going to get there. Our trust was ruthless, and God showed off!

Chris and I were given so much more than we could ever earn. Never underestimate the power of God's people when they unite to serve His purpose. We had nothing, but through the support of Teen Challenge- we never went without a single thing. We were supported and held when we couldn't hold ourselves. (Thank you, we praise God for all of you!)

Chris and I keep it pretty simple these days-- We read, we pray, we are faithful to our church family. We walk out the things we learned at Teen Challenge every day. Sure, there are times when we aren't sure what to do, but we have always had the support of our Teen Challenge family. The true beauty of this program is that you never truly graduate-there are always more ways to grow, more things to learn, and more people to give. As the newest member of the Women's Home Staff, I have been humbled and awestruck by the power of God at work every day in this ministry. Today, I simply put my faith in Christ and trust Him to do what He promised. He has been so faithful!

On a crisp day in October in 2010, I walked in the front door of our home and said "Hello!" to my husband Christopher. He couldn't hear me, because our beautiful daughter was calling "Ma, Ma!" I looked around to find our five-year-old son's hands covered in modeling clay that I'm sure he has put somewhere he shouldn't. I sat down on the couch to rest as the newest addition to our family (due in March) kicks. Chris looks at me like he thinks I am beautiful, and I am certain that this is my miracle—this moment.

Glory be to God!! - Sarah Moore





Enjoying the outdoors around a campfire.



Our garden helps provide food and practical experience for students during the summer time.



A Note From the Director:



Thank you for your partnership in so many unique ways. For example, Linda Mees along with Becky Ballentine of International Association of Home Staging Professionals reorganized our Storage/Supply areas and smartly furnished our prayer room.

The Women's Home has just passed its two-year anniversary since its dedication. We were expected to be financially self sufficient by now, however this is not the case. Please consider standing with us by investing on a regular basis. Running the home requires meeting our financial obligations on time and are ongoing – staff, gas & electric, insurance, vehicle maintenance, Etc. Thank you in advance. With your help we are saving this nation – one heart at a time.

-Marty Martin



NEEDS:

Volunteer Drivers- Requires good driving record. Use of TC vehicles.
Volunteer staff during Saturday evenings 5:30-10 pm.
Gas gift cards to fill the van & **grocery gift cards** to stock the kitchen.
*****Sponsor a student for a day/week/month - \$30/\$210/\$900*****

Great is our Lord, and of great power; His understanding is infinite. -Psalm 147:5