



*A home & program for young women with unplanned pregnancies.*

March 2010

*"I would just like to thank everybody who prayed for Tyler;  
it really meant a lot to me."*

- Christina, baby Tyler's birth mother

## God's Miracle Baby

It's our joy to share with you one recent example of how God allows the Ruth Harbor community to bear witness to his ability to replace darkness with new life and hope.



Baby Tyler was given no statistical chance of surviving. Ultrasounds leading up to his premature birth revealed poor lung development and no curvature to the ribcage to support breathing. Weighing in at only 4 lb., 5 oz. at birth, Tyler also battled a hole in one of his lungs.

Fueled by the prayers of many, God enabled baby Tyler to overcome the odds by bringing him safely into the world and healing his body. He is now eating and breathing on his own and was recently released from the hospital, one day before his original due date.

Not only did God cover baby Tyler's needs, but he also did a mighty work in his mother during her stay at Ruth Harbor. She received love and support with good nutrition, bed rest, access to top-rate medical care and plenty of prayer. In the process, God used this young woman's circumstances to draw her closer to him.

Stories like this give meaning to the work Ruth Harbor is doing with your help!

### Did You Know?

On average, 50% of the young women who come to Ruth Harbor come from Polk county; the other 50% come from around Iowa and beyond.

### Calendar

**Sat., May 8 at 9:30am**  
Walk For Life!  
*More info. coming soon!*

### Wish List

- Postage stamps
- Large crockpot
- Reliable 4-door vehicle

See our full [wish list](#).

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## House Parent Ministry Position

House parents have the opportunity to walk alongside the young women who turn to Ruth Harbor as a safe refuge during their time of unplanned pregnancy. They play a key role in showing grace, love and leadership to residents.



After blessing Ruth Harbor and its residents with their faithful service as house parents for more than three years, Russ and JoDee Cross will complete their house parenting commitment on March 31.

Ruth Harbor is currently seeking the right set of individuals to fill this vital role. Candidates for this position will be a couple with compassion and a heart to care for young women and who also are willing to lovingly speak truth into their lives. This full-time position is for a couple not currently parenting, but parenting experience is certainly a plus.

Please prayerfully consider whether you or someone you know might be interested in serving as house parents. You can [click here](#) for a list of duties and qualifications or [email](#) or call us at (515) 279-4661 for more details.

We covet your prayers as we complete this search and are excited to see who God sends as our next set of house parents!

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