

Hope Filled Rooms



*It will be a shelter and shade from the heat of day,
and a refuge and hiding place from the storm and rain.*

Isaiah 4:6

Volunteer Training

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What is Hope-Filled Rooms?

- **Vision:** To provide a safe, caring and life-giving environment where trafficked women can experience rest and hope, as they develop awareness of and trust in God's love for them, and gain confidence in the future He has made available for them to receive.
- **Mission:** We are called to bring God's light to those trapped in the darkness of trafficking through the power of God's word to provide spiritual, physical, emotional, and social freedom and restoration.
- **Purpose:** To provide a daytime drop-in center designed to meet various needs of trafficked women (rest, shower, food, etc.) while engaging with and building relationships with a heart postured in love for Christ and each precious individual served.



What is Hope-Filled Rooms?



What is Sex Trafficking?

Sex Trafficking is defined as when a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age.

Sex Trafficking is part of Human Trafficking which is defined as the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

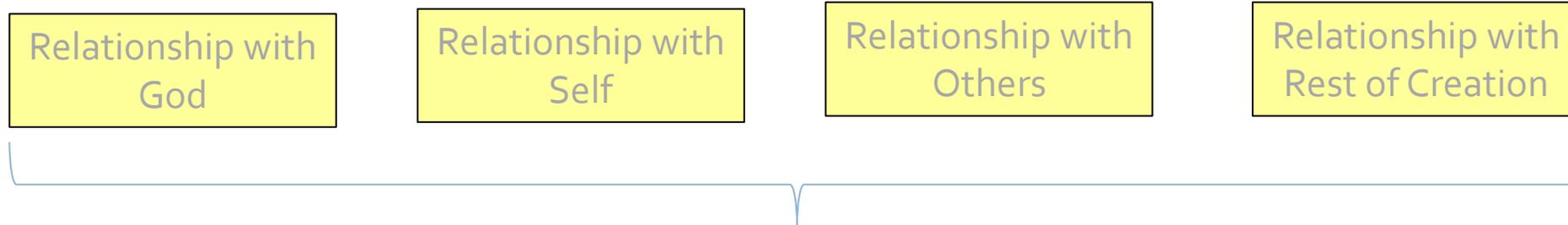
When this crime is committed against anyone under the age of 18 (a minor) force, fraud, or coercion are not factors necessary elements of sex trafficking of children under the law



When Helping Hurts

Information based on the book *When Helping Hurts* by Steve Corbett & Brian Fikkert

God created humans in His image. Before the fall. He established four fundamental relationships:



When these four are functioning properly, humans experience the fullness of life that God intended. It was broken in the fall, but restored through Jesus.



When Helping Hurts

- Who are “the poor”?

Every human being is or has suffered from poverty of spiritual intimacy,, being, community, and/or stewardship.

UNTIL WE EMBRACE OUR MUTUAL BROKENNESS, OUR WORK WITH OTHERS IN POVERTY IS LIKELY TO DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD

- One of the biggest problems in poverty-alleviation efforts is that we can communicate superiority vs. inferiority (even unintentionally). In the process we hurt ourselves and those we are trying to help.
- To prevent this, we must:
 - Understand the nature of poverty
 - Reflect and repent of our own heart/motives



When Helping Hurts

Not all poverty is created equal. The first step is to determine whether the situation calls for relief, rehabilitation, or development.

Relief

The seldom, temporary provision of emergency aid to reduce immediate suffering from a natural or man-made crisis.

Rehabilitation

Begins as soon as the bleeding stops; it seeks to restore people and their communities to the positive elements of their pre-crisis conditions.

Development

The process of ongoing change that moves all the people involved (helpers and those helped) closer to be in harmony with the four foundational relationships (God, self, others, creation).

When a guest first comes to the house, we want to provide them Relief, but in time and as relationships form, we want to help them move toward Rehabilitation and Development.



When Helping Hurts

- Goal of poverty alleviation: “To restore people to a full expression of humanness, to being what God created us to be- people who glorify God by living in right relationship with God, with self, with others, and with the rest of creation”.
- **Material Poverty Alleviation** is working to reconcile the four foundational relationships so that people can fulfill their callings of glorifying God by working and supporting themselves and their families with the fruit of that work.
- Our work as humans is about **empowerment** and **worship**.
- Poverty Alleviation is only possible through the power of reconciliation through Christ which transforms lives and our systems.



Hope-Filled Rooms Calling...

- **We affirm that we have been called to minister to the broken hearted and fight for their freedom.**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for He has anointed me to bring the Good News to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners.

Luke 4:18

- **We affirm that we have been called to provide comfort and rest to the weary and lighten their burden.**

Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

- **We affirm we have been called to be life giving and to foster hope in God's plan for each person.**

For I know the plans I have for you, to prosper you and to bring you a future and a hope in Christ Jesus.

Jeremiah 29:11

- **We affirm that what we were freely giving we will freely give.**

Our love for others is our grateful response to the love God first demonstrated to us.

I John 4:19



The Power Of Words

- “Death and life are in the power of the tongue.” Proverbs 18:21 NKJV
- Our words carry tremendous power, to either advance God’s Kingdom of life or advance Satan’s kingdom of destruction and death.
- “The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life, but a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit.” Proverbs 15:4 NIV
- Hope Filled Rooms strives to bring life affirming words to heal the broken hearted and restore what evil has taken, for both volunteers and guests
- “And never let ugly or hateful words come from your mouth, but instead let your words become beautiful gifts that encourage others; do this by speaking words of grace to help them.” Ephesians 4:29 The Passion Translation

Five Ways to Speak Words of Life

- 1) Speak Words of Affection & Caring
- 2) Speak Words of Praise
- 3) Speak Words of Encouragement
- 4) Speak Words of Healing
- 5) Speak Words of Faith & Hope



Hope-Filled Rooms Language

Don't say	Instead say	Because
Girls	Women or sisters or honored guests	We work with 18 y.o.+ and we want them to feel special
*Trafficked woman or *Prostitute*	Women caught in sex trafficking and sexual exploitation	Not everyone fits that description. They are women first
Save or *Rescue*	Walk alongside	Jesus saves, we don't!
Sweeping generalizations "All cases" "Everyone"	What we have seen is...	Not everyone has the same experience
"Victims"	"Survivors" or "Conquerors"	Not everyone identifies as a victim and we want to emphasize strength
"Us" and "Them"	We, sisters, women we serve	Sometimes this is unavoidable, but we want to steer away from an "us vs. them" mentality
"I" or "They" in reference to Glory House staff and volunteer	"We"	We are all a team. Even if it's not your story. It's ok



Hope Filled Rooms Prayer Needs

We Ask That Pray For Hope Filled Rooms Ministry

- ❖ Pray For God's Wisdom and Discernment for the Leadership
- ❖ Pray For God's Provision for Hope Filled Rooms Needs
- ❖ Pray for God's Protection Over This Ministry, Leaders, Volunteers and Guests
- ❖ Pray for God to Bring Restoration & Healing Spiritually, Emotionally, Physically, and Socially for All Who Come to Hope Filled Rooms



Expectations

- Social Media Etiquette
- No Pictures
- Boundaries – touch, topics, questions,
- Don't give out personal phone numbers

