




Called to Peace
MINISTRIES

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

*Offering hope & healing
to victims of domestic abuse*



"Tonya"
wants to
thank you!

The abuse I endured in my marriage was horrendous.

I suffered through multiple physical assaults. I've survived getting stitches in my face and multiple hospital trips because of my husband's physical abuse toward me. I also endured constant emotional abuse, making me feel unworthy and broken down. He sought to isolate me; knowing how much I valued my church family; he would go so far as to rip my nice clothes in order to prevent me from attending services. He would often steal money from my wallet, leaving me unable to tend to my children's needs.

The abuse my children have witnessed has affected them emotionally, physically, and mentally.

My husband started disappearing after I went through a major surgery. He began by going out for one night, then for a few nights, and then for a week or more; as of this writing, I haven't seen him in over two years. He left me to support our two children alone. Being a single mom — and sole provider for a family — has been a challenge. The physical abuse I'd endured had left my body broken, greatly limiting my ability to work.

Despite my best efforts, we struggled immensely; at one point, we were homeless for a month.

I then connected with Called to Peace Ministries and attended their support group. Each week, I looked forward to meeting every one of the beautiful women, knowing we were all fighting the same battle. **I felt supported and loved.**

I don't know how I could have endured my suffering without the support group. I left each week with peace, reminded that God is still here, keeping me in sound mind. **The Called to Peace book gave me profound insight into why my husband treated me like he did; I realized it actually had nothing to do with me but was rooted in his desire for control.**

I was referred to the CTPM Emergency Fund when I shared that my kids and I didn't have food in our pantry, gas for my vehicle, or electricity for our home; a past-due bill had resulted in our power being cut off. CTPM helped us beyond what I could have hoped; they provided us with gas cards, grocery cards, and even paid the bill for our lights to be turned back on. Their assistance felt like a slice of heaven for me while fighting for what felt like my life.

The CTPM Emergency Fund not only provided us with necessities, but also impacted my children's lives with a deeper understanding of the love of Jesus. After witnessing so much abuse, the provision showed them that there are kind and caring people in this world — people who love Jesus and live out His love.

Thank you for supporting Called to Peace Ministries...from the bottom of my heart!

Our Mission

Called to Peace Ministries (CTPM) exists to provide a compassionate, comprehensive, and Christ-centered response to those impacted by domestic abuse.

What makes us Unique

Compassionate.

We are positioned to serve women who are impacted by domestic abuse while simultaneously educating churches and people helpers on how to support them.

Comprehensive.

We help meet both physical and emotional needs of survivors of abuse through our partnerships with churches, support groups, healing retreats, advocacy, and the Emergency Fund.

Christ-centered.

We teach survivors of abuse that healing comes from a deeply rooted relationship with God, who says they are made in His image and are valued and cherished.



• MINISTRY MILESTONES •

2023 in Review: Because of YOU!

He Makes All Things New Women's Retreat

Our 2023 He Makes All Things New Women's retreat — themed *He Restores My Soul* — was held at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC. It was a powerful event for over 350 women from 35 states who have experienced domestic abuse and for those who want to serve them. Through your generosity, over 100 women received a scholarship to attend the retreat. Our main speakers included Elyse Fitzpatrick, Beth Broom, Tabitha Westbrook, and Joy Forrest. We additionally had 23 other breakout speakers and an opportunity to host a private concert performed by American Contemporary Christian singer and songwriter Tasha Layton.



"I attended a retreat on a Scholarship, and I can easily say my experience at the retreat changed my life, and I could even say it saved my life. While at the retreat, I realized that I was living in an abusive marriage and secondly that I was not alone."

- Jen, Domestic Abuse Survivor

CHURCH PARTNERSHIP

Our Church Partnership Program has significantly expanded this year, not only in the United States but also in seven other countries.

- We have a team of **21** trained and equipped Church Partnership Liaison volunteers.
- In 2023 we hosted **26** different Protect the Flock Trainings for **1,359** people, impacting **389** individual churches and ministries.
- We have served **579** churches in 2023 through our training and private consultations.



• BY THE NUMBERS •



Since the start of Called to Peace Ministries in 2015, we have served women and churches in **all 50 states** and **25 international countries**, utilizing a network of **250 volunteers and ministry partners**.

2023 IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

ADVOCACY

- **541 women** were served through our Advocacy Program
- **1,297** women have been served since 2020

SUPPORT GROUPS

- **182 women** were served through a Support Group
- **607 women** have been served since 2021 in CTPM-affiliated groups

CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS

- **26 Partnering Churches**
- **26 Protect the Flock Trainings** hosted with **1,359** people in attendance
- **792 Individual Churches** impacted since 2020

EMERGENCY FUND

- **61 women served** through the Emergency Fund
- Over **\$90,154** distributed

CHILDREN

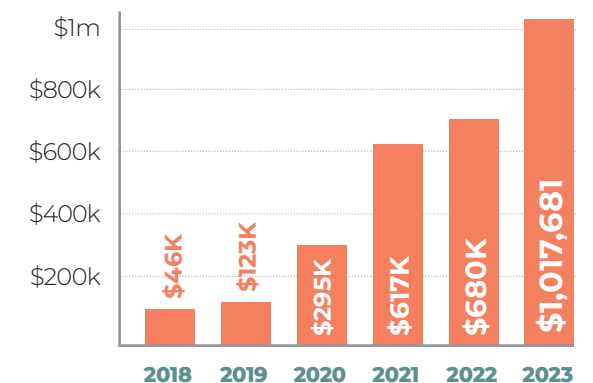
- We are multiplying our reach of healing to help stop the cycle of generational abuse.
- Total children under the age of 18 impacted: **995**

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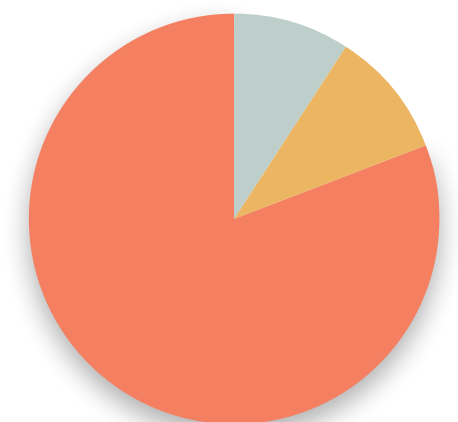
Called to Peace does a great job of not just educating churches, but helping churches with resources and tools to become safe so as to bring healing to many lives. We are thankful for the training opportunities that helped our staff understand the basics of abuse as we come alongside victims and survivors. Because of our partnership we are more equipped to care for victims and survivors in a way that better serves them.”

~ Raina Newman at Southbrook Church in Weddington, NC

TOTAL REVENUE



TOTAL EXPENSES



- Programs: **81%**
- Development & Marketing: **10%**
- Operations: **9%**

Program Totals Include:

- Advocacy
- Church Partnership
- Emergency Fund
- G5 Men's Ministry
- Support Groups
- Women's Retreat



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NEW PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN 2024



Use your business to serve women coming out of domestic abuse while captivating customers and inspiring your employees. CTPM will work with you to build a giving strategy that will encourage participation and inspire generosity.



Host a GATHERING FOR GOOD for Called to Peace Ministries! These fun, intimate events allow friends and network members to share their hearts for serving victims of domestic abuse in a warm, personal setting.

See the accompanying letter for more information on these life-changing programs!