

## The Ministry of Rehope

Pastor Jason Alvis came to us last month to report all that is happening with Rehope Ministries here in the Kansas City area. In a much more encouraging show of support, about 35 Maywoodians attended our joint Sunday School session to learn more about the “Crisis stabilization efforts for women and young girls who have fallen prey to human trafficking.

Pastor Jason gave us some eye-opening statistics:

- The industry of human trafficking yields some \$150.2 billion dollars worldwide annually.
- Over 50 million, mostly women (70%) and children (20%) are victims (I believe this is also world-wide figure).
- About two million become enslaved in human sex trafficking.
- About 16,000 people are reported each year to the sex trafficking hot line here in the U.S.
- The Kansas City area is a draw for human sex trafficking due to its location and interstate intersections.
- Missouri is the fourth highest state for trafficking in the U.S.
- Human sex trafficking is the second largest and fastest growing criminal industry in our country.

Three areas of ministry are included in the Rehope effort:

### 1. Crisis Stabilization

A. Partnering with the Missouri Baptist Children’s Home, Rehope has expanded its long-term care services (up to three years).

B. In addition, Rehope has also partnered with the Justice/Dignity Center to help up to 68 minors for the short-term in their “Rehope Youth” program.

### 2. Rehope Farms

A 17-acre farm developed for long-term housing, which offers healing programs, trauma therapy, education services, job preparation, and reintegration services, and on-going support. The farm can take up to 22 people currently and hopes to offer more tiny homes in the future.

We need to pray for Rehope: for ongoing and increased financial support and for those vulnerabilities (like guilt, manipulation, addiction, poverty, or isolation from family) that make it difficult to break the chains of control that exploit those who have fallen victim to human trafficking. We are grateful to be able to support this ministry.

Thank you for praying.

Pastor Alan

# Maywood Community Church

May 2025



AWANA year ends with Fairmont Fair!

## Greetings Everyone,

We hope everyone had a great Easter and were able to celebrate with your family. It was a joyous Easter Sunday Service, and it was great to see everyone. Please enjoy the pictures from the Easter Events.



Easter Egg Hunt



Easter Breakfast



Eggs for Everyone!

Thank you to everyone who participated and volunteered for the following events in April:

The Leadership Seminar  
The Good Friday Service  
The Easter Egg Hunt  
The Elder/Deacon Easter Breakfast  
The Cantata Ensemble

## Let's keep the momentum going and volunteer and participate in the upcoming events:

June 4 – August 13	Home Bible Study - Sign-up sheets to be a Host Home can be found at the welcome desk.
July 7-11	Vacation Bible School - Please see Andrea Strick to volunteer.
July 13	VBS Sunday
July 19	Homecoming and Open House – Please attend the May 25 informational meeting following the service.

Please be in prayer for the Church family as there are many physical needs and many operations and procedures scheduled for May and June. Please invite your neighbors, friends, and families to Church as Pastor Alan reviews the book of John. Continue to pray for our community and our country.

In Christ's Love,  
The Elders

## May Events:

**May 3rd:**  
Men's Prayer  
Breakfast 8 am

**May 10th:**  
Ladies Tea  
11 am

**May 15th:**  
Ladies Council  
10 am

**May 17th:**  
Madelyn  
Hodak's  
Wedding

**May 18th:**  
Missions Sunday

**May 29th:**  
Helping Hands  
of Faith 6:30-  
8:00 pm

**Every Tuesday:**  
Ladies Bible  
Study 10 am  
Ladies Quilting  
1 pm

**Upcoming:**  
June 4th  
Home Bible  
Fellowship

## April Financial

### Corner:

General Giving:  
\$26,226

Designated Giving:  
\$1,935

Total: \$28,161

Monthly Giving  
Budget: \$24,125

Total Expenses:  
\$19,120

Net Operating  
Income: \$9,041