

FREEDOM FARM NEWSLETTER

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WHO WE ARE

Freedom Farm is a community for children, young adults, and families, in crisis. Our goal is to help them find their purpose in Christ and to see restoration in their lives and the lives of their family. Unique to the area, Freedom Farm understands the need of our community and takes a holistic approach to mentoring relationships to help them develop crucial life skills to be successful in their future.

THE STATS

- 61.8% of Alabamians aged 12-17 who have depression did not receive any care in the last year.
- 250,000 children are placed into the foster system every year.
- Approximately 1 out of 4 young adults that age out of foster care this year will become homeless.

HOW TO HELP

- PRAY - Partner with us as we pray for God's provision and direction.
- SUPPORT - Become a Freedom Farm Champion by giving a regular monthly gift or make a one time donation on our website.
- VOLUNTEER - Contact us to see how your unique gifts can help.

ABOUT US

Through a variety of programs, Freedom Farm supports children and young adults of all ages who are currently in crisis and need help and support managing the crisis and effects of trauma.

THE HOPE PROJECT, AGES 18-21

- Spiritual Guidance
- Healthy Relationships
- Residential or off-campus living
- Education & career support

THE FREEDOM PROJECT, K-12

- After school mentoring and tutoring
- Equine Emotional Wellness Program
- Counseling & Family Support
- Summer camps
- School partnerships and programs

LOOKING AHEAD

THE HERITAGE PROJECT

- Providing a home and support for children who are not currently being raised by their biological parents

MEET OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Katie Clampit, LMSW

Katie grew up in this area and has dedicated her career to making a positive impact on the lives of those in need. She has a wealth of experience in addressing the social and emotional needs of individuals and has a strong track record of success in helping people overcome challenges and reach their full potential.

Katie's favorite scripture is Matthew 28:20: "Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."



1 THE BEGINNING

Freedom Farm was founded by Donnie and Amy Lumpkin with a mission to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ in rescuing and restoring broken children, young adults, and families. They believe that every person deserves a place of safety and support. Freedom Farm has purchased 150 acres of land to make this vision a reality. However, the land is only the beginning of their vision. Freedom Farm aims to be a beacon of hope and a source of healing for all those who seek help, guidance, love, and restoration.



2 THE PROCESS

Volunteers have played a crucial role in helping Freedom Farm achieve its goals and make a real difference in our community. From clearing land and preparing the farm for new projects, to working alongside local churches and community members to make a difference, these dedicated individuals have contributed countless hours of hard work and dedication to our cause. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed, and we are grateful for their support and commitment to Freedom Farm.



3 THE NEXT STEP

Currently, we have three young adults living in an intake home with mentors to help them through their initial assessment period. Soon, we will begin construction on our first tiny home specifically designed to provide a safe and supportive environment for young adults in crisis. This home will be an integral part of our ministry, as it will give young adults the opportunity to learn important life skills such as how to hold a job, pay bills, and live independently. By equipping them with these skills, we hope to help them transition into thriving members of society.



4 THE FUTURE

As we look toward the future, we are excited about the possibility of building the Heritage Home at Freedom Farm. This home will serve as a family unit for younger children who are unable to live with their biological parents for any number of reasons. Our ultimate goal at Freedom Farm is restoration, and whether these children are with us for a short time before being reunited with their families or grow up in our Heritage Home, we will provide them with the love and support they need to have a strong foundation today and hope for the future.

IN ACTION

To support our young adult population, Freedom Farm has purchased a trailer to serve as an intake home, where individuals can transition to more permanent housing on the farm. In addition, we have launched the Freedom Project, which offers mentorship to school-aged children using a holistic approach that incorporates activities such as horseback riding and fishing. Due to the popularity of these programs, we have a waiting list of children and young adults who are eager to be a part of Freedom Farm. We are committed to doing everything we can to serve those in crisis and provide them with the support and resources they need to thrive.

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Winter Events

In December, Freedom Farm held its 1st Annual Christmas Village and 2nd Annual Christmas Gala, both of which were highly successful and well-attended events. We also provided Christmas trees to sponsors in exchange for a donation, which also allowed us to give away many trees to members of our community who may not have otherwise had one. It was a blessing to be able to receive support and give back to our community in this way. We are grateful for the opportunity to make a positive impact and spread holiday cheer.



CHRISTMAS GALA

This year, our Christmas Gala was held at the Bibb Mill Event Center and brought together community members to honor Coach Timothy Carter and Dr. Brenda Coley for their dedication to changing the lives of children in our area. During the event, we challenged attendees to be "that one" person who makes a difference in the life of a child or young adult. The fundraiser was a great success, and we were able to share our vision, where we are today, and where we are headed. We are grateful to every business that sponsored a table and every individual who sponsored a seat. The presence of so many caring people at this special event was heartwarming, and we thank everyone who made it possible.



CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

Our first annual Christmas Village, held at Common Grounds Coffee Shop, was a tremendous success! We had over 25 vendors, offering a wide range of products and services, as well as beautiful Fraser Fir Christmas trees from North Carolina, face painting, popcorn, and the chance to take pictures with Santa. It was a beautiful day, and we were overwhelmed by the support we received from the community. We had the opportunity to meet many new people and share our vision with them, and we are grateful for the chance to connect with so many supportive individuals. We look forward to hosting more events like this in the future and continuing to make a positive impact in our community.



Freedom Farm Founders
Donnie and Amy Lumpkin



Freedom Farm team members
at the 2nd Annual Christmas Gala