

Door of Hope Ministries

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020



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# Global Director's Statement

Dear Door of Hope Family,

The year 2020 was a challenging year for everyone! We witnessed things in our world and in our cities that most of us never imagined. Many of us faced loneliness or fear. Some of us lost loved ones and were furloughed from jobs. As a world we saw depression, anxiety, addictions, and domestic violence increase at alarming rates.

**Through it all God stayed the same! He was faithful and He was present. He continued to go before us, provide for us, and pour out hope into our lives and into the life of Door of Hope.**

Even though we had to cancel almost every fundraiser, workshop, and conference, here are some of the amazing things we saw Him accomplish in 2020:

- We served a total of 323 men and women. As beneficiaries often receive more than one service, total ministry encounters were 875 (41% more than 2019).
- Thanks to video conferencing, we served beneficiaries from 20 U.S. States, Mexico, Canada, and England.
- Our Support Groups grew from 41 to 55, serving 236 men and women (39% increase). Attendees were 82% women, 18% men. Since many joined more than one group, total attendance grew 23% to 331.
- Trauma Recovery Counseling and Prayer Ministry served 141 men and women (97% increase) with 451 appointments (up 82%).
- 28 women received crisis counseling (40% increase).
- 81 volunteers donated more than 4050 hours, helping keep our costs down.
- Awareness and interest grew as our mailing list expanded 26%, and our Facebook following grew 24%.

Even though it seemed as if our world turned upside down, not only did God remain faithful but so did our dear Door of Hope family. **Thank you for all the times you prayed for us. Thank you for all the times you gave your time and your resources to support us. Your prayers, time and resources made it possible for us to serve all the new participants coming through the doors, both in person and online, at Door of Hope.**

May the Lord continue to watch over you and bless you. **We are always here for you so don't hesitate to call us when you need support and prayer.**

With much gratitude and many blessings,



Diane Stores  
Global Director



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Global Director  
Door of Hope

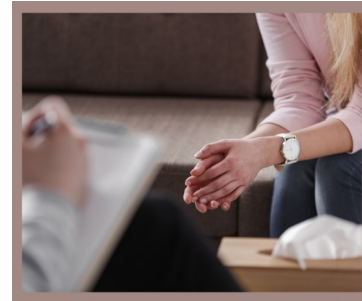
# Programs



## Support Groups

Where women and men dealing with the effects of trauma and abuse find a safe place to learn, grow, and share with others.

Due to COVID restrictions, we offered more support groups via video conferencing. The number of support groups increased from 41 to 55 serving 236 (39% increase). Attendees were 82% women, 18% men. Since most clients join more than one support group, the total number of support group attendees grew 23% to 331.



## Trauma Recovery Counseling and Prayer Ministry

Adults who participate in our trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry find freedom and life-changing transformation from the deep wounding caused by trauma and abuse.

In 2020, 141 clients received 465 trauma recovery prayer ministry sessions (103% increase), resulting in 698 hours of prayer ministry.



## Conferences and Workshops

In our workshops, pastors, ministry leaders and lay people are taught the complex dynamics of abuse, and trained to effectively minister to those who have experienced abuse.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we were only able to participate in two conferences and hold one workshop, to serve a total of 62 people in 2020.



## Crisis Help and Safe Housing

Women seeking crisis help receive one-on-one counseling to help them minimize the danger of leaving an unsafe situation, and offered referrals on where to go if they leave, including our safe home.

In 2020, 28 women received crisis counseling either in person or by phone. Due to COVID-19, safe housing was not available.

# Program Impact

Together, we raised \_\_\_\_\_

**\$230,111**

which funded \_\_\_\_\_

**6,753** hours of ministry

bringing \_\_\_\_\_

**323** individuals  
God's healing



***Praise God for His  
faithfulness to the  
peoples of the world!***

## Four Countries, Two First Nations, and 20 U.S. States

**Due to the pandemic, we transitioned most of our support groups and trauma recovery prayer ministry to video conferencing. This enabled us to reach people in other states and nations where, we discovered, the need was great.**

We served women and men in Canada, England, Mexico, the United States, and from the Chippewa and Dakota First Nations.

We served people in California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin.



# God's Faithfulness During a Pandemic

With the arrival of the COVID-19 restrictions in March, we fell to our knees asking God how to proceed. We believed Jesus would continue to provide a way to help those needing our services.

Fundraisers were canceled and yet we believed God wanted us to continue working to bring His healing.

And then, with the pandemic's lockdown and families stuck at home around the clock, we started getting more calls for help...

*The need increased just when our funding was cut.*

**Yet, God remained faithful...**

Through many generous donors and a Federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan, He provided the funds we needed to increase our Zoom capacity and continue paying our staff so we could expand our ability to offer support groups, prayer ministry sessions and crisis counseling by video conferencing.

By year's end, God grew our support groups by 39% and prayer ministry by a whooping 97%!

In all, He expanded our reach to 20 U.S. States and several nations by making our ministries available long distance.

***Praise God for His promises and His faithfulness when uncertainty comes!***

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, **for he who promised is faithful.**”  
- Hebrews 10:23

## 2020 IMPACT

Praise God for His faithfulness!



### 2020 Highlights

**323** PEOPLE SERVED

**28 WOMEN RECEIVED CRISIS COUNSELING**

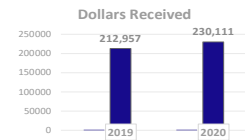


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**GENEROUS DONATIONS**  
17% increase

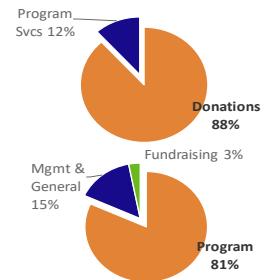
**8% INCOME INCREASE**



#### Income & Expenses

To maximize impact for those we serve, we carefully steward every dollar.

**Thank you for ensuring the work continues with your gifts!**





#### Support Groups

Support groups grew from 41 to 55, serving 236 hurting hearts.

*I am forever grateful for Door of Hope. -Veronica S.*

18% Men

82% Women

Not only did God keep our doors open during the pandemic, He increased our capacity to reach several nations of the world with His healing! He is faithful!



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# Blaine, Minnesota

## Door of Hope Headquarters

Even though our headquarters is located in the basement of an office complex, God works in these sunken halls to bring people to new heights in their walk with Jesus...

In 2019, in response to cries for help from around the nation and the world, we piloted holding a few trauma recovery prayer sessions by Zoom.

### These sessions set us up for 2020...

Although we began 2020 with primarily in-person support groups and prayer ministry sessions God, in His wisdom, guided us to launch two support groups for out-of-state participants via Zoom in January.

When the pandemic shutdown came in March, we were able to quickly pivot primarily to virtual groups and prayer sessions for our Twin Cities participants.

### Then we watched to see what God would do... And what He did!

Participation remained strong and, by the end of the year, began to break records (see charts below).

### People were finding healing as God worked through our virtual ministry!

Is there any limit to what our God can do!?

My first perpetrator was my father and **by the time I started kindergarten I had become involved with an organized child prostitution ring.**



Cheryl Voyles

By age five I knew to my core that I was an object for the pleasure of others.

By the grace of God, I survived those terrible years and went on with life. Little did I know how it had shattered me.

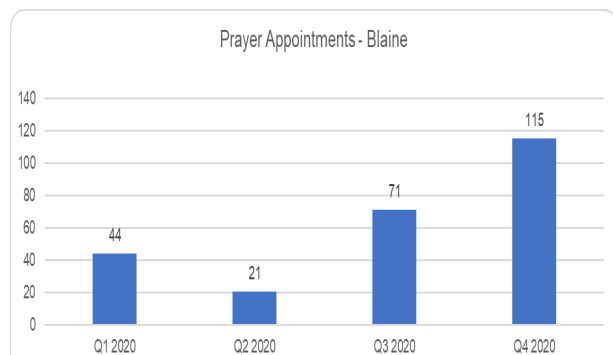
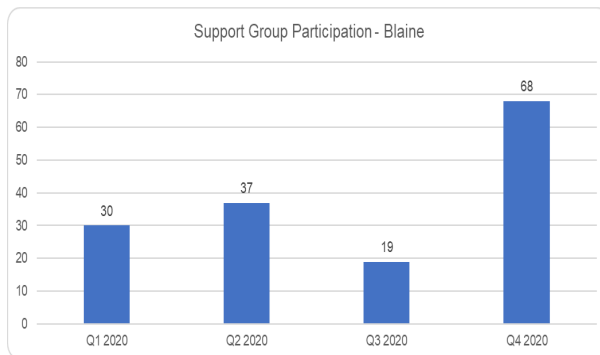
### I looked for help but couldn't find anyone who would talk about it, much less treat it.

In my twenties I found a therapist who helped me not take my life at a time when the darkness was so thick. Later in life a friend prayed with me and suggested I meet Diane Stores from Door of Hope, which led to an invitation to **join Door of Hope's DID (Dissociative Identity Disorder) support group, Trailblazers.** This group has been a lifeline in a world of aloneness. I have met and interacted with ladies who understand DID and share their support and love. Door of Hope allows me to understand DID and how it affects my daily interactions.

I have also received Trauma Recovery Prayer Ministry. This opportunity **opens doors within my heart and soul allowing Christ to heal the wounds of the past and build my relationship with him.** This ministry is a valuable process in my Christ-centered healing.

**At a time when the world seems upside down, Door of Hope provides stability and support to those of us who need it.**

## *Praise God for His faithfulness to restore lives!*



## Southern Minnesota Satellite Office

Since 2019, when God launched our Southern Minnesota branch, He's been faithful to bring us men and women in that area needing His healing from trauma and abuse.

In February, before the COVID restrictions went into effect, we held a workshop in Mankato, "How to Trauma-Proof Your Kids," which equipped 22 parents with how to help children deal with and heal from trauma.

Some feedback...

*I really appreciated the information about how to identify triggers and how to ask questions, attune to their feelings and speak truth. I loved the information about giving kids containers.*

This branch offered support groups and prayer sessions with some attending in-person, others virtually. This hybrid approach kept the doors open for God to work.

**And work He did!**

I've been a believer for many years, but in recent years I've come to understand I have a significant amount of unresolved trauma.



Don Lipps, Unshackled Participant

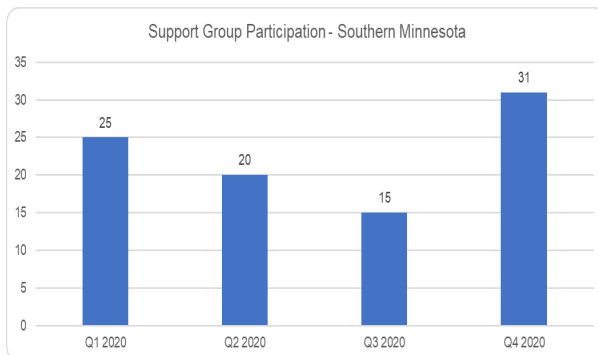
**In the last couple of years I've experienced quite a few setbacks, especially in employment, vocation, and in my closest relationships.**

It's clear that God has been using all of that to bring the trauma, old and new, to the surface so it can be dealt with.

Meeting with Associate Director, Jon Mogck, and the other men in my support group [Unshackled], has given me tools I didn't have for processing trauma and, gradually, becoming more whole.

I've got a ways to go, but as a result of this group and my own study, **I know what to do, and I'm beginning to have hope that things can change again.**

### ***Praise God for His faithfulness to transform trauma!***





# Northeastern Minnesota Satellite Office

Launched in mid-2019, our Northeastern Minnesota satellite, sitting just south of Duluth in Cloquet, Minnesota, is our newest branch.

As we wait for God to supply a physical space to minister in, we're offering support groups and prayer ministry to area residents through borrowed space and video conferencing (Zoom).

To those God is inviting into His healing, He is bringing beautiful breakthroughs.

**Men and women are finding freedom and marriages are being healed.**

Although numbers are small, this branch is mighty and is making a difference in lives and in the community.

We look forward to how God will continue to grow and deepen the work in this area.

Every week of the Authentic Hope women's support group strengthened the bond between us participants - it was a beautiful picture of the Body of Christ.



Eva B.

When I heard about **Trauma Recovery Prayer sessions**, I knew

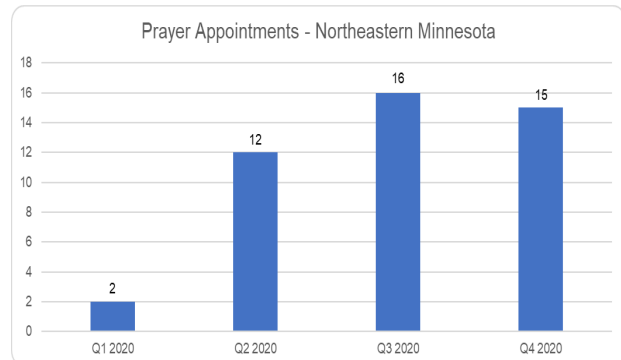
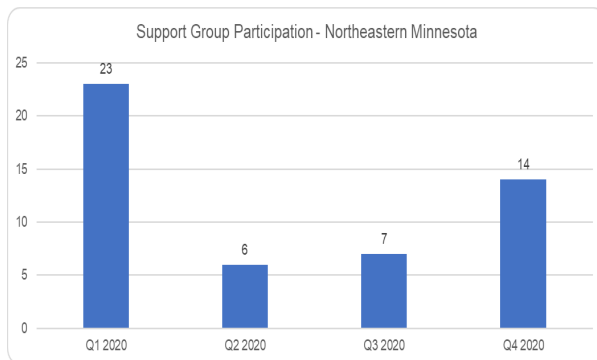
God had brought them to town for me as I had been sensing things rising up within me that needed to be dealt with and that were affecting close relationships.

Unlike other prayer ministry work I had done where suppressed memories surfaced and awakened deep pain, Door of Hope's prayer sessions were gentle. The painful memories were framed by Jesus, and His Love and Presence which changed how I respond to others and how I view myself. **Adversely affected relationships are healthier than they have been in a long time, truly healed.**

*The way the healing came forth was such a surprise!*

God is sooo good, and faithful to guide my steps right into this blessing.

## ***Praise God for His faithfulness to heal relationships!***



# Global

## U.S. States and Other Countries

In 2019, God led us to start responding to requests for help from those out of state and in other countries through video conferencing.

As we look back we wonder...was God setting things in motion so we'd have a way forward when the pandemic hit? We sure think so...

**By the end of 2020, people from 20 U.S. States, Canada, Mexico and England had participated in our support groups and received trauma recovery prayer ministry!**

Almost all came back for more help, either by joining another support group or by receiving more prayer ministry, and many shared Door of Hope with their friends.

**In 2020 alone, long-distance support group participation and prayer sessions nearly tripled!**

**We stand in awe!**

**Due to COVID and our churches in California being closed, it has been hard to feel connected and get the Christian help I needed for dealing with an abusive relationship I'd been in.**



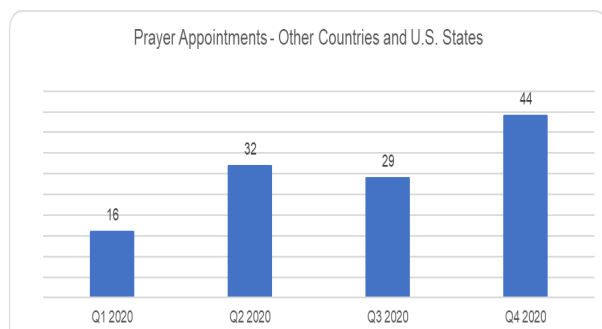
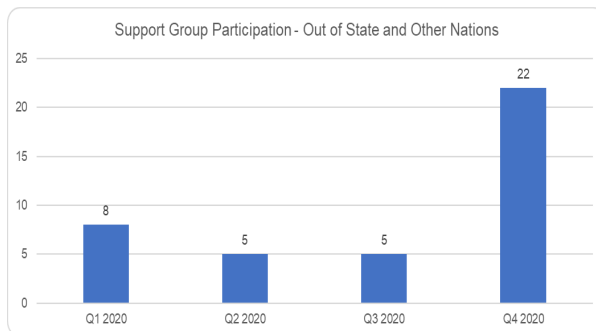
Anne Archer

In answer to prayer, God brought me a therapist that suggested I get a book about my situation. I went on Amazon and God led me to the Door of Hope Authentic Hope book. There I saw that Door of Hope had virtual support groups. I loved that I could **connect virtually and, somewhat anonymously, while being able to share things I don't share with my closest friends.** The women in my groups share openly and have been supportive and loving. **Here I feel heard.**

One day, during an especially difficult time as I was not feeling connected to God or anyone, my support group leader prayed for me and the weight was lifted. The next day God continued to show his peace to me.

**There is nothing available that compares to Door of Hope.** People everywhere need to know about how you are helping people. I encourage everyone to reach out to others who need hope and healing and want to connect with God on a deeper level. **Please help connect Door of Hope with funding so the ministry can grow even more.**

***Praise God for His faithfulness to heal hearts long distance!***



# Other Door of Hope Ministries

## Conferences & Workshops

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we were only able to participate in two conferences and hold one workshop, to serve a total of 62 people in 2020.

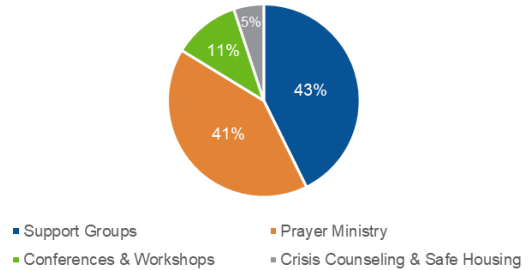
To inform and equip more people around the world, we plan to launch online workshops in 2021.

## Crisis Counseling & Safe Housing

In 2020, 28 women received crisis counseling either in person or by phone.

Due to COVID-19, safe housing was not available.

Participation by Ministry Program



# New Initiatives in 2020

## Equine Therapy Training

In September, Diane Stores, our global director, taught about how trauma affects the brain and how to help someone heal from trauma at a three-day equine therapy certification conference with Elaine Davis of Unbridled Faith, a ministry partner of Door of Hope.

At the conference, attendees were moved by Diane's story and many signed up for Door of Hope's support groups and prayer ministry.

In 2021, Diane plans to co-teach at three equine therapy certification weekends.

## Other New Initiatives

- We started hosting support groups for men and women at a church partner's building in Maplewood.
- Covid opened the door for online support groups, which greatly increased our ability to reach those who need healing and hope.
- We started an Authentic Hope support group for men.
- We entered into conversation with two shelters to bring Door of Hope programming into their facilities.

***Praise God for His faithfulness through the partners and friends of Door of Hope!***

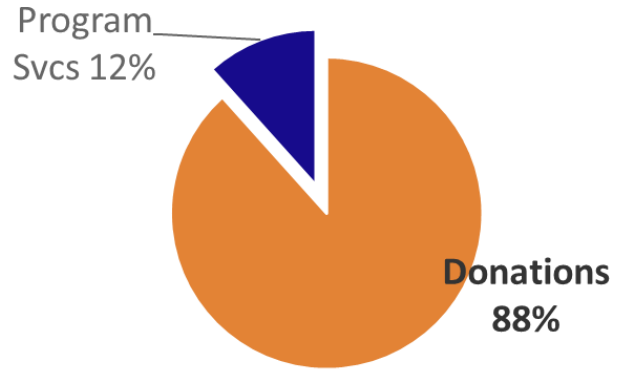
# Resources & Financial Management

Door of Hope is funded by service fees and the generous gifts of individuals, churches, and foundations. More than 60% of those we serve are unable to fully pay for the services they receive, making donations essential for this work. We carefully steward your monetary gift to ensure a powerful impact in the lives of the men and women we serve.

***You, our supporters, are vital to those we serve. Thank you!***

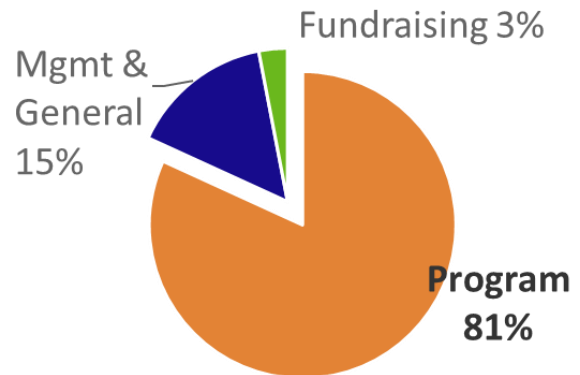
## Income

Contributions	\$206,203
Program Services	\$23,908
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$230,111</b>
+ PPP Loan	\$29,805
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$259,916</b>



## Expenses

Program	\$210,132
Management & General	\$39,132
Fundraising	\$8,259
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$258,093</b>
Net Income/Loss	(27,982)
<b>Net Income/Loss w/ PPP Loan</b>	<b>\$1,823</b>



## Balance Sheet

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$8,523
Other Assets	\$4,206
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$12,729</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Total Liabilities	\$29,699
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$12,729</b>

***Praise God for His faithfulness to provide through our supporters and others during a pandemic!***

# Looking Forward

In 2021, we'll introduce programming for families, seek to expand our housing options for women in crisis, work to deepen our presence in our satellite locations, and use publishing and technology to spread our support groups, trauma recovery prayer ministry, and materials to people around the world (including offering online workshops). To build a stronger financial foundation, we'll continue to grow our donor base and network of partnerships.

## Executive Leadership

Our volunteer board is dedicated to the mission of bringing God's hope and healing to each one we serve. With great hearts, they prayerfully provide direction and oversight for the ministry.



**Rev. Dr. Kendra Diehl**  
Board Chair



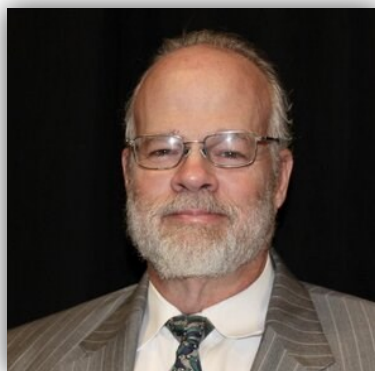
**Joe Gray**  
Board Treasurer



**Jodi Hill**  
Board Secretary



**Rev. Shari Harris**  
Board Member



**Mark Lageson**  
Board Member



**Diane Stores**  
Non-Voting Member

# Is God Calling You?

Abuse and trauma are rampant in many countries with very few resources, if any, available to help people heal. Is God calling you to join us as we expand our reach?

## Every Dollar You Give Matters

Will you join the effort by becoming a financial partner?

You can give online at [doorofhopeministries.org/donate](https://doorofhopeministries.org/donate).

Or send a check, made out to *Door of Hope* to:

Door of Hope Ministries  
PO Box 490565  
Blaine, MN 55449



## Volunteer to Help Make a Difference

In 2020, 81 volunteers logged in 4,050 hours (most hours were performed long distance)! If you'd like to join these remarkable friends of the ministry, visit [doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer](https://doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer) or fill out this form and mail it to the address noted.

- Volunteer for fundraising events or with clerical work
- Volunteer for conferences or training
- Volunteer in a different way:

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Please call us at 763-767-2150 or visit [doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer](https://doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer) to learn more. Mail this form to our office at Door of Hope, P.O. Box 490565, Blaine, MN 55449

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