



*Epworth's Annual
Mother's Day
Offering*

Be A Partner of Hope

Julie was 13 when she arrived on Epworth's campus with her older brother. Both had been removed from their home and each sent to a different foster home. They missed each other and in their grief exhibited behaviors that were not conducive to a prosperous future. They both appeared to give up on a life with a good future.

After some time a decision was made to reunite them. That is when they came to Epworth to live. After a short period of adjustment, they both began to participate in campus activities, including worship and tutoring. Their grades began to reflect their efforts to learn.

As their stay at Epworth lengthened, they participated in counseling, received family visits, played basketball, and enjoyed shopping trips with their cottage mates and staff members.

One day Julie exclaimed, "My brother and I had almost lost all hope, but now we know we have a future."

Julie, her brother Daniel, and many others are children we United Methodists have "adopted", and with whom have become "Partners of Hope". We form this partnership in order to provide a safe place to live, and to provide food, shelter, clothing, educational, medical, emotional health, and recreational opportunities for our children.

Thank you for giving generously this Mother's Day.

Mark 10:13-14

**Children's names and photos changed for confidentiality.*



Did you know?

196

Number of children who lived at Epworth last year, each one from our own communities in SC.

73

Number of children served through Epworth's Foster Care Program

100%

Of your Mother's Day Offering provides comprehensive care for the children at Epworth. **Epworth is not an apportioned item in the Annual Conference budget.**

Mother's Day is your opportunity to support Epworth's ministry. If every United Methodist in S.C. contributed \$10.00 the offering would total \$2,394,520!