



Single Moms In a Loving Environment
2025 Quarter 4 Update



The fourth quarter of 2025 ended with God's amazing grace and supply. Read on to celebrate with us how God is moving in our MOMS2MOMS group, counseling ministry, and finances during this quarter.

MOMS2MOMS Update



MOMS2MOMS BC is a gathering of Moms, single and married, located at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Buffalo Center. They meet from 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm the 2nd and 4th Mondays January – April 2026. The 2nd Monday is a time of fellowship and prayer, while the 4th Monday is a time of teaching using the *Gather Moms* curriculum called *Mom Struggles*. This group is **growing** and all moms are welcome to join us no matter their age or stage.

Biblical Counseling and Soul Care Update

Counseling continues to have an impact on the lives of people in our area. Part of the celebration is when they start to ask deep thinking questions and have 'Ah Ha' moments of things we have been discussing for months. This has been part of this quarters counseling – seeing the growth in the knowledge of the Lord. The counseling case involved in the courts continues at a slow pace. Please keep praying for all of those involved – judge, attorneys, HHS workers, counselors, and family members. We see God moving although we don't always understand why so slow and not at our pace. We are learning that God moves in His timing not ours. It is for our growth and His glory.

Biblical Counseling Coalition (BCC) The core group of pastors and biblical counselors continues to meet on a quarterly basis and is looking forward to these meetings and trainings in 2026.

Financial Update

In September, I shared that we were at a critical point in the ministry financially and needing \$20,000.00 to meet our basic expenses in 2025. PRAISE GOD! You helped us meet those needs. God provided SMILE, through you our donors, \$34,075.76. This included a \$10,000.00 grant and donations through the sale of crops. The Donor Dinner was held on November 8th; despite the winter weather it was well attended. Around \$3,800.00 was donated during that event. Thank you for your support.

Our budget for 2026 is \$82,690.00 that is roughly \$7,000.00 a month operating expense. We also need financial support for the renovation project, which is around \$84,000.00 for some of the bigger projects.

We know that God will provide all that we need in His perfect timing. Thank you for serving alongside us with the gifts and support God has blessed you with this last year.

Donations can be sent through cash, check or online. To donate online go to the following link:

[https://smile.breezechms.com/give/online.](https://smile.breezechms.com/give/online)

Renovation Update



During the fourth quarter it was decided that the barn roof needs to be done professionally. So, a contractor has been contacted and will complete it in the Spring. We have a volunteer who is willing to oversee a work crew to complete some of the volunteer projects at the house. We are working on setting up the logistics for workdays in 2026.

We need another \$10,000.00 to complete the electrical updating, which is the next step in the renovation process. We can move with each step as the funding allows. We are excited to see what the volunteer crews can accomplish in the new year. Watch for workdays and projects that you can possibly help with soon. If interested in **volunteering** fill out the form at the following link <https://smile.breezechms.com/form/1915ba>. Volunteer projects include *Pull carpet nails *Deep clean the house *Scrape and paint the barn *Scrape and paint the inside and outside of the house *Resurface the hardwood floors *Remove cabinets *Other projects may come up

BOARD UPDATE

Sherry has been dealing with health issues for several years. She needs to step down from the board to focus on her health. We need to replace her and add more board members to the team. We are looking for board members who are willing to be a part of SMILE, Inc., and its mission to serve people in need of counseling and support through Christ center programs based on Biblical principles. If you are interested in learning more about what it would be to serve on a working board with SMILE, Inc., please reach out to Juanita at info@smileiowa.org or call her at 641-430-7408. There are nine positions available. Prayerfully consider where the Lord may have you.

To learn more about SMILE, Inc., you are invited to join us at one of the upcoming quarterly informational meetings. These meetings will be held at different locations. More information will be coming as to where and when these meetings will be held.

Prayer Items

Upcoming events and activities. [Pursuing Jesus & serving others with humility and grace](#). Board members – add to board & current. [Unity, wisdom, and discernment](#). God's provisions. [Health of Board members](#).

Upcoming Events: January – April 2026	
Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 16, April 20	6:30 pm Prayer Gatherings
Sept - April	MOMS2MOMS https://smile.breezechms.com/form/a8919f3025
February 7-13	BCTC Conference
Mar 5	9:30-11:30 am BCC Brunch
April 18	10:00 am – 12:00 pm Ladies Tea
Quarterly	SMILE, Inc. Informational Meetings (watch for details – when, and where)

You can also find the calendar of events on the SMILE website. Stop by and check it out.

<https://smileiowa.org/>

2026 calendar is open for you to schedule a Church or group Presentation – Contact us to secure your date

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Serving Christ for Eternity.

Juanita Stevens, Executive Director