



## **2023** IMPACT REPORT

## Our impact by the numbers:

- Visitors: 2,584 most ever
- Participants: **1,061** 2nd most ever
- Experiences: 210 most ever
- Total Interactions: **3,645** most ever
- Empty Bowls fundraiser proceeds to the Food Bank of Northern Indiana: \$3,120.

## Our impact with Marian University Ancilla College (MUAC) numbers:

- MUAC Interactions: 1,723
- MUAC Visitors: 1,472
- MUAC Participants: 253



Written by Angela, MoonTree participant; PHJC volunteer and future Maria Center resident.

A place of freedom to be, to be that which one longs to be. Connected, without control. A place to laugh. A place to cry. A place to

play. A place to grow in unexplored direction, internally and externally without judgment.

A place of healing.

A place to encounter the unexpected. A place of discovery. A sense of belonging to something bigger than self and gratitude for this awareness.

One might ask, what is this place or where is this place? I would then respond, "It is Community, and I found it in my first four months here at MoonTree in Donaldson, Indiana."

MoonTree is a ministry of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ. What initially drew me were the core values—Openness to the Spirit, Community, Simplicity and Respect and Dignity for All. It was the first value, however, that I could feel drawing me in. I arrived as a stranger, and was welcomed by Sister Mary Baird into her home, MoonTree.

For me, MoonTree is a place to encounter our Creator through creation and it gives us the opportunity to co-create with the Creator. Here one can find a safe place. Seeds of love, encouragement, compassion, hospitality are planted here, and then nurtured.

Your generous support to MoonTree Studios makes all of this possible. Thank you!

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