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Isaiah 117 House at Chambliss Center for Children Lemonade Stand Challenge

Chattanooga, TN . . . Chambliss Center for Children invites the community to participate in the Isaiah 117 House Lemonade Stand Challenge on Saturday, July 17th, 2021, to help raise awareness for the first Isaiah 117 House in Hamilton County.

Chambliss Center for Children recently partnered with Isaiah 117 House, an East Tennessee-based nonprofit who serves children and teens entering state custody, to establish the first Hamilton County Isaiah 117 House which will provide a safe, welcoming space for youth awaiting placement. Every summer, Isaiah 117 Houses recruit groups throughout their respective communities to host lemonade stands to raise awareness and funds in support of the organization.

“In the summer of 2017, as we were raising awareness for the first Isaiah 117 House in Elizabethton, Tennessee, children started holding lemonade stands because they heard there were children that needed a home,” says Ronda Paulson, Founder and Executive Director of Isaiah 117 House. “Children helping children is at the very heart of Isaiah 117 House.”

This year, youth groups, scout troops, teams, children, and families throughout Hamilton County are invited to set up stands in neighborhoods, at churches, at sporting events, or other locations in support of the Isaiah 117 House at Chambliss Center for Children. The group that raises the most money at their lemonade stand will receive a special prize, courtesy of The Chattanooga Lookouts. Interested parties can go to www.ChamblissCenter.org for more information and to sign up. Local restaurants 1885 Grill (in both St. Elmo and Ooltewah), FEED, and The Big Chill and Grill will also be selling lemonade-based drinks on July 17th to benefit the organization and support The Lemonade Stand Challenge.

“We are very excited to bring Isaiah 117 House to our community,” says Katie Harbison, President of Chambliss Center for Children. “The key to success is community support, and the Lemonade Stand Challenge is an easy way for children and youth to be involved. We provide all of the advertising tools. All we ask is that you provide the lemonade and be willing to spread the word about Isaiah 117 House!”

About Chambliss Center for Children

Chambliss Center for Children is a local nonprofit organization that has been caring for this community’s children 24-hours-a-day, 365-days-a-year since 1872. The mission of the agency is to preserve family unity and to help prevent the dependency, neglect, abuse and delinquency of children by responding to the community’s child care needs. This is done by providing affordable, accessible and quality care for over 750 children every day through an Early Childhood Education and Extended Child

Care Program, as well as a Residential Program, which recruits and trains foster families and operates a Transitional Living Program. In addition to these programs, the agency also manages several off-site childcare centers and educates and cares for the children of teachers in many Hamilton County Schools. For more information about Chambliss Center for Children, please visit www.chamblisscenter.org or call 423-698-2456.

About Isaiah 117 House

Founded in 2017 by foster parent Ronda Paulson, the mission of Isaiah 117 House is to provide physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children awaiting foster care placement. There are currently five open Isaiah 117 Houses in the states of Tennessee and Indiana with 18 more currently in development. For more information, visit www.Isaiah117House.com.



Lemonade Stand from Coffee-Grundy-Franklin County's Isaiah 117 House in 2020



Lemonade Stand from Bradley-Polk County's Isaiah 117 House in 2020



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