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Montact@ZeteoCommunity.org Zeteo Community Kenton and Marlene appreciated more than you know. come alongside us. Each one of you is greatly support coming from each of you who have growing and it's such a joy to feel the love and and everyone involved. Our community is will continue to be for the residents, staff, for the survivors we currently work with and Zeteo Community which is a great blessing transformative spiritual foundation for the We believe God has given us a solid and

of these survivors and children as well as in ours." kingdom come and your will be done in the lives he has started. Our prayer is, "Father, let your and we're confident that God will finish what and acted on it. There is much more to be done warriors and friends who have caught the vision We want to thank our donors, volunteers, prayer

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this project and the opening of the homes. ahead with great excitement for the completion of in awe for all that God has done and we look As this year comes to a close, we are grateful and progress with the Zeteo Community construction. As you can see, 2025 has been a year of great

DESEMBLE LEADERSHIP

Co-Founders, Zeteo Community Kenton and Marlene Sorenson



from the ashes. God, we stand in awe and

seen in real time the beauty that rises up

of those we are called to serve. We have

phases, we continue to pray over the lives

from the ground and we plan for the next

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update

transformed into beautiful structures in place, these once-empty lots have With siding, windows, doors, and roofs major milestone in the building process. homes are now complete! This marks a short of inspiring, and the shells of both progress on both homes has been nothing on the construction on the property! The We are thrilled to share an exciting update

give you the glory!

Construction

space for the healing. As these homes rise

setting fire to what is hurting to make

survivors leaving a life of exploitation us. This is often how it feels for many

making room for all God had laid before

fire to existing structures on the property

You may recall, before we could begin

brought to the homes.

full of promise.

construction over a year ago, we had to set

as well as gas and electrical services being

the homes. A new well will also be drilled,

tanks and pumps, and connecting them to

building the septic drainage field, installing

site infrastructure which will include

Commons Building before moving into

step will be completing the shell of the

As construction continues, the next

they are free to dream and thrive.

we've building a community.

residential programming and a supportive community in which

in serving women who have been sexually exploited by providing

Journey Update connects you to the mission of Zeteo Community

It's not just housing for survivors of sex trafficking,

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# SEEK FIRST the KINGDOM OF GOD

In August, key members of Zeteo Community attended The Abolition Summit in Denver, Colorado. This was far more than an anti-trafficking conference—it was a revival of the purpose and assignment God has called us into. The word *zeteo*, used in Matthew 6:33 when Jesus says, "seek first the kingdom of God," means "to

seek in order to find." We are called to "zeteo" the kingdom, but what does that mean exactly?

The kingdom of God is not something we merely speak about; it must be lived and demonstrated. Sula Lael (whom you may remember from our 2024 event) challenged us yet again in Denver. "We can't talk about this Jesus that we don't demonstrate." Survivors do not need empty words; they need to encounter the living reality of God's love, authority, and truth through us.

God's kingdom stands in contrast

to the empires of this world. Jamie Winship describes it in this way. Empires thrive on separation, control, and power, valuing people for what they produce. The kingdom, however, is rooted in connection, love, and identity—it frees rather than trafficks. Our worth is not in what we can do for God but in who he created us to be. From that identity flows our assignment, carried out not in pride but in intimacy with the Father, redemption by the Son and empowerment by the

Holy Spirit. Authority is not achieved but appointed—not for our glory, but his.

The cost of the kingdom is different from our culture's economy. It calls us to humility and collaboration, to sustainability through unity rather than competition.

We were created for community, empowered by the Spirit to influence the world—not own it. The Holy Spirit is not a formula to memorize, but the very presence of God equipping us to live in our true identity, ushering in glimpses of the new heaven and new earth. This is what we invite women and children into within Zeteo Community—and what we invite you into as well!

As we enter a new year, we are reminded that we are part of something far beyond our comprehension. Your giving is

not just sustaining trauma recovery, safe homes, or life skills classes—it is joining God's redemptive story, where captives are set free and love overcomes fear.



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We invite you into the kingdom work God has already started. Together, let us seek first (zeteo) his kingdom, and trust that all else will be added.

### Holiday devotional

As we approach the holiday season, home is a theme all around us.

Whether we're going home for the holidays or singing *I'll be home for Christmas*—home is on our hearts; but what makes a *home?* 

Reflect on what comes to mind when you hear the word *home*. In John 14:23, Jesus says that God makes his home with us—not because we prove ourselves worthy, but because of love. Love is what initiates the creation of *home*.

As God dwells with us, his love transforms us. Much like picking up the accent of a new hometown, we begin to sound more like him when we dwell or abide in him. His Word shapes our heart language, and his presence draws us to respond, not out of obligation but out of love.

Home cannot be built on fear. Home is love—and God himself has chosen to make his home with you, not just for the holidays but every day of the year. Welcome home.

## Thank you!

We are deeply grateful to everyone who joined us for the latest Human Trafficking Awareness 101. Awareness is key in combatting exploitation. Your engagement and willingness to learn made this evening a powerful step toward awareness and action. Thank you to the Verona Public Library for helping build a community that sees, supports, and stands with survivors. Together, we are shining light into the darkness and creating space for hope and healing. If you are interested in hosting a Human Trafficking Awareness 101 in your community, or even place of work, please let us know. If you want to learn more, we have additional resources available on our new resources page on the website! ZeteoCommunity.org/Resources

#### Year-end Giving

As 2025 draws to a close, we give thanks for God's faithfulness and for your partnership in this work. Together, we are answering his call to seek justice, love mercy, and bring healing to the brokenhearted. Your year-end gift will help bring to life a space of restoration and hope for survivors. Give before December 31st and join us in shining Christ's light into the darkest places.

# SAVE THE DATE

2026 Zeteo Community Benefit!

April 10, 2026 at Monona Terrace in Madison, WI

We are excited to announce the date of the 2026 Zeteo Community event! We invite you to save the date of April 10, 2026! We are already in prayer as we prepare for what the Lord has in store for this time together. We look forward to gathering a community built on a foundation of hope and future of healing. We can't wait to see you there!

together let's...
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#### Creative Generosity

We've recently added several new giving options to our website. Options include planned giving, employer matching, investments, in-kind donations, and more. ZeteoCommunity.org/Giving



