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September 25, 2025
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*Our congratulations to Precious Lamb.
Thank you for providing a sanctuary of hope!*

*You make a difference every day,
as you serve "little people"
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*We wish you continuing success in
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The VisitLB board, staff, and over 400 hospitality business partners congratulate Precious Lamb on 23 years of wonderful success. Thank you for all you do towards helping to build, educate, and nurture a community we can all be proud of.

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MATT CULLEN

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your presence at the 2025 Precious Lamb Preschool Gala. Your support and generosity are instrumental in helping us to continue to execute God's plan to expand our services and provide a safe and loving environment for our students. We look forward to sharing updates on the progress your support allows us to make in this exciting season of change. I hope you enjoyed your time tonight at this amazing venue!



DIANE JENSEN

It has been a great pleasure and honor to be a part of Precious Lamb Preschool. I am thrilled and grateful so many of you were able to join us tonight and help in making Precious Lamb Preschool a continued success. I am so excited about this new phase of Precious Lamb. Thank you for being a part of this new chapter!



CHERI BAZLEY

Thank you for joining us this evening! I am so blessed to be in my role here at Precious Lamb. You joining us and the support you're providing, means so much to us as we enter our exciting new growth chapter, to serve more children in need. God bless you! Special thanks once again to our generous Celestial Sponsor, The Temple Family Foundation!



Evening at a Glance

Champagne & Celebration, Silent Auction,
Opportunity Drawing Ticket Sales and Cocktail Reception

Welcome

Special Guest, Maya Somers

Invocation

Dinner & Program

Precious Lamb Growth Video

Silent Auction Closes at 8:00pm

Mission Moment Family & Support Us

Opportunity Drawing

Live Auction

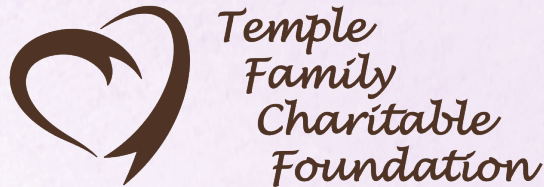
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Closing Remarks

Auction Check Out & Pick Up

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Some of Our Brightest Stars

The Cherese Mari Laulhere Foundation, whose mission is to provide funding and support to charitable organizations that enrich the lives of children and families, generously donated the lead gift for the Capital Campaign for Precious Lamb Preschool.

Cherese is remembered by many for her compassion, sincerity and zest for life. An elementary school assignment revealed her dream for peace. As she matured, she continued to nurture that vision by focusing her attention on causes that improved the lives of others, especially children. A bus accident in India tragically ended Cherese's life when she was 21 years old, but her family and friends make sure her dream lives on through the work of the foundation they created in her name.

Janice Hahn represents Long Beach and the two million people of the Fourth District on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. She has made addressing homelessness her priority and is proud to support Precious Lamb's important and life-changing work.

Dennis and Chris Neal have put feet to their faith by sharing the love of Christ through their compassionate generosity that has blessed countless numbers both locally and around the world. Their knowledge, experience, and wise counsel has brought them on to the boards of many impactful organizations. Their long-time support of Precious Lamb Preschool is just one demonstration of their faith in Christ and in following His command to "love others as yourself." The Neal Family Foundation funds, trains, and supports pastors in Africa, church missions program, provides bibles for missionary distribution, and develops inter-city youth workers to ministry.



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Mission Moment: The Family Journey

When Micah first arrived at Precious Lamb Preschool, his world was full of change. As a young child being raised by a devoted single father, with the loving support of his grandma, life had not always followed a predictable path. But from their very first day with us, it was clear that this family was full of heart, resilience, and a deep desire for stability.

At Precious Lamb, Micah found more than a classroom—he found an extended family. The consistent daily routine helped him settle in and feel safe, giving him a solid foundation to explore, learn, and grow. Each day brought moments of structure, joy, and encouragement, and Micah began to thrive. His teachers noticed a boost in his confidence and communication skills, and his bright personality began to shine through.

Precious Lamb Preschool played a key role in nurturing his development. Through positive reinforcement and gentle guidance, our teachers helped Micah build strong social-emotional skills. He began expressing himself more clearly, interacting more confidently with peers, and forming meaningful connections with both classmates and staff.

But the impact did not end with Micah. His father, juggling the challenges of single parenthood, found in Precious Lamb a true partner. Regular communication between home and school-built trust gave him peace of mind. From updates on Micah's progress, to support during challenging times, the Precious Lamb team was there for dad and grandma every step of the way.

Behind Micah's smile is a story of growth—not just for a little boy, but for an entire family. Precious Lamb has helped bring routine, encouragement, and a powerful sense of belonging into their lives, proving that with the right support, families can truly flourish. Micah is ready to conquer the future!





About Precious Lamb

Precious Lamb Preschool creates systemic and social change by interrupting the cycle of homelessness for young children. The goal of our ministry is to develop school readiness through an emphasis on academic, social and emotional development with curriculum nuanced towards trauma. Children receive full-day, year-round, Christ-centered education, while parents pursue employment, education, counseling and housing.

Since 2002, Precious Lamb has served hundreds of children ages 18 months - five years old. We have three age-specific classrooms to better meet the needs of our children. The students and families we serve are at-risk and 100% live below the poverty line. Due to the special attention children living in crisis need, Precious Lamb strives to provide care with a uniquely low teacher/child ratio. As the concern for homelessness continues, our hope for the next twenty years is to expand and serve more children and continue providing a loving, nurturing, stable environment where families can heal and flourish.

Fund-A-Need

\$20,000 Supports our Family Advocacy Program that aims to break the cycle of homelessness for future generations. It provides much-needed mentorship, counseling, education & housing assistance, employment opportunities, and more to our families.

\$10,000 Supports our Parent Education and Mentoring Program that empowers our families to heal from trauma and build a strong support system. Our weekly Caregiver Café and monthly Breakfast Club offer families opportunities to receive guidance on parenting, self-care, skill-building, and community connection.

\$5,000 Helps us provide special preschool program events for our children and families such as Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, the Precious Lamb Christmas Party, and Graduation.

\$2,500 Helps support families' emergency needs as they arise, like children's shoes, medical supplies, gift cards for groceries, gas, diapers, wipes, and clothing.

\$1,000 Assists our Summer Enrichment Program, where students engage in unique experiences such as Reptile Day, Foam Day, Bubble-mania, and a field trip to the Aquarium of the Pacific!

\$500 Covers the cost of play therapy sessions for students each month, providing them with essential emotional support and a safe space for healing and growth.

\$250 Sponsors a preschool cooking class, taught by our Chef Regina, to help our students learn to cook and build a healthy relationship with food.

\$100 Provides sensory supplies for children, such as sensory swings and tactile materials. These tools help children develop self-regulation skills, which in turn support improved executive functioning and enhance their ability to learn effectively.

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Cornerstone Church and its Missions Management Team join with Precious Lamb Preschool in celebrating Dennis and Chris Neal and their many years of giving and serving. We are grateful for their compassionate generosity that has been a blessing to countless people within our church body, in our local community, and around the world.

"Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."
Matthew 5:16.

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**Life is a magic vase, filled to the brim;
so made that you cannot dip into it, nor draw from it;
but it overflows into the hand that drops treasures into it;
drop in malice, and it overflows with hate;
drop in charity, and it overflows with love.**

- John Ruskin

**We congratulate Precious Lamb on the
grand opening of their new campus and
what it will empower them to do.**



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"Yes, my soul, find rest
in God; my hope comes
from Him. Truly He is my
rock and my salvation;
He is my fortress, I will
not be shaken."

- Psalm 62:5-6

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*"Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from Him."
Psalms 127:3*

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