



## **Here is What People Have to Say About HopeWell!**

Kathy Brown: "My participant group allowed me to come on a regular basis and talk about anything and everything with people who knew what I was experiencing. A special closeness that is supportive and uplifting developed among all of us in the group."

Kids Circle Participants: Ten Top Reasons to Come to the Group

1. Makes me better
2. Talk things out
3. Get your worries out
4. Talk about feelings
5. Meet others in the same boat
6. Get out of the house
7. Family time
8. Healthy emotions
9. Making friends
10. Snacks

Dawn Sonntag: "I stayed for the support – the support of an entire community who understood my fears, my hopes and my dreams."

Newsletter – House Calls: "Where else can you sit around a comfortable living room with a prominent physician or other health care professional and have your questions answered?"

Keith Boyd: "There are guys that have had cancer for years and they are versed – they know how you feel, how much hair you're going to lose, what questions you need to ask. They're loving and caring. We're just like a family."

Tom Large: "We believe in the spirit of community as part of the healing process."

Brandon Boddie: "This whole program changed my life. Children whose parent(s) have cancer need to know that this is not the end of their lives. They need to know that there is somebody they can talk to."

Brother James Kelly: "My group understands the anxiety and fear that come with cancer and nobody else gets that."

Arielle Johnson, age 11: "I thought I was the only person who had a parent with cancer, and it (Kids Circle) helped me a lot to learn I wasn't. Being with the other kids and talking about things helped me hold my head up high, and it was encouraging."

Marla Arrington: "HopeWell gave me the support I needed while going through the worst time of my life."

Karen King: "The diversity of programming covers all the bases. And the barn! I walk in, I smell the wood, and the world stops. Pressure doesn't exist there."

David Morgan: "HopeWell helps me to accept where I am with my disease and live life in the new normal."