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## My tenants, my teachers

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“God comes to you disguised as your life,” says a scrap of paper on my office wall—a quote from the writer Paula D’Arcy.

### **In my life, God can show up as a tenant.**

Behind my home is a room and half bath that I rent to others, a lovely, light-filled space with a separate entrance and windows that face garden and farmland.

### **Those 200 square feet bring me income, company and serious lessons about life.**

My renters are generally people in transition, often younger than I am: organic farmhands, students of acupuncture, interns for Indian Health Services and Americorps volunteers who want to live cheaply while they undertake new roles and challenges.

This is who I expect to meet when my room is available. But last fall, I started hearing from older women going through tougher transitions. **[Read more in this excerpt from the May issue.](#)**



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