



# Celebrating 30 Years of Ministry!

## A SINGLE MOTHER'S DILEMMA

Kennedy\* came to CARE Pregnancy Center to speak to a Client Advocate about a positive test that she had at a Quick Care a few days prior. She was in her mid-thirties with two teenage children and said she was done growing her family. We discussed what was going on in her life for a while. Kennedy finally confessed that she was considering abortion. I explained to her that abortion was illegal in the state of Louisiana and she dropped her head with tears in her eyes. Kennedy then asked about the pill that can be taken, and I explained that it is also considered a medical abortion and is illegal. Kennedy, like many of our clients. was unaware that medical abortion is in fact an abortion procedure. She gave me permission to explain the medical and surgical procedures and the risks involved, and when I was finished, she said, "I'm not sure I am willing to go through all of that." I encouraged her to think through her options and not make a rash decision that she cannot undo. She was unable to come back that day for an ultrasound, but she returned the next day and told the nurse that she had changed her mind and already had an OBGYN appointment a few weeks later! Kennedy was excited to get started with her parenting classes at our Parentina Center.

~Melody Roussel, Client Services Director

\*Name and some details changed to protect confidentiality.



Save the Date

Heroes Walk for Life 04/13/24 Details inside!

Give for Good
05/07/24
Be on the lookout for our emails.

Annual Fundraising Banquet 10/22/24



## **Pregnancy Center**

## A CHANGED MIND

Jamie\* came to the Center requesting a pregnancy test and information on her options. As she spoke with the client advocate, she confided she could not see having another child. She had two young children at home, and her relationship with the father of this baby was toxic. Her greatest concern was having to co-parent with him. Jamie was too early to have her ultrasound that day. When she returned for her ultrasound, she told the nurse that she remained undecided on her plans. She revealed that someone ordered the abortion pills online for her, and she had the pills at home. The nurse reviewed the risks and potential complications from taking abortion pills, the risks of buying them online from possibly unsafe sources, and the dangers of not having medical supervision. During the ultrasound, Jamie was able to see her baby and its beating heart. She told the nurse the ultrasound left her speechless, and she wanted to think more about her decision. When the nurse called to follow up with her, Jamie was excited to tell her that she had decided to carry and parent her baby!

- ~Michelle Fontenot, R.N., Clinic Director
- \*Name and some details changed to protect confidentiality.







## Office Needs

- Copy paper
- Address labels

## **Needs for Outreach Bags**

- Small lotions
- Flavored lip balms
- Fuzzy socks
- Small shower gels

Join us for our annual Walk for Life! It will be held on Saturday, April 13th at 6 pm. Dress as your favorite superhero and walk one mile with us at Walker Place Park near Brookshire Grocery Arena as we stand for life. It will be a family event with lots of fun activities for the kids! Register online at GiveThemOptions. com.

We would love for you to have a team! The walkers who raise at least \$200 will receive a free t-shirt, and more prizes are available for those who raise more money. For more info, email Precious@ altcpc.com.



# **Parenting Center**

## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Greetings CPC family and friends! As you can see, springtime is quickly approaching and we are so ready for it! We have lots of fun and new events planned for this upcoming year. As many of you may know, we had a total of 43 babies born to our clients last year. We need lots of help! I've heard it said, "Many hands make the load light!" If you're interested in volunteering, please give us a call, because we could surely use your help to continue to impact lives. Finally, if you have not had a chance to follow us on Facebook or Instagram (Care Parenting Center) please do so, and be sure to share our events and monthly client calendars in your areas of influence. This year our goal is to impact even more families in our community and beyond! As always, THANK YOU for your continued support!

~Katherine P. Young, Parenting Center Director









## **Needs**

- Diapers (sizes newborn, 3,5,6 & 7's)
- Sippy cups
- Pacifiers

- Toiletries (Baby): Lotion,
  Powder, Wipes, Shampoo,
  Bath Wash, Oil
- Onesies & T-shirts
- Girl and Boy Clothing Summer & Fall/Winter (Newborn-4T)
- Healthy Snacks (Breakfast Bars, Nuts, Sandwich crackers, and Popcorn etc.)

## **Male Client Advocacy 2024**

Our Male Client Advocate room is ready! If you are a male interested in being a client advocate for this new arm of ministry, please email melody@altcpc.com.

#### We Need Volunteers!

We are so thankful for our volunteers who give their time and talent to carry out the mission at CPC. We are in need of more volunteers in all areas of ministry. If interested, please email melody@altcpc.com.





## **A Word from our Executive Director**



This year, we have been serving women seeking abortions and families needing support and assistance. One of my favorite conversation topics is of community support. Since we have the ability to share the gospel message with clients, I usually speak on the importance of surrounding a family in a church community. Clients' eyes light up when I tell them the family feel they can receive from the local Christian church. It reveals the innate desire for support from God and His people. I love

that I can recommend so many amazing and supportive congregations. Thank you for accepting these vulnerable women into your church families and for standing for the sanctity of life! ~Chantal Small, Executive Director

#### In Memory of:

Jeanette Corley – by Maxie and Mollie Branch Dr. Cliff Coffman – by Jeff and Nancy Victory Jack Brewer – by LA Manufactured Housing Association Mr. Wayne Roberts – by Robert and Donna Pennington Jack Brewer - by Rudolph Smith Mr. Barry Lynn Sanders - by Robert and Donna Pennington

#### Christmas donations from Jim Burleigh:

In memory of my wife, Sharon Sue Burleigh
In memory of my wife, Barbara Ann Burleigh
In memory of my mom, Fannie Marie Burleigh
In memory of my dad, Frederick Felix Burleigh
In honor of Sharon Marie Burleigh
In honor of James Allen and Tracey Leigh Burleigh
In honor of Roger Scott and Georgia Burleigh
Christmas donations from Sherri Burleigh:
In memory of my mother, Sherry Burleigh
In memory of my step-mother, Barbara Burleigh
In honor of my father, Jim Burleigh

#### **Bottles for Babies 2024**



CARE is celebrating 30 years of ministry this year! In honor of our 30th year, our goal is to raise \$30,000 through our bottles for babies campaign this year. If you, your church, or group is interested in helping us reach our goal, please email precious@altcpc.com or call 318.861.4600. We provide the baby bottles. Fill each bottle with cash, change, or checks. A filled bottle averages about \$25-\$50. Thank you for your support!



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