



The Lifeline

Beltway 8 South

Crisis Pregnancy Center

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Provides Support Services For Women With Unplanned Pregnancies

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Those giving their time and financial aid are truly making a difference one life at a time. May God richly bless you.

Challenge

From the Director

Jean Killough

The number of clients served in 2005 is doubling in 2006. This growth has added to our operating cost. Your gift, no matter what the amount, will make an incredible difference. **If everyone who receives this newsletter makes a commitment of even \$10 per month, our expenses will be covered.**

Our ministry is expanding, and we thank God for the increase. We also trust Him to touch hearts for the cause.

Please use the enclosed envelope to send us your response.

Five Area Centers Unite for Ultrasound Training

Our Center was blessed to host two of the three-day training classes conducted by nationally renowned Shari Richard, R.T. and R.D.M.S. In the early 1990s, Shari founded Sound Wave Images, Inc. and testified before the U.S. House and Senate as an expert in her field. She states, "What a joy it is to watch the expressions of awe and excitement on the faces of my audience as I introduce them to the unborn babies. Unfortunately, I have also seen the tears and pain in post-abortive women and men as they are confronted with the truth displayed in the ultrasound image. **I know that pain and as a result dedicated my life and professional knowledge to helping women and their unborn babies.**"



Shari Richard, front row far right, trains representatives from five local pregnancy centers

Families in America are in need of healing. We must be sensitive and allow love and compassion to heal the broken hearts."

It was a joy to witness fifteen representatives from Baytown, Northwest, Southeast, Women's Pregnancy, and our Center coming together for training. The impact on women making difficult choices will be significant for years to come. As Shari puts it, "I believe that the contribution of the pregnancy care centers unified with the medical professionals and community is God's open door that can begin the journey back from death to life, from pain to healing and from denial to purpose."

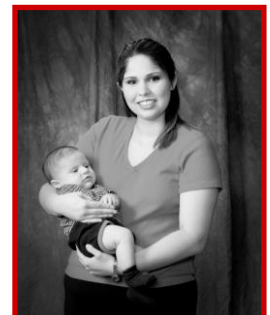
Why Ultrasound?

A young college student recently visited our center. Although she is a Christian and against abortion, she pondered the impact of this unplanned pregnancy upon her family and goals. She was encouraged to accept a free ultrasound as she reflected on her options. This view into the womb revealed a potential miscarriage in progress and need for medical attention.

According to March of Dimes, "As many as 50 percent of all pregnancies may end in miscarriage, because many losses occur before a woman realizes she is pregnant." Therefore, it is vital for women to receive an ultrasound prior to making a decision. There are no statistics to tell us how many women are put through the emotional and physical aftermath of abortion for pregnancies that would have ended naturally. Therefore, ultrasounds protect the life of women as well as the unborn.

The Choice and Beyond

Jessica tells her own story. "**The Crisis Pregnancy Center is literally a lifesaver.** They provided me a pregnancy test and also helped me make a decision to do the right thing. So, I decided not to get an abortion. The main reason for this decision was the ultrasound. I knew by the pregnancy test that I had a person, a baby inside of me, but since I could not see him, it did not seem completely real to me. Looking at this little speck on the ultrasound and listening to his heartbeat, I was amazed. It suddenly seemed real. At that moment, I knew there would be no way I could get an abortion. There was life inside of me and it was not my place to take it away. I knew, if worst came to worst, I had the choice of adoption. **One of the things I love about the CPC is they do not just leave you hanging.** They offer great classes. They were so helpful in preparing me for what would lie ahead. You can never know enough about children. They also gave me points to redeem for baby items. This was so generous and it was a tremendous help."



On the day this picture was taken, Jessica's parents shared how God had not only saved the life of her grandchild, through this ministry, but possibly that of their daughter. Her life had been on a downward spiral. Communication with her had been almost non-existent. They testified of their witness of the Lord's mercy and transforming grace. Today, their family is united as they take joy in this special time with their daughter and grandson.

Faces of Life Banquet

Our deepest appreciation goes to underwriters, silent auction donors and participants who made it possible for us to celebrate the Lord's faithfulness to life. His presence and that of our guests added one more memorial to the legacy of this ministry. Special acknowledgment goes to:

- The Gardens, George and Kathy Valtasaros, for the Fabulous Facility
- Local Pastors for their Encouragement and Support
- Dr. Shiela Schmidt and Todd Harvey for being our first Platinum Table Sponsor
- University Baptist Church for the Jazz Music Ensemble and Teen Servers
- Our Board, Staff and Volunteers for their many hours of Dedication and Service



Marcia Regelbrugge Honored



Marcia receives a hug from Board Chair Ben Boyd as Board Members Eddie Richards and Henry Flynn share in the remembrance gift presentation. Marcia is one of the founders of the Beltway 8 South Crisis Pregnancy Center. She has served on the Board, held the position of Helps Ministry Coordinator and counseled clients.

*If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ,
if any comfort from His love,
if any fellowship with the Spirit,
if any tenderness and compassion. . . (Phil 2: 1 – 3)*

**Consider being a Lifeline volunteer.
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Call or email the Center to schedule a tour.**

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Crisis Pregnancy Center**

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Monday, October 2, 2006

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