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Crisis Pregnancy Center

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Provides Support Services for Women with Unplanned Pregnancies

Rejoice in God's Grace by Client, Kim Phuong

Reflecting back on the journey that brought Kayann Ngoc-Tuyet Tu into our life was not easy but thankfully she did arrive. Words cannot express how we feel for her and how eager we are to watch her grow each and every day. Raising Kayann is hard but finding out I was pregnant with her was even more difficult.

Being raised by Christian Asian parents and having their daughter pregnant at the age of 19 was not an honorable thing to tell them. At first, I was in denial that I was pregnant and I kept on thinking it was a stomach virus, since I worked in school care, getting it was not uncommon.

My boyfriend, Hien drove past the Crisis Pregnancy Center and he saw a sign that offered a free pregnancy test so we went there the next day after school. I did not call in advance to make an appointment but God knew I was going through a challenging stage so He wanted to make it easier for me.



Bette Robertson, Hien Tu, Kayann, Kim Phuong, Jan Wagner and Tommie Lohse

I was very fortunate that Kim (Salter) was there to see me that day; she talked with me - kind of like a way a teacher would talk to a student and asked me personal questions but assured me that everything would be kept confidential. After all the questions, she let Hien and I watch a video on choices that we might face: abortion, adoption and lastly parenting. During this video, Hien and I talked about what if I was pregnant, what would we do, but the last thing on Hien's mind was abortion. Although it did cross my mind, because to me at that time it was the easiest and simplest thing since I'm still a student. I finally took the pregnancy test, it was the first time I had ever taken it and it was at the Center. I cried. I did not know what to do or how to feel, I thought about my parents, Hien, the baby, my future, our future and more. Kim had kindly offered us a free ultrasound and we gladly took it and I saw that this is real and something was actually growing inside of me. I was shocked yet blissful but I was still anxious about what my parents would do or say to me. Kim told us to come back another day when we calmly thought out our situation and we simply listened to her.

Hien and I took that night to talk about what was going to happen in our future, what steps we were going to take to raise our little one and of course how to tell our family. Hien told his family and they took it a lot better than I thought they would, so that eased me a bit. Next it was my parents; I feel like I connect to my mom more so I wanted Hien and I to properly explain to her our situation. My mom took it as I thought she would although she did remain calm that night, but she refused to look at or talk to me for several days. During that time, it was miserable, but I kept on praying and asking God for the strength to go on and He reassured me that everything would be in His hands. Sure enough, it was.

Hien and I got engaged on November 15, 2009, both our families gladly accepted us and blessed us. I was showered with wonderful things on March 13, 2010 and our adorable baby girl arrived at 4:08AM on April 17, 2010. We thought for months on a name that fit our little one. We do not like common names so we decided to name her Kayann Ngoc-Tuyet Tu. We looked up "Kay" and it means "Rejoice In" and "Ann" means "Grace" so it was perfect, "Rejoice in Grace." Ngoc-Tuyet in Vietnamese literally translates to "Snow Jade", the name means she is as pure and innocent as snow and strong and beautiful as Jade. Kayann was born at 36 weeks, she weighed 4lbs 4 oz and was 16 1/2in. long. She had to stay in the NICU for 6 days and did not pass her hearing test twice but with God's grace she is now as strong as ever. Kayann got retested for her ears a month later with normal hearing. She is now 7.5 lbs, 19in. long on June 2nd, so praise God, she is very healthy.

We cannot thank you Crisis Pregnancy Center enough for allowing us the opportunity to attend classes and Bible Study to earn points to redeem for astonishing gifts for our baby. We were very blessed with a beautiful white crib along with an adorable sugar plum bedding set, we know this is all God's doing because my parents are seeing us as responsible parents and they are very happy for us.

Overall this journey has been a tough ride and it is not going to get easier from here but we are pleased to say that we are glad we took this path. Seeing her smile, hearing her laugh, and looking at her face is ALL worth it - from sleepless nights to every pain and tear. We cannot state how deeply joyful we are to have and to hold Kayann every day and every night of our life. We just want to thank God for allowing us an opportunity to be Kayann's parents because she is truly remarkable, so remember to rejoice in God's grace because without His grace we would not be where we are today.



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May God richly bless you.

The Blessing

From the Director
Jean Killough

In 2010 through May,
Beltway has served
1020 client visits, with
435 being new clients.
Approximately 80% of the
231 "At Risk to Abort"
clients chose "LIFE" for
their babies, 62 individuals
accepted Jesus as Lord
and Savior and 15
rededicated their life to
Christ. Your continued
prayers and support are
deeply appreciated.

Banquet a Great Success

God has once again shown His faithfulness and we are extremely grateful to everyone who answered His call to raise critical funds for this growing ministry. Pro-life Governor Rick Perry delivered a compelling keynote address at the gala event held at Grace Community Church. This was made possible by an invitation extended through Texas Right to Life on behalf of the center. State Representative Randy Weber introduced the Governor after sharing his personal testimony of regret from an abortion in his life. Executive Director of Texas Right to Life, Jim Graham concluded the evening with an appeal that touched the hearts of our generous donors.



Jean Killough and Hon. Rick Perry

One day we pray the laws will be changed and our services will no longer be needed, but for now we are extremely thankful to have leaders who stand firm, speak out and give of themselves for life. When selecting our leaders, I am fully convinced their position of life or death for the unborn should be paramount in our decision making process. If a person does not have compassion for a baby, why should we believe they would care about our life, our children, grandchildren or loved ones? We look forward to the day when right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is extended to include the unborn. Until that day, we are thankful to every person who stands with us in this cause for sanctity of human life.



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