

# Lifeline

# **Crisis Pregnancy Center**

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Provides Support Services for Women with Unplanned Pregnancies

## by Their Testimony We Will Overcome



We are blessed to have our clients return with their wonderful children and expressions of gratitude. They realize that these days of joy would be filled with sorrow except for the work of this ministry. Gabby and Aaron are two of these. They are determined to tell others about the truths they have discovered. We pray testimonies like theirs will bring hope to those who are desperate and encourage them to choose life for their unborn as Gabby and Aaron did. In this way, the battle against abortion will go far beyond our walls.

Gabby and Aaron with Advocate Stephine Mc Coy and Sonographer Kim Salter

... from downcast, to decision making, to choosing and celebrating life





#### **Gabby's Testimony**

At seventeen a teen should be worried about homework, friends, and more homework. On the other hand, I was seeing my childhood slip away. At this young age I was given two options – to give life or to terminate the pregnancy. It was plain and simple. Now, I myself was born to a teen mom, although she was a lot younger and was not so fortunate to have a partner as I was. My real dad left as soon as he heard the news of me. I was raised with good morals and never wanted to be in my mother's shoes, but that did not matter now.

I had everyone in my head telling me what to do. I thought I was going crazy. I stopped listening to everybody else but my choice. Not



Gabby and Aaron with Kyeli (2 months)

caring for the consequences, I knew in my heart I was meant to have this baby. Over a year has passed, and not one day have I had any regrets. Sure my life is not what I thought it would be, but I know it is better with Kyeli by my side. She brings such joy to our life. She is like that missing piece we needed to bring our families closer. She is my motivation to get a great education and have a better life. I could not see my life without her, and honestly, I would not want to.

# Gabby and Aaron with Kyeli (1 year)

# Aaron's Testimony

My life's story starts from the midpoint of my teen years. Many people may think otherwise, but truly my choice is what makes me who I want to become. January 4, 2010, was like all other days, and then I was told I was going to be a father at this early age. The first thing that came to my mind was, "I can't do this." That is what I kept saying. It hit me like a strong wind. Although it lasted only a few seconds, I wish those words had never come. A few days passed, my mind and heart were fighting to say something. But there were no words, quotes, or sayings to ease my soul. Till one day it just came to me, the right decision found its way through all the self-concern I was having. I chose not to be a father but a dad, so that one day I could hear my daughter say, "Daddy, why did you choose to have me?" My answer will be, "I chose to be a dad so that I can live my life knowing I gave life to someone who will always need me, love me, and day by day show me I made a great choice with no regrets."

So where are you men? Step up! Be a man, claim your gift. Grow old and die with a sense of peace knowing you did something in this world not just for you but for your kids, grandkids, and the one you love who was with you from the start.





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As a Pro-Life, non-profit 501(c) (3), Christian based corporation, we are totally dependent upon the generosity of our supporters. The cost of services provided to clients is \$150 to \$250 each. Those giving their time and financial aid are truly making a difference one life at a time. May God richly bless you.

# The Blessing

From the Director Jean Killough

From 2004 thru August 2011. Beltway has served 17,029 client and support group visits. Of the 2,700 clients with positive tests and "At Risk to Abort", 2,304 chose life.

During this time, 1,017 individuals either accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior or rededicated their life to Him. Your continued prayers and support are needed and deeply appreciated.

#### Your Center is Accredited with Great Success

Beltway 8 South Crisis Pregnancy Center has been chosen to participate in Care Net's Mission Critical (MC) project. Of the 1,100 centers in their affiliation, 35 were selected for outstanding achievement. Your Center was honored to be among this top 3% nationwide. Evidence confirmed, we are staying true to the God-given mission of reaching and serving women most vulnerable to abort. The assessment of these triumphant centers is meant to



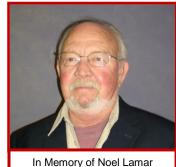
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have an incredible impact on other centers across the country. By taking part in the MC effort, our desire is that many more lives will be saved.

We would like to express our thanks to God and congratulations to our local churches, advisors, supporters, board, staff, and volunteers for your uncompromising commitment to life. We know generations are saved through the life of one child, for many family members and friends are also impacted through the enlightenment of this ministry. None of us, this side of heaven, will ever know how many lives you have helped to save, both physically and spiritually. Our promise to you is to always stand firm for life, and remain faithful to the Lord's calling.

#### Your Center Honors the Servant Hearted

In late 2003, Wally Long, Noel Lamar, and Harold Hill, arrived to consider helping us build out the Center's original location. Noel and Harold immediately took pity on Jeanne Wyrick and me, as we attempted to tear down a wall in what would become the lobby. As Noel and Harold helped Jeanne, Wally and I surveyed the project. From that day, they never left until all was complete. Whenever there was maintenance or a pickup to be done, we always knew we could call on them. Noel even served as receptionist, until more volunteers came on board. He was also a member of our governing board for several years.



In 2009, when the opportunity to relocate to twice the space came, we celebrated these men's return along with a large crew led by Butch Peters. Wally, Noel, and Harold were joined by Kenny Lentz and Jim Smith who became known as the "Faithful Five". It always amazed us that no matter how many obstacles arose; they always came back and knew what to do. The work of the ministry and the many lives saved would never be possible without the dedication of these men and many others. For this we are extremely grateful. God called Noel home recently, and we will all miss him. He will always remain in our hearts and be remembered for his commitment to life.



Tommie Lohse with Anna & Baby

Because many of our clients choose to accept Christ as their Savior and/or choose life for their unborn child, we have an obligation to help them learn to walk in the ways of the Lord. One way we do this is through our Thursday night Bible Study, providing instruction in God's Word and loving mentoring beyond the pregnancy. After witnessing a change in our clients, other family and friends often attend the class, too, and are impacted by what they learn and experience.

It takes a very special person to lead these classes with mercy, compassion, and love Tommie Lohse has been that special person. She graciously for each attendee. accepted God's call and has faithfully served many over the past several years. Through her leadership the class has grown in number and enthusiasm as she has brought a smile and contagious joy to each session. Her recent retirement has left a place difficult to fill, and we are praying for God to call someone with her zeal to carry on the work. We all join in thanking Tommie for her years of service and dedication to the Lord and our clients.