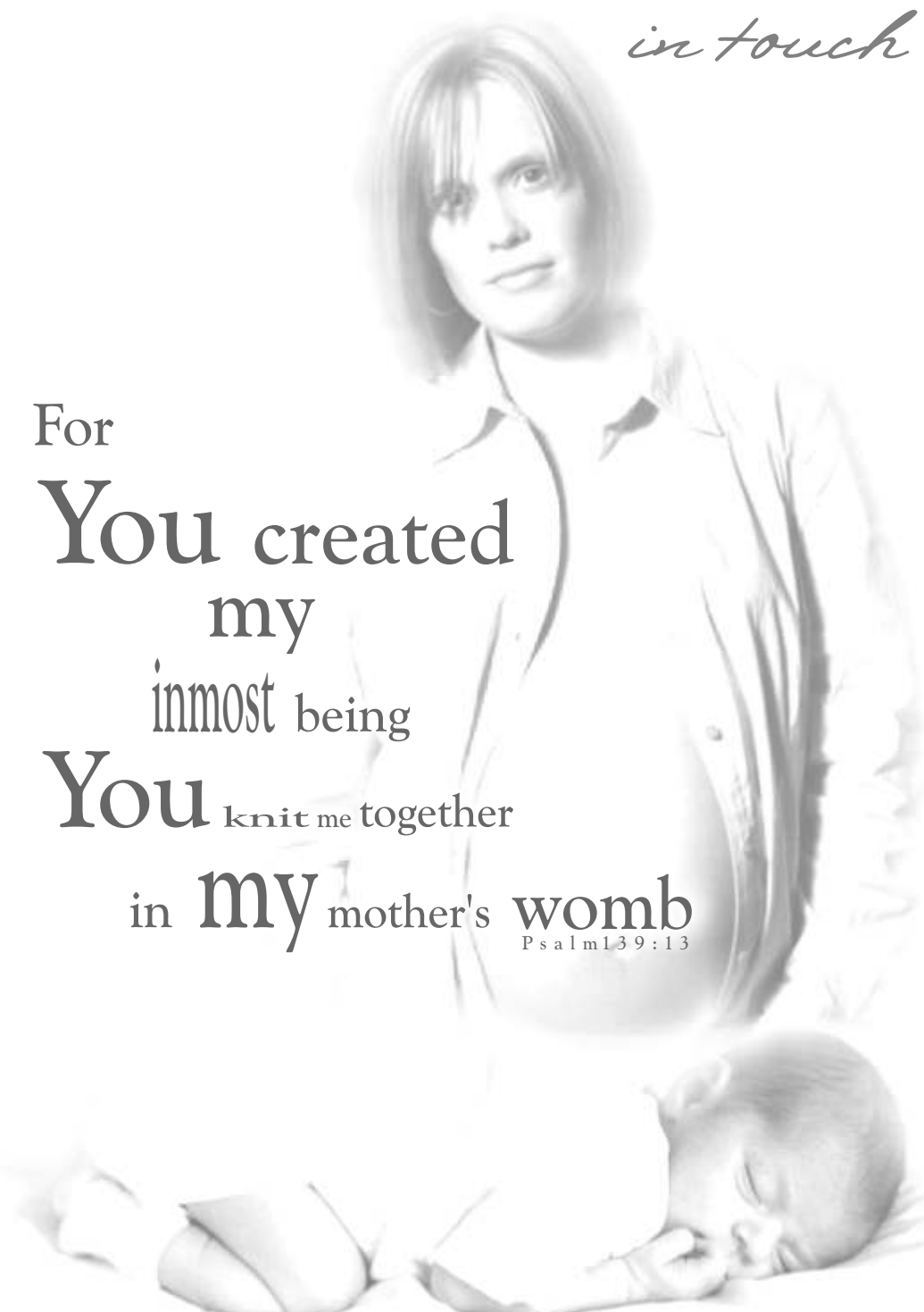


CRISIS PREGNANCY OUTREACH
in touch



For
You created
my
inmost being
You knit me together
in my mother's womb
Psalm 139:13



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Cheryl SAID!



Once again, the anniversary of Roe v. Wade was a difficult day for me. How distinctly I remember the day that Supreme Court decision was made 31 years ago, legalizing abortion, in America. Thousands of us had worked hard to try and prevent this tragedy. The next day, I gave birth to our fourth child, Valerie. I remember, moments after she was born, putting her to my breast and crying for a very long time. I cried tears of joy for this beautiful, perfect child that God had given to my husband and me. And, I cried tears of grief for the millions of children who would never see their mothers' faces.

In that moment, I knew that it would never be enough, for me, to plead with young women not to kill their babies. I knew that the Body of Christ had to provide a meaningful, loving, viable alternative to abortion. I remember some years ago, Pastor Greg Davis was standing across from the local abortion clinic, silently praying for the young women going in those doors. Suddenly, a man approached him and said, "Well, just what would YOU do for these women? Would you provide them a place to live, food, medical care, clothing, and a family to adopt their babies?" Pastor said that it was such a good feeling to be able to say, "Yes, we can provide ALL of that."

Let us never be content to just preach against the evil of abortion. Please let this be a call for you to be involved in CPO on a level you might never have thought possible. I am reminded of the verse in Joshua 3:5 that says, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow, the Lord will do amazing things among you." I believe that God has given me renewed strength and passion to be available to do His work.

In His Service,

*CPO Calendars are still available.
Call Cheryl at 296.9992 to get yours now
for only \$7.00. All proceeds go to
Crisis Pregnancy Outreach.*

God Danced

the Day you were Born

Delia Summer on November 26th
Congratulations, Megan!

Ian Jericho and Isaac Nathaniel on
November 21st
Birth Mom: Sarah
Adoptive parents: Blake & Sherri

Emily Noel on December 9th
Birth Mom: Elisha
Adoptive Parents: Andy & Paula

Benjamin Joel on December 26th
Birth Mom: Mary
Adoptive parents: Nathan & Elizabeth

Julianna Latrice on December 30th
Birth Mom: Lauren
Adoptive parents: Steven & Debbie



Haddyn Rae on January 3rd
Birth Mom: Heather
Adoptive parents: Todd & Becky

William David on January 3rd
Birth Mom: Crystal
Adoptive parents: Mike & Cindy

Abigail Grace on January 3rd
Birth Mom: Monica
Adoptive parents: Dayne & Cindy

Tyler Braden on January 29th
Birth Mom: Alaina
Adoptive parents: Lance & Mitzee



UPCOMING EVENTS

The **Easter Egg Hunt** sponsored by the Grace Girls Mentoring program will be held on Sunday, April 4th, from 2 - 4 pm at Christian Chapel, rain or shine! For more details, call Kobi Redman at 748-5954.

The **Annual CPO Garage Sale** will be held on June 10, 11, and 12 at Christian Chapel. Michelle needs lots of help organizing and pricing on June 7, 8, and 9. She also needs clothing racks, hangers, grocery bags, lots of volunteers of all ages, and publicity assistance. If you have items to donate or you and a friend can help, please call Michelle McGowan at 486-7323.

Birth Mother's Day ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 1st, 2:00 pm at Christian Chapel. Please note this celebration to honor birth mothers will be held one week earlier this year.

The Grace Girls **End of Year Celebration** will be held on Friday, June 18th. We need adoptive fathers to serve the girls and their mentors. Please call Kobi Redman at 748-5954 for more info and to sign up.

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Over the years, since I had my daughter, I've been faced with many challenges. There have been physical challenges, like when my daughter broke a leg for the second time, and was diagnosed with a genetic bone disease. I was given prayer, comfort, and doctor referrals. I have had financial challenges, like coming up with daycare deposits. Most of all, there have been emotional challenges, like heart-crushing loneliness. Not only did I have access to a counselor, I had a huge group of friends to help me. The CPO volunteers have, constantly, told me how much I am worth in God's eyes and have reminded me that God has a plan for me, if I am faithful to Him. These women have told me, countless times, that they are proud of me!

We are still collecting old cell phones. For the location of the drop box nearest you, please call Cheryl at 296-9992.



YOU GO GIRL!

Michelle L. graduated Cum Laude from the University of Tulsa, on December 20! She received a B.S. in International Business and a B.A. in Spanish. We are so proud of you, Michelle! May God continue to bless you, richly. I understand that your Birth Daughter, Natalee was jumping and waving at you, in the audience. I know she will always be so proud of your accomplishments!

God's Redeeming Love

In a time when I felt most ashamed and dirty, I was made to feel accepted again. Instead of expecting the worst from a single mom, CPO has always expected the best from me as a woman of God. The women have been a picture to me of the love of Christ. I don't know where I'd be without their support and love.

When I found out I was pregnant, I felt pretty alone, and very ashamed. I had been raised in a "religious" way, and in my church there was a big stigma attached to unwed mothers. I had signed True Love Waits cards, my father had taken me out to dinner and given me a promise ring, and I had even read "I Kissed Dating Goodbye!" Where had I gone wrong? Why had I screwed up? Was there a rock nearby big enough to hide under? I felt as if no one could help me, and that everyone was secretly judging me and waiting for me to fail again.

Then my mom gave me Cheryl Bauman's phone number, and told me I had to call her. So I did. Cheryl invited me to a weekly meeting of Crisis Pregnancy Outreach at her home.

At my second meeting, Cheryl helped me apply for insurance. She had already made an appointment for me with a good doctor. I was also given some maternity clothes. And what's more, I was treated like a normal person. There were no sad women there, patting my hand and telling me how sorry they were for me. No one ever gave me "charity." Everyone gave me hope and unconditional love.



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Thank You!
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We wish to thank FAMILY CHRISTIAN STORES, for donating all of the beautiful teddy bears for each of the children who were present at our Christmas Party! The little ones loved them!

A huge THANKS to many of the families in the CPO Adoptive Family Support Group who provided Christmas gifts for many of our girls and their little ones! I cannot tell you what a difference you made in their lives! You were God's Hand outstretched. Bless you!

To everyone who spoke at and brought food items for the Waiting Families' Workshop in February, thank you.

REMINDER OF ADOPTION SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS:

4th Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm at Christian Chapel.
 Please bring a beverage or snack to share.

THE WAREHOUSE

Need furniture? Need toys?
 Need clothes for an interview? The CPO Warehouse has what you need. The Warehouse is stocked with maternity clothing, infant and children's clothing, sofas, kitchen tables, beds, toys, dishes, pots and pans, and even some appliances.

Jeannie Barton, Warehouse Coordinator, is gearing up for spring and summer - the busiest time of year for the Warehouse. She especially needs maternity clothes, dishes, and adult bed sheets (twin/full/queen). If you have gently used household items and clothing, or working appliances that you would like to donate for a tax-deductible receipt, Jeannie will be happy to receive them.

Jeannie is also in need of more men to pick and deliver items. Any young woman in the CPO program can receive needed items, free of charge, by calling Jeannie at 581-2136.

Your financial support helps to provide such things as prescriptions, clothing, childbirth classes, counseling and dental care for our girls. Mail your tax deductible donation to CPO, P.O. Box 1113, Jenks, OK 74037.

