

IN TOUCH

CRISIS PREGNANCY OUTREACH



IF WE KEEP QUIET, THE
STONES WILL SHOUT
PRAISE IN OUR PLACE.

CHERYL SAID

As I write this, Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (Jan. 22), is only a week away. I mourn the loss of **46 MILLION** human lives, in the 33 years, since the legalization of abortion in the United States. Those of us who were/are actively involved in the pro-life movement, knew that the sacredness of human life would never be the same. However, I want you to know that after having counseled thousands of young women in these many years, I have yet to meet one who wanted to kill her baby. **Not one.** I have met young women who have had no money, no education, no family support, no place to live, and the assurance by many that abortion would be a “quick fix,” and that she would “never think about it again.” My experience has been that most of these young women never quit thinking about their abortions. Many develop serious mental and emotional problems, and begin a downward spiral of very destructive behavior.

It will never be enough for us to say we are “against abortion.” Those are empty words. Let us, ever and always, provide **REAL** alternatives. That has been the goal of CPO, since our inception, in 1983. Please consider opening your home to a girl, providing transportation to appointments, mentoring a young woman, praying for this ministry, or helping us with the finances we need to provide for the needs of these girls and their little ones. May we be “God with skin on” for the women who come to us for help.

God said, “I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb. Before you were born, I set you apart.” Jeremiah 1:5 Let us never forget the sacredness of each life, formed by God.

Cheryl

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Dear Cheryl --

I know you are inundated with good information. But our little guy gave a profound synopsis of abortion the other day and I thought it would warm your heart. It did mine -- especially since his birth mom actually did seek an abortion twice while he was in utero (I have not discussed this with him, of course). Both times she was short of the money needed for the abortion, and she didn't want to reckon with God about it, either, she said.

Both kiddos were talking about babies. Our little girl said, "Oh, yuccch! I don't like babies!" Her brother shifted into "big brother mode," filling her in on some of the best attributes of babies. "...And they always spit up!" Before long, they both were laughing, breathlessly adding details.

Then I heard our son say, somberly, "But Sister, it's dangerous to be a baby." "Dangerous?" she asked. "Yes, there's this terrible thing that happens to babies. It's called abortion." Sister asked what it was. "Abortion is when a baby is in its mother's tummy and they take it out and kill it. But we were lucky -- we got out alive," he said, with feeling.

I was transfixed at that moment. Forgetting my chore in the kitchen, I marveled at the depth of our son's understanding -- gleaned, I guess, from the pro-life rally we attended a couple of months ago. Perhaps it was more of an education than I intended

for him to have at such a tender age. But somehow, he put it into perfect perspective. In another moment, the children were laughing, talking and playing again.

And yes, they were lucky.

Love,

Sandy



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I assure you, when you did it to one of the least of these, my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me.

an opportunity

Baby & Personal Showers

Tracie Roesslein, 250-7231, needs help with planning & refreshments

Transportation

Can you drive one ½ day a month? Call Jennifer Emmons 272-6365

Mentors

Mentors needed. If you are interested, please call Jennifer Bauman@ 296-5426

Host Families

Are you able to open your heart & home to a girl during her pregnancy? Call Jackie Potter @ 743-3845

Furniture/Clothes

Furniture and household items are needed for the girls to set-up their own homes. If you have a donation, we will gladly arrange to pick it up. Also, if you can donate maternity or baby clothes, please contact Lisa Giles @ 258-5806

Financial Support

Your financial support helps to provide such things as prescriptions, clothing, childbirth classes, counseling and dental care

THE ALMIGHTY'S ART

A Tribute to Birth Mothers by Jane Waters, May 6, 2004

*From the very first session, when therapy began
You could not yet see your part in His plan.
God is at work to turn dark into light
Transforming your pain with His infinite might.*

*You cautiously tell me about all of your pain
That it all feels so ugly, like a permanent stain.
There are so many problems, so where will you turn?
Well, I know Our Father, and from Him you will learn.*

*As you search for what's best, it feels like too much,
Your desperate heart needs God's healing touch.
In the midst of the pain in the darkness of the hour,
You look, but cannot see, God's almighty power.*

*I watch as you grieve, weep, bargain, and curse
You suffer intensely but put baby's needs first.
After months have gone by, you finally see
adoption is the answer that sets your heart free.*

*His peace now flows through you and blankets your heart
As you choose the way for your child's perfect start.
Blessings to others radiate from your choice.
Heaven applauds and the angels rejoice.*

*To make the decision to give life anew.
Fills the canvas of life with a brilliant new hue.
So, thank you for letting me be a small part
Of the healing that you now know as The Almighty's Art!*

Jane Waters is a licensed marriage and family therapist who has worked for over 20 years in the mental health field. She has counseled many CPO girls for over 15 years. In 2005, Jane authored "Arms Wide Open: An Insight into Open Adoption."



GOOD FOR YOU!

Lauren graduated from OU on December 17. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication, with a Minor in Sociology. Lauren accomplished this in 3 ½ years! We are so proud of you, Lauren! Congratulations!!

**“I AM THE LORD, THE GOD OF ALL MANKIND.
IS ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR ME?”**

JEREMIAH 32:27

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Danke *Gracias* *Grazie*
Thank You!
Merci

We would like to thank Dr. Randy Segnar for providing dental care for MANY of our girls, currently, and during 2005. Dr. Segnar is always willing to work a girl in pain, into his busy schedule. The girls always tell me that he is the “kindest” man and that his dental care is the least uncomfortable that they have ever experienced. I don't know what we would do without you, Dr. Segnar! May God bless you, abundantly!

We send our heartfelt thanks to the many families who “adopted” a CPO girl and her kiddos, for Christmas giving! Your response to this need was just incredible, and provided much joy for these families. I would also like to thank Cindy Bayles. Cindy did all of the coordinating for this program, this year. It becomes quite a large endeavor, and she did a great job.

God Danced

the Day you were Born

Noelle Elizabeth

12-28-05

5 lbs., 3 oz. & 18 ½ inches

Birth Mom: Jennifer

Adoptive Parents:

Karen and Dan

Caleb Michael

Placed 12-26-05

Born: 9-20-05

Birth Mom: Liliana

Adoptive Parents:

Becca and Jason

Patricia Joy

12-4-05

7 lbs., 9 oz. & 21 inches

Congratulations Precious!

Lucy Mame

12-18-05

7 lbs., 15 oz. & 19 ¾ inches

Birth Mom: Elizabeth

Adoptive Parents:

Shannon and Shane

Olivia Claire

12-27-05

8 lbs., 2 oz. & 21 inches

Birth Mom: Precious

Adoptive Parents:

Kobi and James

Jonathan Gage

01-25-06

5 lbs., 5 oz. & 19 inches

Birth Mom: Vicki

Adoptive Parents:

Sharolyn and Blake

Plan to Attend:

**Adoptive Moms
Support Group with Janey
Waters, MSW, LMFT, CADC**

Last Tuesdays, 10 am at
Church of the Holy Cross,
Owasso

*RSVP for childcare prior to
Thursday: Sheri 272-3685 or Lisa
272-0587*

**Waiting Families
Workshop IX**

Thursday, March 16 thru
Saturday, March 18

**Birth Mother's Day
Celebration**

Saturday, May 6, 2 pm at
Christian Chapel

**2nd Annual Firestarter
Fundraiser**

Friday, June 2, 7 pm at The
Renaissance Tulsa.





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