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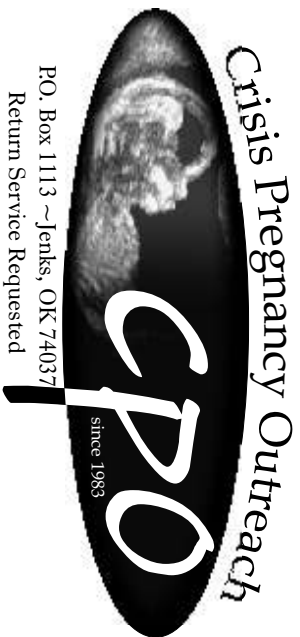
CRISIS PREGNANCY OUTREACH

*Christmas 2007*

"Hope~  
the fragile, gentle,  
whispering, tough,  
enduring, awesome stuff  
dreams are made of~is  
the gift of God to every  
fainting heart."

Gloria Gaither, in God Gave the Song

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## Cheryl's Thoughts

I am headed home, after being in Idaho with three of my granddaughters, the youngest being born on October 26. Jenna Grace is so precious, and it was so hard to leave her today. Jenna is our thirteenth grandchild, and the child of our oldest daughter, Stephanie. When I looked into her little face, I saw the face of her mother, her aunts, her sisters, and her cousins. I have really reflected on the birth of Stephanie, the oldest of our seven children.

There are no words to express the years (since I was a small child) of longing that I had experienced. All that I ever wanted to "be" was a mother. She was, surely, the magnificent answer to our prayers. I never imagined that she would not live near her Daddy and me, forever. When she dropped me off at the airport, today, I was reminded that part of my heart walks around not only in Tulsa, but in Kingston, Idaho, Shiprock, New Mexico, and Vail, Colorado.

At this Christmas Season, let us be mindful of Birth Moms everywhere, who have part of their hearts walking around in many spots on this globe. Some of them have placed children in closed adoptions, and have no idea where their birth children are, or what they are doing. I cannot imagine that kind of pain. If you have adopted children, through CPO, please remember your children's Birth Mom this Christmas. Without her sacrificial love, your celebration would be so different.

And, let us all be mindful of the most incredible sacrifice of all - God's gift of Jesus to each one of us. May your Christmas be an opportunity to honor Him, and make wonderful memories with your family.

In His Service, Cheryl



# God Danced

*the Day You Were Born*

**Julianne Deshaun** on August 19th  
4 lbs., 4 oz., and 17 ½ inches long  
We rejoice with birth mom Monique  
and adoptive parents, Dee & Shawna!

**Cameron Elizabeth** on August 23th.  
7 lbs., 2 oz., and 19 ½ inches long  
We rejoice with birth mom Chasity  
and adoptive parents, Mark & Kim!

**Michael** on December 2, 2002.  
Adoption plan made September 9th, 2004  
We pray for God's blessings on birth mom Mindy  
and adoptive parents, Mike & Kari!

**Israel Dillion** on September 29th  
8 lbs., and 21 inches long  
We rejoice with birth mom Megan  
and adoptive parents, Keith & Stephanie!

**Kaitlyn Elizabeth** on September 30th  
6 lbs., 6 oz., and 19 inches long  
We rejoice with birth mom Shantelle  
and adoptive parents, Brad and Jennifer!

**Elene Elizabeth** on October 19th  
7 lbs., 9 oz., and 19 ¼ inches long  
We rejoice with birth mom Tammy  
and adoptive parents, Bobby & Lori!

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**Thank You!**  
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We want to express our most sincere thanks to the many Adoptive Parents, who responded to our appeal for financial assistance. A number of these families pledged to support CPO, on a regular basis. We are SO grateful!

**Dr. Kent Metcalf**, a Tulsa ophthalmologist and CPO Adoptive Dad, has once again provided services to one of our Birth Moms. We greatly appreciate his ongoing support.

**Dr. Randy Segnar**, a Tulsa dentist and CPO Adoptive Dad, continues to provide dental care for many of our girls. Most of them dread seeing a dentist, but are so happy to be free of pain! Thank you, Dr. Segnar!

*Something Special*

# Christmas Party

for CPO Girls and their Children

Help Seth Kittinger earn his Eagle Scout Badge

**December 18th**  
 2:00 to 4:00  
 Impact Productions  
 3939 S Harvard

**Taking Donations to Purchase**

- Wrapping Paper
- Gifts
- Refreshments
- Paper Products
- Decorations

Or, If you would like to donate needed items please contact:

Seth Kittinger by **December 11th**  
 744-0963



# your help please

## Baby & Personal Showers

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

Can you drive one 1/2 day a month?  
 Call Jennifer Emmons 272-6365

## Transportation

Mentors needed. If you are interested, please call Julie Karalis 851-3213

## Mentors

Are you able to open your heart & home to a girl during her pregnancy?  
 Call Lisa Barricks for more info 272-0587

## Host Families

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 Jeannie Barton 621-4546

## Furniture/Clothes

# your help please

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.

# FAMILY

*God's Gift*

If it hadn't been for those girls who chose to have their babies, instead of aborting them, we would not have our Katie (now 21), Anna (19), Sarah (7), Clara (5) and Nathaniel (5 weeks). Also, Jared and Cody, who were adopted through an agency, here in Michigan.



For the birth mothers, it had to be a very difficult decision, but a wise one, not to have an abortion, and instead choose a couple to take their baby, as their own, to raise to the best of their ability, with God's help. Whatever the circumstances the birth mother was under, it could not have been easy. The adoptive parents had a very hard time, too. You could say it was a happy/sad time, as their hearts went out to the birth mother. But, at the same time, they were ecstatic over the beautiful gift---a baby given to them to love and raise! Their hearts had been broken year after year, as they faced the fact that they would not have biological children.

Our daughter, Patty, had a very hard time. She had several miscarriages, 3 tubal pregnancies, 3 major surgeries, and the removal of her tubes. I said to her one day, "Patty, have you ever considered adopting?" Patty was a little hesitant, until the Lord showed her that Moses was adopted and Jesus was adopted by Joseph! In time, Patty and Tim contacted Cheryl and were chosen by Julie, to be the parents of Katie, and by Lisa, to be the parents of Anna, 15 months later!

Our granddaughter, Carrie, had several miscarriages and gave birth to a stillborn baby boy. They were heartbroken, but God was good, and gave them Sarah, Clara, and Nathaniel, through their birth mothers, Lea, Vicki and Jamie.

I don't think I have ever met anyone quite like Cheryl. She goes that extra mile for every person who is in trouble. She counsels, sees the girls through their pregnancies and births. She helps them make an adoption plan; and, with the help of the many CPO volunteers, finds financial aid, jobs, places for them to live, etc.

It makes me think of Mother Teresa, who once said, when looking into the eyes of the sick and dying, "I see the face of Jesus." Cheryl has displayed mercy for countless people in her own mission field. Our thanks to her and to the wonderful birth moms who choose life for their little ones!

We have 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. They are all so special. It makes no difference whether they are blood-related or come through the gift of adoption. We love them all the same, as they are all precious gifts from God!

## A Word to the Birth Mom's:

Our prayer is that you have faith in God. Allow Him to enter into your life to guide you and guard you. We pray that you will prosper in everything you do. Each of us has sinned and fallen short of the Glory of God. The important thing is that you set your feelings aside and thought of your baby's welfare. How selfless that is! Don't be hard on yourselves. Go on, with your head held up high and begin your life anew!

God bless you always. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

From a heartfelt Grandma and Grandpa,

Peg and Jim