

A New Beginning



Even youths stumble and fall, says Isaiah 40:31, but it doesn't end there! God offers us a chance to start over by going on to say "those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Learn how Joy* found this to be true as she discovered her own new beginning at Prestonwood Pregnancy Center!

Joy came to the center earlier this year to receive a pregnancy test. She was afraid and grief stricken. She was living with her fiancé, but as a Christian felt guilty about her current situation and past abortions. After receiving the positive test result, she was very expressive about what it meant to her to have someone give her the guidance she needed. Joy left the center with a determination to parent her child and an appointment to return to receive a sonogram.

She returned with her fiancé, Tim*, six weeks later. When they met with the sonographer, Tim mentioned that he was not able to afford another child. Adoption was mentioned as an option at this time, but Joy was still determined to parent her child. It was during the counseling session after the sonogram that Joy shared her concerns about abortion and her continued guilt about being an unwed mother. The counselor talked and prayed with her and Joy left the center a different person. She came with tears and left with a smile and a grateful heart. Joy rededicated herself to the Lord that day and found new life! She also received a list of local churches that she could begin attending with her fiancé.

The staff and volunteers rejoiced when Joy came into the center over Mother's Day and left a thoughtful note for those who had helped her through the struggles she was facing. Joy explained that she "gained a lot of strength, courage, and hope" from all the people that she met at Prestonwood Pregnancy Center and "thanked God for a place like this that would provide for people like her."

* Names of the clients have been changed to provide anonymity.

SAVE THE DATE

- ◆ Tuesday, August 21, 6:00 pm
Friends For Life Coffee*
Prestonwood Pregnancy Center
- ◆ Tuesday, September 18, 6:00 pm
Friends For Life Coffee*
Prestonwood Pregnancy Center
- ◆ Sunday, September 30, 6:00 pm
Appreciation Dinner
Prestonwood Country Club
- ◆ Tuesday, October 16, 6:00 pm
Friends For Life Coffee*
Prestonwood Pregnancy Center
- ◆ Friday, February 15, 2008, 12 noon
Friends For Life Luncheon
Hotel Intercontinental

*Friends for Life Coffee includes a brief overview and tour of PPC.



2007 STATISTICS

1,768	CLIENT VISITS
787	PREGNANCY TESTS
343	SONOGRAMS
85	BABY BIRTHS
43	PROFESSIONS OF FAITH
16	REDEDICATIONS OF LIFE

“COMING HERE HAS HELPED LIFT A WEIGHT OFF OF MY SHOULDERS. I FEEL MORE STRENGTH IN MYSELF AND IN KNOWING I’M NOT ALONE.”
-CHERYL

Welcome our new Development Director, Heather Huber



The pregnancy center staff is excited to announce the addition of Heather Huber as our new Development

Director. Heather is a new-comer to Texas, but she says she loves it here and plans to stay! Prior to her move to the Dallas area, Heather was the Manager of Foundation and Corporate Relations for Azusa Pacific University in Azusa, California where she also graduated with a Masters of Education in 2002.

In her spare time, Heather enjoys golfing, playing volleyball, dancing, singing, traveling, going on mission trips, and volunteering with the Prestonwood Children’s Ministry as well as Singles 2 outreach events.

Please join us in welcoming Heather to the PPC staff!

Meet Cora Estep, Volunteer Since 1993



In 1993, Cora was looking for a way to use her spiritual gifts and after several events that heightened her awareness of Psalm 139 and how God’s creation is “fearfully and wonderfully made,” she decided to volunteer at PPC. As a client advocate, Cora

meets individually with women every Monday night from 5:00-8:00 pm. She loves being able to share the Gospel with women from all walks of life and help them develop healthy life affirming habits.

“If you want to be on the front lines for the Kingdom, this is the place to be!” Cora exclaimed. “I’ve never been so fulfilled. This center encompasses the very core of what Christian faith is about. Christ is being

represented in the community through this facility everyday!”

An IRS Senior Manager by trade, Cora sees this ministry as her life’s work and doesn’t envision herself retiring anytime soon.

She also sees her personal benefit lived out daily as she uses what she has learned to teach other classes, raise children, and encourage everyone she meets.

Thank you Cora, for your faith-filled years of service!

WAYS TO GIVE

- ◆ VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME OR TALENT
- ◆ BECOME A TABLE HOST AT OUR ANNUAL LUNCHEON
- ◆ DONATE CASH OR STOCKS
- ◆ INCLUDE US IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN
- ◆ HAVE YOUR COMPANY MATCH YOUR GIFT
- ◆ INVITE OTHERS TO OUR MONTHLY FRIENDS FOR LIFE COFFEE

WISH LIST

- ◆ ONE NEW 32” FLAT SCREEN TV
- ◆ SIX NEW 20” TVS
- ◆ TWO NEW DVD PLAYERS
- ◆ ONE NEW PC
- ◆ NEW INFANT CAR SEATS
- ◆ DIAPERS (ALL SIZES)

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Reward Application Form at any Tom Thumb Courtesy Booth. Fill in the top portion and the “Good Neighbor Program” section, indicating our account #1818. The more people who link to our number, the more money will be raised! So, be sure to tell your friends about it, too!



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