

# Abundant Love



#### **2025 THEME**

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." John 10:10 ESV.

What does Abundant Love and Abundant Life resemble? Living abundantly, on the contrary to popular belief, has nothing to do with material possessions, but rather an opportunity for eternal life. As individuals or part of LCRC ministry, we need to maintain vigilance to protect and serve our clients, especially the AMC's (abortion minded clients) in the area. Others we serve may be the unprepared mother, those lacking support, single fathers, the defenseless child, and those needing confidence in parenting.

The thief attacks us through our time and often makes us forget our purpose. In order to live a John 10:10 life, we need to stay rooted in Christ, committed to caring for others, and show discipline as we choose to live an abundant life in His love. Choose Life . . . will you dare to care?

Join us in 2025 with the intention to **not only live life abundantly but to provide life & love to others in abundance!** There are an abundance of opportunities which you can support, whether you feel called to volunteer, donate, or attend our events. We know we can depend on you!

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# From the Director's Desk

#### BY JEREMY BEWLEY

Hello Friends,

We are now in 2025, and by the time you receive this newsletter, spring will likely be in the air. I write this to you with joy in my heart, knowing that we have such a great community of prayer warriors and supporters. We are excited about the ways God has been able to utilize this ministry for His glory. We are also looking forward to expanding this year.

We take on each day with a "Pro-Life Womb to Tomb" mind set, celebrating each life. Simply put, we rejoice each time a life is touched for Jesus, pre-natal or through discipleship.

There have been some exciting expansions to our ministry this year. Please join us in praying for these. First, some of you may know that we have had a dream of utilizing the education-wing kitchen to further serve our clients. It may surprise you just how many clients have little to no cooking skills. However, to offer that service, the kitchen needed a remodel. It brings me joy to share with you that this project is well on its way, thanks to a generous discount on cabinets from the folks at Bernard Building Center and to Eric from U P North Living LLC for an excellent installation job. (see photo p 3) We also thank each of you for your generosity, without which, none of this is possible. Please pray as we put the finishing touches on this project and seek volunteers to staff it.

Second, we have built a strong referral relationship with some of our community resources in multiple counties. This is a win-win, as it gives us the opportunity to touch more lives and fills a need for the agencies. Some of these services include parenting classes and supervised visits with children. We are so encouraged to have great partnerships with these agencies and others. Please pray they continue to see fruit in the services we provide.

Friends, what's your calling? (Romans 11:29, "For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.") We have some volunteer needs here at Life Choices. There is an immediate need, specifically, for "called" male and female advocates. By "called", I mean nudged and directed by God. If you feel the Lord's leading, would you please earnestly pray and consider sharing your time with us here at LCRC? This would be a once-a-week commitment of 4-6 hours. We will provide all the necessary training and support. Please contact us here at (989) 345-3909 for more information.

We are excited to have a community of supporters who understand the importance of human life from the time of conception. For that, I am forever grateful! Thank you for walking with us as we invest in individuals with the goal of promoting thriving families. If you are receiving this newsletter, it is because you are a friend of our ministry at Life Choices Resource Center. We appreciate you!

As you know, we cannot impact the lives of those in our community without your prayers and financial support. Because of that, we have included a self-addressed envelope to encourage your continued financial support as God leads you. Please also check the "Needs" portion of this newsletter for items that we urgently or regularly need and that you can donate.

Please keep our current Board, staff, volunteers and clients in your prayers as we analyze our needs and create the safest and most productive environment for all.

Be on the lookout for information about our upcoming Walk/Fun Run for Life on May 10th. We had a great time last year and are looking forward to an amazing 2025. Hope to see you at the Walk/Fun Run for Life!

# From The Client Services Manager's Desk BY SHAWN PETSUCH

Waiting on spring, waiting on the Lord . . . it has been a LONG winter, hasn't it? Like you, I am looking forward to warmer weather. Like spring migration, we have three volunteers that will return to serve here at the Center. One serves as a patient advocate in the Clinic, another serves as a client advocate in the Resource Center, and another is our Thursday receptionist. We always look forward to seeing their smiling faces and love for what they do here to advance life!

I would like to take this opportunity to take a deeper dive into some of the things volunteers do here at the Resource Center. There are several areas in which a person can serve one "shift" a week. This could can be anywhere from 4-6 hours a week. As I have mentioned above, we have "snowbirds" who leave for a time during the year, so we can be flexible with all our volunteers and their vacation/time-off needs.

We are currently looking for a Monday receptionist. This is a 4–6-hour shift where one greets our clients, answers the phone, makes appointments, and does some filing/copying duties. Training is provided, so a smiling face is all that is required to start this position.

We need store volunteers on both Mondays and Thursdays. These volunteers would help our clients shop and process any clothing donations we receive. These are flexible hours for when we have clients, and not the entire time we are open.

Another important volunteer position is that of the advocate. As I have said in other articles, all you really need for this is to have a listening ear and an open heart. You would meet with a client once a week to help them navigate a pregnancy or the growing pains of their sons or daughters. The 15–20 minute videos they watch make this easy. During these times, a relationship is developed with them as you get to know each other and discuss the video. They earn "credits" to buy items in our store after they have watched The Bright Course Academy video(s). An advocate can see up to three clients a week. Training is provided, and any one of our advocates will tell you they are so blessed by the work they do for the Lord, helping the people He brings to the Center.

We see the need for our services grow greater each week, but are limited in how we can respond to the requests for our services due to the need for more volunteers. Will you prayerfully consider how you can might serve the Lord and the people in our communities? Come join us in the wonderful fellowship we have together as we work for His kingdom.

# Current Store Needs

- 8 oz. baby bottles
- Baby gates
- Sleep sacks
- Diapers sizes Newborn-6
- Baby toiletries baby shampoo, diaper cream, baby lotion, etc.



Excited for our new kitchen!

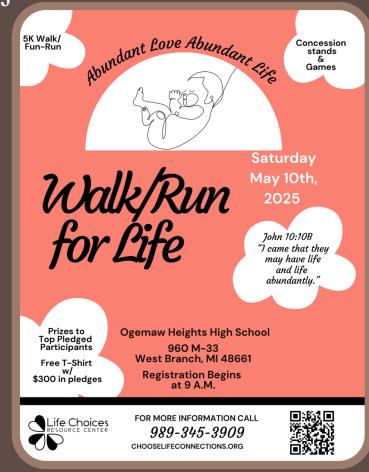
Upcoming Events

# Walk/Fun Run for Life

Join us by signing up with your local church liaison, give us a call, or email our donor specialist at:

fundraiserelcrc-wb.org

Golf For Life







Wednesday, July 16th, our annual Golf for Life outing will be held at the Nightmare Golf Course. Please follow us on social media and our website for when we will begin accepting team registration.

# Ongoing Fundraisers

## Seven Weeks Coffee

Do you love coffee? Do you love our mission of pro-life? Buy your coffee through Seven Weeks Coffee, and 10% of your purchase goes *directly* to LCRC! Shop our link here:





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## Baby Bottle Drive

It's simple! Just pick up a basket of baby bottles from the Center, and distribute them at your church or community group. Then return the filled bottles to the Center. We do all the counting, and as always, donations are tax deductible.





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## ShopRaise

Wouldn't it be amazing if you could contribute to our Center while doing your daily shopping? Well, that's totally possible with ShopRaise! Simply download the Chrome extension or the mobile app and connect with us today. Find more details on our website.



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If you want to buy a bundle for your personal use, use our Donor Discount code:

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Each time you use this 10% off code, LCRC will receive 10% of your purchase.

To donate a monthly bundle to LCRC for our clients, use **LIFECHOICESRC** 

You will save 25% off + free shipping at checkout.

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# From the Nurse's Desk

By Helen Bowen, RN

#### Past Event Photos

Did you get snapped at our last event? Check out the photos below and also our social media to see if you were snapped!

















#### **Dear Options Nurse,**

I have someone who I think could use your services, but I am not sure of the services you provide.
Thank you,

#### Donor with questions

#### Dear Donor with questions,

Great question! Options Resource Clinic is a non-profit organization that provides pregnancy options education (consulting, listening, and answering your questions regarding pregnancy, abortion, adoption, parenting, or any other related issues). We also provide limited diagnostic ultrasounds by a certified nurse sonographer, lab-grade pregnancy testing, limited STI/STD testing, abortion pill reversal education and support, and community resource referrals. All our services are free, regardless of income, and confidential. We offer support from the beginning of pregnancy continuing throughout the pregnancy with education regarding pregnancy and postpartum with parenting classes.

#### **Dear Options Nurse,**

This leads me to the next question. I am unable to volunteer but I want to help. What can I do?
Thank you,

#### Donor with questions

Great question. We can always use more prayer warriors! Please pray specifically for the abortion-minded clients in the area, that they seek us for advice and education. Please pray that through this, they will choose life.

#### Dear Options Nurse,

I would like to volunteer but I am not sure if I qualify. Can you give me information about the day and life of a volunteer at the clinic?

Thank you,

#### Intrigued Christian

#### Dear Intrigued Christian,

We are always in need of volunteers. Our volunteers are at the Clinic to provide support and minister to our clients by being here for them non-judgmentally, and with love and support for them. As Galatians 5:13-14 says, "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in LOVE. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command; 'love your neighbor as yourself'".

As a volunteer/advocate you can serve as a receptionist, witness ultrasounds, and talk with abortion-minded clients about other options as we do not refer or recommend abortion.

Sincerely, Options Nurse, Helen

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## Our Mission Statement

"The mission of Life Choices Resource Center is to promote the sanctity of human life by reaching out with Christ's love through our pregnancy resource center, medical clinic, and sexual and relationship educational programs".