# Good News

#### For those who make a difference





## Planting the Seeds of Faith

It brings us such joy to hear from past clients and learn how they and their children are doing. Recently, one of our Peer Counselors, Brenda, bumped into her former client, Ali, and was able to learn how her life had evolved since 2015.

Ali came to us as a college student, working full-time and 7 weeks pregnant. The baby's father was no longer in her life and her mother was not talking to her because of her decision to keep the baby. She was feeling stressed, alone and needed support.

Ali grew up going to church but when her parents divorced, she stopped attending. "I had walked away from God. I still believed in Him, but there was no relationship." During her monthly appointments at the PCC, Ali would discuss the stresses in her life. She was not interested in praying, but was happy to have Brenda pray for her at the end of each appointment. Brenda recalls, "Ali was such a headstrong woman, I could never tell if what I was saying was making an impact on her."

Forward to present day, Brenda is leaving New England Bible church on Sunday and recognizes Ali! They took the opportunity to chat and catch up. Ali said that shortly after the birth of her daughter, she felt God calling her back to church. She credits Brenda and the PCC with helping to cultivate her seeds of faith. "You always prayed for me and reminded me that Jesus loves me. I'm so grateful you never gave up on helping me in my faith walk," she said. "Charlotte and I go to church every week and she attends Catholic school. It's important that she grow up knowing Jesus."

Ali will graduate from Bridgewater State College in May with a business degree. Adorable Charlotte is 5 years old and full of smiles and hugs for her mother. "Reconnecting with Ali was a blessing for me," said Brenda. "I was feeling down with COVID solitude. Learning of the great work God is doing in Ali's heart and seeing the ripple effect on her daughter's life, is a reminder that we must trust in the Lord!"

Thank you for your support of this ministry! It is your generosity that helps a new mother know Jesus and love her child.

### Director's View



Dear Friends,

Dr. S.M. Lockridge had a gift with words. Talking about Jesus, the King of Kings, he said: "Death couldn't handle Him and the grave couldn't hold Him. That's my King! My King is a sovereign King. No means of measure can define His limitless love. He's enduringly strong. He's entirely sincere. He's eternally steadfast. He's immortally graceful. He's imperially powerful. He's impartially merciful." My prayer is that you will know the steadfast mercy of our King, Jesus the Christ!

The unwavering hope in Jesus Christ is what we are each blessed to know as Christians, and it is what we desire to share with the women who walk through our doors at the Pregnancy Care Center. Our witness is challenged by our nation's culture and politics, yet we continue to bring hope to a hurting world.

I am asking for your support in a new goal that we have set. In order to continue to help God's children we are setting a goal of adding 200 new monthly donors by the end of this year. I became a monthly donor two years ago, and I invite you to join me in pledging \$25 each month. I became a monthly donor because I would often forget to make donations that I intended to make. Now, I am filled with joy when I see the \$25 donation come out of my account each month. My monthly pledge means my love for others isn't stopped by my forgetfulness! To become a monthly donor use the enclosed envelope or visit us online at pccfriends.org/donate.

Thank you for your faithfulness to this ministry, Chris

#### **Meet Our New Arrivals**









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Evan

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# Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:40



# Help Us Save the Unborn!

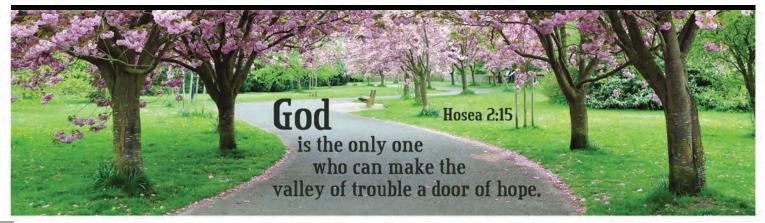
Planned Parenthood is a well-funded giant. Its recent annual report shows they received \$618 million in annual tax funding. In addition, the Rescue America Act gives them access to another \$83 million.

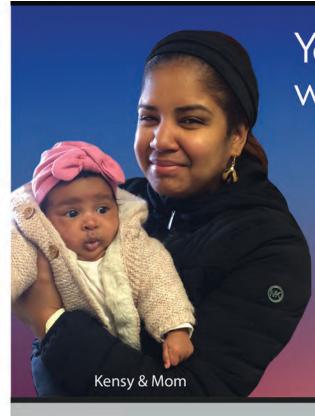
According to Planned Parenthood's annual report, 972 preborn children were aborted daily last year – that's one precious life lost every 89 seconds.

Just like David, a man after God's own heart, stood up to Goliath, we need your help protecting the unborn. We urgently need your help to reach more women facing unplanned pregnancies. This is how more lives will be saved - together.

Will you partner with us to help more women each month and rescue lives from the abortion giant? Thank you for your support of this ministry!

Resource: https://www.liveaction.org/news/89-seconds-planned-parenthood-report-record-abortions/





# Your gifts bring hope to women & families in need!

#### 2020 in Review

91 Babies born 308 Clients served 1501 Virtual and In-person client visits

#### Thanks to you, new Moms & families received:

14,940 Diapers

1,760 Baby food

438 Cans of formula

2,904 Baby clothes

417 Maternity clothes

922 Bags of high protein food

# Persevering through the Pandemic

The past year has been trying for all of us. We are looking forward to when we can resume normal operations and be fully open. In the meantime, God is opening doors and preparing us. Thanks to Holy Family Hospital, members of our staff have been fully vaccinated, praise God! Our Peer Counselors have been busy serving clients remotely and meeting new clients in person. Yes, in the midst of all this, God continues to bless us with many new clients! He is also bringing us new volunteers, who are being trained and will be ready to hit the ground running when we are fully open.

Our baby bottle campaign, one of our largest fundraisers, has been hit hard by the pandemic. In order to adapt, we replaced physical bottles with giving envelopes and added a virtual baby bottle program where churches can promote online giving to the PCC. To host a baby bottle drive, please contact Peggy at Peggy.Buckley@pccnortheast.org.

Our Google ad program, directed at women facing unplanned pregnancy, is performing well and all three centers are receiving requests for help from women in need.

We often use Facebook to notify donors of our current needs for things like baby clothing, formula and diapers, as well as opportunities to volunteer. You can follow us at facebook.com/PCC.MerrimackValley.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry! It is your love of Christ and compassion for the unborn that enables us to keep our doors open. We look forward to being able to see you in person soon.





#### WHY I GIVE MONTHLY:

"I recognized a way for me to put into action my strong support for pro-life. The Pregnancy Care Center not only protects a woman and her child from abortion but also gives loving, effective care during pregnancy and long after the baby is born. Thank you for the wonderful work you do."

Lucille C., North Reading, MA



Dear Pregnancy Care Center,

My heart is so full sending this message. Both Lynelle and I are doing very well. She's now 8 years old and in 2nd grade. She is super smart and growing fast - 8 going on 16!

I got married in 2017! Lynelle is a wonderful big sister to our 2 daughters, Faith and Arelys, ages 3 and 3 months. I have a great full-time job working as a medical assistant supervisor in an adult medicine and family practice. I've been there for 3 years and really enjoy the work.

Lynelle and I just took our first Mom and daughter vacation to Puerto Rico to visit family. This is something I've always wanted to do and we had so much fun.

Thank you for all of your encouragement, guidance and support during my pregnancy with Lynelle. I was only in high school and I remember it seemed like everyone was against my

decision. It truly made a WORLD of difference to have you along side me when I needed someone the most. Lynelle is such a big part of this family, I can't imagine my life without her.

With gratitude, Irelus



