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Care Net Pregnancy Resources of Warren County Newsletter

Summer 2011

From Our Director, Laura Hanrahan

As this is my first column to you as Executive Director I wanted to first and foremost thank my heavenly Father, the one true God "who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine"...my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who "bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness"...and the Holy Spirit, my Helper and "Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, to keep watch over all the flock", by whom I was "sealed for the day of redemption." To God be the glory...

Little did I know when I filled out my volunteer application in 2010, that God's plans for me were far greater than I could have ever dreamed or imagined. As I began my journey into the pro-life ministry here of Care Net Pregnancy Resources, the Lord impressed upon my heart the wonderful gift of being a part of His plan - by opening a window to the womb through limited obstetrical ultrasound and thus revealing His truths - the truth of life, and of hope and of the miracle of the unborn. Add to that, the very real blessing of being able to share the love Christ, magnifying God's grace to those in unplanned pregnancies, and offering the hope of the gospel to those in need... my heart was filled with inexplicable joy of what God had planned.

No sooner had I gotten my feet wet when Susan announced her plans to move on from this ministry, I was truly dumbfounded. It didn't take long for the people in my life to begin encouraging me to apply for the position. And while I was feeling increasingly humble and unworthy, I couldn't deny the persistent prompting of the Holy Spirit to serve my Lord with the skills God had equipped me with - my faith, my love for Christ, my nursing background and an undeniable yearning to protect the lives and souls of those whom God had created; and so... I applied for the job.

Here about a month as Executive Director, it is by God's grace that I am gaining a greater understanding of the gifts and talents of the wonderful volunteers and staff that God has placed in His ministry here at CNPR. As I begin to glance at all of the progress and success of this ministry, I look first to the clients whom the Lord has brought through our doors. They are plentiful for a small ministry, and they are genuinely appreciative and grateful for all of the services and blessings that this ministry provides. Whether it is a client seeking healing and forgiveness from post-abortion stress, an auditorium of school-aged youth seeking truth and guidance about abstinence and purity, or a client in need of acceptance, support, and hope following the knowledge of an unplanned pregnancy, this ministry bestows blessing upon blessing to its clients.

And it is *you*, our faithful family, who in prayer, in kind, in volunteerism and in sacrificial giving, enable all who come through our doors to receive the outpouring of lovingkindness from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the mercies and

compassion of our heavenly Father, and the wisdom and understanding of the Holy Spirit. It is in this hope and love that we see God's grace magnified. I need only turn my gaze toward *you*, to bear witness to that grace. I see it in your generous and faithful offerings, I see it in your encouraging notes, and I witness it in the form of answered prayer. I share your trust in God's faithfulness; and "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'"

In His strength and with your support I hope to continue to solidify the foundational roots of this ministry, growing its client base, expanding donor connection and building deeper relationships within the community. Without hesitation I would ask you, faithful family, for your ongoing prayers during this time of transition... for God's protection over the Board, the staff, the volunteers and all who serve this ministry; that in His grace the center would remain fruitful in its service, unified in its purpose, and energized in its mission. Personally, I would ask for prayers for wisdom, understanding and knowledge to fulfill my role as Executive Director while balancing my duties as Nurse Manager; that I would move humbly forward according to His will, earnestly sharing the unfailing love of Christ, and faithfully presenting the truth of the gospel for the glory of God... that lives would be saved, souls quickened and the grace of God magnified. "To the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."

In closing, I would like to welcome Janet Morgan, our new Development/Publicity Director. Janet is a graduate of Messiah College and has significant work experience in the field of marketing and public relations. Janet and her husband Keri recently moved to New Jersey; upon seeing and reading one of our newsletters at her in-laws, she was immediately drawn to Care Net Pregnancy Resources. Janet loves children, and has volunteered in a variety of children's ministries such as, Explorer Girls, vacation Bible school, and local church nurseries. This love and appreciation for all God's children, coupled with Janet's work experience and deep love for Christ made a winning combination to add to CNPR. She brings new perspective and 21st Century ideas to the ongoing development of this ministry and is excited to go forth, building and growing relationships within our community along with fellow pro-life supporters who endeavor to the grow the kingdom of Christ and reach the lost. Janet welcomes your prayers and asks that the Lord would move to open new doors for CNPR in the community so that we might share God's message of hope with more and more of those in need. (We are blessed to have you Janet as part of our family!)



Thank you to each and every one of you who took part in making the 2011 Walk for Life such a success. With over 90 walkers, this year we set a new record of pledges received totaling over \$17,000 in pledged support. Abundant Life Community Church's youth group took the cake, or the ice cream as the case may be, by raising the most pledged support and winning an ice cream party for their dedication.

Walk for Life 2011



A special "thank-you" to Kate Lecher, our Walk Coordinator, who did such a fantastic job! God continues to use this Walk for Life in awesome ways and we are already looking forward to see what He is going to do next year!

Please visit our new client website www.options4women.com

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Want to get more involved?

We can't stress enough how very important our donors, volunteers, supportive friends and prayer partners are to us. We depend on each and every one of you to continue our ministry here at Care Net Pregnancy Resources and provide hope to those in the community. In addition to individuals – we know how valuable churches, schools, and organizations are and what an enormous role they can play in our success for the Kingdom. If your church, school, or organization would like to get more in the action, we invite you to come see firsthand what we are doing for the Lord.

We would love to broaden your understanding of the ministry and welcome hearing any fresh new ideas of how you would like to be involved. Please feel free to contact Janet Morgan, our new Development/Publicity Director via email at: janet_m06@yahoo.com or, call the center any time 908.684.3099.

"For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20)



Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet



"It is not the will of your Father who is in Heaven that one of these little ones perish."
Matthew 18:14

As plans for our annual fall fundraising banquet progress, please join us in prayer that this year's banquet would first and foremost glorify our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ... that through it, God would carve new roads for Care Net Pregnancy Resources... that the love of Christ would be highlighted and God's work at the center and in the lives of our client's magnified. Please also pray for God's ongoing provision for this ministry through the hearts and sacrificial giving of all who support the work and humble service we offer, with thanksgiving, to Christ Jesus our Lord.

Prayer Requests

- Praise for God's provision of a new Executive Director and new Development/Publicity Director
- Praise and prayer for the birth of two clients' babies, one in May and one in July - may we bear witness to God's amazing grace and promise as He continues to bless these families, "He will gently lead the nursing ewes" (Isaiah 40:11)
- Praise and prayer for the dedicated hearts and minds of ALL our volunteers, theirs are the hands and feet of Christ - may our heavenly Father meet their needs
- Praise and prayer for three new clients seeking services for unplanned pregnancies through the ministry of Care Net Pregnancy Resources - may the love of Christ and the grace of God be magnified - as we share with our clients that "children are a gift of the Lord" (Psalm 127:3)
- Praise and prayer for three new clients in our Post-Abortion Bible Study and for one who is nearing completion - may they know Truth, that "where sin increased, grace abounded all the more" (Romans 5:20)
- Pray for fruit through our new Fatherhood Initiative program
- Pray for God's will and hand to be upon all aspects of the upcoming Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet
- Pray for all present, past and future clients, that they "may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge... to the measure of all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:18 & 19)
- Pray for wisdom and courage in the hearts of people that God would raise up "for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14) to join CNPR's ministry on the front lines to carry forth the various programs we offer to our clients as well as to the community

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news, prayer requests, and share your commitment to the pro-life movement with your friends... Like Us on Facebook!

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