

EXECUTIVE NOTES

We Pray She Heals



Today a young woman entered the Pregnancy Help Center with a little different request and story. Five years ago, she visited the Center to determine if she was pregnant. She received a pregnancy test with a "positive" result. This young girl shared that she was very unsure of what she should do. Our staff offered her an ultrasound, to confirm, and to show her the baby living in her womb. She left the Center five years ago with a photo of the baby. We

were encouraging and prayed that she would consider options like adoption, if she herself was not ready or in a situation that could not provide a healthy environment for her to parent her baby.

Today she came into the Center asking if we could provide another ultrasound photo from that initial visit. She had been carrying that photo in her purse and her purse was recently stolen. As she shared the story, she began to cry. This photo that she had carried every day for the past five years was the only image of her baby, the baby, that she had not given life. She aborted her baby, since she had little support to give her baby life five years ago.

Today, she still mourns the loss of this baby and regrets the pressured decision she had made. She shared that her boyfriend at the time and family members had pressured her to abort her baby.

We were able to provide her with another photo of her initial ultrasound. The nurse who assisted her, also gave her the information for our "post abortion counselor." The nurse also suggested she look into Rachel's Vineyard Ministries which offers weekend retreats for any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion. We ask that you keep this young woman in your prayers that she may heal from her past choices and grow to love herself.

— In His Service for Life,

Jane Chavez, Executive Director

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AUXILIARY UPDATE

A Solid Start *By Paula Orlandini, Auxiliary President*

The Auxiliary of the Pregnancy Help Center just wrapped up its first meeting of the year, and we are off with a good running start.

Our membership drive will begin soon so please be on the

lookout for our envelopes asking for your dues. The luncheon ladies, C.C. Ramos and Barbara Schnieders, announced that this year's luncheon will be again held at the San Gabriel Country Club on February 8, 2016. Loyola

Vital Statistics

July–September 2015

Total visits	277
New Clients	76
Ultrasounds	36
Pregnancy tests	74
TURN AROUNDS*	35
Annex visitors	90
Parenting class attendees	27

*A Turn Around is a Center client who originally says that she needs an abortion or is being influenced by friends and family to have an abortion, but after counseling and services provided by the Center staff, decides that she now chooses LIFE for her baby.

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Marymount University professor Christopher Kaczor will be our speaker and he will discuss the political landscape in 2016, a very timely talk since it will be an election year.

Our Mother's Day benefit was a success this year; thank you for all your generous support. The Auxil-