

Life Net

Sharing the Life that gives life!

CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER

From the Heart of the Director

As I was pondering what to write for the first newsletter of the year, the word “new” kept coming to my mind as if it was etched in bold letters. When I began to jot down some thoughts and ideas about “new” things, I was drawn to reflect on how much “new” is revealed in Scripture: a *new* song, a *new* heart, a *new* covenant, a *new* life, a *new* commandment, a *new* testament, a *new* man, a *new* nature, a *new* name, all things *new*, a *new* heavens and a *new* earth. It became apparent that our Lord is a God of the “*new*” and our walk with Christ should be active and in a state of constant renewal: “to be **renewed** in the spirit of your minds” (Eph 4:23) and “our inner self is being **renewed** day by day.” (2 Cor. 4:16) We serve and worship a God of *new* beginnings for the Lord of all creation is “making all things *new*.” (Rev. 21:5)

Tammy Weimer, our Client Services Manager, shared with me one of these *new* beginnings stories that happened with her client in the Center last week. Tammy writes:

Aimee (not her real name) arrived for her first parenting class with a sweet smile on her face. We had talked and prayed over the phone several times and there was a special bond between us. I began to share with her how I had come to serve at Crossroads and how my heart longs to introduce people to Jesus because I love Him so much and all that He’s done for me. Aimee smiled, knowingly, because she gathered that much from our conversations over the phone. That’s when I asked her, “Who is Jesus to you, Aimee?” Aimee told me how she loved God and knew He loved her, but she just wasn’t committed enough nor was she growing in her relationship with Him. She said she needed to do better and go to church. Yet, Aimee never answered the question “Who is Jesus to you?”

I asked Aimee a few more questions, then had her read a few scriptures aloud. After each scripture she read, I asked, “what does that say to you?” She answered each correctly affirming that the Holy Spirit was at work in her heart. The last question I asked her was, “Are you ready to invite Jesus into your heart and life?” And Aimee enthusiastically answered, “YES!”

After Aimee left, we rejoiced and thanked God for drawing Aimee to Himself, for illuminating her heart with the truth of the Gospel, and for allowing us to be witnesses of His saving grace in her life. ***“Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.” 2 Cor. 3:6-7***

When I think about the mission of Crossroads, I can see how many **new** things the Lord is doing at the Center: Bringing us *new* clients, providing *new* resources, building *new* relationships, weaving *new* life in the womb, saving *new* lives, and opening doors for *new* opportunities to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. What a glorious way to start the *new* year! *One heart at a time...one life at a time.* To God be all the glory!

Kathryn Enloe, Director

Prayer Requests ~ Thank you for praying with us!

- ◆ *Kathy & Pat Mundy ...ongoing prayers for Kathy! (James 5:14)*
- ◆ *The Supreme Court of the United States in “NIFLA, et al., vs. Becerra” (Prov. 21:1) UPDATE: Oral arguments begin March 20, 2018!*
- ◆ *Our staff, volunteers, clients, and Board of Directors (Gal. 6:9)*

A special **CONGRATULATIONS** to **JP Prichard**, the *new* **Executive Director** of **Tulare/Kings Right to Life!** Thank you for the time you served mentoring men at the Center. We wish you Godspeed in your new position!



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Center Life: New in the news...

Mom Store Help Needed: Because there is great use of the Mom's Store, we need more hands to keep it stocked. If you have an hour a week and willing heart and hands, we need you! Thank you **Jennifer Borba, Charlotte Martin, Alicia Peevy, Ella Schales, Diane Spoelstra, and Jessica Valenzuela** for blessing the Center with blankets, books, clothing and toys. God bless you all for giving to this ministry.

Lobby remodeling plans are in the works that will consist of a new reception counter and a security door. Stay tuned for more updates!

Surrendering the Secret: If you are one of the many women who have had an abortion and believe that your decision has had a negative impact on your life, be encouraged! There is help and healing available. A group is forming for *Surrendering the Secret*, a beautiful 8-week Bible study for Christian women to begin or continue healing the brokenness that so often accompanies abortion. Each woman learns of tearing down the roadblock of anger, of forgiveness, of dealing with grief, and finding restoration and true peace in Jesus Christ. If you or anyone you know would benefit from this study, a new class will begin in March—completely confidential and offered at no cost. Please call us at the Center at 583-1900 or Liz at 816-3368. Email: lizwagner93245@gmail.com.

Thank You St. Rose-McCarthy School for gifting Crossroads with **87 baby bottles** filled with coins (totaling over \$2,000.00!) as part of their Advent Project. Thank you students & faculty for your ongoing support to the Center!

**Crossroads 2018
Prayer Calendar**

Sunday Give thanks for all the Lord has done and continues to do —souls and babies saved!

Monday Pray God would grant the CPC Board and staff wisdom in discerning God's will for the ministry; pray also for strength & health.

Tuesday That God would increase our volunteer staff, adding faithful Christians called to love and serve Him & our clients; and for wisdom in implementing a Men's Ministry for our young dads.

Wednesday Pray for wisdom as our Parenting Mentors often deal with difficult issues and that the hearts of clients would be opened to biblical truth.

Thursday That He will lead more abortion vulnerable clients to the Center, and that He would bring women hurting from past abortions to seek help and healing.

Friday Give thanks for our volunteer family & pray for good health, wisdom, discernment & joy in their service.

Saturday For increased opportunities to share our mission with local churches & agencies. For the way to be opened to share truth with young people in our public schools.

