

SANCTITY OF
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Life Net

Sharing the Life, that gives life!

CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER

January 2012

From the Director

Researching for a presentation this week, I read the following from *U.S. Abortion Statistics*, last updated on November 15, 2011. "California, Maryland, and New Hampshire did not provide abortion reports to the federal government (In 2007). Since California has not complied with CDC requests for abortion data in many years, and since California accounts for more abortions than any other state in the U.S., CDC totals are routinely incomplete." (i.e., the numbers are much higher.)

A fairly recent medical advisory announced that heart disease is the number one cause of death in the United States, taking 616,067 lives in 2007. As pro-lifers, we know that this report is wrong. Abortion is the number one cause of death, taking an estimated 1.21 million unborn lives in 2008.

I was a young child when W.W.II ended, and growing up I learned about the war. The holocaust was the hardest thing to believe. How could human beings do that to other human beings? I asked myself. Any look into the thinking of the Nazis, blinded by Adolph Hitler, reveals that they sincerely believed they were doing themselves and the whole world a favor. It was eugenics on steroids.

We have a holocaust today, it is called abortion. You and I call it taking the life of an unborn human baby. It is hard to believe that it has gone on for 39 years. We must assume that those who are pro-choice sincerely think they are doing the world a favor.

Legalizing abortion has changed the landscape of our culture. When the Supreme Court said it couldn't be known when life begins and OK'd taking the life of unborn babies, child abuse increased over 600% in 1996 (US Dept of Health & Human Services). Today violence and pornography proliferates, single parenting flourishes, STDs abound, divorce escalates, and the list goes on. I think it's accurate to say that the standard for moral living as the majority of Americans once knew it, is unknown today.

But does it do any good to wring our hands and lament how far we have fallen? No! We are Christians.

The author of Hebrews exhorts us to...

"Consider Him (Jesus) who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls" (12:3-4).

In addition, Peter gives us wonderful encouragement:

*"as His divine power has given to us
all things that pertain to life and godliness,
through the knowledge of Him who called us
by glory and virtue" (2 Peter 1:3).*

In 2012, let's be in prayer, seeking the Lord, waiting on Him, growing in the knowledge of Him, serving where He's called, loving even our enemies.

Isaiah said to the Lord

*"You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You,
because he trusts in You." (Isaiah 26:3).*

Trust is the key and He is absolutely trustworthy!

Maranatha, Diane Clark

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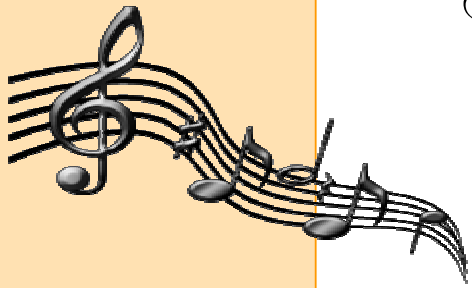
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Hanford First Christian Reformed Church

1912–2012

Centennial Celebration Concert

**Sunday, February 26, 2012
3 p.m.**

Piano & Organ Music Presented by
Mrs. Lanelle McCarty
&
Ms. Denise Postma

A freewill offering will be taken for Crossroads Pregnancy Center

All are Welcome ☞ Refreshments following Concert

First Christian Reformed Church ☞ 2175 Leoni Dr, Hanford
please call for more info 582-4423

Love Being A Mom?

**If...
you have a
heart for young
women in need
of friendship &
encouragement,
you are
welcome to
apply!**

Currently we have 7 clients taking one-on-one parenting classes with their client advocates, whom we lovingly refer to as Mentor Moms. Yet there is a list of 5 girls waiting for a Mentor Mom to lead and encourage them through their pregnancies and the early months of caring for a newborn. Many clients come to know Christ and begin to grow in a relationship with Him through Bible Study with their counselor. Mentoring is a sweet time of encouragement and investment in a young woman's life, often reaching boyfriends and other family members.

If you have raised a family or are in the middle of raising children, you love the Lord and have a heart for young women in need of friendship and encouragement, you are welcome to apply!

We

For 39 years, since the legalization of abortion in 1973, there have been approximately **50 million abortions** performed in the United States.

Roe v. Wade 1973—2012

Not a solution then...Still a tragedy today

Please join Tulare-Kings Right to Life on Friday, January 22nd at 6 pm for the

15th Annual Roe v. Wade Memorial Observance

**Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church
750 East Grangeville Blvd., Hanford**

to seek together God's forgiveness, healing, and direction.

Along with worship and a time of prayer, we will hear from several speakers sharing how abortion decisions have affected their lives and the lives of those around them.

REMEMBER...

And mourn the over 51 million unborn American babies lost; America deprived of them and their descendents

REMEMBER...

Mothers, fathers, grandparents, aunts & uncles left behind, many suffering silently due to this choice

REMEMBER...

The truth about unborn life—a continuum from fertilization until old age

REMEMBER...

The Bible agrees: "Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When [as yet there were] none of them." Ps. 139:16

REMEMBER...

To pray for, and love our enemies in the abortion industry



Crossroads 2012 Prayer Calendar

Sunday

Give thanks for all the Lord has done and continues to do after 27 years of ministry at Crossroads—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 this year God would increase our volunteer staff, adding faithful Christians called to love and serve Him & our clients; and for the volunteer training

Wednesday

That He will lead more abortion vulnerable clients to the Center, and for the hearts of clients who are involved in the Parenting Program to be opened to biblical truth

Thursday

For His protection over pregnancy center ministries which are currently under threat

Friday

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

Saturday

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We would like to hear from you.

Please fill out the form below regarding any specific interest or need you have.

I am interested in volunteering.

I am most interested in:

- Helpline counseling in my home.
- Working with clients at the Center.
- Providing support services (clerical, housekeeping, Mom Store).
- Opening my home to a woman in need.
- Committing myself to praying on a regular basis for individual clients.
- As the Lord provides, I would like to pledge \$_____ per month.
- I would like to donate \$_____ at this time.
- Please add my friend to your mailing list.
- So that we can be good stewards, if you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please check here.

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