



Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center

Life Line



Spring 2010

Up Coming Events

Volunteer Training

Consists of 5 Friday sessions starting April 9 12:30-4:30pm
20 hours are required for serving clients at BWPCC.

Cost of the manual: \$30

14th Annual Walk for Life Sat. Sept. 11, 2010



ultrasound - 14 week baby heart beating at 21 days!
82% of women who see their baby on ultrasound choose life for their baby!

Look inside to find out ways to donate to BWPCC without spending more money!

You are part of a true mission field, providing real assistance, timeless truths of life and the hope of the gospel message. We could not do this without faithful support from friends like you.

One Look and Two Lives Saved

A Glimpse of BWPCC on the Front Lines of Helping Women Facing Crisis Pregnancy

A Client's Fictional Narrative (based on true events)

I remember waking up thinking that I just couldn't face another day without knowing what I should do. I can't have a baby - I can't be a mom! I looked in the phone book and dialed the first number I saw under abortion alternatives - it was BWPCC. A lady answered and said I should come in and talk with someone because good decisions take time and that if I'm pregnant, my life has already changed. She managed to calm me down and I agreed to come in, because they offered me a free pregnancy test and ultrasound.

When I came in, I was visibly upset, but they were calm and welcoming. They gave me a bottle of water and I chose a room to sit and talk in. A lady (called a client advocate) sat and talked with me and started asking me very personal questions; but I knew I was there for a very personal reason, so I opened up pretty quickly. She started to ask me about the baby that may be inside me and how I felt about abortion. Since I had already had an abortion once before, I started to break down and feelings that I had suppressed for so long started to emerge. I believed at the time, it was best that I have an abortion, because I wasn't ready to parent, I was only 17 and I didn't want to be one of those "teen moms" that everyone points at and warns their daughters never to become. As she began to share Christ with me and explain to me how abortion doesn't just hurt a baby, it hurts me; I felt my heart begin to soften and yet my fear was still there. She was so gentle and loving, and yet I still wasn't convinced that carrying this baby was the best thing for me. I had so many plans that a baby just wouldn't fit into.

After talking to her for awhile, she took me down the hall and a nurse did a pregnancy test for me. The advocate walked me back to the room where she gave me my results. POSITIVE! I was pregnant - now there was no more wondering what I should do or might do - I had to make a decision. Could I endure another abortion? I just admitted to a stranger that I still have nightmares about my first abortion and yet I have always told myself that I made the right decision (after all it's legal, so it can't be wrong), but then I started to wonder if the emotional struggles that I had been facing were because I was lied to and that maybe the abortion *was* wrong!

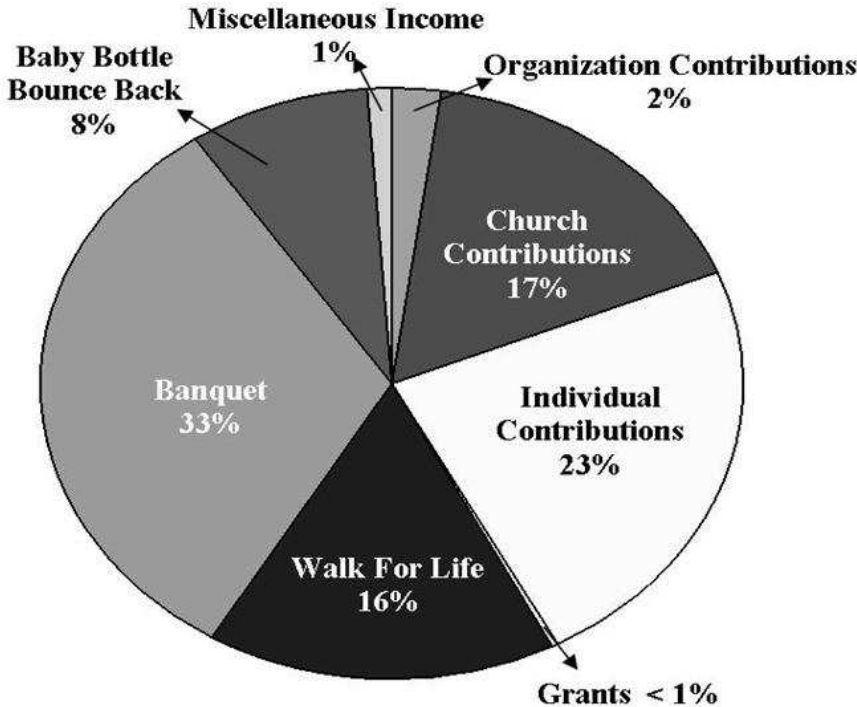
I agreed to an ultrasound and came back 1 week later. The nurse showed me my baby for the first time. Wow! I knew there was a baby, but I couldn't believe how active it was already! She explained to me how the baby's heart beat had already begun well before I even knew I was pregnant. She talked to me about how Jesus loves me and spoke to me about God's love in sending His son to die for me, just like the advocate that had talked to me a week earlier. After seeing the miracle of my baby and listening to the ladies share with me about God - I accepted Christ as my savior and decided to carry my baby.

The center has walked alongside me throughout this entire change in my life by offering me pre-natal classes, parenting classes and Bible study where I was able to earn baby bucks and buy things for my baby in the Baby Boutique. My boyfriend came to the center and talked with a male advocate; he's wanting to be a good father. The center has shown me the love of Christ and through that I have been able to see that although this isn't what I planned for my life - God loves me and will use my situation to glorify Him. And of course, the center has stopped me from making the biggest mistake of my life - aborting my baby!! I can't imagine living my life without my little girl!! I thank God for the Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center!!

2009 Annual Report

A Snapshot of our Financial Status

2009 Income



2009 Expenses



Call or email us for a complete report.
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Did you know...

A recent study revealed that teens with a high level of exposure to TV shows with sexual content are twice as likely to get pregnant or impregnate someone as those who saw fewer programs of this kind over a period of three years?

Ways to give, without spending more.

What a huge difference you make to tiny babies!



Your shopping dollars could support BWPC at no cost to you. For each purchase you make at Meijer with cash or debit card, BWPC earns 0.5% of your total purchase, or, if you pay with a Meijer Credit Card, 1% of your purchase is donated. Apply online at www.meijer.com/rewards or call us for a mail-in application. If you already support another ministry, just add us as a 2nd. It's super simple-we received \$103.79 in 2009.



Family Christian Bookstore (FCB) Ministry Stickers.

Ask for them with your purchases.

For every \$5 you spend, you get 1 sticker. Send them to us and when we receive 20 stickers (it adds up fast!), we get \$5 towards any purchase. We've already used \$100 from our rewards to buy DVD's for client education.



Giving while Googling or Shopping

Do you ever find yourself aimlessly searching the internet, just because you have nothing else to do. Well, next time, go to: www.goodsearch.com. Good Search is an online search engine that allows you to give to a charity while you search or shop. For each search you perform, or store you visit through good search, select Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center as your local charity, and Good Search will donate 1 cent per search or purchase straight to us. It's easy, it's free, and you're already searching and shopping at leading stores.

Statistics

2009 2008

Total Clients	731	504
Preg. Tests	477	336
Client Visits	1757	814
Spiritual Disc.	406	337
Bibles Given	187	201
Ultrasounds	145	75

Churches Supporting BWPCC This Past Year

- Algonac Church of Christ
- Blessed Hope Church
- Calvary Chapel, Oakland Cty
- Colonial Woods Missionary
- Columbus Baptist
- Columbus Bible Cornerstone
- Countryside Christian
- Cross Current
- Crossroads Community
- Croswell Wesleyan
- Faith Evangelical Lutheran
- Fellowship Baptist
- First Baptist of Goodells
- First Baptist of Marysville
- Griswold Street Baptist
- Hillside Wesleyan
- Holy Trinity Parish
- Life in Christ
- Marysville Assembly of God
- Northgate Bible
- North Lakeport Wesleyan
- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- Riverside Tabernacle Church of God
- Ross Bible
- St. Edwards on the Lake
- St. Mary's Catholic Church
- St. Peter's Lutheran
- Trinity Missionary

Staff

- Jennifer Rose, Executive Director
- Gena Voit, Executive Assistant
- Karen Seppo, Ultrasound Technician
- Roseanne Zimmerman, RN
- Aaron Clark, MD, Medical Director

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Reverend Phil Whetstone

- Senior Pastor, Colonial Woods Missionary Church

13th Annual Fundraising Banquet

Pastor Luke J. Robinson

We are very indebted to our main underwriters:

- Columbus Bible Church
- Colonial Woods Missionary
- Trinity Missionary Church

Our heartfelt thanks goes to our event sponsors:

- Chuck & Judy Weisner
- Eye Care Center of Port Huron
- Lee and Marilyn Vander Esch
- Leverenz Family Chiropractic
- St. Clair Eye, LLC
- Tashmoo Marina
- Thomas Z. Harvey, CPA

Our sincere thanks goes to our business sponsors:

- All Needs Accounting & Investments
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- Boden Laboratory Company
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- Crescent Corporation
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- Robert Cushman, DDS
- Tammy Cliff
- Todd Courser
- Trinity Missionary Church
- Wayne & Carol Decker

Great thanks also goes to our table hosts who prayerfully considered whom to invite, and the many volunteers who made the banquet possible.

We raised approximately \$37,000 (22% of our 162,814 budget) and had about 480 guests.

The Power of Words

Talking Positively About Adoption

Our Words reflect our values. They wound or heal, alienate or educate.

The words we use reveal as much about us and our values as they do about the situations we are trying to describe. Our views, experiences, biases, and assumptions are intrinsically woven into the words we use to communicate every day.

The subtle nuances between the words we choose and those we do not can elicit profoundly different responses from the listener because the listener hears through the filter of his or her own experience and emotion.

So it is with adoption. The language of adoption is full of expressions we have "always heard" and all too often use. These expressions shape the perceptions of both the people who use them *and* the people who hear them. They convey our values and biases, and they can encourage or hinder communication.

A simple choice of words can reveal our views and communicate a great deal to a listener. We encourage everyone to use language that accurately and positively reflects the reality of adoption.

Rather than....

- Giving away
- Keep a child
- Real parent(s)
- Unwed mother
- Unwanted pregnancy

We suggest....

- Make adoption plan
- Parent a child
- Birthparent
- Single parent
- Unplanned, untimely

Giving Ministry

Every dollar we receive is valuable and put directly towards furthering the work of our center.

- \$ 35/month for 12 months can SPONSOR 1 DAY OF OPERATIONS
- \$100 can purchase 50 BIBLES (200 given to clients each year)
- \$200 can purchase enough materials for 6 MONTHS OF PARENTING CLASSES.
- \$400 can purchase 1 ULTRASOUND. (200 ultrasounds needed per year on average)
- \$600 can fill a 1 YEAR SUPPLY of 500 PREGNANCY TESTS
- \$1000 can cover the costs for all the ABSTINENCE AND EDUCATIONAL BROCHURES for 1 FULL YEAR.

BWPCC is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. All gifts are tax deductible. Return envelope is provided.

Payment:

- My check is enclosed made payable to BWPCC
- Please charge my Visa/MC/Discover # _____ exp. _____
- Please contact me to pay my pledge by automatic bank transfer or credit card
- My company will match my gift.

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Day Phone #: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Thank you for your donation.

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*Working together to save lives, strengthen families,
and glorify God*

Want to be a missionary, without having to travel?

The Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center is looking for both male and female volunteers to help keep our center running. Men to meet with the guys, women to meet with the gals, and **nurses** (LPNs, RNs) to work with our free ultrasound services. (810) 985-4673



Are You Pro-Choice?

Pro-Lifers have a lot in common with Pro-Choicers

1. Do you support abortion after viability of the preborn baby (approx. 22 wks)?
2. Do you believe women should get an abortion without knowledge of medical information and possible physical and emotional complications?
3. Do you believe minors should be able to get an abortion without parents consent if there is an exception process for special circumstances?
4. Do you support abortion to control the gender of the baby?
5. Do you support abortion as a means of birth control?
6. Do you support abortion because the mom doesn't have financial support to raise the baby?
7. Do you believe women should be able to get an abortion without first being offered an opportunity to see their preborn child on a free ultrasound?
8. Do you believe doctors, pharmacists, nurses and other medical staff should *have* to perform abortions against their conscience?

If you said NO to all of the above, you are 90% PRO – LIFE!

Many people support BWPCC regardless of their views on abortion because they know we provide care primarily for women, regardless of their decision in the outcome of their pregnancy. We help new parents develop stronger parenting skills and help them with material items for their new baby. It's not a decision to take lightly; a pregnancy changes lives forever regardless of the outcome.

Clients are educated about all options - abortion, parenting, and making an adoption plan because abortion is a blind surgical procedure with many physical risks. There are also possible consequences negatively affecting future pregnancy and the health of the woman as well as emotional side effects including depression.