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Mission Statement



Pregnancy Resources of Doraville, Inc.

is a Christian pro-life ministry created to empower women and their families at the time of an unplanned pregnancy to make positive and healthy choices related to sexuality and child bearing which are consistent with a reverence and respect for human life.

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"Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish."

Matt. 18:14

a member of



Things have really been in overdrive here for the past several weeks! PROD staff and volunteers have had the opportunities to go to 2 health fairs at local high schools; provide 6 weeks of classes on sexual purity to middle school girls; teach classes on parenting to high school girls expecting their first child; and attend a national pregnancy center conference. WHEW!

Linda Smarr and **Mary Alice Hedden** have done superb jobs representing PROD at the high school health fairs. The health fairs were each sponsored and hosted by Communities in Schools - Atlanta. Students had many questions and received much information related to those questions.



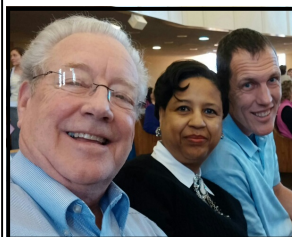
Mary Alice helping students



Linda converses with a student



The National Pregnancy Center Conference was held in Columbus, GA and 3 of our board members, Ron Hayes, Gretchen Gipson, and Chris Millen, plus Deborah were in attendance. We were treated to the hospitality of Edgewood Baptist Church and the spiritual refreshment of speakers and music. Each pregnancy center is recognized at the opening of the conference and presented with a plaque. We came home with new friends from other pregnancy help centers across our country [Alaska even had a center represented] as well as renewing old friendships from past events.

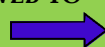


Ron, Gretchen, & Chris

In His Service, *Deborah*



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AND SHOPPING ON THE WEB TO
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PRAISES, PRAYERS & A WISH LIST

PRAISES

- For successful health fairs at two local high schools
- For **Mary Alice Hedden & Linda Smarr** who gave extra time to go to the health fairs and answer student questions
- For **Amy Beth Durham** printing extra brochures to use at the school health fairs.
- For travel mercies and encouragement from the Savior Himself for those of our board and staff attending the conference in Columbus, GA
- To **Lilburn Oaks Baptist Church & Sherry Bennett** for the devotional guides for our moms
- For the members of the 2015 Board of Influence: **Amy Beth Durham, Michael Vallone, Maggie Dixon, Kemper & Melissa Smalley, Zanese Duncan, and Sherry Bennett.**



PRAYER NEEDS

- Continue to pray for a Pregnancy Center Director from Ukraine - for her safety in these unsettled times in her country.
- Pray for the recent birth of a baby born to one of our clients at 28 weeks.
- Pray for the sexual purity classes being taught to middle school girls.
- Pray for a successful Change For Life event at Dunwoody Baptist Church

WISH LIST

- An audio-visual cart with castors to use with a 42" TV and DVD / VHS player which were donated recently
- Godly men and women to serve our clients as mentors

PARTNERSHIP SALUTE!

We appreciate our partners in ministry for the extra encouragement and practical help they provide PRODD. In particular there are two partners that have been busy on our behalf recently that we would like to recognize.

With all the health fairs and student education classes PRODD has done over the past few months, we could not have had the pamphlets and brochures to use without the assistance of **INSPIRITY** and **Amy Beth Durham** doing the printing and folding of these things. **SALUTE!**

Another partner busy for PRODD has been **Dunwoody Baptist Church** and their Missions Department. Led by **Rev. Jeff Reams** and organized by **Ms. Beth Taly**, DBC hosted a Missions Fair recently that allowed their congregation to learn of PRODD and other ministries. Hopefully this connection can result in the addition of new volunteers at PRODD. **SALUTE!**

PONDER THIS!

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Abortion provider to colleagues: *Don't let women see the sonogram!* Do you wonder why?

According to Dr. Sally Faith Dorfman, who worked at Einstein Medical College: "A compassionate and sensitive sonographer should remember to turn the screen away from the plane of view [of the woman having an abortion]. Staff, too, may find themselves increasingly disturbed by the repeated visual impact of an aspect of their work that they need to partially deny in order to continue to function optimally and to concentrate on the needs of the women who come to them for help."

Yes, by their own admission, the repeated viewing of an active unborn child can have an impact on both the mother [potential abortion candidate], the sonographers, and other health care workers.

Why is the sight of an unborn baby on a sonogram so disturbing? Could it be that the reality of the humanity of the unborn becomes apparent and undeniable. Maybe in the mind of person who has been taught at some point the Ten Commandments the recall of "Thou shalt not kill," is remembered and begins to fill their mind.

Something to ponder!



Tags purchased by Georgia residents benefit PRODD. Ask about them at your local tag office. Do you have yours yet?

THROUGH OUR DOORS

"She came back!" could be heard around the office. This young woman had been so hard to reach when first she came for her *Earn While You Learn* classes.

She had come to this country from Africa with no support system in the US. The baby's father remained in their home country with the hopes that she would give birth to his child and return. That so far has not happened. She became so attached to her client mentor that return was not possible. Besides, she had a new baby, was hired to work in a job that allowed her to care for her child at the office and the infant items and information she was getting helped ease her fears for the future.

With her busy schedule we were not sure she could find the time to return for any Life Skill lessons. To our amazement her employer insisted she come back!

Her employer could see the change in her attitude from when he first hired her and the value of the new concepts she was learning. He wanted her to encourage others she knew in a similar situation who worked at the same place to take advantage of the practical assistance and parenting concepts she was learning. We were thrilled to have her back!