

# Pregnancy Resource Center *of Athens County*



## COMPASSION

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### *You Did It! Baby Bottle Campaign 2005 is a Success!*

Thanks to your sacrifice and support, our second annual Baby Bottle Campaign is an outstanding success. We exceeded our goal of \$8000, with a grand total collected of nearly **\$8800**.

It is only through your ongoing support that we are able to offer free services to women and their families in a time of crisis.

Through the grace of almighty God, and because of your generosity, the Pregnancy Resource Center will continue to serve Athens and surrounding counties for many years to come!

#### **Participating Area Churches**

Albany Baptist Church	\$1,163.90	Albany UMC	\$102.73
Athens Church of Christ	\$194.44	Bethel Worship Center	\$636.67
Chesterhill UMC	\$86.78	Christ Community Wesleyan	\$1650.75
Church of Christ, Glouster	\$191.30	First Baptist Church, Athens	\$648.42
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pomeroy	\$379.16	Saint Paul Catholic Church	\$2,330.00
Saint Sylvester Catholic Church, Zaleski	\$478.15	Vanderhoof Baptist	\$186.57
Grace Christian	\$97.00	New Life Assembly of God	\$388.95
Nelsonville UMC	\$205.25	Richland Avenue UMC	\$53.77

**Grand Total: \$8,793.84**

\*\* Bottles are reused every year, so please return unused bottles to the PRC or to your church secretary.

## **Earn While You Learn**

The PRC is excited to introduce a new parenting/incentive program, **Earn While You Learn (EWYL)**, that teaches responsibility and discipline, while giving the client the opportunity to receive the education they desire.

Crucial subjects for expectant mothers and young parents are covered in personalized 30-minute sessions. Each session includes a video and homework assignment. The client is able to earn approximately three baby bucks per session, the equivalent of 15 real dollars. The Baby Bucks are then redeemed for items in the PRC Store.

To learn more about this program, please con-



### **A Special Thank You to...!**

- The St. Vincent de Paul Society for donating toward the purchase of the Earn While You Learn program.
- The Ohio University Credit Union for counting our coins from the Baby Bottle Campaign free of charge.
- Christ Community Wesleyan Church for the continued use of their copy machine.
- Those who sent donations for the advertisement in the upcoming 2005-2006 Ohio University Fall Sport Calendar which is distributed to all OU students. Your generosity helps us to reach those who are the most abortion-vulnerable with a message of life and love!
- Albany Baptist Church for color copying the Earn While You Learn Brochure.
- The Council of Catholic Women and Catholic Ladies of Columbia for their monetary and store donations.



## 2005 Baby Bottle Honorees



<i>In Honor Of:</i>	<i>Honored By:</i>	<i>In Honor Of:</i>	<i>Honored By:</i>
Helen Ashcraft	Joy Burdette	Tamala Lindner	Curtis Lindner
Julia Allen	Judy Maxson	Jennifer Martin	Ann Miller
Judy Maxson	Mindy Maxson	Isaac Martin	Ann Miller
Mindy Maxson	Chris Allwine	Abby Agranoff	Barbara Agranoff
Fran Will	Christine Calvin	Blaine's Mother	John & Blaine Halley
Hazel Schultz	Maureen Morgan	Kim Montle	Kurt & Teresa Montle
Mary Ludway	Frank Morgan	Gloria McCoy	Art Trese Family
Gildy Smith	Michael Smith	Margaret Royko Glavinic	Anne Chonko
Jamie Guess	Chuck Spencer	Sarah Harmon	Sandy Sarver
Jamie Guess	Helen Spencer	Janice Simmons	Britt & Tracey Simmons
Jamie Guess	Mary Holman	Tracie Francis	Nancy Schul
Joy Burdette	Jane Williams	Audra Stuart	Tracey Simmons
Lisa Averion	Susie Stewart	Jackie Marcum	Rosemary Fink
Aunt Audrey Mulholland	Mischelle Beeler and the girls at Dr. Lavelle's Office	Ruth Rhyan	Rob Rhyan
Elizabeth Rader	Jerome M. Rader Jr.	Kay Rhyan	Lucas Rhyan
Kathryn L. Hatem, mother of 13	Thomas J. Hatem, Sr.	Ruby Chapman	Sid, Shaun, Alicia, Lisa, Shaniah, & Dana Smith
Jill Frash	Kelly Hodge	Susie Crowder	Ryan & Erica Crowder
Stephanie Breeze	Caitlyn Breeze	Patty Arrick	Krista Dunham
Susie Conner	Vicki McLaughlin	Virginia Howard	Esther Wright
Joyce Smith	Judy Graf	Betty Hayhurst	Rebecca A. Hill
In thanks for our son	Judy Graf	Peg Zerkle	Sam Zerkle
All babies	Jim and Pat Moore	Laura Haggard	Katie Watson
Mary M. Marcinko	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Marcinko	Sue McCleese	Joe McCleese
Winifred Marcinko	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Marcinko	Kathie Noble	Patty & Steve Burchett
Hazel Burton	Fay Burton	Mrs. Patsy Jones	Jeff & Kathy McKinney
Frances Reiber	Mischelle Beeler	Mrs. Ruth McKinney	Jeff & Kathy McKinney
Bernadette Anderson	Steve & Barbara Musser	Becky Myers	Paulette Bracken
Patricia Lynn Hay	Kerri Cunningham	Gloria Caldwell	Marc Macenko
Cynthia Law	Rob & Mary Thomas	Brandy Collins	David & Eleanor Hawk
Jeannine Thomas	Rob & Mary Thomas	Pat Moore	Vicki Capretta
Ava Wine	Robbie Householder	Dr. Pastor Francine Childs	Pat Turner
Clara Lawrence	Amy Baker	Pauline Hawkins	Marvella Cummings
Jessica Baker	Ermyl Ballinger	Karen Johnson	Marla Rutter
Melissa McDonald	Dave & Anny Pratt	Nettie Parker	Gerry Rankins
Aimee Pratt	Leah Finney & Sarah Finney	Bernie Baldwin	Carolyn A. Johnson
Julia Finney	Kelly Gorscak	Maureen Morgan	Mary Swintek
Roseann Sedwick	Karen Vedder	Winifred Marcinko	Otto Marcinko
Kristie & Virin Vedder	Priscilla Lytle	Polly Sumney	Linda K. Cox
Marlene Rienhart	Taleece Y. Hunter	Clara Reedy	Elizabeth McDaniel
Helen Barnes	Diane Parry	Mrs. Anne Wilson	Jennifer St. John
Gary Sarver	Amy Shaner	Sylvia E. Driscoll	Robert P. Driscoll
Virgene Shaner	Elizabeth Donnor	Shelia Guthrie	Tammy Goodin
Roberta Donnor	Beth Ash	Marie Garrett	Marsha Wilson
Marjorie Doig	Rosalie G. Sayre	Susan Holbrook	Adam Holbrook
Melissa Jo Workman	Barb Irwin	Lavern Smith	Susan Holbrook
Flora Blackman	Lissa Riley	Donna Wilson	Mike Wilson
Elizabeth Galvin	Cindy Dill	Peggy Holbrook	Lenie Holbrook
Mary Hicks	Cindy Dill	Mrs. Margaret Brown	Linda Pile
Erin Ross	Kris Sigman	Darrell Covert	Dick Covert
Linda Blair		Gary & Kelly Devol	Betty Jane Devol

### From our Baby Bottle Collection Slips.....

"Just please save a child for the Kingdom of God." — Mary Warren

"I'm honoring my sister Margie because at age 20 she put her life on "hold" when our mother died at age 38, leaving a husband and eight children, the youngest 19 months old. Margie deserves a very special thank you and God Bless You for keeping our family together." —Anne Marie Chonko



## 2005 Baby Bottle Memorials



### *In Memory Of:*

Mary Alice Hayes  
 Lena Morgan  
 Ida Digney  
 Alak Witczak  
 Jennie Periat  
 Christine Troiano  
 Linda Spencer  
 Ilene Hudnall  
 Grandma  
 Fadwoh Hatem  
 William Spencer  
 Celsey Frash  
 Dinah Davis  
 Fred Holman  
 Eric Larry Richards  
 Robert S. Marcinko  
 Otto A. Marcinko  
 Gabrielle & Arielle  
 Alma B. Heinz  
 All children that are denied life  
 Dorothy Baker  
 Rex Ballinger  
 Cameron Michael Pratt  
 Alma Furrow  
 Mabel Louise Kuhn  
 Edith Sarver  
 Pastor Joe N. Sayre  
 Bernadine Main  
 My Mother

### *Remembered By:*

Ron and Mary Hayes  
 Frank Morgan  
 Maureen Morgan  
 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Periat  
 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Periat  
 Joseph Troiano  
 Chuck Spencer  
 Gerri Tate  
 Joy Burdette  
 Thomas J. Hatem, Sr.  
 Helen Spencer  
 Kelly Hodge  
 Vicki McLaughlin  
 Mary Holman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Marcinko  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Marcinko  
 Mischelle Beeler  
 Fr. Walter Heinz  
 Marie Johnson  
 Amy Baker  
 Ermyl Ballinger  
 Dave & Anny Pratt  
 Karen Gardner  
 Priscilla Lytle  
 Diane Parry  
 Rosalie G. Sayre  
 Pete & Linda Clark  
 Maxine Harner

### *In Memory Of:*

Ila Belle Hall  
 Zella Blair  
 Mary A. Lenzer  
 Eva Belote  
 Betty Allen  
 Naomi Williams  
 Perie Shreve  
 Our Son Terry  
 Joshua David Colyer  
 Mary Lopes  
 Rosemary Fink  
 Isabelle Hayes  
 Vera Smith  
 Evelyn Romine  
 Baby Myers  
 Barbara Jean Smith Husak  
 Maxine Johnson  
 Ida Digney  
 Wanda K. Maynard  
 Darren Guthrie  
 Ruby Spellman  
 Glen R. Brown  
 Doris Jennings  
 Elizabeth Ohlinger  
 Vernon Covert  
 Job Michael Devol

### *Remembered By:*

Kris Sigman  
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 Scott, Ellen, Joel, Ben,  
 and Jacob Smith  
 Bill Biggs  
 Kay & Larry Williams  
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 Vickie Beaver  
 Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cullum  
 Nancy Schul  
 Mary Katherine Murphy  
 Rosemary Fink  
 Rob Rhyan  
 Sid, Shaun, Alicia, Lisa,  
 Shaniah, & Dana Smith  
 Sid, Shaun, Alicia, Lisa,  
 Shaniah, & Dana Smith  
 Rebecca Myers  
 Pat Turner  
 Carolyn A. Johnson  
 Mary Swintek  
 Linda K. Cox  
 Tammy Goodin  
 Joyce Crabill  
 Linda Pile  
 Mike & Sandy Ohlinger  
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 Dick Covert  
 Betty Jane Devol

### **A TRUE STORY FROM OUR PRC — by Jannie Wick**

I was in the middle of an interview when the receptionist told me that someone was here to discuss their options after having a positive pregnancy test. I walked into the waiting room and was met by the all-American-looking couple — she petite, tan and beautiful, he clean cut, well-built and handsome. Instead of looking like care-free college students they both appeared frightened. I asked if they would like something to drink. They both declined. The looks on their faces said, “Let’s just get this over with”.

We walked into the counseling room and took a seat. I asked how I could help them. She explained that she had taken three home pregnancy tests, all positive and one blood test, also positive. She stated that she didn’t believe in abortion, but this wasn’t a good time to have a baby. I explained that they had three options. He asked what those options were. I said abortion, adoption or parenting. We estimated how far along she was — 6 weeks and 4 days. I showed them a picture of what their baby looked liked at this stage. He seemed surprised to see that the baby already had eyes, hands, feet and that the heart had been beating for the past 25 days. I asked if they knew how abortions were performed; they shook their heads ‘no’. I explained that at this stage her uterus would be dilated with instruments and then the baby would be detached from the uterine wall through suction. I told them that abortion is legal through all stages of pregnancy, so they did not have to feel rushed to make a decision. He asked if there were pills she could take. I told them about RU 486, the abortion pill. She would go to the doctor where she would be given pills and then be sent home to abort on her own. It would be similar to a miscarriage; she would have bad cramping, bleeding and pass the baby in the privacy of her own bathroom. The drugs had to be taken within the first forty nine days of pregnancy; she was at forty seven days. I talked about adoption and how they could give their child life and choose parents who were ready to raise a family. We talked about parenting and how that was a very real possibility for them. I took out two videos for them to watch, one on their three choices and the other a doctor explaining the abortion procedures (nothing graphic). I left the room.

I went into my office and prayed. I collected pamphlets for them — everything from how to tell your parents you are pregnant, to fetal development, adoption and facts on abortion. When I returned to the room he was standing with his back to me, she was on the couch and had been crying. He turned around looking very distressed. I started going through the materials I had for them. He

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took the RU 486 brochure from me and started reading it while I talked with the young lady. She said timidly, "So I can just take a pill and then I would be sent home to pass the baby on my own?" Her boyfriend who had been reading, tossed the pamphlet aside and said "We're having this kid; we're not flushing our baby down a toilet." They held onto to each other, both crying, him apologizing over and over. He embarrassedly said that he never cries "and here I am crying like a baby, I've been so selfish, so mean, I've been telling her all week just take a pill, just have an abortion, I never knew".

*Educating on the truth about abortion is one of the callings placed on pregnancy resource centers. Please pray daily for the ones on the frontlines, that they will be led by the Spirit in every conversation they have with their clients. Pray for those seeking answers to come through our doors. Pray for a Godly director to be called to our ministry.*

I took the young couple into our baby store and presented them with a pair of baby booties as I told them to remember the precious gift God has given them. She hugged me and

### Upcoming events

- **Athens County Fair**—August 5-13, 2005—The Pregnancy Resource Center will have a display booth. Come and visit!
- **2nd Annual Walk for Life** — Sunday, September 18, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. Registration starts at 1:30 p.m. at Christ the King Parish Center, 75 Stewart Street, Athens. Walker packets will be sent to local churches wishing to participate, or you may obtain a packet by calling the PRC. Fabulous prizes will be awarded to those collecting the most pledges. A postcard with further details will be sent in late August!

### March-April-May-June 2005 Stats

- Clients: Walk-in: 35  
Hotline: 17  
Store (EWYL): 6
- Pregnancy Tests Given: 20
- Positive Pregnancy Tests: 2
- Positive-Test Clients Intending to Parent or Adopt: 1
- Positive-Test Clients Undecided: 1
- Positive-Test Clients Intending to Abort: 0

#### Regular Hours:

Monday, Friday 10 a.m.—2 p.m.  
Wednesday 6 p.m.—8 p.m.

#### Summer Hours (until September 3):

Every other Monday and Friday 10 a.m.—2 p.m.  
Every other Wednesday 6 p.m.—8 p.m.

### Adoption Stories Needed

Do you have an interesting adoption story to tell? We're looking for stories from both birth parents and adoptive parents for our Winter 2006 newsletter. Photos are welcome! Stories via email are encouraged (see addresses on page 1).

### DIRECTOR WANTED

The Board of Directors of the Pregnancy Resource Center is searching for a qualified Director to oversee daily operations at the Center, including supervision of office volunteers and client consultants. This is a **PAID** position requiring 20 hours a week. If interested, please send a resume, cover letter, and salary requirements to:

Mr. Larry Kent  
President, Board of Directors  
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### PLEDGE CARD

I would like to invest in the life-saving and life-changing ministries of the PRC!

			Monthly Gift				Immediate Gift			
\$100	\$75	\$50	\$25	other	\$250	\$100	\$50	\$25	other	

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_