

# Special Delivery

## Celebration Dinner 2021



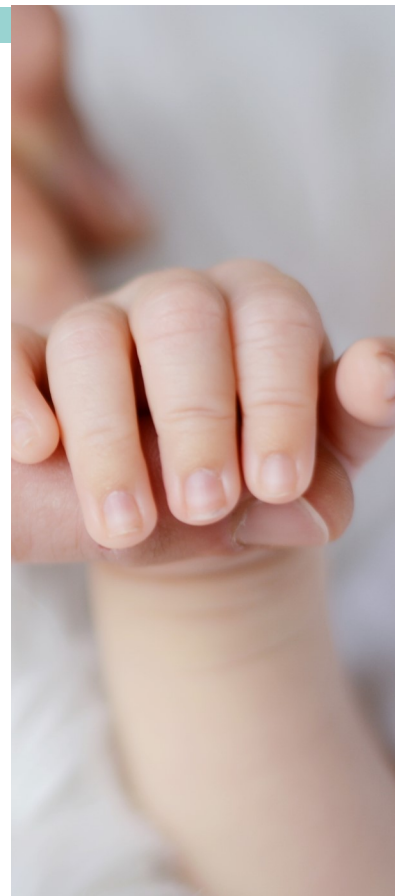
We have so much to celebrate this year and we invite you to join in that celebration with us! God has been so good to PMI in the past, and we look with anticipation towards the future.

You are invited to join us for the annual Celebration Dinner this year, on October 14th. The dinner will be catered by Mrs. Gible's and will take place at Antrim Brethren in Christ Church.

Our speaker this year is Claire Culwell and her story is one that will touch your heart. Claire is an International Pro Life Speaker and author of Survivor: An Abortion Survivor's Surprising Story of Choosing Forgiveness and Finding Redemption. She is a twin abortion survivor. Claire was adopted into a loving family and says that finding out she survived an abortion that was meant to take her life never changed who she knew she was: wanted, chosen and loved.

If you haven't attended a Celebration Dinner in the past, this is an evening to raise essential funds for PMI and to celebrate the lives touched and saved in the last year. We encourage you to attend! There is no cost to reserve your seat, but we do anticipate a full house this year (yay!) so send in your RSVP as soon as possible. Make it a party and bring seven of your friends along to reserve an entire table!

To save your seat, you may mail the reservation form included in this newsletter, go online at [pregnancyministries.org/events](https://pregnancyministries.org/events), or call the Chambersburg center at 717-267-3738. We can't wait to see you there!



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### Save The Dates!

- Celebration Dinner—  
October 14, 2021
- Coming back in 2022:  
Girls Day Out! Stay tuned  
for more details this fall

## In Memory

Gifts were given in memory of:

**Roxanne Hopple**

by Judy Sellers  
Stuart and Tracy Sipes

**John Stock**

by Judy McCormick

**Rene Jones**

by Ron Jones

**Joe Moyer**

by Margaret McKenna  
Anna Cymerman  
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Dean and Joyce Bartle  
Steven and Lisa Taglang  
Laura Horning  
Tracy Zamora  
Thomas Higgs  
Ken and Laurie Shannon  
Deborah Potter  
John and Barbara Casta  
John and Jennifer Jekot

**Brenda Messinger**

by Ron and Barb Sisto

**Arlene Shrader**

by C. Dewayne and Mabel  
Hogue  
Bradley and Lisa Eby  
Susan Besecker

## In Honor

Gifts were given in honor of:

**Sharon Roberts**

by Jeanette Roberts

## 2021 Walk for Life

What an amazing time at both Walks for Life this year! We were able to gather in person on two beautiful days while we walked, and we loved seeing all the children joining in this year. We raised over \$25,000 from our walkers and \$6,500 from business sponsors.

We want to offer a special thank you to the businesses below for supporting PMI and the Walk for Life. We encourage you to thank them as well with your support and business!

TERRY'S A & P SERVICES, HAGERSTOWN  
BLUE MOUNTAIN CAR CARE, NEWBURG  
MADEIRA CHIROPRACTIC,  
CHAMBERSBURG  
LBK TRANSPORT, CHAMBERSBURG  
TIM FISLER, KEYSTONE REALTY,  
CHAMBERSBURG  
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CHAMBERSBURG  
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Cindy Rotz - Greencastle  
Ruth Schuler - Restore

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## Our Connections are Essential

By Maggie Wantz, Chambersburg Administrative Center Director

When Sara\* was between 17 and 19 weeks pregnant, test results indicated a possible anomaly. She shared these results with her Client Advocate and her interaction with her doctor, who on two occasions stated she could terminate her pregnancy. Sara said abortion had never crossed her mind - that she loves her baby and feels the "possible anomaly" is in God's hands. The following week, a newly pregnant woman called, whose doctor suggested terminating the pregnancy. I spoke with her about her circumstances, pregnancy options, and our services. Although she chose not to schedule an appointment at that time, she expressed gratitude for me taking time to speak with her.

We are here for all those like Sara – to walk beside them whatever their circumstances. Pray for us, all of the "Saras", and for doctors who will give life-affirming encouragement to pregnant women in difficult situations.



## Making a Personal Connection

By Cindy Rotz, Greencastle Center Director

Greencastle has been floating along on a smooth sea so far this year. We have seen a few new pregnancies and some old faces return. Our new décor has brought comments of "friendly, relaxed, calm".

One young client has been faithfully working through the *Earn While You Learn* program. She graduated from high school in May where my grandson also graduated. I was excited to see her get her diploma. She was happy that I could see her joyful moment. Over their time with us, we can become friends and someone they can trust. We pray for our clients that they would be open to hearing God calling to them. Thank you for praying for us and keeping our clients & volunteers in your prayers.



## Prayer Makes a Difference

By Robin Kell, Shippensburg Center Director

Kristen\* came in with her boyfriend. For them, having a baby didn't fit into their plans. With permission we viewed our *Before You Decide* app that talks about pregnancy options. They viewed a short video together on how the abortion pill worked and while they did so, I noticed something. As the boyfriend was listening to the doctor's explanation, he would look up at his girlfriend then back down to the video. He did this several times. At the end, they were still considering abortion. After the ultrasound, they still wanted an abortion.

We prayed, and you prayed for her. When she came to the center for a follow-up, we found out that they did **not** follow through with an abortion. They chose life. We rejoice in the Lord for His goodness.



## Open for Business

By Sara Hollinshead,  
Waynesboro Center  
Director



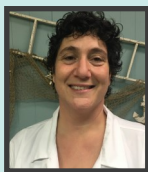
With much joy the Waynesboro Office opened on June 1st and we had our first client that very day! She had been to the WIC Office just up the street. She saw our sign and came to see "what we had to offer." After a positive pregnancy test, she signed up for *Earn While You Learn*. Although not abortion vulnerable, we know we can offer her the love of Christ, education, and material support to help meet the needs of her little one. God has provided the perfect location - for even our sign! We covet your prayers for our clients (four in the first four weeks!) and that God will continue to send us the hearts that need us most. Thank you so much for your support!



Waynesboro Center ribbon  
cutting ceremony on June 24th

## A Faithful God

By Daria  
DeRogatis-Smith, RN



Jehovah Jireh!! Earlier this spring we got word that the physician who reads our ultrasounds would be moving out of the area. That meant we needed to find another physician to read our scans. We worked several avenues in doing this and I trusted that the Lord would provide. However, as time got closer and we still had not confirmed any physicians, I will be honest, I got a little nervous. I sent out an email saying that we may need to postpone any further scans until we had a doctor. Fortunately, that did not need to happen. Dr. Ngozi Uchendu from Holy Spirit Hospital is now reading our scans. We are so thankful for her willingness to serve us in this way. Once again, the Lord has provided!

## Bad Medicine

by Cindy Booher, RN



In April, the FDA lifted safety measures in prescribing the abortion pill. It was part of a drug safety program designed for medications which could cause serious safety concerns. Clinics or physicians who wish to dispense these drugs would have to be certified with the manufacturer, required to explain how to take the drugs and report any and all complications to the FDA. The removal of these guidelines allows some women to obtain abortion pills without seeing a medical professional and some to order from unknown sources off the internet. Each state has its own guidelines. In 2016, the FDA also stopped collecting data from complications of these drugs, only those resulting in maternal deaths. Serious complications could and have occurred. An average of 5-8% of women require emergency room visits for complications. Women need to find out the facts about home chemical abortions before having one.

PMI is a great informational resource about the facts and risks and a SAFE PLACE to consider their options.



## Restored to Truth by Abundant Life

by Ruth Schuler, Abortion Recovery Director



"Who is God? Is He approachable? Can we trust Him with our hurts? Understanding who God is invites us to get close to Him. Knowing who God is encourages us to be like Him, love Him and to respond to Him in obedience, and bring our needs to Him."\*

I have found it the most important part of healing from an abortion past, to understand who God is and how He sees me. Studying the character of God and His attributes happens early in our recovery study. We get a glimpse of who God is throughout Scripture as we see how He interacts with people, especially sinners. We are able to correct misconceptions we have about God, and find truth, which sets us free.

The mission of Restore, Healing after Abortion is to encourage healing and restoration through God's word to those impacted by an abortion decision

*\*Linda Cochrane, Forgiven and Set Free, copy write 1996, Grand Rapids, MI. Baker Books, p.23*

## Celebration Dinner Reservations

Yes! Include me in PMI's Annual Fundraising Dinner on

Thursday, October 14, 2021

Antrim BIC at 24 E. Kauffman Road, Chambersburg.

*Dinner begins promptly at 6:15 pm.*

There will be \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) in my party.

Cost: FREE but reservations are required.

Reserve your seating by mail with this form or online at

[www.pregnancyministries.org/events](http://www.pregnancyministries.org/events)

*Please print clearly:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I cannot attend, but I wish to make a tax-deductible donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ toward your dinner goal.

All seating is reserved.

Reservations available  
for tables of up to 8  
people. Parties wishing  
to sit together should  
submit reservations  
under one name.

**RESERVE EARLY!**

Mail to:

PREGNANCY MINISTRIES, INC.  
DINNER RESERVATIONS  
P. O. Box 941  
CHAMBERSBURG, PA 17201

## Fall Training is Coming!

Training for **Receptionists** and **Client Advocates** will be held this fall. Specific dates are not yet set but will be soon. **Call any center for a volunteer packet** and more information on these positions and positions that do not require the training.

TRAINING



**Training begins  
October 26!**

## "PREGNANT?" Billboards

By Deb MacAskill, Chambersburg Client Services Director

It is our goal to reach as many women as possible with the message that we are here to help them navigate the challenges of pregnancy. We are grateful to the donors who have already given funds to help us spread the word through two new billboards in Franklin County. We especially hope to reach women who may feel abortion is their only option. We can help them to explore all of their options and hopefully help them to see how they can choose life for their unborn child. These billboards also direct newly pregnant moms to our website where they can learn about the many services that we offer. We also pray that we will have the opportunity to share the gospel with them.



### Our Centers

Chambersburg  
338 Lincoln Way E  
Chambersburg, PA 17201  
717-267-3738

Shippensburg  
20 E Burd St, Ste 4  
Shippensburg, PA 17257  
717-532-4446

Greencastle  
14 S Carlisle St  
Greencastle, PA 17225  
717-597-2447

Waynesboro  
245 S Potomac St  
Waynesboro, PA 17268  
717-655-5603



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PMI's mission is to uphold  
the sanctity of human life  
by providing  
Christ-centered assistance  
in pregnancy and related  
areas.



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## Heard the Rumors?

You may have heard recently that Linda Barr, our Executive Director, is planning to retire from her position at the end of 2021. After 31 years of being at the helm, she is feeling it is time to pass the scepter for a new chapter to begin in the life of PMI. The Search/Hiring Committee has put out the word to area churches and our affiliate organizations.

Discussion has ensued around Linda remaining in a supportive position for several months to assist in promoting a smooth transition. We are seeking the Lord's guidance as we look more specifically to the future.

As we move ahead in this search, please pray with us for wisdom and discernment. Pray for the Lord's provision and preparation of the individual who will steer this ministry in the coming years.

Interested individuals can call the Chambersburg Center or email Linda Barr at [lbpmi@pa.net](mailto:lbpmi@pa.net) for more information.

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