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Speaking Louder Than Words

The 74% success rate Alpha has with our prenancy options counseling is impressive; and we give glory to God for the magnificent way he works to save lives through our ministry. Yet, we continue to remember the 50 children dying in our city each day because of abortion. Our volunteer pregnancy options counselors do an excellent job, but we need a way to more effectively reach women who are considering an abortion.

I recently heard Lisa* share her story of unplanned pregnancy. She was so overwhelmed with emotion and fear, that she had a hard time listening to what her pregnancy options counselor was saying. The ultrasound of her child she was able to see spoke to her louder than words. Because she was able to see her child moving, and her baby's heart beating, she chose life!

Today, 50 of God's children in San Francisco will die. These children are not inconsequential, they are people that He created with a purpose and a plan. He carefully knit them together. They are His masterpiece. Please pray with us that God will move on the hearts of his people to give so those children can have a voice, so their mothers can see the life within them, so people just like Lisa will be given a future and a hope.

To be a part of bringing free ultrasounds to women in San Francisco, make a donation at alphapc.org.

*Lisa is a client at a pregnancy center in another city. To hear her story in her own words, visit our blog: alphapcenterbanks.com

Better Than a Baby Shower

"Earlier this week, my mom said she wasn't sure if she was going to keep the baby. We don't have a lot to take care of it, and no one is giving her a baby shower. But after you guys brought all these gifts to our house today, she said this was better than any baby shower could've been, and she's got all she needs now."

A teenage boy that came to the barbecue after the Walk shared this story with one of our volunteers. I imagine his mom might have been feeling kind of desperate last week, but having a group of people show up at her house baring tons of gifts seemed to give her the hope and encouragement she needed to get through this challenging time. I know the walkers that went to her home prayed with her, and we're hoping to continue serving this woman in a way that will keep her hopeful throughout the last five months of her pregnancy. We'll also be there for her as she raises her four children, offering supplies, case management, and education. We hope she'll become one of the many that say they found a family at Alpha Pregnancy Center.

To the Walk for Life Volunteers:

My deepest appreciation for the wonderful feelings and all the blessings impressed by the warm and beautiful souls that came to our home bringing more than material gifts. Your visit brought light and love and such energy that will shine in our memory. Thank you to each and to all. Love always

Rosa and Family

Walk for Life a Success

This is just one of the great stories from this year's Walk for Life. We were blown away by having 140 registered walkers, and by those walkers raising nearly $19,000 in sponsorship!

So many people helped make this our best Walk for Life yet! Thank you to the team leaders who recruited most of the walkers, the corporations* that donated prizes for our walkers, the volunteers who made gifts in advance, those who helped at the barbecue, and Promise Land's School of Ministry for providing volunteers to help the day of the event go smoothly. I am truly aware that this event was successful because of the Lord's mercy. In the past year the truth that He is the one who accomplishes great things has been driven home for me.

Celebrating the Birth of Christ

Through out the entire year, parents stop into the center to see if we give away toys. "Only in December to celebrate the birth of Christ," we respond with a smile. Well, December is here and we're ready to celebrate the most wonderful unplanned pregnancy there ever was!

One of our counseling rooms will be transformed into a free toy store and our clients will be able to get gifts for their children. Each person is shown a video that lets them know we give these gifts as a reminder of the best gift anyone has ever given. We are thankful that Christ gave his life in exchange for ours—and this gift came through an unplanned pregnancy! I can't think of a more amazing message of hope for the families we work with, nor a better reason to be joyous and celebrate.

If you would like to donate toys in excellent condition for families we work with feel free to drop them off at our center Monday-Friday between 1 and 7 pm.

Volunteer Training

Have you been thinking about volunteering at Alpha Pregnancy Center? Come to our volunteer trainings on **January 10th, 11th, or 12th** to learn what's required of our volunteers and figure out if now is the time for you to join our volunteer team.

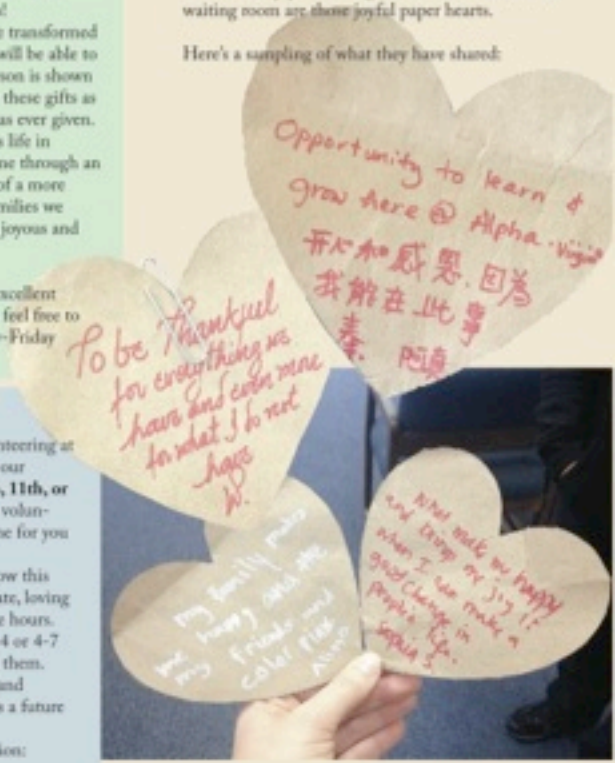
Our volunteer numbers have been low this fall. We are looking for compassionate, loving people to volunteer during our office hours. Volunteers choose to work either 1-4 or 4-7 on a day of the week convenient for them. Please pray about joining our team and serving alongside us to offer families a future and a hope!

Visit our website for more information: alphapc.org

Joyful Hearts

The most exciting part of decorating our office for the holidays is our window of "Joyful Hearts." When clients come into the center, they are given the opportunity to write on a paper heart what makes them joyful. Strung across the window of our waiting room are those joyful paper hearts.

Here's a sampling of what they have shared:



***The corporations that donated for this event include:** Svenhardt's Bakery, In-N-Out, The SF Ballet, Legion of Honor, Asian Museum, DeYoung Museum, SF Moma, Marin Shakespeare Company, SF Aquarium, and Six Flags.*

***Churches that participated in this years Walk for Life include:** Bethel Christian Church, Christian City Church (C3), Dolores Park Church, Faith Bible Church, Golden Gate Christian Church, Great Exchange San Francisco, Hosanna Celebration Center, Mid-Peninsula Vineyard, New Covenant Orthodox Presbyterian Church, New Life Church of the Nazarene, Nuevo Pacto, Pacifica Lighthouse, Promised Land Fellowship, Regeneration, San Francisco Bible Church, San Francisco Lighthouse, San Francisco Missions Outpost, Sausalito Christian Church, Sunset Church, West Portal Lutheran. Celebration Center, Mid-Peninsula Vineyard, New Covenant Orthodox Presbyterian Church, New Life Church of the Nazarene, Nuevo Pacto, Pacifica Lighthouse, Promised Land Fellowship, Regeneration, San Francisco Bible Church, San Francisco Lighthouse, San Francisco Missions Outpost, Sausalito Christian Church, Sunset Church, West Portal Lutheran.*

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