

# WordsofLife

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# Finding Herself at a Crossroads

She was only seventeen. It wasn't supposed to turn out this way. She really cared for him and now she felt alone with a life changing decision to make.

How could she tell her mom? Just the thoughts of her mom's reactions were more than she could process. Could she even tell the father of her baby? He would be as upset as she was with this news.

Turning to her best friend, she confided, "I think I'm pregnant." Her friend told her she should have an abortion. This way she wouldn't have to worry about anyone knowing and she wouldn't have to take care of a baby.

She was at a crossroads...Planned Parenthood or Our Clinic?

She chose our clinic.

A safe and professional atmosphere awaited her. The clinic staff provided her with the information she needed to make an informed choice. She felt welcomed and loved. She was empowered to work her way through this critical crossroads.

She didn't really want to have an abortion. Would her mom be even more disappointed in her if she had an abortion and didn't tell her? Could she forgive herself if she wasn't truthful with her boyfriend about her pregnancy? After all it was his baby too.

After much thought, she decided to tell her mom and her boyfriend. Once they were given the opportunity to process the news, they both wanted her to choose life for their baby. They would do this together.

We look forward to meeting this little one face to face and we rejoice with the opportunity to continue sharing the good news about Jesus Christ with this couple.

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. Gen. 50:20



# From a Director's Heart...



#### Greetings from Agape House,

School's out, it's crazy hot, and summer is upon us! I hope all of you are enjoying these dog days of summer and have found the time for a little rest and relaxation.

We are gearing up for our Walk for Life set for Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. I hope many of you will take advantage of this opportunity to personally be involved in making a difference for life! I would love to see you there. (*See related article.*)



Have you seen any of our billboards? At the Spring Event in April, we received funding designated for this client marketing effort. I am most pleased to share with you that six billboards have been strategically placed to reach the most people in our area who may benefit from our services. The most recent billboard is located on Hwy-45 at Three Way as you are leaving Jackson, TN. This billboard may be seen by those leaving Jackson and traveling home to Obion County, Weakley County, Carroll County and beyond. We are already seeing results from these billboards. To God be the Glory!

One of the hardest things in ministry is letting go of those who labor beside you when they move on to a different post. This month we said good bye to Lynne Lannom as our Educational Team Director. During Lynne's tenure, she revised our abstinence educational program, oversaw the creation of new student workbooks for sixth through ninth grades, and made an impact in the lives of many youth. She did an excellent job and will be missed by many. (*Please see Lynne's letter.*)

Thank you all so much for your faithful support for this ministry. It is an honor to serve along side you in protecting the sanctity of human life.

Yours for LIFE, Linda DeBoard

<sup>&</sup>quot;HE changes the times and seasons..."



# Blessings from Development

Wow! Who's grateful for AIR Conditioning?! Absolutely I am! Our volunteers are simply AMAZING! They have been mowing the grounds and watering the plants in this blistering heat. THANK YOU!

...I am fearfully and wonderfully made... Psalm 139:14 I hope you are getting ready for our WALK on September 24, 2016. This is an opportunity for you to support Agape House in a different way. Come spend a couple of hours on Saturday morning with us, meet us, pray with us and hear updates about the ministry programs. You will be BLESSED to hear all the wonderful things the Lord does with your prayers and financial support! Be on the lookout for the brochures coming to your churches. Ask friends, relatives and co-workers to support YOU in this mission right here in your own back yard.

**AND don't forget.** Volunteer Orientation is coming in October (*see insert*). Whether you would like to volunteer inside or outside, or you just want to know more about Agape House! Come to Orientation!

HIS for LIFE

**Bobbi White** 



Dear Friends,

I have enjoyed working at Agape House for the past three and a half years. God has used me to reach students in our area with the truth of living healthy by committing to abstinence. I have had the privilege of working with some of the finest people! The G.R.O.W. program is strong and will thrive with someone new at the helm.



Please remember to pray for all of the ministry taking place at Agape House.

Thank you, Lord, for allowing me to serve in this ministry.

Lynne Lannom





Mission Statement: Agape House is a Christ-centered ministry committed to upholding the sanctity of human life through education, medical services, and spiritual restoration.

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Due to a change in safety regulations we are no longer able to accept baby powder.

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