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Fredericksburg Office

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www.bethany.org
www.bethanypregnancycenter.com

Hours:

Monday- Friday
8:00am-4:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 14, 2006

Liaison Open House
Bethany Office, 3:00-7:00 p.m.

April 4, 2006

Adoption Information Meeting,
Bethany Office, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

April 21, 2006

Golf-Walk Kick-Off Event,
First Christian Church, 6:30 p.m.

May 18, 2006

Legacy for Life Invitational Golf Event and
Power Walk

Lake of the Woods Golf Course, Golf at 1:30
p.m., Walk at 4:00 p.m.

Director's Report

We have had the awesome privilege over the last several months of serving many women with kindness and bringing them a message of hope. A few months ago one of our patients left the pregnancy center after having an ultrasound done of her unborn child. She left believing that she would choose life, but later was overwhelmed with her circumstances. A follow-up phone call revealed that she had aborted her child. Her comment to the staff person on the phone was, "Maybe God would forgive her someday." Our gentle nurse encouraged her to become involved in a post abortion Bible Study right away. The client did not follow through. But, when our Nurse Manager called her again a few weeks later, she was grateful for the call and shared that she "didn't know how she would have gotten through this experience" without the care and concern of the nurse.

Recently a young couple sat in our waiting room. They came to receive some material resources. The young man was rather unkempt. As the staff served this young couple, the young man commented, "All of you are so nice. No one else treats us this way."

A few weeks ago a young woman, frightened and pregnant, had a sonogram done of her unborn child. As is her custom, Nurse Gloria asked if she might pray for this young lady. The young woman agreed. When Gloria finished praying for her, this young lady, with tears in her eyes, thanked her saying, "No one ever prayed for me like that before."

Every day we have opportunities to live out the Gospel before people who have never heard the Good News about Jesus. We are grateful for the gifts of God's people who make it possible for us to live out the truth of Colossians 3:12, "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Because of your faithful prayers and because of your giving, we are able to extend Christ's compassion to people who may never learn any other way how much He loves them and cares for them. Thank you for sharing with us in this ministry. We are grateful for the

opportunity to proclaim the truth and to point people to the Lord and Giver of Life.

Already in 2006, we have had the privilege of doing 15-20 ultrasound scans. A significant number of women have been considering abortion. Please pray that the compassion they are extended will help them to make life affirming choices for their unborn children.

Joan Richwine, Director

"Legacy for Life Invitational"

Please put May 18, 2006 on your calendar. This will be **Bethany's** first ever golf tournament and power walk. In conjunction with Champion Events Group, **Bethany** will hold this major fund raising event. Do you like to play golf? Do you know someone who does? Perhaps you don't play golf, but you enjoy walking. We are looking for a minimum of 40 golfers who will raise \$2,500 each and 40 walkers who will raise \$1,000 each to support the work of **Bethany Pregnancy Center** in Fredericksburg. The entry fee for this mission (should you choose to accept it) is the name of 25 of your friends, family or acquaintances who will sponsor you to play golf or walk nine holes of the golf course in support of the pregnancy center aspect of **Bethany's** ministry.

If you are interested in learning more about this event, please contact:

Mary Hicks at 540-786-6973
(crazymom500@adelphia.net) or

Joan Richwine at 540-373-5165
(jrichwine@bethany.org).

We are currently recruiting 10 Golfer Captains and 10 Walker Captains to help organize this event. Each "Captain" will recruit three others to join him/her on a golf or a walk team. **Please pray for good weather and a good response to this fun event.** Come and join us for a day of fun and fellowship as we celebrate what God is doing at **Bethany** in Fredericksburg.

Foster Care Training



Donna, Debbie, Kathy & Traci

WISH LIST

Bethany needs

- Shelving and plastic tubs to hold maternity clothing and larger sized children's clothing (up to size 4). Storehouse Ministries has offered us space to store these items (as well as new car seats, good cribs, baby bath tubs, etc.) for the use of our clients.
- New copy machine (and someone to take away the old one which does not work).
- Color laser printer.
- Two filing cabinets (four or five drawers).
- Bookshelves, in good condition.
- Nice floor and/or table lamps.

Prayer Requests

Pray that the Lord will send us birth mothers who believe adoption may be in the best interest of their child.

Pray for **Bethany's** outreach to abortion minded and abortion vulnerable women. Pray that God will bring them to **Bethany** where they can hear a message of hope in a difficult situation.

Pray for Kathy Richards, long time foster mother and board member of **Bethany** here in Fredericksburg. Kathy has been diagnosed with non-Hodgkins lymphoma and will be undergoing treatment for this disease.

Pray for our church liaison, Shirley Heath, who will have surgery to remove a cancerous kidney

Pray for the first annual Bethany golf event "**Legacy for Life Invitational**" to be held on May 18, 2006 at Lake of the Woods Golf Course. Pray that God will provide funding through this event to underwrite the increasing cost of **Bethany's** ministry.