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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 5, 2007
Domestic Adoption Information Meeting
6:30-8:30 p.m., Bethany Office, Call to register
1616 Stafford Avenue

June 23, 2007
Annual Walk for Life
Bethany Office, 1616 Stafford Ave.
10:00 a.m.

July 27, 2007
Adoptive Family Workshop, Bethany Office

October 9, 2007
Annual Fund Raising Banquet
Grace Church of Fredericksburg

We've Moved!!



1616 Stafford Avenue

As you will notice, this Newsletter is somewhat late. The reason for that has been our recent relocation to 1616 Stafford Avenue in Fredericksburg. We are extremely grateful for God's provision in providing us lovely office space in a nice setting.

We are especially grateful to Mark Dunn, Richard Warner, Shawn and Joe Horrell, Tim Sasser, Tim Bova, the Layne family, Mary Hicks, Mary McGlothlin and many others who gave tirelessly of their time to help us pack, move and assemble furniture. We thank all of you as well for remembering us in prayer during this eventful time.

Our new location and space allows us to expand our medical services. During 2006 we had the privilege of providing ultrasound confirmation of pregnancy to 146 women. In the first four and one-half months of 2007, we have already equaled that number. We know that God is growing us and we praise him for allowing us to serve our community in this way.

We would ask all of you to consider in what ways you might be able to participate in this work. Can you give a morning or an afternoon a week to assist our material resource clients?

Could you help promote **Bethany** at events in our local churches? Could you mow our grass on a weekly basis or as needed? Could you become a Champion 4 Children and encourage your church to be involved. Could you contribute financially on a monthly basis?

As we grow, we know we will need God's people to come along side and help us to help others. Will you prayerfully consider how you could be involved? --*Joan Richwine, Director*

Welcome

Caitlin Ballew joined our staff on March 29, 2007. Caitlin is a student at Germanna Community College and completed an internship with **Bethany** in March. She accepted a part time Administrative Assistant position. Caitlin's responsibilities include answering phones, greeting clients, assisting with material resource clients and other general clerical responsibilities. Please welcome Caitlin when you stop into the office.

Prayer and Thanksgiving

Thank God for the provision of new space in which to serve the clients He sends us.

Pray for the success of **Bethany's Connections** program. **Pray** for interest among our clients and for committed, coaching couples to guide those who desire to participate in this program.

Pray that God would continue to send us birth mothers who need our services.

Pray for an additional nurse to "catch the vision" of the ministry here.

Praise God for the success of our move and for additional opportunities to serve Him.

Walk for Life, 2007

On June 23, 2007, you are invited to show your support for Bethany and life by participating in our annual Walk for Life. This event will take place at our new location which is adjacent to Grace Memorial Church. The church has graciously allowed us to use their parking lot and grounds as a starting point for this big event.

We hope many of you will be able to participate in this fund raiser. We have decided to couple this event with a picnic for our adoptive families and tours of our new facility. Enclosed please find a brochure with details about the events of the day. Pray with us for good weather and a good turnout. We hope to see you there!

If you are coming just for the picnic or the Open House, please let Cynthia Kramer know of your intent by June 20, 2007. We want to try to have an accurate count so we can insure that there is enough food for everyone.

See you soon!

Wish List

1. DVD player to show educational DVD's to our clients
2. Moderate size television to be used to show educational videos
3. Small full size refrigerator (not more than 10 cubic feet)
4. Cabinets to store baby clothing
5. A carpenter to build shelves/cabinets.

CONNECTIONS UPDATE

It is truly exciting to be a part of what God is doing in the Fredericksburg community. Since January, our main objective has been to make churches, community agencies and Bethany clients aware of the new Connections Program which is part of the federally funded Healthy Marriage Initiative.

On April 28th, we had our first training for coaching couples. Nine couples from various churches attended. Since January, 29 clients who have had ultrasounds have expressed an interest in the Connections Program. We are very encouraged by the interest shown by couples who want to become coaches and clients who want to participate in the program.

We believe that God has orchestrated this program in the Fredericksburg area. We are praying for couples who have been married for a number of years to come along side of these young, expectant and unmarried couples to help them make healthy decisions about their relationship and the child they will soon parent together.

We also had the opportunity to be interviewed by the Free Lance Star and hope that this will allow the word to spread about Connections. For more information about how you can become involved, please call Louise Motsko at 373-6463 or email her at LMotsko@bethany.org.

"Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but to Your name give glory, because of your mercy, and because of your truth." -- Psalm 115:1