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"I was planning to have an abortion, I didn't really know why other than the financial burden." That is what Cassie was thinking when she walked through the doors of The Pregnancy Care Center in February. A friend had told her about the center so she scheduled an appointment for an ultrasound. During Cassie's first visit she was met with grace and love from the staff and volunteers. The nurse encouraged her that financial struggles are temporary and you can dig out of those, but a decision about the life within could affect you forever. The more they talked, and as Cassie saw the baby on the ultrasound, her mind began to change. **"I couldn't base taking the life that was inside of me off of the funds that were in my pocket book"** Cassie shared. She said she was still nervous, but the nurse and mentor had helped her make the best decision. **So that day, a life was SAVED!**

Cassie and her boyfriend Andrew continued with our Countdown to Parenthood program and began meeting regularly with their mentor, Robin. Cassie said, "Robin is great! She gave me a lot of information about pregnancy and what to expect. The videos we watched were good. Robin stayed in touch with me and seemed to truly care how I was doing. At the beginning, I had it in the back of my mind that the center was just another place and another bill, but it was actually like walking into family. I was always comfortable there, they were so helpful, and I felt relieved." The Pregnancy Care Center became a safe place for Cassie and Andrew to come to, especially at the beginning when they didn't feel support from anyone else.

On September 8, 2020 Cassie and Andrew welcomed Elias into this world and Cassie gives God credit for giving her a beautiful birth experience. She was thankful that Robin took time to pray with her throughout her appointments. She said, "bringing God into the whole thing, into the center, makes it so much more meaningful. It gives the moms something to believe in. Even if they're not religious it gives them someone else to talk to."

When asked what Cassie would say to a donor she explained, "I don't even know you, but I know through your donation it shows me how much you care. It touches me and it'll touch the next person. I feel positively that my son is on this earth because you gave a donation to help keep this place going, to keep it open. Knowing that the burden of not having another bill, that I can talk to someone for free- it definitely helps a lot!"



Those are words straight from Cassie. Her son is here today in part because you choose to donate to and support the work of The Pregnancy Care Center. When you donate, you are investing in a ministry that is saving hundreds of lives every year and changing the lives of young women and men just like Cassie and Andrew. We have seen a heightened amount of fear, anxiety and financial burdens in our clients due to COVID-19. Your investment provides hope to those who desperately need help when they are making critical decisions that impact the rest of their life and their child's life. Your partnership enables us to relieve some of those burdens and give them a space to just breathe.

Will you consider making a generous year-end gift today? Your support ensures our center and mobile medical unit stay open full-time, ultrasounds remain available every day of the week, educational and practical resources are provided, and the love of Christ is shared with every woman and man who seeks our help. We will not let COVID-19 stop us from offering help and hope in the safest way possible to those that need it so desperately.

On behalf of Cassie, Andrew, Elias and all of us at The Pregnancy Care Center, thank you for standing up for life alongside of us and for your financial support! May you have a blessed Christmas and New Year!

**Loving Life,
Tracy Breit
Executive Director**

Thank you to Amanda Clinton Photography for the pictures of Elias and Cassie. Amanda has started donating her services to our clients who reach their 10th visit in the Countdown to Parenthood program. They earn a coupon for a free newborn or maternity session at the center, digital copies, and 2 free prints. What a blessing it is to our clients!

