

## MOMENTS FROM DEATH, BUT GIVEN A CHANCE AT LIFE



# OUR NURSES HAVE SEEN SEVERAL APR CLIENTS THIS YEAR!

\*Miranda, who reached out to us in March, is just days away from delivering her baby!

\*Emily was 7 weeks when she contacted the APR Hotline. Our nurses then met her at The PCC...at 10pm! They gave Emily an ultrasound and found that her baby still had a heartbeat, so Emily started progesterone right away. She is currently about 15 weeks along, and the pregnancy is progressing well. Since she has entered her second trimester, the reversal is considered successful, and she has begun prenatal care with her OB. Moments away from death, this baby was given a second chance at life and, Lord willing, in 5 or 6 months, will be a testament to the powerful things God is doing through The PCC.

\*Brooke was 5 weeks along when she came to the Center to begin the APR protocol, and our nurses were only able to visualize a single gestational sac. Brooke was eager to reverse the abortion pill and started on progesterone right away. Unfortunately, 3 days after she started the treatment, she miscarried. She came in and met with Robin after miscarrying and stated that though she was very sad, she got some comfort from knowing that she did all she could to save the pregnancy. Brooke is planning on going through our Post-Abortion Care.

Not every story has the ending we hope and pray for, but we are praising God for each opportunity we receive to walk through the APR protocol with the women in our community who are seeking a chance to reverse their abortion.

\*Names changed for confidentiality



## YOU'VE MADE AN IMPACT IN THESE LIVES!































## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Fall is a season of thankfulness, and we are thankful for the incredible work the Lord is doing in the lives of our clients, and I am humbled and grateful for the opportunity to serve as Executive Director. I get to serve alongside an amazing Board of Directors, staff, and team of volunteers. Working in the pregnancy care world can often feel dark and heavy, but finding time to pause and give thanks shifts our perspective from our current circumstances to the One who offers the help and hope we gently and lovingly share with our clients. When the burdens we carry get too heavy, I pray we will all take the time to pause and "give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thess. 5:18).

#### I am thankful for...

- Client Advocates who love, support, and empower their clients so that choosing abundant life today, and for future generations, is celebrated.
- Nurses who are on call 24/7 to give an ultrasound to a woman who hopes it is not too late to reverse her decision to take the abortion pill.
- A Fatherhood Program Director who is so beloved that clients ask to come in because they need someone to talk to.
- A team of volunteers who are serving as mentors in local middle schools in our Positive Choices program.
- A Mobile Medical Unit Director willing to be out in our community so our services are more accessible.
- A Marketing Director who actively and creatively finds ways to reach more abortion-minded women so they can learn about the free services and support we provide.

- A Center Director who puts together beautiful gifts that bring mothers to tears because they've never experienced such unconditional love and generosity before.
- Receptionists who not only answer phones, but race to fill an emergency pack for a family who just ran out of diapers but does not get paid for another week.
- Friends of The PCC.

Friends, our ministry is not possible without your support. Thank you for praying and partnering with us so we can be the hands and feet of Jesus and show our clients the abundant love and life found only in relationship with Him. Access to abortion has returned to Rockford, and we are praying and intentionally striving to reach abortion-minded women so they can find our Center and learn there are people and resources available to support and empower them to choose life.

For Abundant Life, Nikki Tibbetts Executive Director



From Left: Heath, Tyler, Laruen, Kaitlyn and Nikki

## SEEING GOD AT WORK, EVEN BEHIND THE SCENES

One of the beautiful things about our Countdown to Parenthood program is getting the opportunity to have spiritual conversations with our clients and their partners. When the client who recently won our monthly raffle came to pick up her prize, she was practically in tears. She talked about how terrible her day had been, and how the gift of the raffle basket was such a blessing. It was a good reminder for us on how God is so intimately acquainted with us. We had no idea she was having a terrible day, but God did.

God is sovereign and shows His love toward us and our clients in simple but profound ways. Her mentor looks forward to their next appointment when she can point directly to God's knowledge of the client's needs and love towards her in that moment.

Thanks for your continued support of our Center, which allows us to create a welcoming and safe space for our clients to hear God's word and be shown His love. It impacts our clients in ways we can and can't see!

## HIKE FOR LIFE 2023: IN HIS IMAGE

Wow! What a fun day the Hike was. Around 573 people gathered together for our Hike for Life, and together, we raised...over \$115,000 for the ministry of The PCC!

We want to say thank you to everyone who came out and hiked with us and helped us fundraise. The many activities and yummy snacks were all fun, but you are the true reason the event was as successful as it was.

We give a special shout out to Chick-fil-a Rockford for bringing us some yummy cookies, Food 4 Fuel for bringing fresh fruit, Edward Jones: Michelle Bowman for sponsoring popcorn and cotton candy, and Meg's Daily Grind for providing us with coffee!! We are thankful for your generosity to our hikers!













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## THANKS FOR THE MANY BLESSINGS!



Thank you, Daniel, for helping us meet the needs of people in our community with each load of supplies you bring us! You are blessing so many lives!



Thank you to this group from River Valley Community Church! They came to our Center to pull weeds and do some other helpful tasks for us. We love seeing the younger generation get involved!



Nolan and Micah had a lemonade stand and gave a portion of their proceeds to The PCC! Thank you, Nolan and Micah, for your thoughtfulness to our Center! We love that you are already thinking of ways to support moms, dads, and babies!

For a list of items we keep our boutique stocked with, visit https://friendsofthepcc.org/donate/wishlist

## **STAY UPDATED**

Want to stay up to date with everything going on around the Center? Follow our supporter Facebook page, and/or sign up for our email list! Fill out information in the enclosed envelope and mail to the Center to sign up for emails. You can also sign up online at our website!

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Lowell Crocker
Rita Gerone
Kristina Hotovec
Michele Paladino

In honor of **Linnea Kristine Dahlgren** 

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In memory of **Lois Dixon**Jason Folerts

In memory of **Rosemary Haskins**Patricia Sheehan

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In memory of **Max Von Arx**Joe & Beth Von Arx

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### **3 WAYS TO GIVE**







