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Celebration of Life Gala

Praise be to God for the tremendous success of our annual Celebration of Life fundraising gala! We have much to be thankful for, with 500 people in attendance, and our total of gifts and pledges now surpassing \$174,000. It was the second-most successful fundraiser in the history of our ministry.

After the event, one theme rang true for us: the power of testimony. We saw it in the stories of those touched by this ministry, and in Mike's personal testimony of being rescued from darkness into hope. It is important for us, as God's children, to celebrate His work in our lives through the sharing of testimonies, and we are thankful we had the opportunity to do that together at our gala.



A photograph of a woman with long dark hair, wearing a grey sweater and a pink and white patterned scarf, holding a baby wrapped in a light blue blanket. The baby is wearing a pink and white striped hat and is sleeping. The background is a soft-focus outdoor scene.

National Sanctity of Human Life Day

JANUARY 17, 2016

National Sanctity of Human Life Day is an observance declared by several U.S. Presidents who opposed abortion. President Ronald Reagan designated January 22, 1984 as the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day. The date was chosen to coincide with the 11th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court case that first recognized the constitutionally-protected status of abortion in the United States. This special Sunday each January is an opportunity to publicly celebrate as a church your belief in the intrinsic value of life.

We have several ways your church can get involved—and they're all easy and fun! The best is our Baby Bottle

Boomerang project. It's a great way to have people in your church take practical action on their pro-life beliefs. We provide baby bottles and promotional materials. Church members (of all ages!) take the bottles home to fill them with loose change, cash or checks. This is a great project to raise funds and awareness about Sav-A-Life, but without taking up a date or time for an event on the calendar.

Please let us know if you would be interested in this project or if you would like to hear of other ideas for celebrating Sanctity of Human Life in your church, small group or other organization. Contact Bethany at 334.300.9762 or bethany@firstchoicewmc.com for more info!

End of the Year Donations

Please remember us in your year-end giving! Gifts must be received or postmarked by December 31 to be eligible for tax deductions in 2015. If you plan to come by with your gift, we have special holiday hours on New Year's Eve from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you plan to give your gift online (www.savalifemtg.org), you have until 11:59 p.m. on December 31.

May God bless you in the new year!"



Board & Staff

New Volunteer Counselors

We are happy to welcome three new volunteer counselors to our Sav-A-Life family!



Rebekah Ford is our youngest counselor. She is full of enthusiasm and compassion. She comes from a large family and is committed to being salt and light to her younger siblings. Rebekah enjoys baking. She attends Grace Baptist Church and works for her Father at Ford Physical Therapy.



Amanda Thomasson has a Masters in Physician Assistant studies and served for two years as an abstinence educator for a non-profit agency. She and her husband Brian are new to Montgomery. They attend Morningview Baptist Church and have three children. Amanda is currently a stay-at-home Mom.



Dawn Ellis is recently retired from the State of Alabama. She has a BS in Nursing and Master of Public Health in Maternal and Child Health. Dawn was our Nurse Manager for two years and was largely responsible for developing our policies and procedures when we became a medical facility. She and her husband Bill attend First Baptist Church. They have two grown children and two grandchildren.

We are so blessed to have these three amazing women! We are excited about all the divine opportunities for ministry that God is going to give them in the days, weeks, and months to follow!

Kasey Watkins
Patient Services Coordinator

Is the HOPE Group for you?

If you have ever terminated a pregnancy, we want to help you. Perhaps, even years after your abortion, you are beginning to recognize the hurtful consequence and want to move past these and "feel whole." While some women face severe symptoms and are unable to function in their families or careers, others experience more subtle symptoms. Therefore, you may be living a seemingly normal life, but the symptoms you are experiencing keep you from living life to the fullest. The time is now for you to feel Forgiven and Set Free!

We will be offering a HOPE Group on **Thursday, January 28**. Call Kathy at 334.260.8010 or email kkay@firstchoicewmc.com

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† You are invited to attend a
Sanctity of Life Memorial and Healing Service
hosted by Christchurch †

Montgomery's local Anglicans For Life chapter would like to welcome you to a sacred space where you can experience the deep and abiding mercy of our Lord.

Participants will have an opportunity to remember with love and dignity those lives who have touched their own, including parents, spouses, siblings, children and friends.

This service is for those who are recently bereaved, those who have mourned for many years, and for those whose hearts are broken by the loss of a loved one through disease, accident, violence, addiction, stillbirth, miscarriage, or abortion.

Sunday, January 24, 2016
7:00 pm

Please call Dolly McLemore at 334-301-3490 or visit our website www.christchurchxp.net for more information.

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