



Winter 2019

## Pregnancy Resource Center

New River Valley, Inc.

# Ultrasound, seeing into the Womb

by Debbie Christian, CEO

"I can't do this!" Sarah\* stubbornly shouted to her counselor, referring to her pregnancy. Edged with bitterness, she exclaimed, "My Mom had an abortion, and she is pushing me so hard to keep it. She said she's lived with the guilt for her whole life. Her guilt is no reason why we have to chose to have a baby now!" Her boyfriend nodded in agreement. He quickly added that they were too young and too scared to be parents. When asked if she had any spiritual supports, she offered that she had a general belief in God, although she had never gone to church.

They became uncomfortably silent during the ultrasound. The young man hung his head, shaking it back and forth. There was no mistaking that there was a baby on the screen, ten weeks along. Even Sarah could easily point out the flashing beats of the little heart.



## The ultrasound changed things.

After the ultrasound, Sarah found her voice, almost whispering, "The baby doesn't deserve to die and be sucked in a tube." Softly, she told her counselor about a family member saying, "If you were ever pregnant, or had a friend that was, my wife and I would take the baby if you can't care for it." Sarah was very confused and began realizing her options. She said they were headed to lunch to discuss and decide what they would do, sharing "the ultrasound changed things". She took adoption and parenting information with her.

Sarah called us later, "We're gonna do it! We're going to keep the baby. I'm a mother! "

\*Name changed for confidentiality

*Sarah's story is one that we have seen time and time again. When Clients see the ultrasound, there is no denying the truth: there is a distinct life growing in the womb. "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb." - Psalm 139:13*

## Our Mission:

The PRC is dedicated to upholding the sanctity of life through medical services, education, resources and Christian ministry.

### Volunteer's Corner

Scott Davis, Board Chairman



Scott and  
Caryn Davis

## A Passion of God the Father

My core passion for the ministry of the PRC comes from knowing the incredible love of God our Father, who is kind and compassionate (Luke 15:20), adopts us to be His own children, and rescues us from death and sin. God calls us to rescue the weak from harm and the innocent from destruction. Who is more weak and innocent than the unborn child who cannot even speak for herself? The PRC represents our Father when they lovingly bring truth to the woman considering abortion, helping her reject fear and embrace life. They demonstrate the Gospel when they bring the message of love and grace to all who come through the doors, including the woman who grieves a past abortion.

Behind the doors of our centers, you will find a diverse Board of Directors who are committed in their roles to guide and protect the ministry - ensuring that it stays true to our core mission, is financially strong, has proper and exemplary medical practices, and is excellently run. You will find a Director who leads a truly outstanding team and organization, known throughout Virginia as a model to others. It is built on a firm foundation of the many directors, staff and volunteers who came before. You will find a staff that is committed, sacrificial, kind, and warm towards the women who come. The staff is wise in guiding women toward life and quick in prayer as they lean on Christ.

I believe deeply in the mission of the PRC and am delighted to serve such a critical ministry.

## The Talk: A Tool for Presenting Biblical Sexuality

The Pregnancy Resource Center believes that healthy relationships are essential for life success. We believe that unhealthy relationships negatively affect quality of life. This is why we want to partner with you to teach biblically-based relationship essentials through our new tool: "The Talk".

The Talk is a curriculum series for churches, designed to clearly communicate God's truth about purity. It equips students while remaining light-hearted and fun. We created it for use under the ministry and guidance of a local church, so you can customize it to meet your needs.

As the local church, you can teach the curriculum yourself, or you can invite speakers from the PRC to present. The Talk is for youth

groups, Bible studies, parent groups, etc. and can take many different forms. This might look like midweek talks at dinner, small-groups, or conference break-out sessions.

We want to equip you with knowledge and grow students in wisdom about sexuality. We want to give youth confidence to graciously and clearly explain purity. "We want these students to defend and live out a reflection of the image of God for their peers, families, communities, and culture to see" - Dr. Matthew McCarthy, PRC Medical Director.

To hear more about The Talk, please call our offices at 540-552-5556.

## Pro-Life speaker Mike Spencer is back for two events!



Mike Spencer at  
2018 PRC banquet

Tuesday, March 26, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

A pro-life apologetics workshop for teens/college students. At Oasis Church.

Wednesday, March 27, 8:30-11:00 a.m.

A breakfast for pastors and their spouses. At Grace Life Baptist Church.

For more information and to RSVP, call our office, 540-552-5556. For more about Mike, see [prolifemike.com](http://prolifemike.com).

## We are growing!

Come join us in serving where you live. Check out our job openings at <https://www.prcsupport.com/jobopportunities>.





## Fill a bottle. Change a life.

Many churches have already kicked off their Baby Bottle Campaign. Fill your bottles with spare change, cash, or checks and return them to your church!

If your church would like to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign, please contact the Blacksburg office at 540-552-5556 or visit [PRCsupport.com/baby-bottle-campaign](http://PRCsupport.com/baby-bottle-campaign).

## Save the Date For our 2019 Banquet

Our banquet for 2019 will be Nov 14 and 15 at the Inn at Virginia Tech. We are so excited to have Ashley Bratcher, actress in *Unplanned*, as our speaker. See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBLWpKbC3ww> for the movie trailer.



## 2018 Benefit Banquet *Count Me In*

### Thank You!

What a wonderful two evenings we had at The German Club Manor! We were so blessed to hear a powerful message from Mike Spencer, keynote speaker. And because so many of you said "Count Me In", over \$172,000 was raised to offer hope and support to women and men facing unplanned pregnancies. We are so grateful for everyone who gave sacrificially and for all of the amazing staff and volunteers who made this evening possible. Special thanks to Students for Life at VT for their many volunteer hours. It is amazing what can be accomplished when a community comes together and unites for one purpose.

### Special thanks to the underwriters of the 2018 banquet

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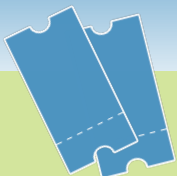
# walk for life

Walk | Zumba | Dodgeball Tournament



**Friday, May 10, 2019 | Bisset Park, Radford**

**5:30PM** - Check-In | **6:30PM** - Walk & Other Events (Choose one)



## Rewards

for participants who reach  
certain fundraising levels!



## After the Walk,

stick around for **light dinner**  
& **family activities!**

## More info

available soon at  
[PRCsupport.com/walkforlife](http://PRCsupport.com/walkforlife).