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SERVICES

- . One-on-one mentoring for individual and crisis support
- . Resources and referrals for support
- Divorce support group classes
 - . Grief support group
 - . Parenting programs
- . Miscarriage and baby loss support program
- . Families with special needs children referrals
- CARE Program for pregnancy resource and support
 - . FREE pregnancy testing

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▲ This young mother said, after seeing the ultrasound of her unborn baby, "This has been the best moment of my life so far!"

▲ A group of teen parents from Pulaski High's ▲ Shared Journey's program in Milwaukee attends monthly healthy relationship classes at LC during the school year.



■ A young mom with two beautiful children under age two recently found out she was expecting. She came to Life's Connection as a 'wrong door' and with our counselors love and support chose life!

That makes three new babies saved this week alone at LC! Praise God!





▲ MomTime group meets at Fox River church while gathering items and food to bless our young single mother's with after having their babies.

■ Looking forward to seeing you at our "Spring Into Life!" Gala on TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017. Fr. Javier Bustos has been a good neighbor to Life's

Testimonials, Stories and Support

Jill walked into Life's Connection for an abortion. She was a wrong door and meant to go to Planned Parenthood. When she came in she was welcomed by Rita who asked her if she would like to come in to talk. She agreed. She wanted a pregnancy test, ultrasound and abortion counseling. Rita listened, answered all her questions and helped her as she processed the facts about the abortion. After the ultrasound and as she pondered over the life she saw inside, Jill told

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Rita. " I am so happy I accidentally came her. Had I not, I would have made the biggest mistake of my life!"

Fox River Christian Church in Waukesha has lovingly partnered with us through their MomTime Ministry. Their Coffee Bar helped MomTime with funds to purchase and donate a chest freezer to Life's Connection-Waukesha. They have kept the freezer full with meals for mothers who may need a reminder that they are loved, and being prayed for, at Fox River Church. Fox River moms also made, and prayed over, 50+ kits which they gave to LC moms for Christmas with goodies and special encouraging note cards. The Baby Bottle Boomerang Fundraiser they held at their church for LC was extremely successful and also helped with the MomTime support of our LC moms. The MomTime Ministry of Fox River Church hopes, "that every single woman that walks into Life's Connection truly knows how much they are loved by our Heavenly Father, and loved and welcomed to join us at MomTime! We have been blessed by this journey in getting to know the amazing staff at Life's Connection in Waukesha and Mukwonago. This organization is a wonderful resource for families and we are looking forward to our future together walking arm in arm, keeping Jesus Christ in the center and glorified!"

A 16 year old came to the center fearing an STD. With the help and guidance received from Tabetha, one of our counselors, she rededicated her life to 'waiting for marriage' and said, "I am so happy I am here. I really understand all the dangers and obstacles in front of me. This makes it easier to wait for the right person at the right time."

40 Days for Life always sends a stream of women from different backgrounds but all for the same reason - crisis pregnancy. Since opening on Saturdays, a steady stream of clients have come in and now a burst of them have walked through our doors seeking our help. March 4th was no exception. A woman named Jackie walked in with her fiancé for a pregnancy test. She sat down and began to share her story. She had been sexually abused by her family when she was little and had a string of miscarriages since she started dating. As she talked about these

miscarriages she began to weep as she recalled going to the only place she thought could help her - Planned Parenthood. She thought, "they would help her get better" after suffering from various medical conditions that made pregnancy near impossible. The birth control they gave her failed every time and they refused her ultrasounds when she requested one. Then, between tears, Jackie told us a story that broke our hearts. She received a negative pregnancy test from them but asked them to retest because she believed she was pregnant. They refused to support her and simply turned her out the door with instructions to go to the hospital and that it was "all in her head." A few days later, she miscarried her baby. She could see how perfectly formed he was and she was devastated. Having no health insurance she did not know where to go. After seeing 'FREE PREGNANCY TESTS' and 'FREE ULTRASOUND' on the outside of our center, she decided to come in. The moment she sat down she started to cry sharing with us her journey until then. Our counselor was able to provide her support, as well as, our *Hope Box* to honor her miscarriages. Before she left she hugged the counselor, thanking her saying she was so happy to have come in. At Life's Connection, women like Jackie find loving support and hope in the midst of crisis and their lives touched by Christ forever!

Brenda and her husband were facing a miscarriage. They had heard about Life's Connection's help and support at their church. They never thought they would have to call for help and assistance due to a miscarriage. Because they knew now, that there was a way to honor and bury their child's remains, they were able to lovingly hold the babies remains, receive a burial vessel, and plan a service with burial for their precious child. They also were able to talk about the loss and share the experience with one of our counselors who has faced this loss as well. She understood. Their grief is great but they feel blessed to know that their child is in God's loving hands and they have the support they need at a time when they need it the most.

Miscarriage happens when we least expect it. It is heartbreaking. If you would like Life's Connection to provide a miscarriage aide, burial vessel, an ear to listen and/or help with a burial service please call us. We are here for you!

2016 DATA.	# Global Chat Line Babies Saved	# Visits with Counselors	# Services Provided	#Participants in Group Classes
* 391 all time 'in- house' lives saved from abortion Waukesha County abortion rate is down 53% since LC was born!	777	1976	3291	435
	# Items Provided from Baby Boutique	# Babies Saved	# Clients Served	# Global Chat Line Babies Saved
	4037	204 in 2016*	935	777



Message from Executive Director: Krys Crawley

Dear Friends.

Legally in the state of Wisconsin, a woman is required to have an ultrasound at least 24 hours prior to an abortion and be offered the opportunity to view the image. An ultrasound can be very expensive – up to \$300. Life's Connection provides this service at no charge to the patient thanks

to our generous donors.

Offering a woman the chance to have an ultrasound is valuable. If we put ourselves in her shoes, she needs to know how far along she is to know the cost for abortion and if she is within the limits to have abortion be a legal

option for her in Wisconsin. She also would be offered the chance to see if she is carrying a viable



pregnancy. This means a baby inside her womb with a heartbeat. They see that little heartbeat and it is impactful. At times our patients will be told they may miscarry. (The abortion clinics don't tell them that!) So many of these women experience the "veil of knowledge" opening their eyes to the child they are carrying at that moment. And we walk that journey with them with love.



I have learned that no woman wants to have an abortion. She is feeling trapped, desperate and incredibly fearful. It takes insurmountable courage to come through the doors of Life's Connection. She is beginning to face the very truth that creates such overwhelming fear in her. Here she is shown the love of Jesus and given support so she can break through her "crisis."

So, what are the benefits of ultrasound? Ultrasound is a great tool to reveal what is happening in secret!

Inside of her body, where no one but God can see, ultrasound provides a window into this secret place. Psalm 139:15 says, "My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place." You see, God knows this baby intimately as He knows each of us. This little baby has a mission. Our ultrasound is providing the tool to show the value and dignity of this little life. And what an amazing sight!

Ultrasound doesn't replace the importance of the relationship between the counselor, ultrasound tech or nurse and that patient. One human caring for another is powerful and vital. These women may have never experienced this type of love in their lives. Communicating and demonstrating the love of our Savior is essential. But then you see... God gave us more! He created ultrasound as the powerful tool to show HIS amazing handiwork and masterpiece...and it is miraculous!

Please consider helping us fund our Ultrasound Program which allows Life's Connection to perform ultrasound at both of its centers. It is a vital part of this mission.

Together we will OPEN EYES, BRING HOPE and SAVE LIVES!





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ORD, MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF YOUR PEACE:
WHERE THERE IS HATRED, LET ME SOW LOVE;
WHERE THERE IS INJURY, PARDON;
WHERE THERE IS DOUBT, FAITH;
WHERE THERE IS DESPAIR, HOPE;
WHERE THERE IS DARKNESS, LIGHT;
WHERE THERE IS SADNESS, JOY.

ODIVINE MASTER,
GRANT THAT I MAY NOT SO MUCH SEEK
TO BE CONSOLED AS TO CONSOLE,
TO BE UNDERSTOOD AS TO UNDERSTAND,

FOR IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE,
IT IS IN PARDONING THAT WE ARE PARDONED
IT IS IN DYING THAT WE ARE BORN TO

TO BE LOVED AS TO LOVE

AMEN

— St. Francis of Assisi

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LC's Office Supplies and Baby Boutique Needs:

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IF EACH SUPPORTER CONTRIBUTED ONE ITEM EVERY MONTH THIS COULD BE COVERED EASILY!

WANT US TO DO THE SHOPPING FOR YOU? PLEASE DONATE HERE: http://www.lcmission.com/donate.html

Bottled water

Small nutritional snacks for moms and toddlers

Manilla folders with tabs

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Hot chocolate refills

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Computer paper
Computer ink:
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and standard cyan, magenta,
yellow ink, multi-pack

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original ink cartridges, multi-pack
- P-Touch 1/2" TZe machine tape
cartridge

Monetary donations for all of the above!

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Nail clippers
Medicine droppers
New bottles & bottle brushes
Outlet safety plugs

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Boppy pillows
Toddler dish sets
Bassinets with sheets
Bouncy chairs
Umbrella strollers

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Pack'n Plays and sheets
Baby swings
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