Durango Pregnancy Center Loving, educating, helping and giving hope.

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## Prayer Spotlight Focused Prayer

There's a tendency in some pro-life Christian circles to fear acknowledging the difficulty in choosing life. But this closes us off to the love and empathy we must extend to women who truly need it. We dismiss their hurts, difficulties, and anxieties far too easily. Gracy Olmstead

## **A Promise Fulfilled**

Last month's newsletter highlighted one client that always returned with thanks, much like the one leper who returned to Jesus. We had another event happen this month that left us speechless, humbled, and grateful.

These past several months numerous requests have been made for financial assistance and April has been no different. One client, who we have walked with for several years, called because her electricity had been shut off. It was with some reluctance, due to some of the circumstances, that the delinquent bill was covered. A promise was made to "reimburse you when I get the money."

With "stringless giving" one is required to give without expectations - and it is not always easy. While the client was encouraged to follow through on her word, there were no expectations. Repayment seemed highly unlikely. And so, it was with surprise and profound humility that the center received, last month a payment in full.

Thank you, Father, for continuing to teach us how to give without any strings attached and as a result, be wonderfully surprised by the holy gift of receiving.

## Unexpected joy...



## **From the Executive Director**

Sometimes I sit at my desk and do not know what to write, what to say, how to express what I am feeling and experiencing in this work. And then this writing popped up in my e-mails from a source I respect. I was moved and affirmed in this work. It is a personal story. It is our story. Please print it off. Make a cup of tea or coffee. Sit down in your favorite chair. Hold the thoughts and reflections and marvel again at the work of our Creator.

The Risk of Gentleness: Welcoming the Baby I Did Not Want

Have you ever wondered what to give a friend or family for their birthday? We have a donor that gives to DPC throughout the year in honor of birthdays for her friends



and family. In return we send out a nice card letting them know that there "birth-day" is being celebrated in a very real and practical way - "A donation has been given in honor of (name of recipient) by (name of donor) in love and celebration of your birth-day."

It is a beautiful way to support Durango Pregnancy Center, honor your friends and family, and let people know the work of DPC! Thank you for considering this option!

Give Today in Honor of Someone You Love

