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Our donors are the Living Stones God uses to build this ministry's financial security. Please consider making a donation today. Help us meet the needs of women and families who are facing unplanned pregnancies and lifestyle distress.



RIVER STONES

River Stones are the faithful monthly donors whose consistent and ongoing gifts provide a steady stream of income for the ministry. Become a River Stones partner today. Thank you for living on less to be a blessings!



LEGACY STONES

Have you considered giving to Cornerstone through your estate or will? What an amazing way to see that the life-changing work of this ministry continues on to the next generation. Designate a of your estate or name Cornerstone as a beneficiary on an insurance policy. Ask your financial planner and attorney about your options.

United Way & Matching Gifts



You can designate Cornerstone to receive your United Way donation. United Way # is 052350.



Does your employer offer matching gifts? For more details contact Carmen at cgrondin@cornerstonepregnancy.org or 440.284.1010.

Volunteer Opportunities

Cornerstone has opportunities for you to serve, from providing childcare to consulting with clients! Is the Lord calling you to volunteer? Will you provide childcare in our beautiful nursery? Do you want to volunteer in Medical Services? Would you like to be a consultant and work with clients? An orientation meeting is the first step in exploring your volunteer service at Cornerstone.

Our next **Volunteer Orientation** is scheduled for Thursday, April 13th, 2017 from 9:30-11:30 am. Those volunteers desiring to interact with clients will be prepared through further training and in-center orientation. The subsequent training will be held on Thursdays, April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, and June 1, from 9:30-11:30 am.

Come and see where the Lord will use you for His glory!

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Our Services

- ◆ Pregnancy testing & verification
- ◆ Limited obstetrical ultrasound
- ◆ Abortion pill reversal
- ◆ STI testing & treatment
- ◆ Mobile ultrasound outreach
- ◆ Support in decision making for parenting and adoption
- ◆ Prenatal education & support
- ◆ Parenting education & support
- ◆ Lamaze classes
- ◆ Breastfeeding classes & support
- ◆ Smoking cessation support
- ◆ Material assistance incentive programs (Life Ed "U")
- ◆ Early childhood development
- ◆ Hem of His Garment—healing from your sexual past
- ◆ Community outreach programs
- ◆ Infant mortality grief support
- ◆ Prenatal & Postpartum depression screenings & referrals
- ◆ Mom's Club
- ◆ Sexual Integrity Programs



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Answers Now, Hope For The Future

Letter from the Director



John 10:10 tells us that, ***"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly,"*** and for that reason #LifeMatters. Sanctity of Human Life Month was created for the purpose of highlighting just that. Human life matters and so does the role we play in human rights activism. Here at Cornerstone we serve to remind all who walk through our doors that their life and the life of their unborn matters.

At the beginning of the new year I had spent some time in His Word, praying for clear direction of Cornerstone. While in this quiet time before the Lord I heard Him say, ***"Don't be afraid....Those who are with us are more than those who are with the enemy," 2 Kings 6:16.*** Even though presently, I do not feel afraid, it led me to believe that there will be times in the near future that I will be.

My journey to Cornerstone began when I heard the Lord speak to me about working more with women and babies. I left my teaching job at a private Christian school in order to pursue His call. From there, I found myself at the steps of The Catherine Foundation, a pregnancy care center in Waldorf, Maryland. I dove in head first as a volunteer taking every training opportunity they gave me, and quickly saw the flame, that the Lord had placed inside me for His work in this ministry, turn into a roaring fire.

In 2013, I applied for a position at another pregnancy center further south and was offered the position of Development Director. I was hired just in time to assist with the planning and execution of their annual banquet and quickly found myself submerged in loose change during their Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign. My title was soon changed to Community Outreach and Development Director, and I was finally settling in.

Knowing that my purpose has always been rooted in the anti-abortion movement, I felt uncertain of how it would play out in Lorain County. Fast forward to 2016, when I heard the Lord again telling me to check on a job opening. I laughed, because it just seemed so unlikely that the position would be open, but it was, and here I am!

The Lord has ordered my steps here, and I pray every hour that I continue to move Cornerstone to wherever He wishes it to go. I ask that you all join me in that prayer, as I pray of all of you!

Blessings,

(Cherilyn)

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CORNERSTONE

Cynthia Carter-Smallwood—Director of Medical Services

Our goal to reach at-risk women in select regions throughout Lorain and Western Cuyahoga counties remains at the forefront of our mission. This year we press forward to advance our medical services through the investigation and implementation of Xpress Clinics within several targeted areas. Our outreach clinics will be held several days per week to provide medical and supportive pregnancy services.

Cornerstone has expanded the availability of child birth and breastfeeding classes with the support of Mercy Health's Obstetrical Department. Clients who cannot attend classes during the week can avail themselves to Saturday and added evening class offerings. Additional weekend and evening class options enhance flexible scheduling and promote client participation. Our clients may participate in the scheduled tours of the Mercy Health's labor and delivery center as part of the child birth instruction. Another educational enhancement is a new maternal nutrition class developed to foster healthy eating during pregnancy.

The RU-486 Pill Reversal Program is picking up momentum and expanding its reach throughout the United States. In 2016, 300 babies were saved from the life-destroying effects of the chemical abortion pill, RU-486. Two clients were referred to Cornerstone Pregnancy Services for urgent intervention and support. Abortion reversal services are required after an abortion determined woman takes the abortion pills after changing her decision regarding abortion. RU486, a synthetic steroid works by blocking the natural effects of progesterone which is required to maintain the lining of the uterus during pregnancy. RU486 starves the womb of progesterone, the lining of the womb breaks down resulting in the abortion. When progesterone is administered within 48 hours of ingesting the chemical abortion medication, it reverses the chemical effects of RU486. We are able to provide this life affirming alternative in collaboration with a local prolife physician. These type of procedures empower women to choose life by reversing abortion methods designed to terminate life. For more information about abortion reversal procedures call 440-284-1010 to speak with our medical services staff,

Our medical clinic is open 9am -5pm Monday through Thursday to accommodate client appointments or walk-ins. To arrange an appointment, or to speak with a nurse professional regarding our medical services, call 440-284-1010.

Sue Marie Wilhelm — Director of Client Services

Client Statistics: Year End 2016

New Clients	291
Follow-up Visits	904
Ultrasounds	83
Recorded Births	79
Gospel Shared	165
Prayer of Salvation	34

What's new in Client Services?

The nursery remake project of our Eagle Scout, Norman Hobbs, is nearing completion! We have repaired walls, fresh paint, a new half-door, new woodwork, a new media center, new toys, an area rug, new pack-n-play and changing table - and more! We have been incredibly blessed by Norman and his family, (his mom, Shannon, was a former volunteer), and his scout troop. The nursery is filled by the children of our clients when they attend the many class offerings here at Cornerstone. Our new look will create comfort and peace as we support our moms who are seeking to learn.

Meet Rachel — Our New Director of Development!



A year ago the Lord led me through the doors of Cornerstone to drop off some formula that my current job could not use. From the second I stepped through the doors and all throughout my tour, there was a stirring in my spirit. I remember walking to my car feeling eager to pray for the Lord to make a way if this is where He was calling me.

Just about one year later, while sitting at my desk, one word kept coming to the forefront of my mind: MOVE. Uncertain of why this word was pressed so hard upon my mind, I began to pray. Shortly after seeking the Lord, I saw the job posting for Director of Development for Cornerstone. It was if the job description had been written just for me, and the rest is all history!

As the New Director of Development for Cornerstone, I look forward to working with all of you! I sought the Lord in my journey of getting here and I will continue to seek Him out with each step I take in moving forward. I am excited for the joys and the challenges that lie ahead!

CLIENT TESTIMONY

A 19 year old woman, accompanied by her partner, came to Cornerstone Pregnancy Services for a pregnancy test where she was determined to be approximately 9 weeks gestation. They were seeking information about their pregnancy options, specifically requesting abortion information. They were convinced parenting was not an option due to their economic situation-both were unemployed, and they did not have an interest in adoption alternatives. This couple was living with the partner's family and believed keeping the baby would result in imminent homelessness. During the consultation with the staff advocate, they made a decision to parent and received information linking them to community resources to aid in their current circumstance. The young couple returned a week later for an initial ultrasound appointment. During their visit to the clinic, they reconfirmed their decision to parent their baby and also revealed that a housing opportunity had opened up for them. They are also currently seeking employment.

Family Promise of Lorain County

Cornerstone has recently begun a relationship with Family Promise of Lorain County. Family Promise helps address the needs of homeless families in Lorain County providing shelter, meals, and support services to families without homes. Lois Pozega, their Executive Director, recently introduced herself to Cornerstone. We have already had the opportunity to serve one of their clients who was in desperate need of infant clothing. Your support for Cornerstone reached a baby boy in need. As our relationship with Family Promise grows, we look forward to both organizations working and serving together.

In Gratitude for Answered Prayers

Welcome Ohio Displays (ODI), our new tenants in Suite B. Thanks for your prayers!

ANNUAL BANQUET FUNDRAISER

Registration will open March 1st and we ask that all attendees register by March 31st. Our website cornerstonepregnancy.org will have updated event details as well as a place for online registration. As always, if you have any questions regarding the event or do not have online access and would like to register via phone, please call the office at 440-284-1010 and speak with Rachel or Pat.

Friday April 7, 2017 @ 6:30 pm

LCCC Spitzer Center

Meet Our Speaker
Ryan Dobson, Pro-Life Speaker & Author



With the conviction that comes from knowing your purpose—and loving every minute of it—Ryan Dobson passionately pursues his calling in Christ. From writing books, to co-hosting a syndicated radio show, to speaking across the country, Ryan uses every opportunity to call people out of the moral relativism of today's society and into "the ultimate adventure" of following Christ.

Ryan Dobson grew up the second of two children of famous family counselor, author and radio broadcasting hall of famer Dr. James Dobson. Early in his career Ryan explored his own gifts while trusting in Jesus as his guide. After graduating from college, Ryan combined his natural talent and passion for public speaking and traveled extensively on the Christian speaker circuit. Breaking through the noise with his characteristic high-energy presentations, Ryan Dobson challenged his audience at music festivals, concert tours, youth camps, and crisis pregnancy centers. Drawing from his experiences talking first-hand to youth and adults alike, he co-wrote his first book, *Be Intolerant*, in 2003. As a wake-up call, *Be Intolerant* warns Christians not to fall for the lies of a relativistic, post-modern society. Described as having "a colloquial style with all the subtlety of a two-by-four to the side of the head" by Publishers Weekly, it quickly rose up the sales charts—followed by four additional bestselling books.

Ryan Dobson then founded KOR Ministries, and managed its related website and radio program with the purpose to "build passion and identity in Christ followers." Over two years Ryan's live KOR Kast radio show developed a loyal global audience reaching several hundred thousand listeners each month, challenging them in how they see, hear, and think about life and their interaction with culture.

Ryan also co-hosts a radio program, Dr. James Dobson's Family Talk, with his father, discussing issues facing today's families. Ryan has also joined forces with Dr. Dobson on staff at the Family Talk Ministry. The KOR Kast program was re-launched as Grounded with Ryan Dobson as part of the Family Talk Network in the fall of 2010 and continues to set new audience growth records each quarter.

He is an in-demand speaker, leads short-term missions trips and men's retreats, and has a brand new book that is near completion for release.

Ryan Dobson has a bachelor's degree from Biola University and is pursuing a Master's degree at Southern Evangelical Seminary. He lives in Colorado with his wife, Laura, and their two children.