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Dear Champions for Life,

Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, we have trusted God to keep our clients, staff, and friends of the ministry safe and well. We hold fast to the promise that He who has begun a good work in us is faithful to complete it. While giving thanks in all things, we have found creative ways to minister to those God has called us to serve. One of the challenges experienced was executing our Annual Spring Fundraising Event via an online format. Our borders were stretched and our faith renewed as viewers responded with overwhelmingly positive comments. Although, we did not reach our fundraising goal, God faithfully provided in spite of reports of a dismal economy. We are jubilant and grateful because in the midst of uncertain times one thing is for sure, God is the source of our strength and the hope of our days. We rejoice in the faithfulness of our Lord and in you, our loyal friends and supporters.

Every day, I continue to stand amazed observing the evidence of the Lord's work in this ministry. During the first quarter of this year, Cornerstone provided services to thirty-eight abortion-vulnerable women, 14 of which were abortion-minded and/or abortion-determined. We are witnessing more women who are seeking an abortion request our medical services than in prior years. Our men's ministry is now available and serving our first male client since the relaunch of this vital program in February. A client intake process through online technology is underway. We are investigating the deployment of virtual parenting courses. Our doula professional is working with three clients for prenatal and post-natal support. These tremendous victories are attributed to what the Lord is doing right in the middle of a crisis. Grace is truly much more abounding by means of our laboring in these fields.

Your prayers are solicited to undergird our ministry outreach as never before. The floodgates of the intercession and prayers for life are flowing to our doors. It is a time of which we have longed for and we know with your partnership the strongholds of death, depravity, and deception will be broken over the lives of the women summoned into this haven of hope.

With continued prayer, expectation, and perseverance, the Lord's work will surely move forward through Cornerstone Pregnancy Services. Your faithful gift and persistent prayers are needed to facilitate a bountiful and life-changing harvest.

"He is the Rock, his works are perfect and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is He." Deuteronomy 32:4



May God bless and keep you,

Dr. Cynthia Carter-Smallwood
Executive Director

PATIENT RESOURCES

As has happened with every organization, Cornerstone has made adjustments in the daily ministry of seeing clients due to COVID-19. We are following the governor's requirements for activities such as limiting the number of clients and volunteers in the clinic at any one time, sanitizing after every client contact, and wearing masks. We are thankful to be able to remain open at this time, especially because the abortion clinics have not closed. Abortion-minded women who have come to the center have cited fears of the virus and loss of jobs as some of the reasons they are considering abortion. One abortion-minded client wrote on her exit interview, "I received informative information that really is going to help with my future decision."

It is not only abortion-minded women that we have been able to serve. One client has been married for several years and wanting to have children. We were delighted to be able to give her a verification for a positive pregnancy test, and we look forward to doing her ultrasound. Another woman had children, experienced two miscarriages. She was relieved when our ultrasound verified an intrauterine pregnancy.



STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

We happily welcomed our new Medical Administrative Assistant, Jasmine Caminero, at the beginning of April. Her friendly voice is usually the first connection clients have with Cornerstone, and she is doing a great job in her new position.

What drew you to the ministry?

Knowing how God values life and I wanted to be a part of a ministry that saves lives. I like that I have a chance to reach people with the Gospel who walk into our doors. I am able to give our clients a different perspective about Christ opposite of what they may have thought about Him before coming to Cornerstone.

What do you look forward to most being a part of this ministry?

I look forward to learning and having the opportunity to teach people new things, especially about life. Every day, I learn something new and I am able to provide resources and information to people through love and sharing the light of Christ with others.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Walk for Life 2020

October 10, 2020

Raising the Standard for Life

"Build up, build up, prepare the road! Remove the obstacles out of the way of my people." Isaiah 57:14

Annual Spring Fundraiser 2021

Join us Friday April 23, 2021 as we celebrate 35 years of providing services with Guest Speaker, Dr. Tony Evans!

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PROGRAMS UPDATE

Exciting growth is happening in our education department's Life Ed U programming. We have expanded our course offerings providing our clients tremendous opportunity to succeed. Toddler Curriculum, addressing the challenging toddler years, was added. Life Skills Curriculum provides our clients with lessons on personal care, finances and debt, family stability, and help with job searching. New Practical Fatherhood Curriculum provides practical advice on how to be the dad that their children need.

Despite the challenges of COVID-19 lockdown, our Men's Program Coordinator, Pastor Dan Samms, has moved our men's programming forward with a new 'For Men' tab and landing page on cornerstoneanswers.org. Dan has developed men's programming information cards and community poster boards. Cornerstone Men will reach the unreached men who greatly influence a woman's choice for life.



Throughout COVID-19, we have had a steady stream of people seeking emergency supplies. We continued providing diapers, wipes, formula, and clothing, to meet the very real needs of our community.