

# Lifeline Newsletter

Spring 2017

## 2017 Step UP For Life Walk/Run – Promoting Life...One Step at a Time! Saturday, May 13th, 2017



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### MISSION STATEMENT

*The AAA Pregnancy  
Resource Center is a  
Christ-centered ministry  
dedicated to the sanctity  
of human life. We provide  
resources to promote life,  
teach God's design for  
sexuality, and provide  
counseling for post-  
abortion healing*



AAAPRC is committed  
to integrity and accountability.  
For more info visit [ECFA.org](http://ECFA.org).

**How far would you go to save a life?** How about 10,336 steps to represent the 10,336 abortions in Wayne County last year? Come **walk/run and fundraise** with us, up to 10,336 steps (10,000 steps = approx. 5 miles), and enjoy a pancake breakfast!

Your support makes ALL the difference to us! That's why participants are encouraged to gather pledges to support the AAAPRC. Follow the simple instructions upon registering to **start your own FundEasy fundraising page**. Pledges will be collected online via your FundEasy page. Thank you in advance for helping local families *choose Life!*

**REGISTER NOW** at  
[friendsofaaprc.com](http://friendsofaaprc.com)  
or [Facebook.com/AAARaceForLife](https://www.facebook.com/AAARaceForLife).

Please **contact Brenda Atkin** at 734.425.8060 **to sponsor the event** or for more information. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Event Schedule:

Check-in: 8-8:45am

Start time: 9am

All-U-Can-Eat Pancakes:  
10am – Noon

### Event Fees:

\$20 per adult (includes shirt & pancakes)

\$5 per child (17 & under, includes pancakes)

\$8 per child shirt (optional)



## Save the Date: 2017 Annual Fundraising Banquet Thursday, October 5, 2017 at Burton Manor in Livonia

We are excited to have Mike Spencer from the Life Training Institute in Colorado as our keynote speaker! A native-Detroiter, Mike grew up in a non-Christian home and considered himself "pro-choice" until coming to faith in Jesus Christ in 1983. Drawing from 23 years of experience as a pastor before joining LTI, Mike brings a pastor's heart to the issue of abortion, reaching hearts and minds in a way that is both powerful and kind. Mike equips pro-lifers in high schools, college campuses, churches and conferences throughout the United States.

**Registration begins on September 1, 2017. Stay tuned for further details!**

**There is no cost to attend, but sponsors are needed to help cover expenses for this event.**

**New This Year!** During the banquet, we will hold a Silent Auction! If you would like to donate a gift basket or other item to be auctioned off, or if you are interested in sponsoring this event, please contact Brenda Atkin at [prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net). Thank you!

## Calling All Youth Groups:

## FREE Chocolate! M&M Mini Bottle Campaign – April 1st – 30th

Youth Group and School Leaders, please consider getting your students involved in supporting the center by holding an M&M Mini Bottle Campaign! Here are the details:

- We will provide your students with the M&M Mini bottles filled with candy to enjoy!
- The students fill their empty bottle with quarters by fundraising among friends and family: one empty M&M Mini bottle will hold \$14 in quarters!
- The Student Leader will collect the filled bottles and return them to the center: you will be contacted with the total amount raised by your group.
- What a fun way to involve our youth in serving and supporting Life!

Please contact Brenda at 734.425.8060, ext. 203 or [prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net) for more information, or to sign up your youth group, school, or classroom today! Thank you!



## Speaking About AAAPRC...

On occasion, churches, schools and organizations will ask us to come and speak about our ministry. We are so grateful for their outreach! We would like to thank the following churches for these special opportunities this last quarter!

- **Belleville Church of God | January 15, 2017** | Special thanks to Belleville Church of God for inviting us to come speak about the center in honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Thank you to John Penrice, our Men2Men Coordinator for sharing about the ministry. Thank you, Pastor Jonathan Fuson and Danielle Joye, for all the effort to connect and partner with us!
- **Memorial Church of Christ | January 15, 2017** | Thank you to Memorial Church for inviting Brenda Atkin, our Development Director, to share about the ministry in honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday.
- **Henry Ford Village Presbyterian Congregation | January 22, 2017** | Thank you to Henry Ford Village and Pastor Kurt Gebhard for inviting us to come speak about the center on Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Thank you, Jan Rozenboom, our Client Services Director for sharing about the ministry on this special Sunday.
- **St. Matthew Lutheran School | January 25, 2017** | Thank you to St. Matthew Lutheran School for inviting Brenda Atkin to speak at student chapel about the ministry. Special thanks to all of the kids who participated in our first M&M Bottle Campaign raising \$383.60 toward St. Matthew's total SOHL Baby Bottle Campaign! Good job, middle schoolers!

For questions or more information about having a representative from AAAPRC come speak at your church or event, please contact Brenda Atkin at 734.425.8060, ext. 203!

## Our Volunteers are The Best!

*"I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus." - 1 Corinthians 1:4*

Each and every day, countless people volunteer their time for the ministry of AAA PRC. Whether you have volunteered through a church group, organization, or as an individual, we take this opportunity to say THANK YOU! This ministry is not possible without your willing hearts, time, talents and dedication!

### Welcome to our New Volunteers!

- Lindsay Marcum: Client Associate
- Leslie Nicholas: Shop Keeper
- Carrie Ramseyer: Client Associate
- Dort Ramseyer: Material Goods Receptionist
- Carol Sarver: Receptionist

### New Volunteer Position Available:

#### Client Social Media Coordinator

Are you highly knowledgeable on social media sites and have the ability to manage them from both desktop and mobile devices? The Client Social Media Coordinator (CSMC) will be responsible for updating and posting on the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center's client Facebook and Twitter. The CSMC will also be responsible for future social media outlets, like Instagram and Snapchat. Please contact the center for more information or to apply!

### More Volunteer Opportunities

We offer volunteer orientations monthly. Call us at 734.425.8060 to reserve your spot in the next orientation! Or go to [friendsofaaprc.com](http://friendsofaaprc.com) for more information about all of our volunteer opportunities!



## So Far This Year...

- 174+ classroom visits
- 150+ packages of diapers distributed
- 53+ new clients
- 53+ pregnancy tests
- 17+ births recorded
- 16+ sonograms

## Client Corner

Clients are given the opportunity to complete Bible studies as a way to earn additional items for their babies each month. Here are some of the most important lessons clients are learning through their studies:

*"God didn't promise that it would be easy, but that it would be worth it."*

*"That Jesus is the way to heaven and to take that narrow road I must repent and take the Lord as my Savior."*

*"I need to live by God's truth, not just live a better life."*

*"That as long as I am in this world I will be tempted, but with God's help I can overcome temptation."*

*"No matter what I may go through He has always made a way for me."*



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## FREE and SIMPLE Ways to Help AAAPRC!

### Two New Opportunities:

**Shop With Scrip!** It has never been easier to raise funds while you shop. The AAA Pregnancy Resource Center will earn funds instantly when you use gift cards to pay for everyday purchases, like gas, groceries, clothing, restaurants, gifts, almost anything you need to purchase. This new program will be starting in April so watch for more details.

**Good Done Great!** Good Done Great is a Certified Benefit Corporation dedicated to making a lasting impact partly by increasing funding to deserving nonprofit organizations through their collaboration with givers and businesses (employees and employers.) Companies match employee donations to designated charities through signing up at [gooddonegreat.com](http://gooddonegreat.com). Find out if your company is already a charity administrator, and then sign up at [gooddonegreat.com](http://gooddonegreat.com). We have already received \$395 in donations and employer matches!

**AmazonSmile** Did you know you can support AAAPRC when you shop on Amazon! Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to **AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center** whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. Visit [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) or go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7299199>. (Just be sure to do your shopping through the website, NOT on your mobile app, as donations do not apply on mobile app purchases.) **\$214.55** has been raised since we began in 2015. **Please help us increase fundraising through Amazon by joining AmazonSmile today!**

**Kroger** Calling all Kroger shoppers! Visit [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com) to enroll, or verify your enrollment, and support the AAAPRC simply while doing your regular grocery shopping! **Just 51 households** who shopped at Kroger in **2016** have helped to raise over **\$1450!** In the first quarter of **2017**, shoppers have already raised **\$516.51!** Please join with us, and thank you, shoppers!

**iGive** Visit [iGive.com](http://iGive.com) and sign up to support AAAPRC while you shop online. We raised **\$25.10** so far in 2017! Simply sign up at [iGive.com](http://iGive.com)...what an easy way to give!

**Thrivent Financial** The Thrivent Choice program helps Thrivent members make a positive impact in their communities. By participating in Thrivent Choice®, participants choose the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center as their charity. We have received **\$200** in the first quarter of 2017!

**Capital One** You can use your Capital One credit card rewards to support AAAPRC. Login to your account and click on your rewards (miles). Where it says Redeem, choose Charities under Other. Search for us by typing in AAA Pregnancy. We will be the first to pop up. Thank you!

**Online Giving Page** Giving is easy and secure on our online giving page. You can give a one-time donation to a specific area of the ministry or set up a recurring donation. You can also set up an online giving account to keep track of your giving online. Just go to [friendsofaaprc.com](http://friendsofaaprc.com), click on **Support Us** from the home page, then scroll down and click on the [online donation page](#) link under Online Giving.

**If you have questions about using any of these options for supporting AAA PRC, please contact Lisa at [prcadmasst@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prcadmasst@sbcglobal.net) or 734.425.8060 ext. 207.**

# Thank You for All the Ways You Give!

**Baby Bottle Campaigns:** Sunday, January 15, 2017 was Sanctity of Human Life (SOHL) Sunday. Many of our supporting churches spoke about defending life and participated in a baby bottle campaign to support the ministry of Life here at the AAAPRC. We cannot thank them enough for their kind generosity and faithfulness!

**Belleville Church of God**

**Bethany Bible Church**

**Christ Church of Redford**

**Covenant Community Church**

**Dearborn Christian Fellowship**

**Dunning Park Bible Chapel (March BBC)**

**Fair Haven Assembly of God**

**Grace Baptist Canton**

**Grace Christian Fellowship**

**Henry Ford Village**

**Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church**

**LifeChurch Canton**

**Livonia Church of Christ**

**Livonia AM Rotary**

**Memorial Church of Christ**

**Oakland Hills Community Church**

**Plymouth Christian Fellowship**

**Sacred Heart Byzantine Church (Lent BBC)**

**St. Edith Catholic Church (Oct. BBC)**

**St. Matthew Lutheran School**

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church (Lent BBC)**

**Warren Road Light & Life FMC**

**Woodside Bible Church in Plymouth**

If your church or organization is interested in hosting a **Mother's Day - Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign** (Sunday, May 14, 2017 to Sunday, June 18, 2017), please contact Brenda Atkin at 734.425.8060 or [prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net). Thank you!

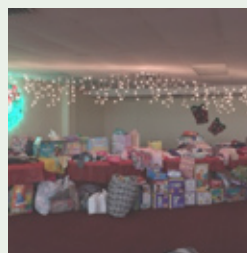
**M&M Bottle Campaign:** A very special thank you to **St. Matthew Lutheran School!** Students in 7th & 8th grade participated in our first ever M&M Bottle Campaign raising \$383.60 in quarters for the center! In addition to inviting us to come speak at their student chapel in January, St. Matthew collected baby shower items which were presented to the center to help keep our baby shop stocked for our clients. And as if that wasn't enough, 7th and 8th graders also visited the center in March. The students received a tour, learned more about the ministry, and helped sort baby items for the shop! Thank you, St. Matthew for all of your support! Well done, kids!



**Baby Shower:** A very special thank you to **Grace Christian Fellowship** for inviting us to their Grace Tea Fellowship and hosting a baby shower in honor of our clients here at the center. Many baby items were collected that night, and the event was wonderful! A big thank you also to Our Lady of Refuge School, 6th and 7th grade students from Orchard Lake who also collected many baby items which were presented to the center the night of the event. What a blessing!



**Baby Shower:** A very special thank you to **Heart for Him Ministries** for hosting their annual baby shower in support of the center! Your ongoing support, love and generosity toward the ministry of the AAA PRC is a blessing to so many! So many wonderful items were collected for babies and families, and the event was beautiful, as always...thank you!





# Thank You for All the Ways You Give!

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**“Drop Off” Baby Shower:** A very special thank you to **St. Edith Catholic Church** for coordinating a “drop-off” baby shower on March 6th. Lots of packages of diapers and other baby items were collected. What a creatively simple way to do a baby shower! Thank you, St. Edith for your support!

**Baby Clothes & Toys:** A very special thank you to **Belleville Church of God** for dropping off many bags of baby clothes and toys at the center! The generosity of your church family is greatly appreciated!

**Christmas Toy Drive:** A very special thank you to **Dotson Financial Group** and Nancy Ryan for coordinating a Christmas Toy Drive in support of our annual Christmas Giving Project. Your efforts were so appreciated by many... thank you!

**Coat Drive:** A very special thank you to **St. Thomas a’Becket Catholic Church** for coordinating a coat drive and delivering over 60 coats to keep the baby shop supplied and little ones warm this winter! Thank you so much!

**Diaper & Wipe Drive:** A very special thank you to **Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church** who coordinated a diaper and wipe drive in honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday! Thank you for your creativity in provided these necessary items for our clients!

**Baby Shop Supplies:** A very special thank you to **Crosspointe Church** who collected diapers, wipes and other baby items throughout the Christmas season to supply our baby shop. Your ongoing support of our clients is a blessing!



## From the Director



Looking forward, I am excited about the events we have scheduled for this year. As we plan each one, I see that they will be a bit different than the past. God never leaves us in the exact same place for very long, does He?

Our new Development Director, Brenda Atkin, suggested more of a purpose in the run/walk Spring event. With that in mind, this year, we are raising funds acknowledging the 10,336 babies aborted in Wayne County in 2015. Step Up for Life, is

all about each person and / or group taking 10,336 steps and asking friends and family to sponsor those steps. Afterward, we will all enjoy pancakes and fellowship again! This will be a Fun, Family event that also brings awareness to those closest to us!

Last year’s banquet was quite the event! I expect, however, that God will show up just as strong this year as He did last year!! Our God is no favor of persons! Mike Spencer will be our guest speaker and we are thrilled to have him with us! A former pastor, he now travels around the country and speaks promoting LIFE through the Life Training Institute. In addition to speaking at our banquet, Mike will be speaking to pastors at a special Pastor’s breakfast we will be hosting this year. Mike has also offered to speak at a local school or college campus. We are busy preparing for these events and looking forward to all that we see God arranging!

We have also seen an increased number of volunteers this year, which we know indicates that God is preparing us for more of something!! It is a pleasure to partner with each of you in this ministry and have the privilege of seeing our God move in the lives of so many! Thank you for all the ways that you partner with us!

I hope to see you at these upcoming events.... or simply stop in to the center and say hello!

We appreciate your prayers, cards, financial gifts, time and resources!

Serving together for His glory,

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## IMPORTANT!

- Step UP for Life Run/Walk Event (page 1)
- 2017 Annual Fundraising Banquet – SAVE-THE-DATE (page 1)
- M&M Mini Bottle Campaign (page 2)

## Material Needs:

- Diapers: sizes newborn, 4, 5, & 6
- Baby bath products: powder, lotion, oil, wash, shampoo, rash ointment
- Seasonal maternity clothes

## Volunteer Opportunities:

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## Upcoming AAPRC Events

M&M Mini Bottle Campaign | **April, 2017**

Step UP for Life Run/Walk Event | **May 13, 2017**

Mother's Day/Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign | **05.14.17 to 06.18.17**

National Life Chain | **10.01.17** | 2:00-3:30pm in front of the AAPRC

Annual Fundraising Banquet | **10.05.17** | with keynote speaker, Mike Spencer – stay tuned for more details

**Contact Brenda at 734.425.8060, ext. 203** for more details on these upcoming events!

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