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THE
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Changed Lives on the Stork Bus!

Home Sweet Home!

On June 27, we officially opened our NEW center located at **4108 Morsay Drive** in Rockford!

Our new center is professional, warm, and inviting with an expanded lobby space, additional mentoring rooms, nursing station, ultrasound rooms, baby boutique, education and training room, ample parking with easy access and situated on a bus route!

We are in awe of this amazing gift of space to serve clients and for all the vendors, volunteers, and community members who helped make it a reality!

See more details inside and plan to join us for our Ribbon Cutting and Open House on **Thursday, September 29, 2016 at 4 pm!**

37-year-old Janet* walked to the Stork Bus for a pregnancy test on a hot June day. She indicated on her intake form that she was "not having the baby," checking "abortion" as her intended choice of action if she was pregnant. Janet had two teenage girls and felt at her age it would be too difficult to start over again.

However, she knew "this baby didn't ask to be here." As her mentor discussed her options, she urged her not to make a quick decision and acknowledged the support available for her should she choose to parent the baby. She thought she was four weeks along, but the ultrasound performed on the Stork Bus revealed she was in fact six weeks along, and the pregnancy sack was completely visible. Overcome with emotions at this sight, Janet declared she wanted to keep her baby, saying how excited she was for this child now after having been so nervous before.

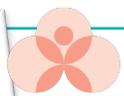
The following week, Kristi* approached the Stork Bus and discovered she was pregnant. Through tears, she revealed she was a victim of domestic violence, and she knew she needed to get away from her boyfriend. As our staff shared God's love with her, she prayed and invited God to take control of her life and help her. She came back to our center the following day and affirmed her decision. With a bible, resources, and referrals in hand, she left with a newfound hope about this chapter in her journey.

Everyday, we have the privilege of seeing God do his amazing work in the lives of men and women. Your generous support and prayers make it possible! Please pray for Janet and Kristi as they continue in our "Countdown to Parenthood" program and make courageous decisions for both themselves and their babies. Thank you for your commitment to The Pregnancy Care Center!

*Names changed for confidentiality

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From the Executive Director...



Executive Director Tiffany Staman and Founder and Board Member, Lois Dixon celebrate the purchase and receive the keys to the new facility at 4108 Morsay Drive.



The last few months have seen significant growth and change at The Pregnancy Care Center! Since March, we closed on the purchase of a new facility, held two pre-renovation open houses, launched the Stork Bus, said goodbye to two staff members and welcomed two staff members, held a first-ever women's fundraising luncheon, renovated our new facility, closed two part-time centers and moved into our new amazing full-time center!

The sense of God's goodness and presence with us has been unmistakable. We continually say there is *no way* any human could be orchestrating the events of late, as God seems to have gone ahead and prepared each step of the way, providing exactly what was needed. Even now, as SB1564 sits on Governor Rauner's desk, and we await his decision, we have no fear that God is in control and will guide us as we faithfully love Him and serve others. We move forward in confidence.

Our new facility is a gift to our staff, volunteers, and clients; for so many years, this building served as a place where women and men could come to receive services related to transforming their external self (hair, nails, massage). Now, it serves as a space where women and men can come find transformation for their heart and soul. We can't wait to share it with you! Please mark your calendars for **Thursday, September 29 at 4 pm** for our Ribbon Cutting and Open House... come celebrate God's goodness with us. We look forward to seeing you then!

Welcome, Amanda and Wymetta!

In May, we welcomed two part-time staff members to our team!

Amanda O'Neil is our Mobile Unit Director and oversees all Stork Bus operations. Amanda has worked at Men's Wearhouse for the past several years. She is married to John, and she is a Political Science major at Rockford University where she will graduate in Winter 2016. Amanda has been a phenomenal volunteer mentor at our East State Center for the last year and a half, so she jumped right in without missing a beat!

Wymetta Crull joins our team as a part-time ultrasound nurse, working both in the center and out on the Stork Bus. Before retiring, Wymetta was an RN in the NICU at Rockford Memorial Hospital and has had extensive experience at home and abroad on the mission field. She and her husband, Andy, have both volunteered in our center for the past two and a half years.

We're thrilled these remarkable women joined our staff! Pray for them as they serve our clients.



Wymetta and Amanda in front of the Stork Bus. Currently, the Stork Bus is active two days a week – Mondays at 611 West State Street and Wednesdays at GPS Church in Machesney Park. We plan to launch a third day in the near future. Check our website for updates.



Positive Choices Expands Team and Schools!



So far in 2016, the Positive Choices team have done 112 presentations to 1046 students and parents. This summer, we have been at Rock House Kids, challenging middle schoolers to make good choices, and at Rock Church, helping parents foster open dialogues with

their teens. The team will be expanding from 6 to 8 this fall as two more volunteers are training to facilitate groups in local schools. God has opened the doors at Guilford and Belvidere High Schools this fall, joining West MS, Eisenhower, Kennedy, Belvidere South, and Rockford Christian. God is good!

Pre-Renovation Open House

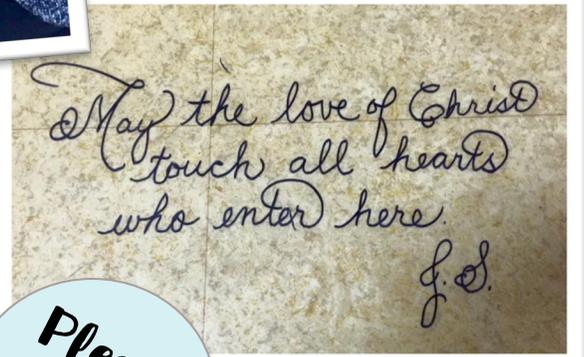
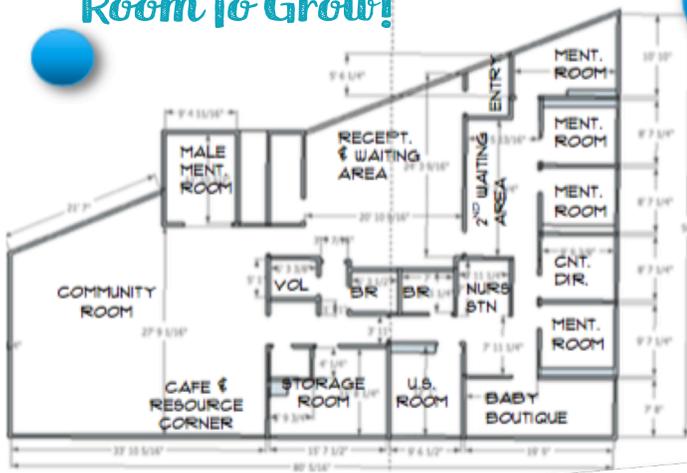
On March 16 & 17, The Pregnancy Care Center held back-to-back open houses for volunteers, donors, and community members to tour the new facility before beginning its facelift.

More than 150 people came to celebrate and write prayers of dedication on the floors of the mentoring rooms and ultrasound room. Josh Peigh, Lead Pastor of Heartland Church, offered a beautiful prayer of dedication, and Tiffany Staman fielded questions about the new center. Thanks to everyone who came out in support of this meaningful dedication!



Josh Peigh with The Pregnancy Care Center Staff: Simone Locklund, Liz Feehan, Aimee Orem, Karyn McDonald, Tiffany Staman, Theresa Kegley & Christiana Belonger.

Room to Grow!



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Ribbon Cutting & Open House

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016
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Diann Krigbaum, cleaning
Carmen LaMonica, landscaping
Jim Locklund, painting
Breanna, Christian, & Stephanie Mendez, painting
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Shane VanSickle, general
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Women's Fundraising Luncheon a Shining Success!

On May 4, 2016, more than 250 women gathered to celebrate light and hope and support the work of The Pregnancy Care Center, raising more than \$50,000!

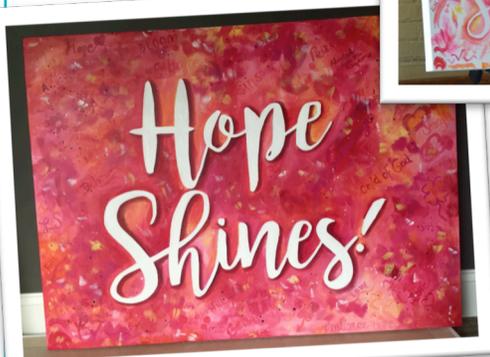
Participants enjoyed the beautiful venue of The Prairie Street Brewhouse, a delightful lunch, live music by The Lone Canary, a charming auction, powerful video stories, and ministry update.



Each woman also had a chance to contribute to a collaborative art piece facilitated by Tabatha Dougherty of Studio 317 that will hang in our center as a reminder that "Hope Shines" in the darkness.

This event also marked the end of Theresa Kegley's time on

staff as our Development Director and Christiana Belonger's time as our intern. We are so grateful for them and wish them both the absolute best in their next adventures!



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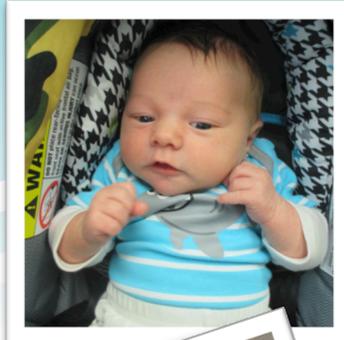
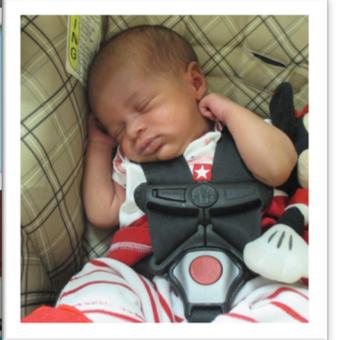
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