

From the Director...

Greetings! Our annual Walk for Life will be Saturday, April 27th at the Rotary Pavilion on Shelter Island - and we REALLY hope you'll participate!

This is our most important event of the year - we count on it for a good portion of our budgeted income - so we've worked hard to prepare a Walk that is FUN and SUCCESSFUL, and all we need now is YOU!

Personally, I DETEST the mechanics of fund raising - but we haven't found a way around its necessity! Someone joked recently that it would be nice if one of us won the lottery - then we'd never have to do another event. I reminded her that someone actually had to PLAY to win!

SO - please consider your involvement with this year's Walk for Life! Your participation means more to me than you could ever know!

Our plans so far include free Krispy Kreme doughnuts - free hotdogs - prizes - and entertainment from the youth choirs from Mission Valley Christian Fellowship - so it should be GREAT fun!

In His Service,

Sharon Pearce
Director

Here's the design for this year's Walk for Life shirt!
(THANKS to Suzanne from Design West for designing our shirt this year - GREAT job!)

The shirt will be black with white, red and silver ink. You can register through the mail - at your church (if we have volunteers to help with registration) - or the day of the Walk.

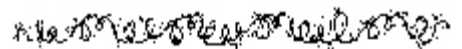
Divine Appointments...

On a recent trip to New Mexico, we experienced a "divine appointment!" We were at a Care Net Pregnancy Center to lead a Post Abortion Healing & Recovery Group, and by Saturday morning, one of the women in the group gave her heart to Jesus!

It was an incredible experience! We were trying to explain to "Tracy" how to become a Christian, and before we could get the words out of our mouths, she was crying them out to God in the deepest, most sincere prayer we have ever heard! We were all in tears as we welcomed our new sister into the family!

After the weekend was over, I asked the center director how "Tracy" had heard about the group - a volunteer "just happened" to go to "Tracy" for a haircut the week before the group, and had been talking with her about what she does at the Center. God used that brief encounter to bring "Tracy" to a place where she could be redeemed and restored!

I've spoken to the Center Director since that special weekend, and she reports that "Tracy" is growing quickly in her faith, and has already been a testimony to many! She had to see her psychiatrist the week after the group for an evaluation before he refilled her medication for depression (she's been clinically depressed since the abortion - and had heard "voices" tell her that she should kill herself) - and he was amazed at how good she looked! We're praying that in God's timing, she will no longer need the medication, and that she will be able to walk in the Joy of the Lord!



Just this week, we had another "divine appointment" at the office! Sharon had an appointment with a new insurance agent who needed to verify the details of her policy.

After the agent arrived and had taken a seat, she asked "So, what do you do here?" Sharon was able to tell her that we help women who are pregnant, or those who have already had an abortion. The agent's eyes got big and teary, and she admitted that she had had an abortion when she was 15, and that it was something she still regretted.

It was SO neat to be able to share the hope that is in Jesus - and to speak to her deepest emotional/spiritual needs! While she didn't pray to receive Jesus that day, she DID walk away knowing that God had been speaking to her - that He loved her - and that He has a plan and purpose for her life! She knows she can come back any time to talk about the Lord - or her past abortion - and we're hoping she does!

Silent Voices believes that God is the Author of life, that all human life is valuable - born and preborn - and that abortion is never the answer to an unplanned, "crisis" pregnancy. We are dedicated to giving compassionate, practical assistance to women experiencing unplanned pregnancies, providing accurate information about the realities and possible consequences of abortion, and offering help, hope and healing through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ to women already struggling with the trauma of abortion.