



# Hope Women's Center

Summer 2020

## *From the Director*

To God Be the Glory

A big THANK YOU for being so faithful in your donations of monies and material items to HWC during this time. Because of your love for others we have been able to help many mommies and babies who are in need. Please continue to pray as we all work together.

I would also like to thank all of you for your love and the kindness you have shown me for the past 14 ½ years. I have decided to retire to spend some time with my family. My last day will be July 30. Please pray for me as I start the next phase of my life.

May God richly bless each of you. - Judy

## *Walk for Life*

This will be our seventh year for the Walk for Life. We have been blessed with the community supporting us in the past and anticipate the same again this year. We will be walking (God willing) October 10, 2020, 1-3 PM at Rock Springs Track Easley, SC. Registration Fee is \$15 which includes a T-shirt and water. (XX Lg T Shirt reg. fee is \$18). Deadline for T-shirts is September 30. Deadline for getting sponsorship names on the T-shirt is also September 30. Sponsor fee is \$100.00. We are also looking for baked goods to sell that day. Please wrap and price each item. All proceeds go to Hope Women's Center. God has always proven Himself faithful in meeting our needs through this event. We need YOU to come support this ministry either as a walker or as a sponsor. If you are interested please call the Center for a registration form at 864-855-8500, or go to the website [www.yourservant.com/hope](http://www.yourservant.com/hope)), print out a registration form and mail it to P.O. Box 225, Easley, SC 29641. We are so thankful for all those who come to walk in support of the unborn. Please pray this year will be successful.

This is a great opportunity for entire Sunday School classes to come together and enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship for a Christ-centered cause. We look forward to seeing you there!!

## *Baby Bottles*

We have had many churches doing baby bottles. Just pick up a baby bottle from the Center, either for yourself, your Sunday School Class or your Bible study group. At the end of the day, fill it with the loose change in your pocket or purse. You'll be amazed at how quickly it fills. Then, return it to the Center. It is a great blessing for us to see so many bottles being brought in filled with money.

## *3rd Annual Run for the Young'un*

Thank you so much to the Pickens County ABATE. We received \$625.00 plus many diapers, wipes and miscellaneous baby items. This is a great group of men and women who support HWC and the work we do.

## *On Going Needs*

Hope Women's Center tries to provide anything a baby up to the age of 24 months might need. As with any "family" our stock frequently needs to be replaced and often our needs vary.

Right now we need diapers in sizes New Born, 4,5, and 6. We need to replenish our supply of Boys clothes sizes 12-24 months and Girls sizes 18-24 months. We could also use larger size socks (we have lots of small ones).

We need Gerber Good Start, Sooth and Gentle formula (Please check the expiration dates). We always have a need for soap, shampoo, lotion, and other baby toiletries. Thank you ever so much for your consideration of these needs.

## *SC Heartbeat Bill*

Please tell our state leaders and your fellow South Carolinians that you believe life in our state should be protected by passing the Heartbeat Bill H3020.

Last year alone, almost 6,000 babies were aborted in South Carolina. That means thousands of precious humans never had the fundamental opportunity to experience life.

We believe that number should be zero in

South Carolina, but to make that happen we need your help!

During the 2018 legislative session, the Heartbeat Bill was passed by the South Carolina House of Representatives before stalling in the Senate. But now, in an unlikely move, the Senate Medical Affairs Committee has decided to take up the bill this summer instead of waiting until the next session set to begin in January.

On September 10, the committee will have a hearing and hold a vote to recommend the bill to the full senate.

Please let your Senator know if you believe the Senate Medical Affairs Committee should protect life in South Carolina by voting in favor of the South Carolina Heartbeat Bill.

The bill H3020 passed by the House in April would outlaw most abortions once a fetal heartbeat can be detected, roughly in the sixth week of pregnancy, before some women know they are pregnant. However, the legislation included exceptions for victims of rape and incest.

Despite opposition from critics like Planned Parenthood, who have called the bill "extreme" and "deeply disappointing," Governor McMaster again vowed to sign the bill once it lands on his desk.

"The right to life is fundamental to everything we stand for," McMaster said. "It's time for the Senate to listen to the people of South Carolina, who everyone in this building works directly for."

### *What We Offer*

- Pregnancy Test at no charge.
- Information concerning pregnancy/prenatal development.
- Abortion procedures and risks information (we do not perform or refer for abortions)
- One on one peer counseling (relationship and abstinence).
- Long term counseling during pregnancy
- Referrals to other Christian ministries and community agencies (medical, financial, shelter, homes, adoption).
- Maternity/baby clothes and supplies.

### *What You Can Do*

- ✍ Pray!
- ✍ Volunteer as a peer counselor
- ✍ Take part in the baby bottle program
- ✍ Donate maternity and baby needs
- ✍ Tell others about Hope Women's Center
- ✍ Donate financially

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints. Ephesians 1:18.

Every baby brings into the world ... a Song that has never been sung, a Hope that has never been quenched, a Chance to Love and be loved and a complete Faith in us for protection.

*Your Gift Makes a Bigger Difference than You Might Think!!*

Thank you to the many of you who support us with monthly, quarterly and yearly gifts. Because of you, lives are impacted and lives are saved through this ministry. Your gifts define the word "partnership," which describes a union of people dedicated to a particular calling. In our case, we partner as we reach out to those facing unplanned pregnancies, presenting the hope of Jesus Christ as we offer life-affirming alternatives to abortion. These are two of the highest callings imaginable and together we are indeed partners!