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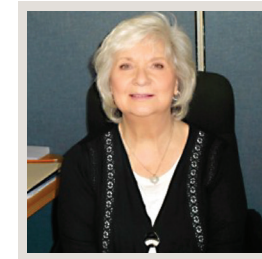


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Director's Corner

By Vera Marelli, Executive Director

Jesus' society knew great pain and oppression: Rome ruled, corrupt tax collectors burdened the people and some religious leaders oppressed Jewish citizens participating in compulsory religious duties.



Joseph and his pregnant wife Mary traveled a long distance to Bethlehem to register for a census only to find no lodging. Soon Mary bore her baby and laid him in a lowly manger which was a feeding trough for animals. Eventually, the news reached Mary and Joseph that King Herod sought to kill their little one and once again, they were on the move.

Imagine how Mary felt. Traveling while pregnant would be challenging, and on a donkey to boot! Fleeing to another nation to avoid the king slaying your son. Yet she, Joseph, and Jesus survived the ordeal.

All too often our clients face what seem to be insurmountable obstacles in their lives. While not nearly as serious as the conditions facing Mary and Joseph, many face an unplanned pregnancy, unstable family situations, unsafe living conditions, not having enough money to make it to the end of the month and so on and so on. So often you have been the hands of the Lord extended to them. How? Through your many gifts...donated clothing, diapers, formula, financial contributions, volunteering and PRAYER.

In the midst of social and cultural challenges, the Christmas story still offers hope and encouragement toward survival, hope of new life linked to one greater than our self: our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Merry Christmas and thank you for all you have done to make a difference in the lives of some of our most in-need families residing as our neighbors.



"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us." Matthew 1:23

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15

The Fruit of Our Labor

Patti Samuels

Christmas music was playing in the background as the line of clients filled out their Christmas Shopping check-out sheet. I could see the twinkle in their eyes as they looked from the blinking lights on the Christmas tree to the MASSIVE haul of gifts that occupied every spare space in the center. God had answered our staff's prayers to supply Christmas toys for our wonderful clients and was now answering our client's prayers to help them make a Christmas for their children!

One Christmas card that was handed to me sums it all up...

"I want to thank all of the TryLife staff for all you have done for my family this year. You seemed to know what I needed before I even came through the door. I have learned so much from each of you who have taken the time to listen to me and tell me what I needed to hear. You stood by me and I can say you all are like family to me. God bless each of you with a very MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

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Host a Baby Bottle Campaign!

Baby Bottle Campaigns remain a very important way for us to partner with area churches and organizations, and provide a source of funding for the Parent & Baby program.



Recent church campaigns include those at Abundant Life Fellowship, Arnold; Bibleway Christian Fellowship, New Kensington; Kiski Valley Assembly and Kiski Valley Presbyterian, Leechburg; Knights of Columbus sponsored campaigns at Mount St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Mary of Czestochowa churches in New Kensington; St. Vladimir in Arnold and St. Margaret Mary in Lower Burrell; St. James the Greater, Apollo; St. Gertrude, Vandergrift; and including Our Lady of Queen of Peace, E. Vandergrift.

Recent business campaigns include First Commonwealth Bank, Allison Park, Sprangle's Neighborhood Market, Leechburg and Southwest Subway, New Kensington.

Will your church, business or organization consider hosting one? For more information or to schedule a campaign, please contact nancyg@tricitylife.org; 724.339.9399 x111.

Did you know????

We recently changed our name from Tri-City Life Center to TryLife Center... On just the first day of 2014 Toyland, 892 toys, books and games were given to parents for their little ones...The most popular day of the week for babies to make their entrance is Tuesday...Rick Farinelli, TryLife Center's newest board member, had his own band and is president of Musicians Union Local 632 and also the Alle-Kiski Serra Club...TryLife Center creates a special basket packed with new gifts for every one of our new moms upon giving birth...California has the most baby births and Vermont the least number of births...We have a total of 6 volunteers who each have been with us for over 15 years...Allegheny County had 10.6 births for every 1,000 individuals last year...As of November 30, TCL has had a total of 2,163 client visits in 2014...January is considered the Right to Life month in the United States...We are ready to enter stage 3 of renovations to the building...

Blessings & Recognitions

♥ Amy Miller of Ford Business Machines gave a donation for an ad in our Fall benefit program that was inadvertently missed. We sincerely apologize for the oversight.

👤 Church sponsors for Angel Christmas gifts this year are Puckety Presbyterian Church, Lower Burrell; First United Methodist Church, New Kensington, St. Gertrude Catholic Church, Vandergrift, Kiski Valley Presbyterian, Leechburg, and Christ Church at Grove Farm. Burrellton Garden Club also donated bagsful of Christmas Gifts. Thank you!

👩 Amplify Church and Evangel Heights Academy sent super volunteers this fall to help TLC with a variety of tasks. What a blessing!

🔔 Gina Wisner organized a shower in the Vandergrift-Apollo area. We so appreciate your support.

🎁 United For Life churches in Oakmont sponsored a diaper drive for us. Financial gifts and a Pack n' Play crib were included. Wow!

📄 TLC wishes to thank Citizens Family Health Clinic in New Kensington and Deb Askin, Executive Director, for their assistance with our Educational Resource Program presentations at Latrobe and Greensburg Salem schools this fall. This was an answer to earnest prayer.

✝ Rev. Dick Samuels and Joe Bosco have been conducting an excellent and much anticipated Bible Study on Tuesday mornings here. Thanks for sharing your time and investing in our clients. God is good! Everyone is invited.

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All we want for Christmas is a moving dolly!

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- Diapers Sizes 4, 5 And 6 Only
- Baby Cereal & Jars Of Baby Food
- Children's Pants In Sizes 2 – 7
- New Baby Clothes Size 0 – 3 Months For Our New Baby Gift Bags
- Gift Cards For Gas, Pantry Needs
- Paper And Office Products

Looking for a unique gift?

Customize a brick paver for "Lois' Place" and memorialize your loved one this Christmas while supporting TLC's childcare area renovation. Bricks sized 4"x 8" are available for purchase @ \$250 each or 2 for \$450. Marble tiles are also available for \$500 each or 2 for \$900.

Please call Joan @ 724-339-9399 x106 for more information.

