

# Merry Christmas



## 2020 LifeLine Newsletter

### Dear Friends For Life,

Each year we enjoy giving you a glimpse of the new lives welcomed into the PLC Health Clinic family and share parent testimonials of the work we do. These are just a small representation of the lives you help change by supporting the PLCHC. We thank our photographers **Quincy Thompson and Julie Dorsch** for their fantastic work in capturing the beautiful personalities of these babies! **Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year** from the PLCHC staff, board of directors, and volunteers.



The year 2020 has come with its unique challenges, yet we have found that our supporters have come through in an extraordinary way regardless of the struggles they may have been dealing with. Faithful in giving through an uncertain time, each one of you continue to be a cornerstone of the PLCHC's financial foundation. Our Medical Banquet was held just before the "Shelter in Place" and every week thereafter we were encouraged to see that our supporters didn't miss a beat in fulfilling their pledges. Fast forward to our Walk for Life in September where we made the difficult decision to go virtual. Though we anticipated a drop in our projected goal, we found once again that YOU went above and beyond in your faithfulness to give.

On top of pandemic challenges, we have been working to transition through the resignation of Trina Langdon as Executive Director and my stepping into the position. I am ever grateful for the grace, patience and support of my fellow staff members, board members, volunteers, and supporters. This has been an emotional time for us all, but I am leaning into God and trusting that He will take what Trina has begun and continue to work mightily through the PLCHC.

While we never doubted God's goodness, we truthfully struggled at times to see how He would make it all come together. Time and again He shined His light and provision through YOU. The staff proclaimed "**adaptability**" as our word for 2020, and as we pray for 2021 to not be quite so challenging, we are committed to fulfilling God's work as He leads us to serve.

In His Service,  
Jody Wannemacher, PLC Health Clinic Executive Director

**We THANK our 2021 Banquet Sponsors!**

### 2021 Banquet Fundraiser - Featuring Monica Kelsey Thursday, March 4

Although we don't yet know what our annual banquet will look like (in-person, virtual, or a hybrid) we are planning for Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at LifeHouse Church with keynote speaker Monica Kelsey. Monica is the founder of the Safe Haven Baby Box movement sweeping the nation and saving abandoned babies' lives through electronically monitored boxes installed in fire stations and hospitals, including our own Van Wert Health. Monica's story includes her own abandonment, subsequent adoption and reality of the circumstances surrounding her mother's pregnancy. Today Monica is standing on the front lines defending the innocent children that are targeted for abortion and abandonment. We are excited for you to hear about Monica's simple yet effective mission: protect all human life from conception till natural death.



Our annual banquet fundraiser is by reservation only. The banquet is free, but reservations are required. Contact us soon if you're interested in attending and **help us raise the \$70,000** to keep our clinic going strong in 2021!



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*"The most valuable educational information I learned was from the Childbirth Classes. As a first-time mother, I had no clue what to expect. The Parenting Classes prepared me to care for my baby. The PLCHC staff make me feel welcome, they are so understanding." ~Easton's Mom*

Easton  
October 27, 2020



*"Everyone at the PLCHC has been amazing, friendly and very helpful. I feel like some weights have been lifted because the staff has listened and given me some advice on how to handle things. They keep me pointed in the right direction." ~Mom expecting January 2021*



Zeke  
January 30, 2020

*"I have learned how to take care of my child the right way and felt prepared for life with him thanks to the Parenting Classes. The staff made me feel comfortable with myself even when there were difficult things going on in my life." ~Zeke's Mom*



Zantana  
November 10, 2019

*"I have received a variety of resources to encourage my faith and help with my understanding of the Bible. I really appreciate being able to shop the Baby Boutique for seasonal clothes and diapers." ~Zantana's Mom*





*"The staff always welcomes me with warm, friendly smiles. It feels good to be known by name especially from the ultrasound technician, Staci, who was very knowledgeable and supportive." ~Mom expecting in April 2021*

*"It had been a while since I had my last child, so I was nervous (almost like having my first baby again). PLC had interesting classes to help me feel more at ease! The staff also made sure I had everything I needed before I finally had my daughter."  
~Shayleigh's Mom*



Shayleigh  
April 16, 2020



Kayedance  
December 20, 2019

*"The Bible studies have helped me rebuild my relationship with God. All the other classes I take at PLCHC are helping me to care for my baby."  
~Kayedance's Mom*

*"I learn new things that I can work on with my children every time I come in for class. It's nice to earn the baby bucks to use in the boutique when money is running short." ~Grayson's Mom*

*"When I had my ultrasound, the nurse and technician were very nice. They were friendly and explained things to me about my baby and pregnancy. The staff is always welcoming, and they check in on me to see how I am. That makes me feel like they care."  
~Mom expecting March 2021*

Grayson  
February 8, 2019





We thank our **Fellowship of Giving** sponsors whose generosity allows the PLCHC to be completely covered financially on their designated days to serve our community in Christ's love. As a Fellowship of Giving member, you can choose a day (or days) to honor, recognize or celebrate a special person or occasion in your life. Your sponsorship will be featured several times throughout the day on PLC social media sites and also in that month's newsletter. **Fellowship of Giving** is a great gift that fits every size – why not consider it as **part of your Christmas giving** this year! Simply complete the giving certificate on the back of our newsletter and we will be in touch with you to collect the information needed to celebrate your special day.



Jody & Chris are pictured at left with their parents



Jody & "G Betty"



**Chris and Jody Wannemacher** would like to honor their parents – Greg & Sandy Miller and Mike & Carmen Wannemacher on their Fellowship of Giving Day, December 31st. They would also like to honor Jody's grandma, Betty Gilgenbach, who turned 90 years old this summer and continues to bless those who affectionately know her as "G Betty".

They would also like to remember their grandparents who are no longer with us: Milfred Gilgenbach, Ron & Carlotta Miller, Maurice & Jeanette Williman, and Stanley & Rachel Wannemacher. Each of these amazing people, including those we never met, have sown their own unique goodness into our lives – personally as a couple and as parents. They have poured an amazing amount of love into us and into our children's lives: molding us into who we are and who we are becoming. God has blessed us richly with wonderful parents and grandparents, and we thank Him daily for the firm foundation given to us not only in Him but in our earthly family.

**Thanks Chris & Jody** for investing in the life-saving work of the PLCHC!

**Rod and Mary Ann Dudgeon** are sponsoring **December 17<sup>th</sup>** to celebrate and honor the staff and volunteers of the PLCHC. On this day staff and volunteers will be distributing Angel Tree gifts (from LifeHouse Church members) to PLCHC families. **Thank you, Rod & Mary!**

**Nathan & Rebecca Lare** are sponsoring **December 5<sup>th</sup>** in honor of their daughters, **Grace and Liesel**. Grace graduated from Grace College in 2020 and they're so excited to see how God will continue to work in her life. Their daughter, Liesel was inducted into the National Honor Society in October and they would also like to celebrate this amazing accomplishment. **Thank you, Nathan & Rebecca and Congratulations** to Grace and Liesel!



**We have two** wonderful board members leaving us in the new year. We thank Whitney Webster, President and Carla Custis, Secretary, for tirelessly pouring themselves into this ministry. They will forever be a part of our PLC family!

Whitney (left) says of her 3-year term, "Serving on this board has pushed me out of my comfort zone in so many ways, but that's how God works – He pushes us into greater depths to grow us and nurture the gifts He has given us. I've been beyond blessed to get a behind-the-scenes view of the PLC. To God be ALL the glory for the work He does through the PLC each and every day."



Carla (right with husband, Brad) served two 3-year terms and says, "It has been amazing to watch what the Lord has done over the last 6 years... becoming medical, raising funds, and watching the amazing staff led by Trina, make a difference in the Van Wert community. Thank you for the opportunity! I can't wait to see what is in store for the next chapter of the PLC Health Clinic story."



# LIGHT FOR LIFE – SHINING BRIGHTLY FOR 13 YEARS!



Our Light for Life program began in 2007 and in those 13 years it has raised \$150,000! All from people who faithfully give \$10 or more a month. It's just incredible what God can grow. And so, we thank our **2020 Light for Life donors** whose gifts totaled roughly \$9,000. These funds help to replenish our Baby Boutique, update educational class materials, and keep the utility bills paid. Donors receive a **PLC baby photo magnet**, which makes for a great prayer reminder. Light for Life donors truly **keep this place running** both prayerfully and financially! If you would like to be a Light for Life, **please contact us!**

We thank our **2020 Light for Life Donors:**

Mark & Karen Adams  
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*"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it." John 1:5*

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

- Praise for our wonderful volunteers who help in the clinic on a weekly basis
- Praise for technology that keeps us in touch with our patients
- Praise for God's goodness and provision in 2020
- Prayers as we plan our annual banquet in ever-changing times
- Prayers for our staff & volunteers to stay healthy, well, and encouraged!
- Prayers as we help patients navigate pregnancy and parenting in uncertain times

## **Baby Boutique Needs**

- Diaper Bags
- Baby Laundry Detergent
- Pedialyte
- Diapers - Size 5 & 6
- Wipes
- Newborn no-scratch mittens
- Boys' & Girls' (3T & 4T) winter clothes, sleepers, and socks
- New high chairs

\*Donations may be dropped off during regular business hours\*



## **NOVEMBER CLINIC STATS**

- Pregnancy Tests: 6
- STI Tests: 4
- Ultrasounds: 3

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OF DAVID A SAVIOR WHO IS  
*Christ the Lord...."*  
LUKE 2:10-11

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## My 2020 Christmas Gift

Please fill out and return to the PLCHC to donate:



-I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ at this time.

-**Fellowship of Giving:** 1 day (\$900)\_\_\_ 2 days (\$1,800)\_\_\_ 1 week (\$3,600) \_\_\_

-**Light for Life:** \$10 per month\_\_\_ \$20 per month\_\_\_ \$120 one-time gift\_\_\_

-I would like to attend the 2021 Banquet\_\_\_

Your name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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