



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR...



Dear Friends for Life, What an amazing year 2023 has been here at the PLC Health Clinic. We have experienced so many opportunities to bless those we serve and to sow into the lives of the community. We appreciate your support: financially, materially, and prayerfully. This support allows us to continue to provide much-needed services in Van Wert and surrounding areas. The funds you faithfully provide to us are distributed directly back into the individuals who come through our doors and lives are being changed daily because of **YOU**. So we want to take this opportunity to pause and say thank you for investing into our ministry so that we can pass that generosity onto others.

We want to thank **Sarah Rank** for sharing her gift of photography with us and donating her time to take the beautiful baby pictures featured in this month's newsletter. These pictures will also be featured in our annual Light for Life mailing. Thank you also to our newest Patient Services Coordinator, **Lisa Rodman**, for her hard work in helping set up picture day and making it a success. Also, thank you to **Julie Dorsch**, former Patient Services Coordinator turned volunteer, for guiding Lisa through the process and helping with picture day. Each baby and toddler in this newsletter represents the extensive and ongoing effect that your generosity has in the lives of those we serve.

As we reflect on the year, it is with joy that we once again share that our Medical Banquet and Walk for Life were both well-attended and financially successful. They both exceeded our expectations as **God continues to astound us** in His faithfulness to this most important cause. The Langdyn House vision is beginning to take shape as we broke ground for the home build last month and construction is well underway. We are prayerfully believing to be able to open our doors in late spring / early summer to help expectant mothers and mothers of new babies. We continue to organize the home's structure and prayerfully follow the Lord's leading to create a successful expansion to our services and continue to impact the lives of those we serve.

As we close out on yet another successful year of service to the Van Wert community, the Board of Directors, staff and volunteers of the PLC Health Clinic and I cannot thank you enough for your faithful and generous partnership and for walking beside us to save and change lives. Our ministry has so much success because of what the Lord has done, but so much of what He does is through you. We would not be what we are without each and every one of you. Your obedience and faithfulness is evident and we humbly thank you. We pray you have a joyful Christmas season and a blessed and fruitful 2024.

In His Service, Jody Wannemacher, Executive Director

We are so excited to announce that our speaker for the PLC Health Clinic Annual Medical Banquet for 2024 is Jess Ford!

At the age of 16, Jess Ford co-founded **Ignite Student Ministries**, a weekly multi-site youth gathering of over 600 students around Dallas-Fort Worth. Since then, Jess graduated from Oral Roberts University with his undergraduate degree in Ministry and Leadership. Jess recently obtained an MBA from Oral Roberts University, concentrating in Christian leadership. Today, Jess works full-time for **Live Action** and serves as a writer for **Focus on the Family**.

The sanctity of life is an issue close to his heart because of his own story, as Jess was nearly aborted when his mom had an unplanned pregnancy. Today, Jess actively speaks through a pro-life organization that his mother, Amy Ford, founded called **Embrace Grace**.

Jess is passionate about communicating the beauty of God and the gift of life we are blessed with.

If you have never been to one of our Medical Banquet fundraisers and would be interested in being added to our list, please contact us at plc1@plchealthclinic.org. The banquet is Thursday, March 7, 2024 and is by reservation only. Although it's free, reservations are required and space is limited. Contact us soon if you're interested in attending and helping us raise the \$100,000 needed to keep our clinic going strong.

*Please note seats are limited.

2024 BANQUET SPEAKER ANNOUNCED





Hayden Amelia
Born 12-10-22

"I am so grateful that Van Wert has a facility that is able to educate mothers as well as provide key supplies to help mom and baby succeed. The staff is wonderful and I look forward to seeing them!"
Hayden Amelia's Mom



Rowan Atlas
Born 12-20-22

"I've been taking classes at PLCHC for a year and have felt comfortable there because of the caring and supportive staff. The advice and being able to talk about my baby has helped me in many ways!"
Dawson's Mom

"I came for an ultrasound appointment when I was 12 weeks pregnant and it was amazing. I got clear pictures and the nurses were very kind and helpful answering my questions. I attend classes and one particular Bible study has stuck with me about slowing down in life and enjoying it. When I catch myself freaking out and rushing, I stop and think about that." - Rowan Atlas's Mom



Dawson
Born 2-28-23

"The labor and birth class helped prepare us for delivery, and the classes on caring for our baby made my husband and I feel prepared and less scared. We've been able to get items from the Baby Boutique and hope to be able to earn a high chair soon."
Ivory Louise's Mom



Ivory Louise
Born 10-3-23



Artoria Rose
Born 12-28-22

"I initially came for an ultrasound and my experience was easy and comfortable. Since then, I have attended classes and learned important information about caring for my baby, including CPR and food safety. The staff is extremely kind."
Artoria Rose's Mom



Steven Diego
Born 10-23-22

"I am a first-time mom and did not know what to expect, but the classes helped a lot. The boutique provides all the items needed to take care of my baby and even has things I didn't know I needed. I love the staff; everyone is very friendly and they do great with Athena."
Athena Jean's Mom



"The PLCHC has helped me as a single mom with items for my baby that he really needs, like formula, diapers, clothes, and a much-needed baby gate. I have also made new friends with the staff."
Stephen Diego's Mom



Athena Jean
Born 3-22-23

"We began coming to PLCHC five months ago and have been treated with kindness and received such good support. The classes give us the necessary information to provide the best care for our new baby. Lisa (Patient Services) is attentive to our baby's needs."
Pablo's Mom & Dad



Pablo
Born 6-7-23



Iris
Born 12-13-22

"Though I've gained a lot of experience just by being a mom of four kids, the classes do give me some new parenting ideas and options. I appreciate the diapers and wipes I earn!"
Iris' Mom



Cain Alex
Born 8-1-22

"The classes assist me with education on caring for my daughter as well as earning material items needed to care for her. I've earned diapers, pull-ups and wipes as well as clothes for my ever-growing girl."
Mary-Elizabeth's Mom



Mary-Elizabeth
Born 1-27-22

"Learning techniques to handle my kids' milestones helps so much. Without it, it would be easy to get overwhelmed. The Boutique has helped a lot, especially after our house fire. The PLCHC was helpful and generous during that difficult time. They made sure my kids had clothes right away!"
Cain Alex's Mom



AMAZON WISH LIST

Wondering about a tangible way to gift the PLC Health Clinic and shop for that hard-to-buy-for person on your Christmas List? Check out our Amazon Wish List and purchase a need for our ministry in their honor! There are everyday needs like diapers and wipes, and some things that are more fun like diaper bags or small furniture items. Click on the QR code below to shop.



FELLOWSHIP OF GIVING SPOTLIGHT

We appreciate our Fellowship of Giving partners like Kathy Gross, who help support the work and mission of the PLC Health Clinic!

Kathy Gross in sponsoring a Fellowship of Giving on December 9th in memory of her father, Gene Counterman. She says, "I'm thankful for the opportunity to spend the last 6 months of his life with him. Giving his life to Jesus changed everything. See you in Heaven, Dad. See you in Heaven."

LIGHT FOR LIFE DONORS

Light for Life donors commit to faithfully give \$10+ month (or a yearly gift of \$120 or more). The gifts sustain our general fund in a variety of ways: they keep our Baby Boutique well stocked, maintain our educational software subscription, replenish clinic supplies, and pay everyday operating expenses. Donors receive a PLCHC baby photo calendar magnet, which reminds them to pray for the baby and family. If you would like to become a Light for Life, please contact us. Thank you to our 2023 **Light for Life** donors who allow us to shine Jesus' light to everyone we serve!

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#GivingTuesday is a global day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities, and organizations to encourage and celebrate generosity. Following Thanksgiving, this year's **#Giving Tuesday** will be November 28th. This year the PLC Health Clinic and The Langdyn House will be doing an independent **#Giving Tuesday** campaign. This will allow us to take 100% of the proceeds and sow it back into the Housing fund! Mark your calendars and watch our pages for ways to give on Giving Tuesday. Donations can be named in honor of a loved one or can be anonymous. Office hours for in-person donations are 10am - 4pm on **#GivingTuesday**. For questions, please call 419-238-9177.



PLC BOARD NEWS



Pam Rice, Board Treasurer & family

Pam Rice is our Board Treasurer. After years of living various places while in church ministry, she and husband, Greg, are happy to be back in Van Wert where she grew up. Pam says, "My desire always is to use my God-given gifts and abilities to be the hands and feet of Jesus wherever God has placed me, including my family which includes two wonderful boys. I have my own story of God working in and through my pregnancies, and know pregnancy is a sensitive time that the Lord can touch hearts and families for His sake. This opportunity to use my business and finance skills as PLCHC Treasurer is an area of ministry that is close to my heart. I look forward to what God has in store for this year and beyond!"



Anne Dunn,
Board Member

Anne Dunn has been a board member for the past year. She has been a part of the Van Wert Community for 26 years. She is married to Aaron and they have four children, Christian, Madelyn, Paige and Elex. Anne attends Lifehouse Church and volunteers in both the elementary school environment and adult ministry. Anne comes to the board excited to love and serve those affected by unplanned pregnancy and seeking support.



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