

LifeLine Newsletter

December 2024



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR..



Dear Friends for Life: The giving hearts of our community is something that I don't think my human mind will ever fully comprehend. Through the ups and downs our nation has experienced over the last few years you never skipped a beat; continuing to be an inherent part of our ministerial success through your steadfast generosity. Thank you to everyone who has been a significant part of The PLC Health Clinic through your ongoing financial giving, carrying us from need to need through material donations, and edifying our staff, patients and volunteers through your fervent and heartfelt prayers. It is because of your faithful partnerships that we continue to provide successful support to "the least of these". What a great privilege it is for the PLC Health Clinic to offer free medical services, education, spiritual and material support to women and men in the community! What an even greater privilege it has been in the last few months to be able to extend our services to include a place to call home to displaced expectant mothers and mothers of new babies. We are currently serving two mothers in the home and welcomed our first baby boy home in October. Our ministry as a whole is growing and so is our PLC family!

Year after year, we strive to create an atmosphere where those who enter our building feel loved, welcomed, and valued regardless of their situation. Because you choose to give, we can provide comprehensive care that encourages choices for life and helps spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to women, men and children in Van Wert and surrounding areas. As we continue to expand our mission and services as God calls us, we continue to see an increase in our sustaining financial needs; to house our mothers and babies and to continue serving those here at our clinic. I know that if you are receiving this newsletter, you believe in the work we do at the PLC Health Clinic and The Langdyn House. I pray you will take this opportunity to support us once again, or for the first time, by filling out the giving portion of our letter and mailing it in or by giving online through our website at plchealthclinic.org. Your year-end gift is the lifeline for the mission of The PLC Health Clinic and honors the sanctity of human life.

Thank you to Sarah Rank Photography for the amazing photos taken of all the babies in our newsletter and to Lisa Rodman our Patient Services Coordinator for the behind the scenes work she did to make it happen. Also, a special thank you to Julie Dorsch for her help during picture day; lending a supportive hand where needed. These babies represent the far-reaching effect of your generosity and love for this ministry.

As you step into 2025, we pray an abundance of blessings over your life. On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff, and Volunteers of the PLC Health Clinic we thank you for walking beside us in this fight for Life. Your investment brings hope and support to countless babies and their families.

Warmest Christmas blessings from all of us at the PLC Health Clinic, Jody Wannemacher, Executive Director

Introducing this year's PLC Health Clinic speaker: Steventhen Holland. He is an author, recording artist, worship leader, motivational speaker, national pro-life speaker and founder of Broken Not Dead Ministries.

He is the author of a book entitled, The Journey: Brokenness to Wholeness, in which he shares his amazing story! His life is the result of the gang-rape of an eighteen-year-old mentally challenged young woman. Incredibly, despite his mother's lack of intellectual ability, homelessness, and a society that was constantly pressuring her to abort him, he survived. However, his mother couldn't care for him and placed him in foster care, where he was later adopted. He wouldn't be reunited with his birth mother for over twenty-seven years.

Despite the brokenness he has experienced, he travels the country, sharing his message of HOPE and RESTORATION for the BROKEN built on the Gospel of Jesus Christ! With courageous inspiration, Steventhen has been transformative as a speaker and worship leader at a variety of events and venues around the country for over 20 years.

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 6, 2025 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.

2025 BANQUET SPEAKER ANNOUNCED





"As my son has grown, I've been able to learn about all the milestones at each age, especially how to deal with tantrums. The video classes gave information that was helpful and clear."

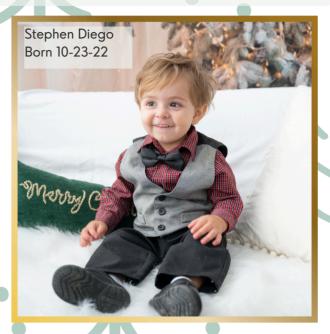
Stephen Diego's Mom

"The most valuable thing I have learned at the PLC is that the amount of attention you pay to your children matters. This has helped my son adjust to having a sibling. Another thing I learned is that it's okay to ask for help. The care at the PLC is amazing. The staff definitely makes you feel welcome. When I bring my son in, they are sure to make him feel special." - Scarlett's Mom



"The classes and support at the PLC prepared me to take care of my baby. I want to thank the people who donate items to the boutique so I can earn bottles and clothes for my daughter."

Alexis Olivia's Mom



"I appreciate the Learn-and-Earn classes so that I can purchase diapers, clothes and baby food. The care I have received from the PLC has been wonderful and the staff makes you feel like you're at home."

Xander Lee's Mom





"The classes thoroughly teach about baby behavior, risks, feeding and caring. In the times I have been short financially, I've found the basics for my baby at the Boutique - clothes, a chair, and formula. Lisa has always been open and supportive."

Ezekiel Michael's Mom

"The PLC has taught and prepared us with all the knowledge and experience they have for new parents. Thanks to that, we know what to expect in each step of our daughter's growth. We are very thankful that we can earn diapers and clothes. The staff is very attentive and helpful - we love them all!"

Fatima Georgina's Mom & Dad



"The PLC has helped me learn how to care for my daughter through the parenting classes. The classes allow me to earn items at the Baby Boutique like diapers and wipes. The staff encourages me to be the best mom I can be."

Zanaya Lynn's Mom

"The labor and birth classes really helped prepare me and gave me all the information I needed to set up my birth plan. Being able to earn diapers and wipes at the Boutique has taken some of the stress of being a new mom off of me. The staff truly makes me feel like I have additional family. They get excited to see my newborn. It makes my momma heart happy."







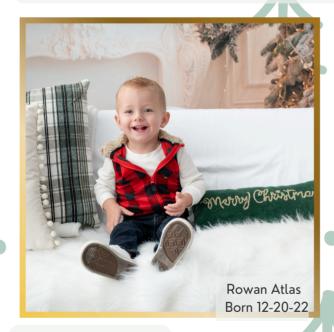
"I now know I don't have to be a "super mom" - that it's okay to feel overwhelmed; the PLC helped me know how to deal with that. I'm very thankful for the staff they're amazing!" Harper Sage's Mom



Harper Sage Born 7-21-23

"I love the information we receive in the PLC classes because it helps us know how to react to certain situations that arise in our children's lives as well as to be prepared to provide better help to our children on a daily basis. It has been a great support for us as parents."

Baby Boy A's Mom & Dad



"The staff is caring and knowledgeable. They have made my experience, and my baby's, joyful and comfortable."

Baby Boy B's

Mom



"The Bible Studies at PLC encouraged me to join and attend a Women's Bible Study at church. The staff is always kind and encouraging and takes time to talk." Rowan Atlas's Mom



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:1-5

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Each year we are blessed to have a number of individuals and church congregations who faithfully give financially either **monthly or quarterly**. That gift may be through our **Light for Life** program, an ongoing banquet pledge, a sustaining pledge toward the Langdyn House Maternity Home,

or a general monthly gift. These are so important to us - whether it's a gift of \$10 or \$500 or more each month, these commitments bridge the gap between fundraisers and help to maintain ongoing expenses including our education software subscription, replenish clinic supplies, stock the Langdyn House with general needs, and pay utilities that keep us functioning and open to those who need us.

We also have a great many people who give materially - diapers, wipes, baby clothes and other items that keep us continually stocked so our mamas can use their earned "baby bucks" to purchase everything they need. Material items come to us through church diaper drives, individuals stopping in to drop off, or through a purchase on our Amazon Wish List... but no matter how they get here, they are appreciated!

The list of names of all who faithfully commit to us would be **too large** to fit in our newsletter, but you know who you are, and more importantly, God knows! He sees, finds the generous hearts, meets the need, and multiplies the gift.

If you would like to give a recurring gift to help sustain our ministry, fill out the giving coupon on the back of the newsletter. We are grateful for each and every person and gift which allows us to shine Jesus' light to everyone we serve!



Giving W

On Tuesday, December 3, The Van Wert County Foundation will once again join the global generosity movement, **#GivingTuesday**. The VWCF will match donations up to \$10,000 to benefit organizations who hold a Charitable Organization Endowment Fund - and the PLC Health Clinic is delighted to be one! **#Giving Tuesday** has generated more than \$1 million to support local charitable organizations over the past six years. Donations to the Endowment Fund remain preserved, ensuring that organizations receive sustained benefits for generations to come.

There are several worthy organizations to choose from, and we hope you will prayerfully consider choosing the PLC Health Clinic as a recipient of your gift. **#Giving Tuesday** donations can be made online at <u>vanwertcountyfoundation.org/give</u>, or by check or cash delivered to The VWCF office located at 138 E. Main St., Van Wert on Tuesday, December 3. Donations can be named in honor of a loved one, or anonymous. Office hours for in-person donations are from 8am - 5pm December 3. If you have questions about the endowment or your gift, call 419-238-1743 or email <u>laney@vanwertcountyfoundation.org</u>

NEW STAFF ADDITION

We are constantly amazed at the way God is always "on time" in his provisions to us at PLCHC and The Langdyn House. Within a few days of deciding it was time to add a staff member to the maternity home to manage the day to day housing operations, we received a message from Ebany Hammons who was interested in helping at the home if we ever planned to hire more staff! And she is definitely a great fit.



In her role as Housing Services Coordinator, she's had to dive right in with our two residents, one of whom just had a baby. She will work closely with our Housing Manager - Stephanie - and with the mamas and babies in the home. Welcome, Ebany!





AMAZON WISH LIST





Besides financial donations, the PLC Health Clinic also appreciates material items to help offset costs of purchasing. Check out our Amazon Wish List and purchase a need for our ministry (the PLC Health Clinic OR Langdyn House Maternity Home). There are everyday needs like diapers and wipes, and some things that are more fun like diaper bags or small furniture items. Scan the QR code or find the link on our Facebook page.

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Please fill out and return to the PLCHC to donate:

-I would like to donate \$____ toward the Langdyn House

-My Christmas gift to PLCHC: \$______

Light for Life \$10 per month__ \$20 per month__ \$120 one-time gift__

Your name(s):_____

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