



## *Birthright 50th Anniversary*

A Publication of Birthright of Humble

Birthright International is celebrating its 50th year of serving the unborn and their mothers. All those years ago Louise Summerhill stepped forward very reluctantly in faith and with faith. Like many Birthright volunteers she had no intention of committing for any length of time and she had absolutely no thought of starting an International movement. She was going to get it off the ground and move on. Move on to enjoy her children and grandchildren. She fought God for months. In the fall of 1968 a pastor offered Louise Summerhill a free office because he believed in what she would do for the women facing an unplanned pregnancy. From the small office on Coxwell Ave. a very special organization began. In that moment Louise finally heard the voice of God and finally understood that this was hers to bear and in that moment Birthright was given life.

Today there are Birthright chapters in Canada, the United States, and Africa. This year our center, Humble, is celebrating 34 years. Many of you have shared in our success by your prayers, financial support, donations of baby items and many volunteer hours. Many women have been helped and many babies are alive today because of the dedicated individuals that took up the Birthright cause. Our wonderful volunteers have spent hundreds of hours quietly listening, wiping tears, helping and loving women who came in for help. The joy of seeing that new baby come into the world and the sorrow when they were unable to change her mind about abortion.

“I was mulling over all the possible names, dismissing one after another as they came to mind, when I suddenly said, ‘What has very pregnant woman? The right to give birth! And what has every child? The right to be born’ so Birthright! Of course! That was the name we must use!”

Louise Summerhill, Founder of Birthright  
(The Story of Birthright, page 17)



**Thank you to all who donate time,  
money, and prayers to this ministry!**

Summer maternity tops/shorts

Maternity shorts - XL

Baby wipes - individual packages

Sleepers - boy and girl, all sizes

Diapers - size 4 and 5

Individuals donors

Society of St. Stephens

Knights of Columbus #6878

ExxonMobil

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

St. Martha Catholic Church

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

Kingwood Bible Church

## *From Our Files...*

A man entered the office and after thoroughly scanning the room, he finally stated that he was to pick up a gift basket for his daughter, that she had received a call saying we had a gift for her new baby girl. Upon receiving the gift basket, he sat down having questions and wanting to talk. He began with "What is this place? How did my daughter know about this place?" He then began his story of how it was his daughter didn't tell them she was expecting until six months in the pregnancy, after they had discovered some booklets about pregnancy in her bedroom. He went on to saying that they were disappointed as plans were in place for her to go to college and he was confident she would do very well for herself. Despite being disappointed, they proceeded to get needed prenatal care that she had not yet received. The baby is here now; the daughter remains at home with the baby in her room, she being the sole care-giver having some assistance from them. The plans she has now is to pursue education toward obtaining an ultrasound technician certification. The baby daddy is involved but he is as young as she is. Usually after a birth, grandparents are excited but even though he has a beautiful granddaughter he's not been able to overcome his disappointment in the plans they had for her life.

An extremely quiet 15 year old came in with her mother. Even though every question was answered with a stare by her, she did interpret upon request for her mother whom spoke very little English. It was obvious from the emotion coming from the mother she was very upset and disappointed in her daughter. The mother is a single parent working at McDonald's to support her family and every penny made is for basic needs. She cried and cried, how could a 15 year old take care of a baby? The mother knew the care would fall on her. There is an older female sibling that still lives at home that will help. It was very hard watching this mother cry and try to explain to her daughter how hard this was going to be. The girl kept it a secret for 20 weeks (pain law in Texas states no abortion after 20 weeks).

An adult and two young females walked in. One of the girls needed a test, the adult was her guardian and the mother of the other. When her biological mother found out she was pregnant she began to physically beat her, targeting her uterus. The girl went to them for safety after she had run away from her mother (they have gone to CPS because of the girl's age and for the fact they are now involved). The girl has not yet made a final decision about the baby's future. We are praying she chooses adoption but at this moment just being safe from her biological mother is what she wants more than anything. Prayers also for the girl's attitude about the life growing within her.



### **The Creed and Philosophy of Birthright:**

"To uphold at all times, that any pregnant girl or woman has the right to whatever help she may need to carry her child to term, and to foster respect for human life at all stages of development."

Louise Summerhill, Founder of Birthright  
(The story of Birthright, page 62)

## Finding the Right Volunteer

Birthright volunteers are very special, they treat the clients with respect and accept her no matter the situation. They build a relationship with her and affirm, build her confidence, her sense of worth and her self-esteem. When a volunteer does this, it allows the client to open up to possibilities for her future. Life flows from one to the other. In communion with the women we can give life and receive life.



Today's "typical" volunteer is usually interested in short term assignments. It has been said that the length of time a volunteer will be with an organization is a year. We have learned over the years that this is definitely not the "typical" Birthright volunteer. We know there are many volunteers who have given at least thirty years of service to the Unborn and their mothers. In our office our sweet

Millie Lochridge gave 32 years of love before she passed and our Stephanie Barineau still comes after 31 years. On the Board of Directors, Ann Meyer and Charlotte Wilson have served since the beginning of this office for 32 years.

We are currently in need of 'desk' volunteers or a friend counselor that work directly with the client. This is a hard position at times if the woman is abortion minded. There is training which involves working with someone until you are ready to take over your own shift. The job description of the Birthright volunteer is very important. Training includes what resources are available, tools needed, and knowledge of what Birthright provides. The most important qualification is that the potential volunteer is 100% pro-life in all circumstances. There are no gray areas. The volunteer must be able to commit to one 3 hour shift a week. If God has placed this on your heart, please call the office and speak with Nadine at 281-540-1123.

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### In the News

The Supreme Court has struck down a California law forcing pregnancy centers to promote abortions. The high court decision is a massive victory for pro-life advocates and pregnancy centers that want to provide pro-life options for pregnant women considering abortion without being forced to promote abortions.

### Humble Birthright Statistics January - June 2018

Phone calls	501
Pregnancy tests	458
Positive tests	302
1st visits	318
Revisits	140
Other visits	250
Reported births	133
Reported abortions	2
Reported miscarries	19
Layettes given	81
EWYL classes	270

#### Sources:

Friends/relative	158
Yellow Pages	1
Sign/mall sign	10
School	6
Internet	111
Church	2
Health Dept.	49
Other	0

#### Ages:

12-14	0
15	4
16	3
17	8
18-20	66
21-25	142
26-30	131
31+	105
No Age Given	0



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***Pregnant? Need Help?***  
***281-540-1123***

**Birthright of Humble**

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