The Effects of Covid-19 on Pregnancy Centers

Research shows that pregnancies increase after a natural disaster that creates a period of extended time at home. In the midst of Covid-19, our Google search for pregnancy help has brought women to us from La Porte, Pasadena, Katy, Cleveland. In other words, from all around the area. 2-1-1 has provided our name as well. We stayed open to service the woman in our area never dreaming it would include all 4 corners. Part of our budget each year is to have our name within the first 3-5 names that appear when searching for pregnancy help.

1. Some centers are quite busy and seeing more abortion minded women whose lives are complicated by hard economic conditions.

2. Many centers are seeing hard hearted women different from those that usually come to their offices. In general, there was little success with these women who have been in desperate situations.

3. There is a surge in teen pregnancies.

** One case was described in which a woman said that she could not get an abortion because the abortion clinics were closed so could they help her have the baby. There was a surge of such cases while abortion clinics were closed, but some kept coming with the same comments after the abortion clinics re-opened.

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

This is a wonderful day. I’ve never seen this one before.

-Maya Angelou

A BIG thank you to our neighbors, friends, and community for supplying us with many baby items. What a BLESSING!

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10 Reasons I Want an Abortion

Continued from spring issue-

We’ve listed below 2 reasons that women give for wanting an abortion. We’ve heard them all!

6. **“My boyfriend will break up with me if I don’t have an abortion.”** Here’s the sad truth, your boyfriend will probably break up with you anyway, especially if you are both young or haven’t been dating long. If you get the abortion, you will always remind him of a choice of which he feels ashamed. If you don’t, he may resent that he has to pay child support and take responsibility as a father. Either way, it isn’t wise to make a life-altering decision based on what someone else thinks. Remember that the baby’s father has no legal rights when it comes to abortion, he cannot force you to have one, and you should not give him the power to do so. Is a guy who would break up with for not ending your baby’s life really worth trusting with this decision anyway?

7. **“I don’t like what a pregnancy will do to my body.”** While it is true that pregnancy causes changes in your body, many women actually celebrate those changes and stay in great shape. But, if you are honestly fearful of what being pregnant may do to you, consider also what abortion can do. The most common, immediate, and short-term complications include excessive bleeding, infections, intense pain, high fever, incomplete removal of the baby or placenta (which can cause life-threatening infections and sterility), PID (pelvic inflammatory disease), and a punctured or torn uterus. Abortion can also result in problems with reproductive organs that can make it difficult to conceive or carry a child to term in the future. For pregnant women who have previously had abortions, they now have an increased risk of miscarriage. They are also at increased risk for 12 mental health problems including panic attacks and major depression. You are really not doing your body any favors by subjecting it to an abortion.
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Statistics
January - July 2020

Phone calls 485
Pregnancy tests 390
Positive tests 312
1st visits 295
Revisits 103
Other visits 132
Reported births 127
Reported aborts 4
Reported miscarries 18
Layettes given 79
EWYL classes 318

Sources:
- Friends/relative 123
- Yellow Pages 0
- Sign/mall sign 7
- School 3
- Internet 132
- Church 1
- Health Dept. 41

Ages:
- 12-14 0
- 15 1
- 16 0
- 17 5
- 18-20 63
- 21-25 111
- 26-30 122
- 31+ 86

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From Our Files:

1. A client came in for a test. When the volunteer checked our files she noticed that she had been in just a few months ago and had a due date of July. When the client came out of the restroom the volunteer asked what happened? “Oh, we weren’t ready then but we are now”, she said. Just a few months ago they weren’t ready and now they are? As the volunteer read the information the previous volunteer wrote on the client sheet it said she is really excited and wants to be. She is still with the same man so what has made the difference?

2. A mother brought her daughter in for a test. The mother indicated she was ok with her daughter being pregnant. They both have known for a while but are just now coming in for a test. When the results and the information about how to get on pregnancy Medicaid was given, the mom said she had come to us when she was pregnant with this daughter. She said it was tough because she had a 2 month old and could have easily aborted this daughter. She was afraid of what people would say. She is glad she didn’t and she thanks us for being there to encourage her.

3. An 18 year old that still lives with her parents came in for a test. When she gave her last cycle which was 5 months ago the volunteer asked why it took her so long to come in? She said that she and the baby’s father were not sure what they were going to do. Covid-19 scared them and they didn’t think this was a good time to have a baby. The father of the young lady told her to never end a baby’s life. So she came to terms and started her medical. She is scared not only because of the Covid-19 but also because this is her first baby. BTW, her mother is pregnant.

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We can not do great things; only small things with great love.
~ Mother Teresa

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