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# A Reason to CELEBRATE!

Your support of Care Net helps turn fear into joy

Tonight, a frightened young girl will cry herself to sleep. Across town, a college student will wonder how his life can ever be the same.

They are afraid. They don't think they're ready. They never wanted this.

For many couples like this who find out they are pregnant, Care Net is the only hope for their child . . . and their own future.

In their darkest hour, abortion determined women and men seek answers by calling or emailing our Pregnancy Decision Line (PDL). Others walk into one of our 1,180 Care Net pregnancy centers across the U.S. and in Canada.

Because of your prayers and giving, they are met with the compassion, encouragement, and resources that have the power to turn a day of fear and bewilderment into a day worth celebrating.

## HOPE OF EASTER—LIFE!

This hope is especially poignant at Easter. Much like the women and men who contact Care Net,

the disciples who visited Christ's tomb saw only death ahead of them. The third day began as a day without joy. But it soon became a day worth celebrating!

Jesus was resurrected! Life—the abundant life Jesus so often spoke of—could belong to his followers. In their worst hour, the disciples were given hope because Jesus lived.

That abundant life seems out of reach for the women and men who turn to Care Net . . . people like Mariah.\* Mariah cried herself to sleep many nights wondering what to do about the child growing inside of her.

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\*Names throughout this newsletter have been changed to protect the privacy of individuals.

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## HOPELESS

When Mariah discovered she was pregnant, her mother said the best thing she could do was get an abortion. Her boyfriend left her. Mariah thought she was all alone.

She thought no one would want her baby. Why bring a child into the world no one wanted?

In desperation, she decided abortion was her only option.

## HEART OF A MOTHER

Mariah called our Pregnancy Decision Line looking for information on abortion. But what she really wanted was hope.

“Everyone wants me to have an abortion, but I really don’t want to,” Mariah admitted to our pregnancy coach.

The pregnancy coach gave Mariah assurance. “You want to protect your baby because you have the heart of a mother,” she told Mariah.

The pregnancy coach put Mariah in contact with the pregnancy center near her for further counseling and resources. When offered hope and help, Mariah **CHOSE LIFE** for her baby!

Your prayer and gifts help us provide support for fathers and mothers like Mariah that goes beyond giving life. Together, we are saving lives!



## WE NEED YOU NOW!

Even though the tide is turning on abortion, Care Net still faces formidable foes. Just in the past year:

- Planned Parenthood government funding is at an all-time high—over half a billion dollars a year.
- Abortion supporters tried to make it illegal for states to make abortion illegal.
- The American Medical Association and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, showed support for abortion.

Your gift now is critical. Care Net receives no government funding. We depend on people like you. I’m praying that you will join us this Easter season with a generous gift that will impact many women and men like Mariah looking for help and hope.

**This month alone, we must raise \$241,000 to share the story of redemption and hope through our Pregnancy Decision Line and pregnancy centers.**

Every dollar you share helps to give hope and redemption. That is news worth celebrating!

**SAVE THE DATE**

**REJOICE**  
WITH THOSE WHO REJOICE

**WEEP**  
WITH THOSE WHO WEEP  
ROMANS 12:15

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**CONFERENCE**  
SHERATON DOWNTOWN DALLAS, TEXAS

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# “Get Rid of It.”

Colleen\* had her mind made up. At 19 weeks pregnant, she was determined she would “go ahead and get rid of it.”

She called our Pregnancy Decision Line to find out where the closest abortion clinic was and how much it cost. There were so many reasons to go through with an abortion. She listed them all:

- The father was a drug addict.
- She might have to give up her studies to become a pre-school teacher.
- Her reputation at church would be tarnished.

Colleen felt like abortion was her only option. There was just one problem: she had seen her baby. Colleen had had an ultrasound . . . and it bothered her more than she wanted to admit. “I could see ‘it’ moving around,” she said.

After finding out the truth about the abortion procedure from a trained pregnancy coach and how they would “get rid of it,” Colleen tearfully decided that she couldn’t go through with it.

She decided to give her child a future. After she courageously chose life, Colleen found support from her grandmother and her church.

**Your prayers and financial support make it possible for Care Net to be there for Colleen and others in their most desperate hour.**



## Save lives EVERY MONTH as a *Caring Partner*!

Our *Caring Partners* never stop fighting for life! By supporting Care Net through monthly giving, your commitment as a *Caring Partner* will not only keep our Pregnancy Decision Line open, it will also help expand our capacity while supporting our pregnancy centers that encourage and empower parents facing unexpected pregnancies.

**It takes just \$1 a day to help save the life of an unborn baby!**

We hope you will make a monthly commitment of \$30 or more today as a *Caring Partner* to save lives and heal hearts. Your extra-generous, monthly gift of more would make an even greater impact!

**If you want to support Care Net as a *Caring Partner*, just mark your decision on the enclosed response and return it with your first monthly gift. Or visit our website at [care-net.org](http://care-net.org) and click on ‘Give Monthly’. You can also call 1.800.518.7909. Thank you!**



**As a *Caring Partner*, you will receive some special benefits in the coming year, including:**

- Quarterly reports
- A designated Care Net team member to serve you
- A monthly letter with special updates on how your support is saving lives
- An exclusive prayer devotional for your personal spiritual growth
- Invitations to special partner events
- And, **MOST IMPORTANTLY**, the knowledge that you are saving lives!



## Are we ready to win, really?

The recent report on the declining rate of abortion in the U.S. was encouraging. But it started me thinking . . .

What if we won in the fight for life? What if we woke up one morning and the Supreme Court had overturned *Roe v. Wade*? **Even if the 1.2 million abortions that take lives every year became illegal, unplanned pregnancies would not be.** Are we prepared to win?

Some 85 percent of women who have abortions are unmarried. Research shows that single mothers are more likely to have low birthrate babies and live in poverty. Is that winning?

And their children are more likely to use drugs, fail academically, and face teen pregnancy themselves. Is that winning?

The sad truth is that we don't do enough in the pro-life movement to impact what happens *after* birth. I believe we are called not just to fight for life, but for ABUNDANT LIFE for the unborn!

That is the kind of life Jesus Christ came to give (John 10:10).

That is the kind of life we celebrate this Easter season, and the kind of life Care Net is working to provide. Our Pregnancy Decision Line (PDL) is offering encouragement and life-saving hope, while our pregnancy centers offer resources that empower parents to give ABUNDANT LIFE.

The key is the family. We must make an effort to engage men as fathers and loving husbands to mothers. Kids raised by married parents do better.

Care Net is working to provide ABUNDANT LIFE for children. Your prayers and support empower us to take an integrated, comprehensive, family centric approach to this issue.

Because **life decisions require life support**, we are building solutions and partnerships that are not just about saving a baby, but about raising a child. That's what your support helps accomplish.

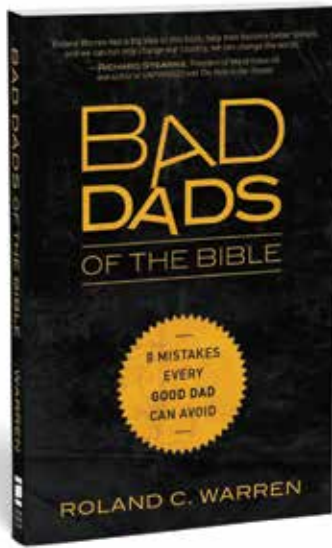
When we strive for ABUNDANT LIFE for the little ones saved from abortion, then and only then are we prepared to win.



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Care Net



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## CHECK OUT Roland's new book!

An unborn child needs  
a good dad...for life.

As you know, Care Net has a laser-like focus on helping its clients make decisions for life. In our years of experience, it's clear that oftentimes the most influential person in the decision to abort or keep a child is the baby's father. Therefore, we MUST do more to help turn the hearts of fathers to their unborn children.

For many men, all it takes is someone believing in them and instilling in them a sense of confidence that they can indeed be a good father. That's why Roland has written *Bad Dads of the Bible: 8 Mistakes Every Good Dad Can Avoid*.

"I often get asked the question from fathers, 'What do I need to do to be a good dad?' They want to know the 'secret sauce' to fatherhood," Roland says. "I started looking at some of the stories of fathers in the Bible. And I noticed that even celebrated fathers made a fair number of mistakes."

Indeed, life decisions require life support and, in God's design for the family, good fathers are to be a steadfast support for life. This is a resource every dad can use and be blessed by. Learn from the fatherhood legacies of men like Abraham, David and Eli, and more. Remember, wise men learn from their mistakes, but the wisest learn from the mistakes of others.

You can get *Bad Dads of the Bible* online and everywhere books are sold.

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#### Vision Statement:

Our vision is a culture where lives are transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ and every woman chooses life for herself and her unborn child.



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