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You helped Callie choose life...

when she thought she had no choice!

Callie* had one of the toughest jobs in the world: being a single mom. She had two precious children and loved them dearly. Things were hard, but she was thankful for her kids.

She hoped she wouldn't be a single mom for long. She had a boyfriend, and she hoped this relationship would work out better than her last one. Maybe this guy would be there for her and her kids. Callie's latest problem was how sick she had been feeling. She thought it might be a virus, but she had to be sure... so she bought a pregnancy test.

The result terrified her. **She was pregnant.** How could she raise another child by herself? Hoping her boyfriend would be willing to be there for her and their baby, she told him the news.

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Her heart sank as he told her he just couldn't help with this baby and pressured her to have an abortion instead.

Callie knew that it would be hard to do what he wanted. Their baby was already too far along for an "easy" abortion.

She went online to learn more about late-term options. Thanks to your generosity, she saw an adfor our national hotline and spoke with a pro-life coach, trained and ready for her call.

Callie's coach listened to her story. <u>Callie shared</u> that she never really wanted an abortion, but felt pressured into it by her partner. As they spoke, her coach shared medically accurate information

about what late-term abortion entails. As Callie heard how the procedure worked, she became convinced: she couldn't... and wouldn't.... do that to her baby.

Thanks to you, Callie chose life that day!

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Activate Your Free Course and Learn to Defend Your Pro-Life Beliefs!

Have you ever struggled to come up with a good response to an abortion argument online? *Defending Your Pro-Life Beliefs* will equip you to effectively respond to the most common proabortion arguments you encounter online or in person.

www.care-net.org/defending-your-pro-life-beliefs



A Dozen Emotions, One Truth

Have you ever experienced something that makes you feel a dozen different emotions at once? Sadness, excitement, joy, disappointment, hope... all of them at the same time?

Well, that's exactly what I go through when I hear the calls that come into our *Pregnancy Decision Line*.

I feel sad when I hear the <u>desperation</u> in the voices of the women who call us thinking that abortion is their only way out of an unplanned pregnancy. I feel disappointed when I hear how badly <u>our culture has failed</u> our young women and men by lying to them about their worth and the worth of their unborn children whose lives hang in the balance. But I feel joy when I hear our coaches — often <u>the first voices of love and reason our callers hear — tell them that they are valued and loved</u>. I feel excitement when our callers declare they are <u>no longer considering abortion</u>. And I feel a great amount of hope when I hear our coaches share the Gospel and our callers <u>accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!</u>

We get a wide variety of calls, from women and men of all walks of life. Married women who feel they can't afford another baby. Single men who desperately want to be dads but whose girlfriends want abortions. Young women who fear or experience coercion or abuse from their boyfriends if their pregnancies are discovered. The list goes on.

This is why you are so important. Your prayers and financial gifts provide an amazing team of coaches (Brie, Carla, Rebecca, and others) with the training, support, and guidance they need to take all of these diverse calls and share one common truth — every unborn child is a precious gift from Almighty God, and every mother and father has infinite worth because they and their children are made in the image of God.

You make these conversations possible. This is the hope that you inject into the lives of thousands of women and men every year. So, let's keep those calls coming in! Let's

keep all of those emotions flowing. Because, at the end of it all, is HOPE.

Blessings to you,

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Care Net President & CEO

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You helped Callie choose life...

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Offering Places to Turn

The abortion industry would have us believe that late term abortions only happen in extremely rare circumstances. However, all too often that isn't the case. Women like Callie desperately need a voice of hope and practical help in order to choose life. You ensure they can find both through our national hotline, our network of local affiliated pregnancy centers, and churches equipped by our ministry curriculum.

Thank you for saving Callie's baby that day! Please join us in praying that God will keep her secure in her decision to choose life, and that she and her family can experience the abundant life God desires for each of us. And thank you for making sure that our hotline is ready for the next mom or dad facing a similar choice.

Help save even more babies through our Matching Challenge!

Your gift today will make a difference!



Right now your gift can help save even more unborn lives through our calendar year end Matching Challenge! A group of friends to Care Net have given gifts totaling \$180,000 and asked you to help match it!!

Please help us reach even more women and men faced with pregnancy decisions and help save even more babies' lives through your support of our national hotline, 1,100 affiliated pregnancy centers, and churches we've equipped for vibrant pro-life ministry!

With your answer to this challenge, more lives can be transformed and more babies can be saved!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

OUR CARING PARTNERS:

HEROES SAVING LIVES 365 DAYS A YEAR!

Every single day, parents considering abortion find Care Net's national hotline, one of our affiliated pregnancy centers, or a church equipped for vibrant pro-life ministry through our church curriculum. You can help ensure they are able to find compassion, hope, and help 365 days a year by donating monthly as a *Caring Partner!*

As a Caring Partner, you will also receive special benefits, including:

- A designated Care Net team member to serve you
- Updates on how your monthly support saves lives
- An exclusive monthly prayer devotional for your personal spiritual growth

3 EASY WAYS TO ENROLL AS A CARING PARTNER:

- 1. Select "Make My Gift Monthly" on the enclosed reply device and return it with your first monthly gift
- 2. Visit us online at: care-net.org/give-monthly
- 3. Call us at 1-800-518-7909





Dawn's Search for Truth

How Your Partnership is Helping Frightened Mothers Find Answers

Dawn* was at a crossroads. She sat in her room, watching the clouds roll by the window. She'd thought about maybe starting a family later in life, but she hadn't planned on it being so soon. Dawn could hardly believe it. **She was pregnant now, and that meant changes were coming into her life.**

But she wasn't ready for that! Somewhere in her panic, she began considering an "easier" alternative. **She could take an abortion pill, and then things could back to the way they were... but could they?** Could she really go back to living the life she had before, remembering the one time she almost had a baby? The more she thought about it, the more she realized that she couldn't fully commit to having an abortion.

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You never know when you can point someone to hope, to life, and to Christ! Pregnancy Decision Line is saving and transforming lives, and with these two cards you can connect a parent facing

an unexpected or complicated pregnancy with the compassion, help, and hope they need to choose LIFE for their unborn child and ABUNDANT LIFE for their families!

Steps to Help Save a Life

- 1. Cut out PDL cards
- **2.** Carry with you
- 3. Share with someone facing a pregnancy decision



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the nation's only hotline providing caring, confidential, and immediate support to women and men facing tough pregnancy decisions.

We are here for you at **877-791-5475** or **pregnancydecisionline.org**



How to Be Persuasive, Not Pushy

Learn how to share the Gospel with someone considering abortion!

Every day, more than 5,000 women and men choose abortion. These expectant parents often feel like their world is spinning out of control and no one is there for them. What these parents need is the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the help of one of His disciples.

But sharing the Gospel can be hard to do. How do you share God's love without being "pushy" or offensive?

That's why Care Net distilled over 40 years of experience sharing the Gospel with those considering abortion into one easy-to-read



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Dawn's search for truth

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What she needed right now was someone to talk to...about the whole idea of pregnancy and abortion. After a quick search online, she found the number for a national hotline—*Pregnancy* Decision Line—that might be able to answer all her questions.

Dawn explained to her coach her situation, her doubts, and asked for some more information about abortion. The coach calmly gave a brief description of the abortion pill, how it worked, and some of the potential risks of taking it. After hearing some of the potential long-term effects, Dawn felt a tremor in her soul. The "easy way" to avoid the responsibilities of becoming a parent now meant making a choice that could lead to guilt for the rest of her life.

One way or another, life would never go back to the way it was. This new chapter of her life was here to stay, and she knew what she had to do. Dawn stopped the coach mid-sentence and told her that she was going to keep her baby. Even as the words left her lips, she felt a little thrill of excitement mixed with a little bit of fear.

Thanks to you, women like Dawn are able to hear that what seems like an easy fix now can lead to a lifetime of regret.

Please join us in praying for Dawn, and for other women like her, to find the help they need from our national hotline, affiliated pregnancy centers, and growing network of life-affirming partner churches.



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