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Genna felt exposed in her hospital gown. It was cold in the abortion clinic, yet her whole back was soaked with nervous sweat. When the abortionist walked in, her heart raced. **She couldn't believe she was doing this.**

Three feet away, the doctor paused. "Are you sure this is what you want?" she asked.

Yesterday, she'd spoken to a hotline coach at Care Net's *Pregnancy Decision Line. Genna told the coach who answered that she didn't really want an abortion, but her partner, Kyle*, had been pressuring her to do it.* The coach told her she had options and didn't have to go through with it, but Genna had already made the appointment and knew Kyle wouldn't like it if she canceled.

Frightened tears trickled down her face. "I don't know," she shared with the doctor.

If even the abortion doctor was questioning her, maybe she should reconsider.

Second Thoughts...A Second Chance!

Genna walked away from the abortion clinic feeling like she'd dodged a bullet. The abortionist and the hotline coach were both telling her the same thing. **The whole world was upside down!** She thought about her relationship with Kyle. He wasn't there for her. Right now, the only person on her side seemed to be the hotline coach.

Genna looked at her phone. She still had the hotline number in her recent calls list so she called her coach to tell her what had happened. Her coach answered right away and her warm voice on the other side of the phone line consoled Genna. They talked through her other options and how she might handle Kyle's response when she told him she wasn't having the abortion.

Her coach also made an appointment for her with a local pregnancy center where she could find material support like diapers and baby clothes. Genna felt better already and more ready to fight for her baby.

You're on the Front Lines...for LIFE!

Moms feel more pressure than ever to abort their unborn babies. Some of it comes from the culture, and sometimes it even comes from friends and family. But our God is

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Reclaiming Fatherhood

Reclaiming Fatherhood provides a road map to healing for men struggling with the emotional and spiritual fallout of abortion. This book can be the first step toward hope, purpose, and fulfillment.

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Cries for Help

She called us in tears.

She was home alone. She was in pain. She was scared.

Lindsey* had just taken the abortion pill, but she sensed something was wrong. The pain seemed too great.

Emily, the coach at our national hotline who answered the phone, asked Lindsey if someone was there to take her to the doctor. She shared that her sister knew she was pregnant, but wasn't home. Then she confided her parents didn't know she was pregnant, but they were going to be home soon. And then she started crying even harder.

The multi-billion dollar abortion industry is creating these heartbreaking situations all across our nation. And they are becoming more and more common as Planned Parenthood and its allies work relentlessly to make at-home, chemical abortions the most common way for women to end the lives of their unborn children.

They see profit. We see lives, made in the image of God, who need our compassion, hope, and help more than ever. As the assault on the sanctity of life continues, we are working hard to double the capacity of our national hotline—*Pregnancy Decision Line*—and to ensure that our networks of pregnancy centers and churches have the tools and training they need to meet women and men in their hour of need. This is how you and I can keep saving lives.

The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* was a great victory, but the abortion industry is now fighting harder than ever to make it easier than ever for women to access abortion. We can't let them win. We have to fight even harder. Millions of women like Lindsey are counting on us. Their unborn babies are counting on us. The fathers of those precious babies are counting on us.

Thank you for fighting this fight with us.

Blessings,

Roland C. Warren
Care Net President & CEO

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so big, He can even use the darkest of times and the most unexpected people for good.

Thanks to your generosity and compassion, you are giving moms like Genna a chance to know someone is on their side and wants to help. While the fight for the lives of unborn children rages on, the need for places of refuge is greater than ever. Thank you for playing a part in the story of lives being saved every day!

Double the Capacity of Our Hotline...

And save even more unborn babies!



100% of your gift today will expand our national hotline, *Pregnancy Decision Line*, so desperate moms and dads can receive the compassion, hope, and help they need to choose life. Because of you, more lives can be transformed and more unborn babies' lives can be saved!

Every dollar of your gift today will help:

- Expand the hotline's hours
- Increase the number of hotline coaches
- Add new technology to help answer more calls, including by text and chat
- Increase the online advertising to compete with the new federally-funded "reproductive healthcare" hotline

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP!

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 and becoming a *Caring Partner!*

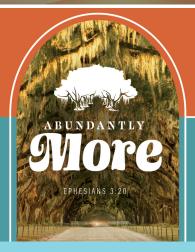
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You Helped Three Women Find Help and Hope

...So They Could Choose Life for Their Babies!

The dictionary defines "pressure" as "the use of persuasion, influence, or intimidation to make someone do something." Right now, far too many women are pressured by a boyfriend, husband, parents, or human trafficker to get an unwanted abortion . . . women like Martina*.

Offering Compassion

Martina was controlled and abused by her boyfriend. In her second trimester, her boyfriend became physically violent and demanded she have an abortion. Even though she didn't want an abortion, she made the appointment because she was so afraid of what her boyfriend might do. She had no family support, but then she called *Pregnancy Decision Line*, Care Net's national hotline. She was welcomed by a compassionate

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Two Ways You Can Help Expand the Reach of Our National Hotline!

A new federally-funded "reproductive healthcare" hotline is coming. A direct competitor to our hotline. Parents facing unplanned pregnancies who call this thinly veiled federal abortion referral line will be sent to the nearest abortion clinic if they ask. No one on that hotline will share that there are pregnancy centers nearby that can help them CHOOSE LIFE. That there are churches waiting to walk alongside them. You can double the capacity of our hotline with your gift today!

Steps to Help Save a Life

- 1. Cut out PDL cards
- 2. Carry with you
- 3. Share with someone considering abortion



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You can also help ensure that women facing unplanned pregnancies know there is an alternative to abortion by sharing the cards below.

PREGNANCY DECISION LINE (PDL) is a national hotline providing caring, confidential, and immediate support to women and men facing tough pregnancy decisions.

Are you ready to start a conversation?

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





The (Not So) Rhetorical Question

I love puns. I also love questions. But I adore pun questions. Take this one, for example: "If oranges were blue, would it still be called orange juice?"

To be honest, I have given up asking rhetorical questions. What's the point? (Get it?)

But here's a question that is not so rhetorical: What will your legacy be? First, you have to ask, what's a legacy? Simply put, it's something we pass down to someone else. What do people think of when they think about you? THAT's your legacy.

It's why we name monuments (Washington), roads (Eisenhower Freeway System), and buildings (Chrysler Building) after people we respect. I personally have named my feet after a poet. I call them long fellows! (Sorry, I couldn't resist!)

What if you could be remembered by making a gift to Care Net? Well, then you won't be remembered by a monument or building, but by a baby. YOUR LEGACY WILL BE A LIFE SAVED.

Did you know that you can get a totally free will AND make a gift to Care Net? Best of all, it costs you nothing now. Just follow this link to learn more and get started: https://carenet.plannedgiving.org.

If you need help, just know that you can email me anytime at bob@care-net.org or call me at 703-653-1127.

Until next time,

Bob Milton, Director of Planned Giving

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voice on the other end, and received the help she so desperately needed. By the end of the conversation, Martina felt she had the support she needed to keep her baby, no matter what her boyfriend said.

Having a Hand in Hope

Kim* was in her first trimester and struggling with severe depression. Worse yet, her baby's father was pressuring her to have an abortion even though she didn't really want one. In her hopelessness, Kim started going back to church. She found the *Pregnancy Decision Line* through Care Net's website, and, when she made the call, she felt safe talking to the coach who answered. The hotline coach shared the Gospel with her and prayed with Kim. After the conversation, Kim's hopelessness turned into a glimmer of hope. She told her coach that she had decided to keep the baby, and that she would continue to go to church where she knew she would have additional support.

Offering Help

Halfway through Theresa's* pregnancy, the father of the baby pressured her to have an abortion. Her good friend told her about Care Net and our national hotline. She called and experienced firsthand the warmth and care of her coach. After Theresa explained her situation, the coach shared needed resources about her legal rights regarding coerced abortions. After the call, Theresa felt a sense of peace and decided to choose LIFE for her baby!

Jesus said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." And that's the message shared regularly through Care Net's national hotline. His Holy Spirit also dwells in the hearts of our donors, and your support of Care Net helps keep our national hotline going. You're making these stories of LIFE and HOPE possible! Thank you!



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