



Heartbeat Headlines

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From the Director's Desk

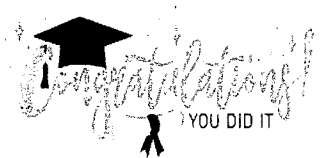
Here's hoping you all are enjoying these sun splashed days of summer and outdoor fun with family and friends. My thoughts today are reflecting on Mother's Day, Father's Day and Graduations this Spring. I've already shared thoughts about Mother's Day in the "Thank You", so let's take a look at Father's Day. Fathers are valuable to God. I believe it was God's plan for the Christ child and for our modern day families as well. God sent an angel not just to Mary but also to Joseph and He set up a family around Jesus.



I was blessed to have a Godly father who wasn't afraid to admit and acknowledge his mistakes and we all learned together. There was never a moment in my life when I doubted his love for me. What a

blessing that was! Fathers are vital to the well-being of their children. I'll never forget the words of our keynote speaker in 2021, Anita Keagy, when she, through tear-filled eyes, stated her father held her in his arms with unconditional love when she told him of her unplanned pregnancy. Oh how influential a father's love!

Another event that has happened since our last communication is Graduation.



tion. Perhaps you have a family member that has closed this chapter of their life and is embarking on a new chapter. Lord, thank you for the good work that you have begun in their lives. Continue that work in their life so that it's carried on to completion.

Reassure them that you are always there and have good work for them to do in this new stage of life.

Heartbeat has been privileged to assist with Mercy Run Ministry the past several months. They help those enslaved in the adult sex industry. They also help those incarcerated nationwide. We are helping the victims of sex trafficking by helping those who are experiencing a pregnancy due to this industry. Currently we are assisting with supplies for 18 pregnant girls. So a huge "thank you" to all our faithful supporters who give to us financially and drop by our office with needed supplies. Also a huge "thank you" to Wings of Kindness who shared new Play Yards with Heartbeat. What a blessing to



experience "help" ministries working together helping those in need. It means even more to me to work in harmony with each other given the divisions in our country and our individual lives at these uncertain times.

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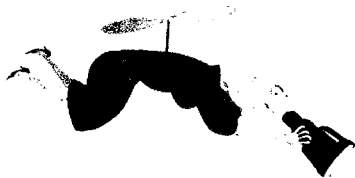
From the Director's Desk continued...

Please look for photos of Church of The Living Christ Youth Group donations which were brought to Heartbeat in May by their Youth Group Leaders, Kurtz Cockley and his wife. Also don't forget the Harshbarger coupons for July 9th.

Heartbeat will continue to move ahead with faith that this ministry is God-blessed and God-birther. When Jesus talked about faith, my guess is He had in mind people like you...faithful supporters!

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. Eat lots of ice cream.....it's in my DNA!! Lord, thank you for the good work you've started in Heartbeat. I ask that you continue to carry on that good work until it's completed. Please be there every step of the way as we move forward. Guide and direct us to the good work that lies ahead.

Sincerely,
Susan Spriggle



End of School Year
by
Tammy McCoy



It's that time of year again, the end of the school year. I have talked to many teachers this year who have told me that this year was particularly challenging for them. I, on the other hand, had a great year. My students were all respectful and seemed to be open to at least listening to the idea of Abstinence education. My teachers were wonderful to work with as well. I felt very supported by all of them this year.

With summer, comes a lot of freedom and independence for some of these students. They might find themselves turning to social media to keep track of their fellow students and what they are up to during this period of time away from school. Hopefully parents are aware of the many websites their children are visiting. Also, be aware of who is doing the influencing of your children. It's hard to stay on top of what they are being exposed to on a daily basis when new websites pop up all the time. What was new and "cool" yesterday is considered old and trash today. I have given up trying to keep track of it all.

It is really tough being a parent nowadays with all the things you have to keep up with. My heart goes out to all parents who struggle to have a relationship with your children, especially teenagers. It is hard to know when to hold them close and when to let them make their own mistakes so they learn life's lessons. It is so easy to try to keep them in a bubble so they won't get hurt but that doesn't always teach them anything. We (me included), need to do less helicoptering and more listening and supporting. That is tough for me and my children aren't even children anymore. I still struggle with that. I just want to fix the problem for them but that isn't really helpful.





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THANK YOU TO
OUR SUPPORTERS

As I write this article, it's only several days after Mother's Day. I am sharing with you a quote from the book called MOTHERHOOD. "The most important person on earth is a MOTHER. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral - a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation...what on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?"



Thanks to your generous and faithful help, we will remain a stable resource for mothers and their children for years to come.

Celebrate all Mothers past, present and future. And those who are not biologically related but have stepped up to the plate and filled that special role in your life.

May God Bless all mothers,
Susan Spriggle, Director

Please come and join us at Harshbarger's for our fundraiser night on Tuesday, July 9th, 2024.

Bring the Coupons to Swamp Road, Mifflintown, PA 17059 Phone: 717-436-5386 (or their McVeytown location)

Even if you can't sit inside and eat, you can still get fabulous takeout! Just show them your ticket. You can print it off or cut it out of the newsletter. Gift certificates also count towards the fundraiser. 25% of the proceeds will be donated towards Heartbeat Community Services.

Cut these out below and give one to a friend & join us on July 9th. 25% of what you spend, including gift certificates, goes to support Heartbeat Community Services! Thank you for your support!

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Fund-raiser Tuesdays



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Date

Thank you!

TWO LOCATIONS | Route 22, McVeytown 717-899-7751 | Port Royal Exit, Swamp Road 717-436-5386

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As always, thank you again for your generous support of our ministry. You are an important partner in our outreach to women facing the life and death decision of abortion.

Please take a moment and prayerfully consider sending a financial gift.

Other center needs currently include the following:

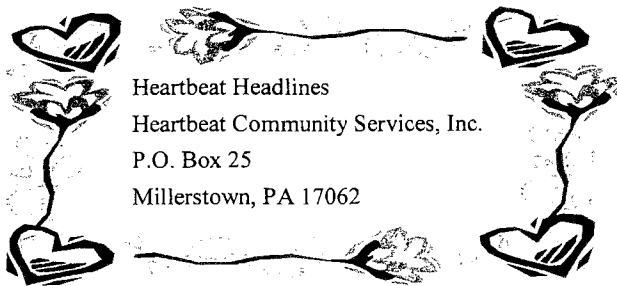


New/unopened Formula	Diapers Sizes 4, 5 & 6
Wash Cloths & Bath Towels	Baby Wipes
Pull Ups sizes 2T-3T & 3T-4T	Gift Cards to Giant or Weis



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Banquet - October 19, 2024

This year our keynote speaker is from our local community. She was born and raised in Perry County. Her name is Chelsea and she is married to Matt Raffensperger.

Her son, Lucas, was born with hydranencephaly. This is a rare congenital abnormality in which the cerebral hemispheres are absent.



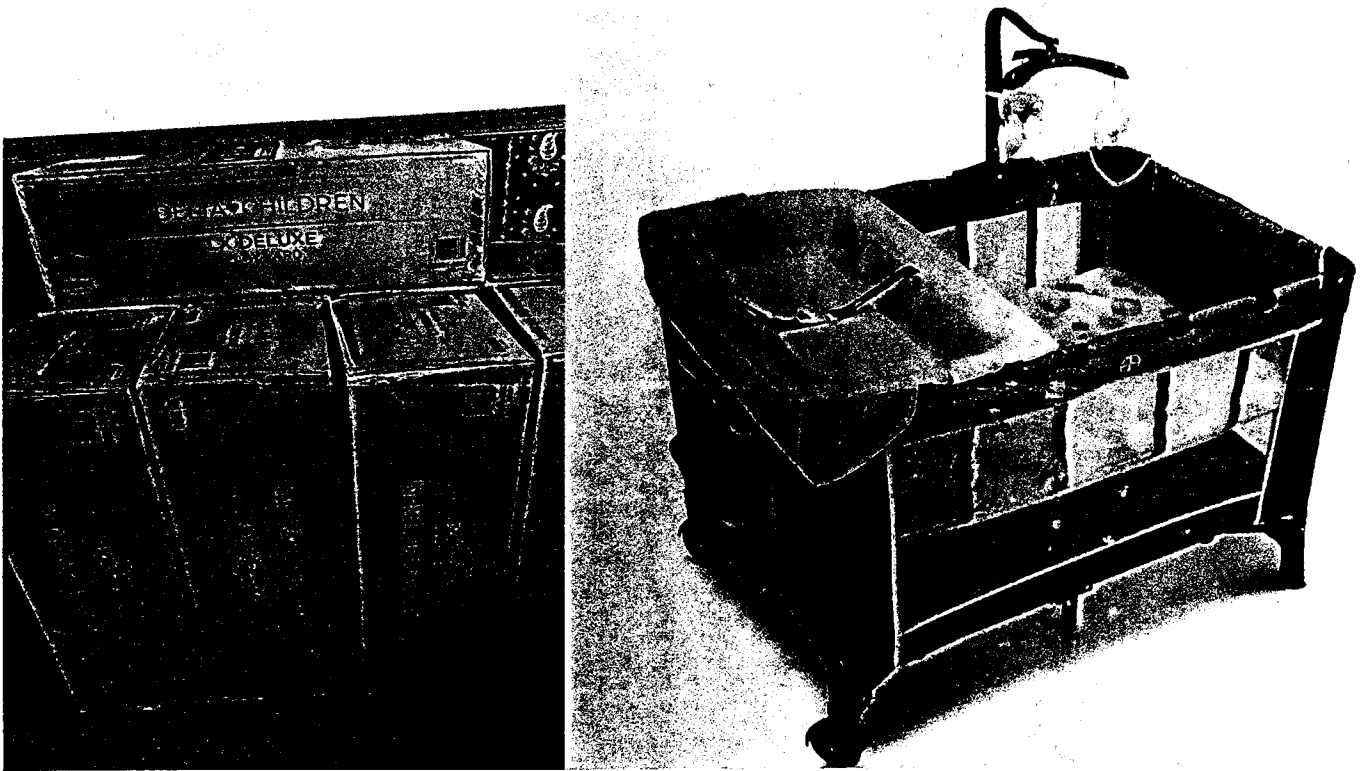
Abortion, especially this election year is a hot topic. Chelsea and her husband were both raised in families where life is invaluable, treasured and worthy. Knowing that, she never thought abortion would be presented as frequently as it was during her pregnancy. Come hear her journey and learn that tests and diagnosis only go so far with science. Please be in prayer as she prepares to share her story with us.

As a community, please plan to come out and support Chelsea and Matt on October 19th. She is excited and honored to share but also covets our prayers.

To Quote Chelsea : *"I love my family. I realize more every day how important they are to me. I'm so thankful that I have such a Christ loving family and a support system that is unbelievably amazing."*



We recently received a very generous donation of Play yards from The Wings of Kindness. Thanks again for thinking of Heartbeat!



The Church of the Living Christ recently made a wonderful donation to Heartbeat. The youth group, who is directed by Kurtz Cockley and his wife, collected a large amount of items that will be distributed to our clients. It is through donations such as this that we are able to provide for the needs of our community. Thank you again for thinking of us!

