Dear Friends of Care Net,

Thank you for your faithful and generous support of the compassionate care that we offer to women and their families. No mother, no father should feel that they are alone or without hope. All parents should be empowered to welcome their child into the world. They deserve to know that there are better choices than abortion—to know the truth without pressure or judgment. That is why we exist. Our volunteers and staff shine the light of Christ daily and our clients find renewal in many areas of their life. You make that possible.

The theme of this year’s annual report is “Life Renewed.” Renewal implies many things. For clients it is renewed hope as they see the possibility of a child in their future. For the Care Net Board, renewal comes in the form of new and energetic members with great vision. For our staff it means adjusting to changes and looking expectantly to the growth that God is bringing to Care Net. Renewal comes when God adds or removes staff members. There were tears as we said goodbye to long time co-laborers. But it is sweet to see the fresh energy and vision as God places new individuals on our team. Finally, renewal comes in the form of spiritual refreshment and encouragement. Very often those refreshing moments come from you, our supporters.

In the coming months I plan to retire from serving as the Executive Director of CNPCA. For 19 years I have had the privilege of being on a journey with Care Net of Albuquerque. It has been both exciting and challenging. The Care Net team—supporters, donors, board members, staff and volunteers are absolute shining stars in God’s Kingdom. I have loved working with you. God has tremendously blessed this ministry, accomplishing more than we ever dreamed; opening doors of opportunity that literally change lives. Increasingly there are also active foster parents.

The birth mom of one of their children was a Care Net client. Andrew and his wife have been involved with Care Net for years. They are also active foster parents. Their friends, the Alwyns have been financial challenges—and challenges as we have grown from one to four centers and a mobile unit. Through it all, God and you have remained faithful. Thank you! I am transitioning out of my leadership role soon, but I look forward with great anticipation to what God has next for this ministry. Please join me in continued prayer and support for the mission of the Care Net Pregnancy Center of Albuquerque.

With much gratitude,

MARY LEQUIEU
Executive Director

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Patrick Garr, President

The Board of Directors for the Care Net Pregnancy Center provide the guidance and oversight for the ministry. They each serve as expert volunteers from a wide variety of disciplines and experience.

Patrick Garr, pictured above currently serving as the Care Net Board President is a Senior Principal Consultant with Expense Reduction Analysis. Patrick and his wife have been involved with Care Net for years. They are a reward from him.

Children are a gift from the LORD; they are a reward from him. (Psalm 127:3)

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HOLDING ON AND LETTING GO
by Joan Douglas

“Life is a balance of holding on and letting go…” There is a time in everyone’s life when change disrupts the comfortable, the predictable and clearly illuminates the truth: we are not in control, God is. As someone who has worked with Care Net Pregnancy Center of Albuquerque for a total of over 13 years, I have experienced many changes. New people, new ideas, new procedures and of course new forms. In a word SCARY!
Our Executive Director, Client Services Director, and Center Director represent leadership positions within our Care Net ministry. Within an organization, changing people in all of these key roles would look like a recipe for failure. But not here.
As with all things within God’s will, as we strive to fulfill his purpose and seek his wisdom and guidance, we can rest in peace and the assurance that he is in control at all times through every change. I am so thankful!
At Care Net we choose to see these changes as an opportunity to trust God completely. We look forward to having a front row seat and witnessing the miracles he will perform in our lives as well as, and especially in, the lives of the women who walk through our doors. We do not know what tomorrow will bring, but we do know God has a plan and he has never let us down.
As I walk through the door of changes in my own life, I choose to draw on the experiences and lessons I have learned over the years at Care Net. At the top of the list is to “lean in to, not away from” what God is doing in my life and the lives of those with whom I serve.
Please join us in this new wave of change. Believe with us that God is in control and we will see wondrous things in the year to come. Lives will be saved, the lost will be found, and faith in life will be renewed.
Note: Joan Douglas recently retired from Care Net where she has served in a variety of areas. Her many roles included: East Mountain Director, Executive Director, Development Director, and Medical Mobile Unit Director. Joan will continue to be a volunteer with our Medical Mobile Unit.

Lauren Roman brings freedom to everyday realities that we all experience… and healing among the brokenness and hope to all who are lost. Lauren Roman is a passionate and compelling communicator. As an accomplished singer and worship leader, Lauren also weaves music into her messages to reach listeners’ hearts and minds on a profound level. Lauren is quickly becoming a sought-after keynote for women’s and youth events, retreats and conferences. She is determined to see women of all ages set free from not only the chains of sexual regret and food/body image issues, but also from perfectionism, addiction, people-pleasing, low self-esteem, and anything else that prevents them from having the abundant life Jesus promises in John 10:10!

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A speaker who listens, connects and engages. An enthusiastic encourager, who captivates audiences and motivates them to put their faith into action. In everything she does, Lauren Roman brings freedom to life by sharing her message of hope and healing among the brokenness and everyday realities that we all experience… even Hollywood actresses.

Lauren’s passion for ministry is rooted in a powerful personal testimony. After growing up as a church-choir singing, overachieving, perfectionistic people-pleaser, she began her professional acting career at just 19 with a starring role as Laura Kirk English on the ABC daytime drama “All My Children,” and went on to appear in prime time TV shows like “Buffy the Vampire Slayer.” Everything seemed perfect—but behind the scenes was a different story. Lauren suffered from an eating disorder and depression, triggered by the pressures of the entertainment industry, but rooted in her guilt over an abortion at age 18.

After nearly 10 years of struggling, Lauren finally found forgiveness and freedom through a post-abortion Bible study at a Pregnancy Resource Center in Los Angeles. Lauren discovered a newfound purpose to share the truth of Galatians 5:1 freedom. God was calling her to a different kind of stage! She became a fervent advocate for life-affirming ministries that empower women.

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FULL CIRCLE

I could hear the concern and see the look of worry on her face when Bonnie* and I first met. She explained to me that she was raising her two granddaughters, the youngest of which had just been born. She was tired. She needed help with diapers, wet wipes and other items for the baby. I explained to her how our Earn While You Learn program worked. She signed up and began taking classes to help alleviate some of the stress.

Bonnie, the grandma, shared that her daughter had gone to prison and had given birth to her granddaughter Grace* while incarcerated. It really was a miracle. Her daughter had shared that she wasn’t sure if she would keep her baby; abortion lingered in her thoughts. When Bonnie received the call the day she was born, she prayed that somehow God would make a way for the future.

Baby Grace was going to be released to Bonnie right away. Bonnie prayed that someone would be with her daughter to help her as she released her tiny baby. She traveled to the prison and a guard handed her a beautiful little girl. Her emotions were beyond description as she held her granddaughter. She wondered how this was all going to work out. For months Bonnie visited Care Net regularly. She received help with material goods, participated in Bible studies, and received encouragement from Care Net volunteers and staff along the way to keep going. One day Bonnie introduced us to her daughter who had just been released from prison. Her daughter Kara* started attending classes with her Mom. She learned how to parent her children and did Bible studies. Care Net even referred her to a resource for job training and she was able to get a job.

Kara learned that God is a God of second chances. She was recently baptized and has given her life to Christ. She shared that Care Net helped save her family’s life and she is forever grateful. This story is a perfect example of what happens when people pray and our clients are met with compassion, hope and help. Grandma, daughter and granddaughters have come full circle!

*For the sake of confidentiality, the names have been changed

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18

Care Net meets the needs of the family unit.

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pregnancy tests performed in Care Net Centers in 2018…

Because people matter.

$393

male client visits in 2018…

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Dr. Paul Shelburne and J. Alison Hanson proudly support Care Net Pregnancy Center

‘I knew you before I formed you in your mother’s womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations.”

— Jeremiah 1:5 (NLT)

Full Circle

For I know the plans I have for you — this is the LORD’s declaration — plans for your welfare, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

— Jeremiah 29:11 (HCSB)
A client named Patty entered the Valencia County Care Net office one day to sign up for the Earn While You Learn program. During the interview process we discovered that she was experiencing some medical difficulties with her pregnancy and was unable to get an appointment with her doctor. Our staff nurse encouraged Patty to go to urgent care as soon as possible. I continued the interview with her and when I came to the opinion section about adoption versus abortion, she became very emotional. She revealed that she had four children whose father was a very controlling man. They had divorced and she was currently raising her family alone, had a good job and was content with her situation. The idea of being pregnant after a first date was more than she could handle. She was weighing the idea of both abortion and adoption.

I did my best to show Patty the love of Christ. We discussed abortion and the possible negative effects that often accompany that decision. Information about adoption was provided and she indicated that she was interested in checking out that possibility. Patty returned later for her ultrasound appointment but was undeceived. She seemed to be leaning toward adoption.

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She had to have an abortion

Paige* walked into the Rio Rancho Care Net office and wanted to get a pregnancy test. Her appearance was somewhat disheveled and she seemed more apprehensive than excited about the possibility of being pregnant. Our client advocate helped her through the pregnancy testing process. When it turned out positive, Paige requested a referral for an abortion. Our advocate told her that abortion was not among the services we offered and she seemed very unresponsive and seemed to be getting more and more angry. Our advocate did all she could to show Christ’s love to her, but it seemed to have no effect at all. Paige was clearly intent on having an abortion and her exit survey was the most negative one we had ever received at the Rio Rancho office.

The only thing the Rio Rancho staff could do was pray that God would somehow change her heart.

Several months later, out of the blue, Paige called the office and wanted a copy of her proof of pregnancy so she could access some needed medical support for her unborn child. Rio Rancho Director, Peggy Padilla set up an appointment for her to come in to get the copy. When Paige arrived, she was accompanied by her boyfriend—the father of her baby. There had been an amazing transformation. Paige looked totally different from her first visit. She was smiling and very excited about having her baby. She now had such a positive attitude about her baby. Paige and her boyfriend, Steven* were thrilled and excited over the many different things they could get from the clothing closet. They both signed up for Earn While You Learn.

The prayers of the Rio Rancho Care Net volunteers and staff had been answered and they were about to witness God’s final miracle to this story. The baby, a little boy, was born on Christmas day.

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You Learn classes, Patty had never attended one. When attempts were made to contact Patty, we discovered that her phone had been disconnected.

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individuals professed faith in Christ in 2018… Your support has eternal impact.

5599

total client visits in 2018… Your faithful, financial partnership makes it all possible.

566 ultrasounds performed in 2018… A window into the womb.

637 positive pregnancy tests in 2018… You’ve got this—We’ve got your back.

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Pendaries is a resort community near Las Vegas, NM. Nearly eighty percent of the homes in the area are utilized year-round. Care Net is offering for sale a .409 acre lot. The lot is heavily wooded, and the area is home to a variety of wildlife. Community amenities include a spring lake fishing pond, mountain chapel, and a well-manicured 18-hole golf course with breathtaking views of the Sangre de Cristo mountains.

For more information please contact the Care Net Administrative office at 505.880.8373.

LEADERSHIP REARRANGED

Part of renewal is change. And God brought a lot of change during 2018. We watched as he rearranged our Client Services leadership. For the past five years, Ethel Maharg energetically served as the Client Services Director. She worked to bring conformity to our centers and became an outspoken advocate for life. In the process, her bubbly, passionate personality certainly spiced up our staff meetings. There was a lot of laughter over her annual Volunteer Tea antics. We are delighted that God saw fit to allow us to be a part of her Pro-life education. Toward the end of 2018 she accepted the position as the Executive Director for the NM Right to Life Committee. We give hearty congratulations and support to Ethel in her new capacity as she works to grow the culture of life in New Mexico.

Of course, this change meant that someone had to fill the Client Services gap. We are so grateful that Sue Freeman, who for the past nine years has been the director of our Northeast Heights Center felt God's call to step into this position of overseeing all the client programs and Care Net center work. Sue first started as a volunteer, directing our clothing closet which was housed at Heights Christian Church. Later the clothing closet followed Sue and her husband Steve to every church they pastored. Sue has a true heart for evangelism and teaching. That change required a new director for the Northeast Heights, our busiest center. Sarah Judson was selected. Sarah brought with her a wide range of experience, having served as a center director in Arizona. When she moved to the Albuquerque area we were thrilled to have her volunteer. Since February 2019 she has served on our staff, working closely with Sue in her new position. It is a true blessing to watch how God has uniquely prepared each of these and other staff for the calling he has for them.

PEOPLE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!

“O Lord, You have searched me and known me...you put me together in my mother's womb... wonderful are Your works.”

- from Psalm 139

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WHAT COLOR ARE THE BABY’S EYES?

The Know Now Medical Mobile Unit (MMU) works closely with Pregnancy centers in Albuquerque and around the state. We travel to other pregnancy centers and provide ultrasounds. The unit was outside of a Pregnancy Resource Center in an outlying community late one winter evening. There were three ultrasound appointments scheduled for the night and our team had just begun the final ultrasound.

While the team was with the client there was a walk-in appointment at the center. The young lady named Eve* wasn’t sure how far along she was, but knowing that she never wanted to have children she had decided to have an abortion. She wanted a confirmation pregnancy test and information. The center asked if she would like a free ultrasound while she was there. She agreed. We were asked if we would stay late to do the ultrasound and, of course, the team said yes.

When Eve came on the bus the team began to talk to her about her life and what had led her there. When we began the ultrasound, we discovered that Eve was about 10 weeks along. Her baby was moving and extremely active. When the baby began to settle down, we measured a strong heartbeat. Incredibly, the baby lifted its hand to its face and began sucking its thumb. What a gift for Eve to see. She began to cry and wondered out loud about what color the baby’s eyes might be and how excited her mother would be to hear she was pregnant. She left the bus undecided, but seriously thinking about keeping her baby. She called the MMU team two weeks later to share with us that she had decided to carry the baby.

If the MMU had not been there, it may have been a very different story for Eve. We thank all the pregnancy resource centers that provide a place for these women to come and discuss options. What a wonderful tool our donors and Save the Storks have provided to help us show moms their precious babies.

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I don’t think it could have been any better. I first met Crystal and her partner Tom at a restaurant, two days after my husband Ryan Holmes, had encountered them shooting up heroin. Addiction to heroin had taken its toll on everything. Now homeless and living on the streets, their lives revolved around heroin; scraping together enough money for their habit first, then food.

I had always struggled with the thought of a woman doing drugs while pregnant. During each of my three pregnancies, every decision I made was carefully crafted to protect my babies. It was hard to imagine how any woman could knowingly expose her baby to drugs.

I was still nursing our 11 month old daughter Abby, I was able to begin breastfeeding Hope in the hospital through her withdrawals. Our story was eventually shared on several media outlets. The President invited us to his 2018 State of the Union address. Hope breastfed through the whole speech.

Some people have said we are heroes for adopting. But I believe we are just ordinary people who feel it was meant to be. Five days after our conversation, they asked us to adopt their baby.

Within two weeks, we had a little baby girl in our arms and named her, Hope Christel. Because of the press attention, Tom and Crystal were offered a place at an amazing rehab center. It was still a struggle for them to even consider going. Assisted by prayers and persistence and after backing out once, they finally left the streets and drugs behind. The road to recovery has not been easy. Tom has relapsed a couple times, but is still fighting. Crystal and Hope is lucky to have us. We have always struggled with the issues this organization addresses are those directly related to abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, and stem cell research.

In an unplanned pregnancy to love both the mother and the child. Sometimes this means helping the mom get on her feet so she can parent. Sometimes it means adoption, and still hoping for the best for the birthparents. Having compassion for the baby while de-spising the birth mom ignores God's grace. Having compassion for the birth mom while disregarding the baby ignores the humanity and value of the child.

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We want to bring Hope into our family, and then all the people who may find themselves in the midst of an unplanned pregnancy who may find themselves in the midst of an unplanned pregnancy will catch the attention of young women and men. The mission of the Right to Life Committee of New Mexico is to educate the public and build pro-life support and values in order to protect all innocent human life from fertilization until natural death. The issues this organization addresses are those directly related to abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, and stem cell research.

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by Rebecca Holets

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**2018 FINANCIAL REPORT**

In 2018, God continued to make a way for us, both financially and throughout our ministry. You can see from our figures that our income remained about the same as the previous year. It was encouraging to see higher numbers from our individual donor contributions. God’s provision was evident at some very difficult financial moments—and Care Net was able to maintain, and in some cases expand their outreach. God spoke into the hearts of his people and they responded in generosity. These gifts came at a time when other faith-based non-profits were experiencing cut-backs in their services and outreach. You will notice our program statistics throughout the Annual Report and may have noticed that we had higher numbers in pregnancy testing, ultrasound, salvation, and total client visits. We depend upon you to make that a reality at Care Net.

**4 YEAR GIVING COMPARISON**

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Please pray that 2019 would be a year of increased, consistent funding that allows us the flexibility to expand programs and focus on the impact that is possible within our centers. Throughout the year, we will continue to engage in fundraising activities such as the Walk for Life, Laugh for Life and Change for Life campaigns. These opportunities provide increased awareness and participation in the ministry of Care Net. Along with those fundraising efforts, we invite you to consider one or more of the following:

- **Become a Friend for Life.** It’s just that—a monthly gift to Care Net from a checking, savings, or credit card account. These agreements are set up to come out automatically. Every month, like clockwork, your gift is delivered to Care Net. Or if you prefer, you may mail your donation to Care Net. You’re a Friend for Life either way.
- **Consider Giving Through a Donor Directed Fund.** For example, gifts may be processed through organizations such as the National Christian Foundation, United Way, or The New Mexico Baptist Foundation. Find one that works for you that provides a safe, secure transfer of funds to Care Net. Let us know how we may be of help in this process.
- **One-Time Gifts.** There are times that special conditions exist to allow for disbursements from retirement accounts or savings. Why not take advantage of this opportunity and give to a ministry that you fully support and love with your resources? Check with your accountant or tax specialist.
- **What about Special Projects?** You may have a particular passion for one or more area of Care Net’s ministry. How about the Fatherhood Program? Or the Earn While You Learn Program? Mourning to Joy? Ultrasound? How about marketing or advertising? (Please take a look at our Transit and Mall Marketing on page 15) These funds are used to fulfill your intended purpose.
- **Help Underwrite an Event.** Because we want all of our fundraising efforts throughout the year to generate funds that go directly to providing for the work of Care Net, many individuals, businesses, churches, and organizations partner with us to provide the underwriting (or sponsorships) for our events. This way the expenses of the event are completely covered.
- **Text to Give.** This is a convenient giving option. Text the amount of your donation and the words “Care Net” to 505.207.0339 and follow the prompts. For example: $100 Care Net.

As our communities came together to “Make a way in the desert” and walk for life, we were reminded again of the support Care Net receives from our faithful donors. Because of this, we provide help, free services, compassion and hope at times when they are most needed. We hope to see you in 2019 on Saturday, August 24 as we participate in Walk for Life 2019: “Life Renewed…One step at a time!”

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**2018 WALK FOR LIFE**

They came...they walked...they raised money for Care Net ABQ! On Saturday, August 25 over 600 people participated in our annual Walk for Life fundraiser at one of four walk locations. It was a beautiful morning in the desert as we came together in a celebration of life and to fulfill our pledge to Walk for Life. Over $79,000 was raised in underwriting and donations. Fourteen individuals and groups raised over $1000 each. Way to go!
Top 20 Churches Donating to Care Net in 2018

Calvary Chapel Light of the World
Calvary Chapel Rio Rancho
Cedar Springs Church
Christ Mission Bible Chapel
Christ Church ABQ
Desert Springs Church
Eastern Hills Baptist Church
Faith Church
First Baptist Church of Corona
First Baptist Church of Rio Rancho
Gloria Christian Fellowship
Grace Outreach Center Assembly of God
Hoffmantown Church
Hope Church
Legacy Church, Inc
Mountain Christian Church
New Beginnings Church of God
New Life
New Life Fellowship
Valley View Christian Church

IT HAS BEEN MY JOY
by Johanne Glover

It has been my joy to serve Care Net Pregnancy Center for over 19 years now. The Lord first called me in 2000. As the postcards about the Center kept coming in the mail, I filled one out and soon was volunteering to help with Care Net’s Fundraising Banquet and Parity Ball. A couple of years later I was asked to be on the Board of Directors and served as a member for five years. It was amazing to me how Care Net was growing…the Lord providing…and soon we had four centers! I knew that Care Net was a Pregnancy Resource Center but had no idea of the magnitude of the resources available. I served as the President for a year and decided I needed to know more “hands on” about this wonderful organization. So, I resigned from the board and started to volunteer in the office. During that time, I saw the love and commitment of the staff and was blessed to be a part of these dedicated women!

As I learned more about the mission of Care Net I felt called to take the volunteer training class with the hope of becoming a “Peer Counselor” (as we called them in those days). It has been my blessing to serve the clients through their many trials, tribulations and joy as we see them educated in prenatal development, child development, child discipline, life skills and oh yes, Bible studies! Helping the clients deal with their planned or unplanned pregnancies, providing resources as they carry to full term, and the joy when one of the clients see their new life in Jesus Christ, is the fulfillment we strive and depend on God for. I have recently retired as a client advocate (as they call it today) but will continue to volunteer and serve Care Net as this Christ-centered ministry is deeply rooted in my heart! I thank the Lord for the privilege of serving Him along with the many wonderful volunteers of Care Net.

LAUGH FOR LIFE 2018

What a pleasure it was to look out over a well-packed auditorium at Legacy East Church and see the sheer joy on the faces of our guests at the 2018 Laugh for Life! Beginning with the amusing jokes presented by Care Net Board President, Patrick Garr, laughter was a constant throughout the evening. Following intermission, as Nazareth took the stage he kept us engaged in his comedy performance. What a delight!

Over $11,000 was raised that evening to help provide funding for our Know Now Medical Mobile Unit (MMU) in the greater Albuquerque area and throughout the state. God opened the hearts of His people to bless Care Net clients. Each time the unit goes out, we pray for opportunities to make a difference in the life of a young woman who may be intent on or considering terminating the life of her unborn child. We pray for her to come on board the MMU, have an ultrasound, and acknowledge the child that is growing and developing; a child made in the image of God. These are life-changing moments.

Nazareth will return to the Legacy stage on Friday, September 27. Visit carenetabq.org for more details. Come join the fun.

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THOUGHTS FROM A CARE NET HUSBAND
By: Cliff LeQuieu as told to Laurie Duffy

When Mary first assumed the job of Executive Director at Care Net, there was a learning curve we both had to climb. Mary's was a steeper and longer climb, but I was climbing as well.

One of the first things I had to learn was a thing I called stretch. I needed to stretch myself to understand a few things. First, Mary had a passion for this mission. As she talked about some of the things going on at the centers my passion grew as well. Here are some of the things that I’ve learned. Number one; I could hate abortion while loving the young ladies and young men facing those decisions. And, number two; I had to learn to love the doctors, nurses, and staff at abortion clinics, judging their actions without being judgmental. Ask Mary, that’s a pretty tough thing for this old cowboy to do!

The second stretch was in just how much time this job was going to take. Mary worked many long hours, late nights, long weeks, and trips away from home and out of town. I had to learn to cover for her as best I could. I’ve been a truck driver so I know a bit about long hours but now I was standing on the other side of the coin and I needed to stretch to be a help to her. I didn’t do that terribly well at times as I climbed my learning curve.

The biggest thing I had to learn was just how much prayer it took to be an Executive Director. She was praying, her staff was praying and the volunteers were praying. I had to learn to pray as well. Not just pray—but how to pray and to pray daily; even several times a day. She could not have done this job without the prayer warriors around her—and she had some good ones. I thank God for these mighty women of God. As she climbed up that curve she learned how to gather and retaining male volunteers. He has also listened to their well thought out suggestions to help overcome these barriers. Care Net leadership will prayerfully consider these suggestions so we can continue to improve the Fatherhood program. If you are interested in participating as a mentor in the Fatherhood program, please contact your local center director.

FATHERHOOD PROGRAM
This past year has been a time of transition, challenge and opportunity for the Fatherhood Program at Care Net. Following the resignation of our Fatherhood Director, one of our male volunteers agreed to take the position on an interim basis to help keep the momentum going. The program is designed to help fathers, often young and inexperienced, feel they have some value in the whole process and prepare them to be a better partner in the raising of the child. The challenge, a prayerful one, is to find a man who can take the place as the permanent director for the future. Our Interim Director has been taking the opportunity to meet with the center directors; learning the barriers they encounter in recruiting and retaining male volunteers. He has also listened to their well thought out suggestions to help overcome these barriers. Care Net leadership will prayerfully consider these suggestions so we can continue to improve the Fatherhood program. If you are interested in participating as a mentor in the Fatherhood program, please contact your local center director.

Note: As Care Net board members, staff and volunteers, we are reminded daily of the sacrifices and support of our families. Cliff’s words are an encouragement to all of us to spend time in prayer as we partner together in this work of saving lives.

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To the glory of God alone
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This year marks 40 years of the Life Chain! Join with women in prayer and support of the Life Chain effort in New Mexico. Visit www.frenchfunerals.com for more information.

To the Glory of God
Mary K. Nederhoff

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Visit www.makinglifedisciples.org to view a five-minute trailer highlighting the program and to find ordering information.

Care Net Pregnancy Centers of Albuquerque are here to assist you every step of the way as you equip your members to walk alongside women and men at the point of their pregnancy decision.

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Visit www.carenetabq.org for more information.

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REVEAL GOD’S TRUTH AND LOVE
CINDY ROSE
Mourning to Joy Coordinator
Spring is a time of new growth and beauty but sometimes a late frost can stunt the leaves and fruit. Holding on to the brokenness caused from choosing an abortion stunts a woman’s growth and fruitfulness. Mourning to Joy is designed to heal the broken heart by pruning away the lies and shame and reveal God’s truth and love. We have seen women transformed and return to their lives with hope and joy. He truly makes everything new.

And these words…shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children. Deut 6:6-7
You made all the delicate inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother’s womb. Psalm 139:13
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ULTRASOUND

THOUGHTS FROM THE ULTRASOUND ROOM

Erlinda Ramos-Nelson’s enthusiasm for life is evident as she recounts the new experiences that she is having in the ultrasound room at Care Net. Here are a few of her observations:

• I love to see the dad’s eyes light up when they first see their baby. I always make my disclaimer when I say, he, I tell them that I say, he as in all mankind. Seeing their baby for the first time makes it “real” to them.
• We were doing an exam and the baby was being very still and cooperative. Mom asked if it was too soon to see the baby move and we told her baby was probably sleeping. She mentioned that the baby’s dad wanted a boy. When dad came in, I invited him to come closer to the ultrasound screen. I said, “This is baby’s head from the front to the back.” Dad said, “That’s the baby’s head?” At the sound of dad’s voice the baby started moving and baby had a good ole’ time showing off. Dad was beaming.

OPPORTUNITY IN THE VIEWING

WHAT WAS I EXPECTING?

The desire to perform first trimester ultrasounds at Care Net had been in the back of my mind for many years. The opportunity was there, but my availability was not. How amazing it would be to show a woman the reality of what was occurring within her body. What fantastic technology! Sound waves presenting a picture of the truth lying within a woman’s womb. The truth of a living human being expressed in a series of greys.

THAT WAS WHAT I WAS EXPECTING...

Six years ago, a collision of circumstances presented the gift of time, enabling me to volunteer at Care Net of Valencio County. As a Registered Nurse, training was provided to perform limited obstetrical ultrasounds. Interestingly, as so frequently occurs, my expectations were not merely met, but magnificently exceeded.

EXPECTATIONS MET, AND MORE.

The beauty, privilege and sacredness of viewing the child within the womb, peering into that dark and secret place where the hands of God continually mold and knit together that precious embodied soul thrilled me. Potential seen in life itself; purpose, plans, value…a future unuttered after viewing the previously unseen creation of God’s hands and will. Love that emanated from the mother to the large screen, of one so small but a part now of the mother’s life. But, there were so many different moms and dads, so many different circumstances—views of God and of life. There were so many emotions and situations requiring wisdom from the only One who has true wisdom, and the feeling of inadequacy in expressing the truth and the love of God for these women. I didn’t expect the openness to the gospel, I didn’t expect God to meet me in my inadequacies in sharing the gospel. I didn’t expect the tremendous opportunity the ultrasound room brought in providing a pathway to introducing or reintroducing these women open to accepting the creator and the mediator, Jesus Christ. I didn’t expect the closeness of the staff at Care Net that have become sisters and fellow soldiers in the battle for life. But that is what I have received.

MY SOUL WAITS THOU ONLY UPON GOD: FOR MY EXPECTATION IS FROM HIM. PSALM 62:5

I am awed by a God that meets us in our weaknesses and leads us as we submit to his will, becoming faithful, available and teachable.

To God be the Glory, Lauri Reed

A NOTE FROM OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR:

My name is Alana Williams. I am a Gynecologist who specializes in Urogynecology, practicing at Women’s Pelvic Specialty Care of New Mexico. As the proud wife of Dr Luis Padilla-Paz, a Gynecological Oncologist and a mother of four children, I keep a busy life.

I have been proud to volunteer for Care Net Pregnancy Center since 2007 and have served as the Medical Director since 2010. It has given me an opportunity to give back to my community with the gifts and talents that God has given me. Care Net really makes a difference in women’s lives and saves the lives of infants.

2019 Calendar of Events

CENTER TOURS
Call your nearest center for an appointment.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
Thursday, May 2

VOLUNTEER TRAINING
May 16–June 13 Valencia County July 18–August 15 East Mountain September 11–October 9 NE Albuquerque

CARE NET OPEN HOUSE EVENTS
East Mountain/Moriarty June 1, 10am–Noon Valencia County June 8, 10am–Noon Rio Rancho June 13, 4–7pm Northeast Albuquerque June 25, 4–6pm

CARE NET 101–PASTOR/LIAISON WORKSHOP
East Mountain/Moriarty June 15 NE Albuquerque November 16

WALK FOR LIFE TRAINING
East Mountain/Moriarty July 12 Evening WFL Training Valencia County July 13 Morning WFL Training Rio Rancho July 19 Evening WFL Training Northeast Albuquerque July 20 Morning WFL Training

WALK FOR LIFE (FOUR LOCATIONS)
Saturday, August 24

LAUGH FOR LIFE
September 27 Legacy Church East Campus 4701 Wyoming Blvd., NE Albuquerque, NM 87109

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CARE NET MEDICAL TEAM

Care Net is extremely fortunate to have exceptional medical volunteers and staff members. Pictured to the right are employed members of our team at the Northeast Heights location. Erlinda Ramos-Nelson fills the position of Head Sonographer, bringing a fresh enthusiasm to the position. The hiring of Sally Thompson, Physician’s Assistant brought with it the ability to prescribe a limited range of medications including the Abortion Pill Reversal regimen. Mary Spicher, RN, MSN provides oversight under the supervision of our Medical Director, Dr. Alana Williams to each of the center locations and the Medical Mobile Unit. Having quality medical staff expands the impact of our Pregnancy Resource Center work in the community.
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