



Champion Update

WINTER 2023

BABY ESMERALDA

Merry Christmas!

We remember Immanuel, God with us from Matthew 1:23...

“ ‘The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel’ (which means ‘God with us’).”

The birth of Jesus Christ brought hope and salvation to the Jews first and then to the world. Thank you for partnering with Care Net as we serve pregnant women and families facing unplanned pregnancies. Your support enables us to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and in deed. The love of God heals broken hearts!

Banquet Success



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Close to 400 people attended our Banquet in November. Guest speaker Dr. William Lile “ProLifeDoc” gave an inspiring message on prenatal medical breakthroughs, operating in-utero as early as 18 weeks gestation! From blood transfusions, to treating spina bifida, to performing brain surgery & open heart surgery, these life-saving procedures on babies in the womb have changed many lives! Dr. Lile’s presentation brought a new understanding that a patient is a person no matter how small. Whether life in the womb or outside the womb, it is worth fighting for. If you would like to access resources or watch videos you can share with friends, please visit Dr. Lile’s website ProLifeDoc.org or scan the QR code.

Three recipients won custom-made pieces of art by Reggie McCormack during the art raffle portion of the evening, allowing the recipients to take home a unique piece reminding them of Care Net’s life-saving work. Vicki Fannin received the 2023 Legacy of Life Award for serving 24 years in the pro-life movement at the local pregnancy center! Praise God for every Champion that made this year’s Banquet a success. Special thanks to all our sponsors listed at CareNetChampions.org.



Birthmother Support

EMBRACE, EMPOWER, CONNECT

Calling all Birthmothers in the Vero Beach area!

Join our SEEN Birthmother Support Group; a nurturing community just for those who have placed their baby for adoption. Share your journey, find support, and build lifelong connections with others who understand. Together, let's celebrate the strength and love that define birthmothers. You're not alone. Your story matters. Start your empowering journey with us!

Tuesdays starting January 23rd at Care Net.

RSVP to Tilara at 772.538.2830.

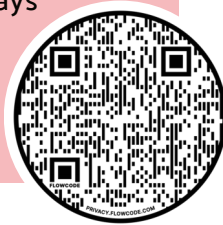
Light refreshments served.

HEALING
CONNECTING
THRIVING

Seen:
A JOURNEY

You can change lives!

- Volunteer Nurse (current FL license)
- Translate from Creole, Spanish, etc. to English
- Volunteer weekly as a Client Advocate, Receptionist, or in the Baby Boutique
- Occasionally volunteer in Childcare or Cook Meals for Single Moms
- Occasionally volunteer in Community Outreach, Fundraising, or Other Ways
- Host a "diapers and wipes" drive
- Shop and donate via Amazon Baby Registry via QR code:



Statistics

SEPT 2022 - AUG 2023

Distinct Clients: 415

Client Visits: 4,341

Bible Study Visits: 1,152

Ultrasounds: 131

Boutique Visits: 1,893

Prayed with: 1,990

Spiritual Discussions: 1,761

Babies Born: 115

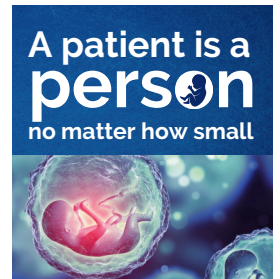
“ It was like
having
cheerleaders
with me... ”

-Client said about
her ultrasound
appointment.

Mark your Calendars

Friday Jan. 19th at 6:30pm

Sanctity of Human Life
at Oceans Unite Church.
Invite friends/neighbors
that haven't heard of
Care Net before! This is
open to the public.



Sunday Jan. 21st, 2024 - Sanctity of Human Life
at local participating churches. Contact
Care Net to receive promo materials and more.

Sat. March 9th, 2024

Car Show at Vero Christian Church to support
Care Net and The Source.

Sat. April 6th, 2024

Walk for Life at Riverside Park. Family friendly!

Sun. May 12th, 2024 - Sun. June 16th, 2024

Baby Bottle Campaign at participating churches.

More info at CareNetChampions.org

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You are changing lives this Christmas...

Because of you, Care Net offers:

- Pregnancy Testing
- Limited OB Ultrasounds
- Pregnancy Options Consultations
- Adoption Consultations and Referrals
- Post-Adoption Support Groups
- Abortion Emotional Recovery*
- Classes on Birth Planning, Parenting, Breastfeeding, Baby Safety, Nutrition
- Mom Support and Empowerment
- Single Mom Ministry
- Fatherhood Coaching
- Baby, Toddler, and Maternity Supplies
- Meals for Mama

*We don't perform nor refer for abortions.



babies celebrating
their **first** Christmas
because of you!

Care Net was my
support group that
I never had.
-Mama R

I have never seen or
heard most of what
we learned at the
ultrasound appointment.
-Mama F

Honest Advent

BY BONNIE MARTINELLI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As you read this, you are preparing to celebrate Christ's birth. **Birth**...to think that God, the Creator of the heavens and earth, chose to send our Redeemer, Lord, and Savior through a birth canal! That might be TMI, as they say, but it makes what we do at Care Net much more real as we daily serve mothers who are about to give birth. During this season, we mostly think about all the glitz, gifts, and programs, then forget the essence and wonder of the first Christmas when the Light of the world came to us as a baby to grow up to be a perfect, sinless offering to redeem us!

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only son of the Father, full of grace and truth." -John 1:14

"Again, Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.'" -John 8:12

I have received Christ as my Savior
and Lord through my Client
Advocate at Care Net. My oldest
daughter accepted Christ too.

-Mama R



Give the Gift of Life

BY KERRY JOHNSON, LEAD SONOGRAPHER

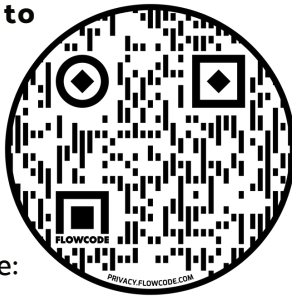
With the Holiday season upon us, it brings to mind our family members and loved ones. While families differ in shape and size, at the core is a unique love that binds us together. So many of our clients come to Care Net IRC with broken lives swirling in defeating circumstances. At our center, they find the best gift that can be given, the love of Christ. Our struggling moms bond with their Client Advocates which means they now have a stable "family member". Our young dads are not alone in navigating life's challenges because of the loving mentorship of their Fatherhood Coach. Their babies are physically provided for by our Baby Boutique, Care Net IRC's tangible way of providing for our clients' infants.

We consider you to be part of our Care Net IRC family, too. We are so grateful you make it possible for us to shower Jesus' love on our clients and their children. Please make a generous year-end donation to Care Net IRC, so we can continue to be "family" to our moms, dads, and their babies. In addition to making a special Christmas donation, would you consider becoming a monthly supporter? \$25, \$50, \$75, and \$100 per month positions Care Net IRC to be that essential, stable Godly family our clients and their babies need. Thank you so much! Merry Christmas!

Ways to Give:

Mail a check in the enclosed envelope to

Care Net Pregnancy Center IRC
P.O. Box 836
Vero Beach, FL 32961



Online via Credit Card:

carenetchampions.org/invest or QR code:

Stocks or Bonds:

It's simple and easy. When you donate stocks or bonds to Care Net IRC, you'll be able to take a tax deduction for the full fair market values at the time of the transfer transaction. For more information, please contact our Investment Advisor Rep, Mark Parsons or his assistant Rebecca Zegles at 772.234.0111 or by rebecca@parsonsfinaancialgrp.com



Christmas Book

BY KERBY SAUNDERS

Buy this kids book on Amazon and a portion of proceeds will go to Care Net! Scan the QR code to order on Amazon.



Expanding the Medical Services

BY LYNN ULLESTAD, MEDICAL SERVICES MANAGER

1 in 5

pregnancy test patients are likely to have contracted an STI. According to CDC

<https://www.cdc.gov/std/statistics/prevalence-2020-at-a-glance.htm>

The Medical Services Team has been busy with exciting new services! We implemented an online 24/7 nurse chat box in November. We know women are able to access online abortion pills without going into a clinic; our goal is to reach her first. To do that, we must reach her where she is at with a system that makes it easy for her to respond and get the services she needs. This online chat opportunity lets her text (in real time) with a nurse 24/7 to get information and schedule an appointment at Care Net. We've had several women seek our services via the chat widget since this launched on our website!

In addition to new opportunities, we are actively pursuing the steps necessary to begin STI (sexually transmitted infections) testing and treatment at our clinic. According to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control), 1 in five patients who come in for a pregnancy test is likely to have contracted an STI. By adding STI testing and treatment to our medical program, we will offer pregnant women the necessary treatment to improve their health and the health of their unborn baby.

New Staff!

Care Net is pleased to welcome our newest staff addition, Jen Barnes, BSN, RN! She has been a nurse for 40 years, and 35 of those years have been in labor and delivery. Her passion is women's health- making sure all pregnant women receive excellent care.

“ I am honored to be a part of a godly team, caring for women at Care Net. ”

-Jen Barnes, BSN, RN

The Life of a Single Mom

We will be starting this program in January 2024, which includes a support group for single moms, and our clients will have access to 100+ videos in Single Mom University. If you would like to assist with this program, please contact Teri Myers at 772.569.7939.



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Baby Shower

Are you interested in collecting diapers, baby and toddler items for Care Net clients? This is perfect for businesses, small groups, or neighborhoods to get involved. Over 150 clients earn donated items every month through Care Net's Parenting Program. Contact Boutique Manager Gladys at 772.559.0668 for details.

New Building

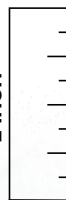
Four months after moving into Care Net's debt-free 5,000 sq. foot facility, we are still in awe of what God did for this ministry through many who gave their resources, skills, and prayers. Moving into a larger facility has enabled us to expand our services to serve more women, men, and children (i.e. Care Net's medical and parenting programs). Most importantly, lives are being saved and transformed every week - praise God! Special thanks to Constructure General Contractors, Reggie McCormack, Vero Christian Church, Christ Fellowship, Calvary Chapel, and many more!



Come see Care Net where babies are saved from abortion! Call or text Executive Director, Bonnie Martinelli, at 772.539.1667.

Care Net's ultrasound machine can see the baby's heartbeat at 5 weeks, 5 days!

1 inch



The baby is only 1/8 inch long.



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