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BREAKING NEWS!! 2018 FATHER DAUGHTER BALL

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BRENT LAMBERT Founder & CEO

Once I asked my dad the question, "Why is everything I look for always in the last place I look? Why can't I ever find it in the first place I look?" He replied, "Silly, it's always in the last place you look because as soon as you find it, you stop looking!" To a young boy that was a revelation.

The gospel of Luke records three parables, each about something or someone who was lost - a lost sheep, a lost coin and a lost son. Every time when that which was lost was found there was great celebration and joy. Haven't we all experienced that kind of joy at some time or another? I confess, I'm the world's worst about losing my truck keys, but after searching high and low for them and finally finding them (in the last place I looked, of course), I can do some celebrating of my own.

These days at Birth Choice we actually have sort of a reversal of the whole 'lost and found' scenario. We are already very excited and even celebratory over something we've found, but the problem is that we need help to make it a reality.

Before I tell you what we found, let me tell you why it's so important that we found it. There are areas in West Tennessee that have some of the highest abortion rates in the state, but the women in those areas live too far to come to us. Statistically a woman will only travel up to 30 minutes or 30 miles away to reach a pregnancy medical clinic like Birth Choice, yet they will travel as far as several hours away to get an abortion. After prayerfully considering how to best address this problem, let me share with you what we've 'found' and believe is a wonderful solution. Birth Choice is planning to add to our arsenal of abortionfighting weapons a new mobile ultrasound unit. This vehicle will take ultrasound directly to women who need our services in those hard-to-reach areas of West Tennessee. This unit will be able to do most of what we can do in our brick and mortar offices, but those abortion-determined women won't have to come to us, we can go to them!

Over the next several months Birth Choice will be working hard to raise \$155,000 to purchase this vehicle and another \$38,000 each year for operational costs. We are not trying to invent the wheel so-to-speak as this mobile ultrasound program has already been working wonderfully well in several locations across the nation.

This is by far the most daring project that we have undertaken, but we feel confident that it will result in more children's lives saved and the love of Christ and His gospel shared with their families. Won't you pray with us about this and about how you might be able to partner with Birth Choice? I hope we will all be able to celebrate together when lives which would have been lost are found!



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GOD'S PEOPLE HELPED BIRTH CHOICE RAISE OVER \$215,000!!!

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11



God has a plan for each and every life saved from abortion and for every mother or father faced with an unplanned pregnancy. Today and every day WE are thankful that He has called you to be a part of His plan, too. We would like to thank everyone who gave to Birth Choice through this year's Annual Fund-raising Banquet. Your support is helping us to reach families in our community and share the love of Christ while saving precious lives.

Also, we would like to thank all the volunteers who took time out of their busy schedules to help with the banquet. It takes many people to host an event like this and we appreciate everyone who helped to make it successful. WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

CHANGE FOR LIFE

Baby Bottle Campaign is Underway!

On Mother's Day we kicked off our annual Baby Bottle Campaign which will culminate on Father's Day. If your church is not participating, it's not too late to get started! For more information call 731.664.8443 and ask for Debbie or Britt or email debbie@birthchoice.us.

WALK FOR LIFE

Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 29th because that's when Birth Choice will host our annual Walk for Life at West Jackson Baptist Church! Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and culminate with lunch on the grounds. We will have activities for the whole family, so bring your kids and come enjoy this fun-filled event. For more information, email debbie@ birthchoice.us or call 73I-664-8443. We hope to see you in September!

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FROM THE HEART OF A VOLUNTEER SUSIE TOOMEY

Client Advocate

After retiring as a teacher and moving to Jackson in 2015, I prayed that God would open up a volunteer opportunity that I could really feel passionate about. My daughter, a ten year resident of Jackson, told me about Birth Choice and encouraged me to contact Chris. I called... I applied... I interviewed... I trained... and I now have the privilege of serving as a Client Advocate. One morning a week I drive to Birth Choice in anticipation of being a part of this life-changing, Christcentered ministry.

The staff and volunteers that serve in this ministry are such a joy to work with, each so beautifully committed to loving, serving, and praying for the women who walk through

the doors. But it is the women who come seeking the services of the clinic that God uses to shake up my life. Some days I leave with my heart breaking as I hear the really tough stories of my clients or have to accept the fact that abortion may be the client's ultimate choice. Some days I leave exhilarated because an abortion-minded client saw the heartbeat of her baby and decided instead that she wanted to carry her baby to term. Some days I leave with joy in my heart because God blessed me as I talked with a young couple who were excited about bringing a precious new life into the world. No matter what though, God shakes up my world a little and that is a blessing.



FROM THE HEART OF A CLIENT AMANDA DRAPER Children from left to right: Lyla, Remington, Grayson

The Birth Choice Program has helped my family and me so much over the past 5 years. I went to Birth Choice when I was pregnant with my first child - my baby girl. Motherhood was a whole new experience for me. My husband and I had been married for 6 years at the time and had been trying to conceive for over 5 years. We prayed every night that God would bless us with a child, so needless to say we were the happiest we had ever been when we found out we were pregnant. Birth Choice helped us through this new and exciting chapter of our lives. I was so thankful to God for our little miracle.

I took the classes that Birth Choice offered and they taught me how to care for myself and my baby throughout my pregnancy, and how to care for my newborn when she arrived. Everyone was so nice, caring, and understanding. They helped my family during this time as we struggled financially. Their program allowed us to use our earned "baby money" [from the classes] to purchase baby formula, food, diapers, wipes, clothes, etc. from their baby shop. The baby shop had all the items needed to care for a newborn infant. [Through the classes] I was able to learn about motherhood and our relationship with God. My husband and I had both attended church regularly and this program helped further my relationship with God even more.

We now have a 4-year-old girl, Lyla, a I-year-old boy, Grayson, and a 4-monthold baby boy, Remington. Birth Choice has helped us so much all throughout the years and we are so grateful to them and for their program.

YOU HAVE NOT BECAUSE YOU ASK NOT

If you are looking for tangible ways to support this ministry, below are some current needs we have. If you are able to help us out, please call the Jackson office at 73I.664.8443 and ask for Chris or email chris@birthchoice.us; at the Gibson County office call 73I.855.2900 and ask for Kelly or email kelly@birthchoice.us.

JACKSON CLINIC NEEDS:

We have an ongoing need for crocheted or knitted baby booties. We give every woman who receives a positive pregnancy test a pair of beautiful little booties, letting her know that the woman who made them prayed for her little unborn child. Several women have chosen life because they received a pair of these little baby booties.

We need a couple of volunteers who would be willing to come in weekly to help take apart, wash, and put back together car seats, strollers, high chairs, etc., along with other work in our mother/ baby resource room. If you are interested, please contact our office today!

GIBSON COUNTY CLINIC NEEDS:

We need some yard work done this spring and summer. If you or your church group would be interested, please contact Kelly.

Would anyone be willing to volunteer 2-3 days a month to help us honor our clients by helping us to keep our building clean?

It has been 8 years since we added on and remodeled our building and now we really need to update the paint inside. We need people who paint professionally or can at least paint very well to volunteer to help us. If you, your men's group, or missions group would be interested, contact Kelly.



A FATHER'S STRENGTH T.C. TALLEY Director of Men's Mentoring and Abstinence Education

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

As fathers, navigating this journey of fatherhood can be tough to say the least. In spite of the difficulties and challenges, though, there are many great rewards. If God has blessed you with a daughter, that sweet 'reward' also comes with tremendous responsibility. As fathers, our daughters need our strength to stand firm on every front on their behalf.

Of course you will try to protect her physically, mentally, and even emotionally to the best of your ability, but the most important way you can protect your daughter is spiritually. Never forget that Satan is a roaring lion and he will devour your little girl if he can. In short, dads, our daughters not only need our protection, but they need us to "...not grow weary of doing good..." Even if it means they don't agree with us or may rebel against us. Scripture tells us that, "in due season we will reap, if we do not give up." Dads, never give up! Show your daughters love that validates them, a heart that is vulnerable to them, and a strength that always protects them. Gentlemen, these are the greatest weapons our Heavenly Father has given us as we stand as watchmen on the walls of our daughters' lives.

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2018 FATHER DAUGHTER BALL

"A Father's Strength"

SATURDAY JUNE 16TH, FROM 6:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

This is for Girls, 5th Grade through College Fellowship Bible Church 141 Pleasant Plains Road, Jackson, TN 38305.

Join us for a memorable evening of music and dancing. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and soft drinks will be served. Photo opportunities will be available for all couples. Register online at birthchoice.biz.

\$20 per couple and \$10 each additional daughter.

UPCOMING CLINIC TOUR IN JACKSON

JOIN US ON TUESDAY, MAY 29TH

While you probably know that Birth Choice helps save the lives of unborn children, we're pretty sure that there are other parts of this ministry you don't know about. We would love to give you a personal tour of our clinics and help you become better acquainted with our multifaceted ministry.

To make a reservation for a tour at Birth Choice of Jackson, call **731.664.8443**

To make a reservation for a tour at Birth Choice of Gibson County, call **731.855.2900**

If you can't join us in Jackson on May 29th, future tours are planned on the following dates:

• Monday, July 30th (Jackson and Gibson County Clinics)

Thursday, September 27th (Jackson Clinic only)
Monday, November 5th (Jackson and Gibson County Clinics)

All tours will begin at 5:30 and last about an hour. There will be a light meal provided and space is limited to 12 people per tour. We hope to see you soon!

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What a Great Way to Help Birth Choice Save Lives!

Tennessee's official, state-authorized "Choose Life" specialty license plates are available at your county clerk's office and can be purchased at a pro-rated cost regardless of your normal plate renewal date!

Each quarter, Birth Choice will receive a portion of the procees raised by the sale of "choose life" license plates! Those donations will grow and grow as pro-life Tennesseans show their support.

When you purchase the "Choose Life" specialty plate, you will support the choice of life in two ways:



• First, you're telling everyone who follows you down the highway that you "Choose Life" and they should, too!

• Secondly, the proceeds from the Choose Life plate are used to provide support and assistance to women and families facing difficult or unexpected pregnancies.

Each quarter, Birth Choice will receive a portion of the proceeds raised by the sale of "Choose Life" license plates! Those donations will grow and grow as pro-life Tennesseans show their support.



ANDY RICE Walnut Grove Baptist Church Kenton, TN

FROM THE HEART OF A PASTOR

My neighbor across the street always leaves a light on in the window of his attic. Honestly I'm not sure if there is some deep meaning behind this, but I can tell you I have stood at my own window late at night looking at that warm light glowing in the darkness. Sometimes I smile as I recall the old Motel Six commercial with Tom Bodett saying, "We'll leave the light on for you." Then my mind wonders back to Jesus' words in John 8:12 addressed to the crowd who had brought to Jesus a woman caught in adultery, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." They were ready to condemn this woman to death, but Jesus had another plan to lead this woman on a path of forgiveness and restoration.

As a pastor, I have always viewed the ministry of Birth Choice as a local example of that "light of life" shining in the darkness. So many that come are lost in the darkness of sin without a Savior, others are lost in the darkness of unexpected circumstances. Either way, Birth Choice stands ready to come alongside all those whom the world might condemn and lead them on a path of forgiveness and restoration by the power of Christ and the Gospel. What a wonderful lamp of His light God has given us here in West Tennessee through the ministry of Birth Choice!

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MON. - 9a.m. - 6:30p.m. TUES. - 9a.m.-7:30p.m. THURS. - 9a.m.-5p.m.

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FROM A BIRTH CHOICE CLIENT:

"Once you see the heartbeat it's hard to turn back. I definitely will be keeping my child and parenting."