### **Quarterly News & Updates - Fall 2024**





<u>Our Mission</u>: "To engage and empower women and men considering abortion to choose life for their child, and healing, and abundant life for themselves in Christ"



## From the Desk of the Executive Director

#### Moving Forward into the next 40 years

Just as Joshua led the Israelites into the Promised Land after 40 years in the wilderness, The Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices is moving forward with not only providing our current services but proceeding with preparations for finally having **ultrasounds on site and expanding our services to clients**.

An OBGYN nurse is completing hands-on training hours, we have a physician willing to open their practice next to our space, and we are beginning to actively seek the purchase of a new ultrasound machine for them. If you know of anyone willing to help in this area, please contact me.

One other area of our services that we are expanding upon is educating the youth in the church about the consequences of their choices and what **God's plan is on the gifts of Life and Sex**. We are coordinating a forum to be held at **Beacon Community Church in Belmont on October 27** with worship music by Mike Cavanaugh, a panel of speakers including former clients of BCPC and ending with a pizza party. All Youth ages 13-17 are welcome. Please encourage your youth groups to attend and reach out to me with the numbers, for planning purposes. <u>Access the flyer of the event HERE</u>.

It has been a busy summer with the Pregnancy Care Alliance of Massachusetts (of which we are a founding member organization) spreading the word in the media about all the good work that pregnancy resource centers do. This effort is in spite of the smear campaign that has been launched against us with taxpayer dollars. **You can access the** <u>in the news section of the Pregnancy Care Alliance site HERE</u>.</u>

As we move into this fall, we are once again disseminating posters on college campuses so students who think that they may be pregnant come to us for help first to be educated on all of their options. Please disseminate these on your campuses if you are a student or know someone who is. <u>You can access the poster HERE.</u>

It is such a privilege to be a part of all that God is doing at the Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices. We are so thankful to you, our donors, and to our volunteers and prayer warriors. Your partnership makes this life-saving work possible!

May God richly bless you all!

**Diane O'Toole, Executive Director** 

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"Choose Life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to Him" Deuteronomy 30:20

### Each Baby is Precious to God Amanda's Story:

I found out about BCPC because my pastor's wife recommended this center to me as support because I was unexpectedly pregnant. At first, I didn't know if I wanted to keep the pregnancy; I was having some issues with my partner. It was a difficult process, but being able to talk to someone regularly at the Center was really helpful for me throughout this time. One of the biggest supports was having a solution or a comforting word after every session at BCPC. Now I have two wonderful twin boys! I am so thankful that the center was there for me and cared for and helped me every step of the way!



# Youth Event

Join Us on OCTOBER 27th at 4:00 p.m.- Youth Panel and Worship Event

Pizza dinner afterwards

for Youth ages 13-17

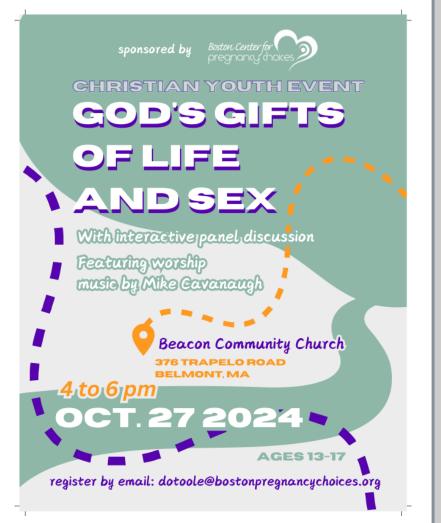
Beacon Community Church, 376 Trapelo Rd. Belmont MA

Coordinated by the Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices

Download a flyer Here

Read our letter to parents <u>Here</u>

RSVP: dotoole@bostonpregnancychoices.org



# **Springwater After Abortion Healing Update**



We are holding a married couples healing retreat at the end of October, 10/23 - 10/25! This retreat will utilize Forgiven & Set Free and Healing a Father's Heart. It is also open to individuals (women or men) who would like healing. If you'd like to help volunteer by helping with food or gift bags, please let me know! If you or someone you know would like to attend, please contact Sara Loy at <u>SLoy@bostonpregnancychoices.org</u>

We are moving ahead with an application to Deeper Still to bring a chapter to Boston! This chapter would operate under the pregnancy center and Springwater. I will keep you updated and posted on the status. I will be serving this weekend at a Deeper Still retreat in Knoxville, TN!

We are continuing to pray about the next location for Springwater. The clocktower at Life Community Church in Quincy has been good to us, and I welcome you to come visit any time! I'd love to catch up and pray together.





God takes our broken pieces

Puts them together and makes them beautiful

### From the Desk of the Board Chair

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." John 10:10

Christian Warriors for life,

As we enter the final quarter of 2024, our 40th anniversary year, we praise the Lord for leading us to this

point in our journey. Each year we face new battles, but He continues by our side and provides the needed people and resources through you, our loyal and essential partners.

2024 has been no exception for new and increasing challenges to providing hope, help, and healing, in comfortable spaces for women to make informed decisions for their life, and the life of their unborn child. The deception against



pregnancy resource centers from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has grown more intense with the tax payer funded \$1 million smear campaign against us in this election year atmosphere. The campaign continues, and is more than a billboard and ad campaign, as indicated by a recent incident with our own Executive Director, Diane O'Toole. For 15 years Diane has been a board member, and officer in good standing, on the Massachusetts Health Council, an independent non-profit that often assists the Commonwealth in promoting health and wellness. An anonymous source said that unless Diane was removed from the board the state would not use the services of the council any longer, because of her position with the Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices. Diane stood strong for the Lord as she refused to give in to the pressure from the earthly powers to resign. However, her friends from the board did bow and voted her off. I commend Diane for her commitment to her calling from God, and for withstanding the slings and arrows we are told will come.

'They will do all this to you because of me, for they have rejected the one who sent me." John 15:2

The Lord is providing some light in the darkness in an unexpected way. As the state spreads the untruths about PRC's like us, we feel they are reaching some who were not aware of places like BCPC, where options other than abortion are offered. We pray that He will take what the state means for harm and uses it for good. Bring them to us so we can save lives. (Genesis 50:20)

"Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, to numerous to count. ' 1 Kings 3:8

One of our current needs is more board members. We would like to increase the number, but we are confined to terms of three years, with a maximum of two terms, so we first need to keep from shrinking below the modest number of six. We feel a good place to recruit from is our current loyal supporters. We know there are many qualified candidates among our partners because we know you already have a sacrificial heart for the cause. So, may I humbly put the request out to you today to prayerfully consider if God may be calling you, or someone you know, to a leadership position with BCPC. If so, please contact me by email for more information at <u>Idavis72@comcast.net</u>

As we wrap up preparations for a strong finish to 2024, and our first 40 years, we are also making some exciting plans for 2025. As always, we can't succeed without your support. Whether God calls you to support BCPC with finances, time, goods, or prayer, we are always thankful for every dollar, hour, and amen.

We keep our hope in the lord and pray His will be done.

Larry Davis, Board Chair

"Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that

leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few." Matthew 7:13-14 ESV



### A Report on Biking for Babies by Sophia Mittman

This was my fourth year doing Biking for Babies, and BCPC was my PRC partner again! Earlier in the year I had the privilege of attending the BCPC gala, where testimonies that were shared inspired and reinvigorated me in the pro-life mission. February through June of the year was spent training on my bike, and come July, my team and I successfully biked approximately 500 miles from Amsterdam NY to Arlington VA



and climbed around 25,000 ft in elevation gain—all in 6 days to raise money for PRCs across America. My team consisted of 6 riders and 3 support crew who drove alongside us in a support crew van decorated with sayings like "A woman who is loved can do anything."

We stopped at many shrines and churches along the way, prayed outside a Planned Parenthood, and spent one night at a beautiful maternity home in Hudson, NY that opened this fall. 4 pregnant mothers (and their young children if they have any) are able to live there for free. It is a beautiful safe haven – a place where moms in difficult situations can bond in community with other moms, learn skills like cooking and resume writing, and gain a time of stability for her family. It reminded me exactly of the love, support, and resources that BCPC offers to women in Boston!

Throughout the week we held community events, where local PRCs similar to BCPC shared about the services they offer. I was inspired by the testimonies that each of my teammates gave. Each uniquely highlighted a beautiful aspect of the pro-life movement, such as the hope that PRCs offer, the goodness of serving others, and even being born when abortion was recommended for them by doctors to their parents. One woman at an event gave her testimony about how she recently moved into a local pro-life "Mary's Shelter" maternity home. She had just escaped an abusive relationship after being left pregnant and with two young kids from a prior relationship. She expressed so much gratitude for finding Mary's Shelter after living out of her car and hotel rooms. Without it, she had no idea how she could keep her children with her and in a safe place. Her story is a witness to how maternity homes like Mary's Shelter and pregnancy resource centers like BCPC are so needed in our society!



# NATIONAL MENS MARCH TO ABOLISH ABORTION & RALLY FOR PERSONHOOD



# **BOSTON MA**

# WE CALL ON ALL PRO-LIFE PEOPLE TO COME AND UNITE!

**11AM:** ALL GATHER OUTSIDE PLANNED PARENTHOOD FOR OPENING PRAYERS AND SPEAKERS (1055 COMMONWEALTH AVE, 02215)

**11:30AM:** BEGIN MARCH TO PARKMAN BANDSTAND IN BOSTON COMMON (3.2 MILE MARCH)

12:45PM: ARRIVE AT PARKMAN BANDSTAND FOR RALLY (139 TREMONT ST, 02108)

Dress code encouraged: men in suits, priests In clerics

FOR MORE INFO VISIT WWW.THEMENSMARCH.COM

Welcome Emma Martin our new Business Manager

"I've always had a passion for the sanctity of life. Growing up my family always participated in baby bottle drives and fundraisers for our local pregnancy resource center. When seeking a job that I wanted to invest in long term post-grad, I felt a pull to work in support of a pregnancy resource center. God provided me with the opportunity to do so, and I am so very happy to be at Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices!"



# We need your help to save more babies in 2024 and beyond!

We continue to seek to build a **Gideon's Army of 300 monthly donors.** In the Bible in the book of Judges, God created an army of 300 Israeli warriors, led by Gideon, who went into battle and defeated the Midian army of 135,000 men.



We would like to create our own "Gideon's Army" consisting of 300 loyal monthly donors to help us in our life and death battle to save babies and bring young families to Christ.

While all donations to BCPC are greatly appreciated, a recurring monthly donation has a great **benefit of consistency for budgeting and planning for growth**. Simply check the box on the donation page to make your gift monthly.

### Together we can make a difference!

**DONATE TODAY!** 

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

### SEEKING PRAYER WARRIORS

We are seeking prayer warriors to meet once a week via Zoom to pray for the Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices and Springwater after abortion healing center. If you are interested in this vital component of our ministry, please contact Jazmin Ramos at:

jramos@bostonpregnancychoices.org

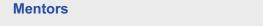


### Other Needs:

• Flourish Mentor Leader and Flourish







- Baby Shower Coordinator
- Graphic Design Help remote
- Cleaning Help
- Drivers to drop-off material resources

If you have any of the skills above and would like to assist BCPC on a very part-time basis, we would love to hear from you!

Please contact Jazmin Ramos, Volunteer Coordinator at: jramos@bostonpregnancychoices.org



### Requirements:

- Commitment to the Ministry here at BCPC
- A Love for Christ
- Attend a monthly Zoom Board meeting



Interested candidates should contact Larry Davis at: Idavis72@comcast.net

### Check us out on social media:





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