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THE FACTS:

SINCE THE OVERTURNING OF ROE V. WADE, there has been some confusion and misinformation. Some folks believe that abortion has been made illegal nationally. That is not true. As of August 2022, this is the current situation in the state of Iowa:

- In June, the Iowa Supreme Court held that the 24-hour waiting period passed by the legislature in 2020 can go into effect. The court also overturned its decision made back in 2018—now clarifying there is not a fundamental right to abortion in the Iowa constitution.
- The governor has requested that the courts lift the injunction against Iowa’s 2018 heartbeat law and allow it to go into effect. Since both the state and federal courts have ruled there is no right to an abortion in either the state or federal Constitutions, then the law which was already passed by the legislature should go into effect. This is being litigated now.
- Iowa’s current law protects the unborn after 20 weeks, except in the case of a medical emergency. Laws regarding medical care for a miscarriage or an ectopic pregnancy remain the same and do not change.
- What has changed is that we now have a better opportunity to strengthen pro-life protections in Iowa!

“MORE BIBLE, PLEASE!”



PATTI HAS BEEN BLESSED with opportunities for multiple Bible studies with some of our Moms. We asked the clients recently how we could “do better” at helping them, and they answered “More Bible, please! Give us more time with the Bible!” Patti is happy to oblige them!

STAFFING UPDATE

SHARON HAS SERVED AT ALPHA faithfully for many years, and is now enjoying retirement, and more time to spend with her family. We will miss her! (She doesn’t look old enough to retire!)



A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

We’re so thankful for the Alpha friends who volunteered to monitor our Des Moines building on the night of the SCOTUS decision overturning Roe v. Wade. Volunteers “scooped the loop” through our parking lot from 6 pm that evening through 5 am the next morning. We’re grateful that all remained quiet. We have installed a new security system, with multiple cameras inside and out. A supporting church sent us a special donation to help pay for it. And praise God—Roe is no more!

Jeanie Thomas

Executive Director



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Easily stay caught up on what’s happening at Alpha Women’s Center! Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/AlphaDSM or on Instagram by searching [alpha_womens_center](#).

OFFERING HELP FOR TODAY & HOPE FOR TOMORROW.

DONATIONS

Though all donations are welcome, the following items are particularly needed!

Please consider adding one or more of these items to your list for your next shopping or garage sale trip!

- DIAPERS - SIZE 3-6**
- BOYS / ALL SEASONS
18 MOS.—2T**
- GIRLS / ALL SEASONS
18 MOS.—2T**
- GALLON ZIPLOCK BAGS**
- BABY WIPES**

FULL-SIZE WOMEN'S PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS:

- BODY WASH**
- LOTION**
- DEODORANT**
- SHAMPOO**

Drop-offs accepted at either location.

INTERN SPOTLIGHT

MACKENZIE AND BROOKE JOINED TEAM ALPHA this summer. Mackenzie started as an intern—and we decided to keep her! She said, “I feel like God has called me to this job.” Brooke said that she can see how God is teaching her and growing her through her work at Alpha—“God, in His perfect timing, has made it so evident that I am exactly where He wants me to be right now.” That’s the common experience of our staff and volunteers. What a blessing to have staff who love the Lord and want to share that love with others.



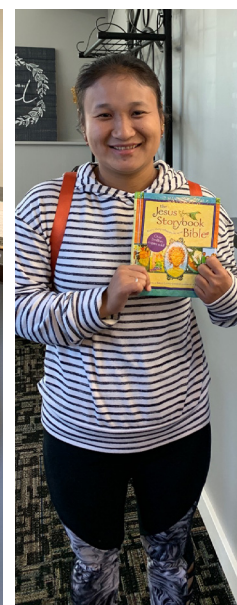
BABY BOTTLE DONATIONS

THE COUNTRY MAY BE experiencing a coin shortage—but Alpha isn’t! Baby bottle donations to date have topped \$37,000! (Experts say that if you have coins stored in a container at home, you should turn them in—we agree!)



REQUEST GRANTED

SOME OF OUR ALPHA MOMS asked to have a children’s Bible they could use with their kiddos. I posted that request as a “Wish List” item on social media. That very day, a generous-hearted individual saw the request and decided to do something about it. We got a package the next week, and were able to gift these Bibles to some very grateful Moms!



YOUR VALUE IS NOT PREDICATED ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING YOUR CONCEPTION



VOLUNTEER UPDATE

WE REGULARLY RECEIVE Volunteer Project requests—nearly every month. We’ve been getting more requests recently from public school groups, and this is awesome! Having these students come into our building is a very practical way of raising awareness of our ministry in the community



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