

BABY LIVES MATTER



The “Baby Lives Matter” crusade has painted its motto on the streets outside of Planned Parenthood offices in Washington DC, Salt Lake City, Richmond, and Charlotte.

Tayler Hansen, founder of the Baby Lives Matter movement, took to Twitter with his message, “10 unarmed Black Americans were killed by police in 2019. They have murals all around the country. Almost 400,000 innocent babies were murdered by Planned Parenthood in 2019. It’s about (...) time they get a mural too.”

We applaud this peaceful and respectful protestor, who even used paint that would wash away to avoid criminal activity or permanent destruction. The young activist also set up a GoFundMe page to raise money to paint additional murals around the country. Hansen said he is “trying to raise awareness in a truly peaceful way.”

“Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth:
my flesh also shall rest in hope. ”
Psalm 16:9

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Fall 2020

Fall Fundraisers a Success!

Despite the postponements, we had a great turnout for our **2020 Vision Banquets** at Firestone Farms this September 10th and 11th. More than 220 people showed up between the two nights, and more than 30 participated virtually. Pastor Clint Quillen did a fantastic job in addressing our attendees with a message of hope, and the worship music by Christian and Hayley Decker was outstanding. Another highlight, the video testimonial from an Ava client, touched many hearts.

We appreciate the dedication of the Vision hosts and the giving underwriters of this year’s banquets, including Jean Perkins, The Heights Church, Teddy Bear Holdings, Saint Clair Storage, Hot Dog Shoppe, Lake Mount Church of Christ, Calcutta Health Care Center, Horst Sub & Deli, Open Garage Doors, Wellsville First Christian Church, Crestview Auto-body, Flick Financial, Mathew and Dana Wright, Yost Insurance, Dr. Barker, and Bob & Robin’s Flowers. The banquet raised more than \$60,000 for Heartbeat’s ministry!

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On Saturday, October 10, more than 130 participants turned out for Heartbeat’s annual Walk for Life at Lake Mount Church of Christ. It was a beautiful morning as participants gathered for breakfast, walked the church grounds, and fellowshiped over a complimentary lunch. Teams winning the coveted “Most Pledges” and the “Most Walkers” titles were Lake Mount Church of Christ and Wellsville Christian Church, respectively. Visit our website for more winners and event photos!

A huge thank-you to our sponsors who donated food and prizes: Beresford’s Meats, Bricker’s, Calcutta Health Care, Frank’s Pastry, Giant Eagle, Hoge’s, Horst Deli, Hot Dog Shoppe, L&B Donuts, MJB BBQ, Peace Valley Orchard, Pizza Hut, Sheetz, Tim Horton’s, Tricking Springs, and Walmart. Special thanks to Lake Mount Church of Christ for hosting this year’s event, Northside Church for working the food service, The Heights UB Church for manning registration, and Hope Christian Fellowship for printing our materials.

This year’s Walk for Life raised more than \$25,100 for Heartbeat’s work!

Thank you all for your generous support this year, for your prayers and your financial contributions to help Heartbeat families! We look forward to continuing to partner with you in 2021, as we continue to spread hope, life, and joy!

Banquet Quotes

Here’s what some of our attendees had to say:

“Seeing a former student explain her trials yet knowing she chose life and chose God warmed my heart. God bless Ava!” - A.F.

“Always so wonderful to see lives changed. Also wonderful to have the privilege to be a part of such a wonderful ministry.” - C.K.

“I was touched by your focus on what Christ can do through us as we allow him to work in our hearts.” - C.W.

“Cheyanne’s story — What a beautiful soul :) Really hit home as I work in the mental health field - She.Is.Brave!” - J.R.

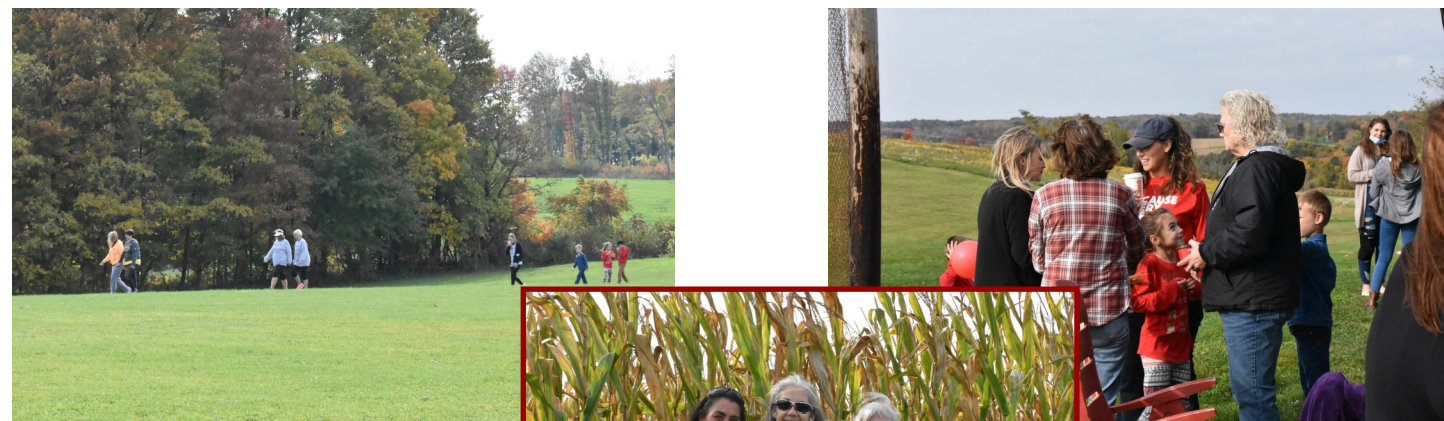
“God is working through the Ava center to save valuable lives!” - A.L.

“I was so blessed to be introduced to the vision of Heartbeat! God is indeed a God of Hope! I was reminded of His relentless love. Bless ya’ll for introducing me to this work.” - J.N.

MINISTRY UPDATES / Vision Banquet and Walk for Life Photos



Vision Banquet



Walk for Life



Ministry Needs

Heartbeat is looking for a **volunteer CPA** who can perform an independent review of the organization for grant applications. If you know anyone who would be willing to serve in this capacity, would you please ask them to get in touch with our executive director, Linda Dankert? Linda can be reached at 330-386-3999 x 102.

Cornerstone Parenting Center has a list of women who are waiting to be matched with a **parenting mentor** to help guide them through the BrightCourse online curriculum. All materials are provided, mentors just need to meet with their "trainee" for approximately 1.5 hours a week, or as their schedules allow, at Cornerstone or another mutually acceptable location to review materials and answer any questions the moms have. These women are anxious to learn and have the guidance of a compassionate, kind soul who cares to help them succeed on their parenting journey. By completing lessons in the curriculum, moms can earn "baby bucks" to be spent on useful products in our Baby Boutique, so this is a double blessing for them! If you would like to be a positive influence on a receptive new parent, please consider signing up as a parent mentor with Cornerstone. Contact Tere, center director, with any questions (330-386-3999, x103).

From the Web

Here's an example of the beautiful and inspirational messages being posted for young women on our Ava social media accounts.

I AM
RESILIENT
AND CAN
GET
THROUGH
ANYTHING.

LIFE NEWS



Abortion Declines in Ohio

Between 2009 and 2019, there was a 30% decrease in the number of abortions performed in Ohio. Praise God!

Alabama Petitions for Rights of Unborn Babies

African American leaders are asking the Alabama Supreme Court to ensure equal protection under the law for black women and unborn black babies in a state targeted by the abortion industry. In 2018, Alabama voters backed a state constitutional amendment, Amendment 930, that recognizes and protects the rights of unborn children in the state, granting them equal protection under the law. "The impact could be far reaching for all preborn children, but [we're] specifically looking at the lives of preborn black children in Alabama," Amie Beth Shaver, a spokeswoman for the Equality Proclamation movement said. A decision is expected from the state Supreme Court this fall.

Focus on the Family's "See Life" Initiative launched in September

The ministry's project consists of an online video presentation designed to "expose the lies and pain of abortion and celebrate the miraculous wonder of life" accompanied by a petition to pledge prayer support, encouragement and sharing. So far, more than 163,000 people have taken the pledge to #LoveEveryHeartbeat. To see it yourself, visit <https://www.focusonthefamily.com/see-life/>

A New Sanctuary City for the Unborn

The city of New Home, Texas, has become the 15th city in the nation to pass an enforceable ordinance prohibiting the act of abortion within the city limits. The ordinance received a unanimous vote on Sept. 29, and states, "It shall be unlawful for any person to procure or perform an abortion of any type and at any stage of pregnancy in the City of New Home, Texas." May God bless New Home!