



Heart 2 Heart

Spotlight On: Pregnancy Resource Center

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The Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) ministry team takes 3-4 girls every other Monday or Tuesday to Springfield to volunteer. They provide clerical help, work in the donation room, or counsel. They assist in the clerical duties of the center by helping with mailings and fundraising campaigns and answering phones. Volunteers help organize the various baby items for distribution including furniture, diapers, clothes, formula and more donated to the center each week. They also get to be a part of either general and pregnancy test counseling. General counseling usually occurs after the baby is born when the mother needs baby items or a reference for financial aid. The center also provides moms with parenting information and a tract designed especially for them. In pregnancy counseling, volunteers show the women how to take the pregnancy test and talk about options such as adoption or keeping the baby. If the woman is leaning toward abortion, doctors on site give ultrasounds, so the woman can see the baby. When women are not pregnant, volunteers talk with them about sexual integrity and abstinence. Each woman is given a Bible put together specifically for crisis pregnancy centers.

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Jenny Eby, team leader for the PRC, said the most rewarding thing for her is "being in the counseling room and being able to tell these girls God loves them and praying with them." The PRC is a ministry for those with a love for hurting women and girls. It will stretch you to look at people without judging and love them as Jesus did. Guys are invited to be involved in the ministry in a behind the scenes role but are not allowed to counsel. The center is looking to start a mentoring and post abortion ministry to guys who come in with a girl.

Pray the women will keep their appointments so the volunteers can help them and show God's love to them. The PRC is always in need of baby items, especially diapers. If you would like to join the team next semester, donate items, or just find out more information, contact Jenny Eby.

Ministry Opportunities

The Riding Center ministry is looking for students to help on Wednesday and Friday from 9:55-11:30. Contact Amanda Joswig if interested.

The Greene County Juvenile Detention Center ministry is looking for students to serve as tutors for juveniles on intensive probation in conjunction with the Greene Co. Juvenile Court on Tuesday night from 5:30-7. Contact Danielle Goodling for more information.

The Ark, an inner city nursery ministry on Sunday nights, is looking for help. Contact Janna Schwab if interested.

Central State Outreach, a once a week Bible study at Central State, encourages Central students to continue to share their faith. More males are needed. Contact Ashley Hunter for more information.

Ministry Resource Library Highlight

This month's featured resource is *Abortion: Myths and Realities* by Dr. D. James Kennedy. This pamphlet dispels the myths of abortion and talks about a Christian response to abortion. Several videos and other resources on abstinence and crisis pregnancy are available in the Ministry Resource Library in the Christian Ministries office.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart."
Jeremiah 1:5

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