



CHRISTMAS 2015

Dear RPC Supporter and Friend,

Christmas is a Time to Count Blessings

In 2015 RPC has been able to provide over 1,400 free Pro-Life Pro-Woman & Pro-Family services. Face to face meaningful conversations, often about faith and life style choices, are a signature of all of these visits to RPC. We know that God is using these encounters in ways even beyond our understanding.

Christmas and Families Go Together

When **Lorena and Michael** came in holding hands to proudly show off her engagement ring and very visible baby bump (pregnant belly), they asked to see one of our counselors that they had a “great relationship with”. **Their story exemplifies our goal to help families, and future families, in an integrated and holistic way at RPC.** As Christmas is often a time for families, be encouraged by their personal story as it relates to RPC:

This story began when Lorena and Michael came into our Clinic two months previously, shocked and disappointed that she might be pregnant. Over the course of two appointments, they experienced her RPC pregnancy test and sonogram together. This was all such new territory for both of them! **During these times, a number of RPC volunteers and staff interacted with them in very personal ways**, including the lady they came back to visit, above. Then, when they decided not to abort their baby during the sonogram, some of us were there for that big moment, too. In the process, we encouraged them to consider getting married, as they had been putting this off. This topic generated much discussion (they understood that God would be pleased if they got married), and you can see from above that the ring is now on her finger.

Lorena will be back again, both before and after their baby is born – she’s signed up for Pre-Natal Classes once she’s about seven months along (Michael will come too) and she already knows about our Effective Parenting Program with the built-in Resource Center. *Boundaries with Children, Healthy Family Dynamics, and Working with Fussy Toddlers* are just some of the topics covered in this excellent program. In addition, Lorena will be paired with an RPC mentor to share all this learning with. So, the story of her little future family is still being written and RPC has a part to play in it.

Throughout Lorena’s various visits to RPC, we will consistently impart Biblical, family friendly values, as we are committed to caring for the whole person – mind, body, and spirit. Like many of our clients, Lorena is a believer that doesn’t live in line with Biblical principles, but interactions at RPC have been filled with conversations related to her faith. During sessions at RPC she felt free to talk about God and what part He plays in her relationship with Michael. Every time we see her we will encourage her to think even more about these topics.



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Eventually, we pray the Lord grabs Lorena's heart and she begins to really ponder the questions raised at RPC – *How can she be a godly mother? What does a godly father look like? What do the Scriptures say about raising children? Shouldn't they find a church home and community?* In this story, and so many others, we find that the RPC experience reminds our clients that there is a God and He wants to be part of their life and part of their family.

Meanwhile, Lorena and Michael are growing together and awaiting their baby's birth in 2016.

Remember, your faithful gifts to us fund family building stories like this one!

Christmas is the Time for Year End Gifts

Our favorite 2015 client quote was this, *"It's the atmosphere and environment here. It feels so peaceful and calm."* We often hear this kind of feedback and praise God that His Spirit shines through our services. Your good gifts free us up to put our energy into making every client trip to RPC a nurturing experience in a safe atmosphere. We want to continue to be part of the lives of future families like that of Lorena and Michael.

As we journey together into another year, we are thankful for this ministry and for you! Your faithful gifts fund our many Pro-Life Pro-Woman & Pro-Family services. Each and every gift you give this ministry will be appreciated and, of course, all gifts are tax-deductible. Please return in the envelope enclosed.

Merry Christmas to every one of you! May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ continue to be the centerpiece of your life, as He is for each of us at RPC.

Thankful for that original Holy Family and the birth of the baby Jesus Christ,



To God be the Glory

Lisa Lussa



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RPC Effective Parenting Program Mentors needed for 2016

Call the office and talk to Patricia Mestas - 301 770 4444.

Or, go to www.rockvillepregnancyclinic.org, click on Volunteer Opportunities, and fill out and send in the Volunteer Application. Patricia will call you once she receives it.

RPC Post Abortion Counseling Course has openings in 2016

Call the office to find out if this powerful Bible based study is right for you or your friend – 301 770 4444. If so, we will put you in touch with Rose Sittner, who directs this program.