



August 1, 2011

Summer News GPS-Guadalupe Pregnancy Services

Greetings GPS friends,

With the very busy Grand Opening of GPS exactly two months ago and Summer in full swing, it might be a good time to stop and take in a little rest and relaxation. We may want to spend a day doing something fun, exiting, or just different. Plenty of work will be there when you get back.

On a recent weekend trip to Santa Maria, CA, in the beautiful Central Coast, we stayed at the Historic Santa Maria Inn. I sat in the warm sun by the poolside and watched two cute little girls, about ages 4 & 6, swim and play in the water wearing their floaters. I couldn't help but think how happy they were and how lucky they were to be alive and loved by their mother who was watching them nearby. How many babies miss out on the opportunity to, just be born?, I thought. It's a sad reality, that we live in a time that - if we can play, breath and be alive, we are "one of the lucky ones" that didn't get aborted.

Please remember to take time to take a dip in the pool, go to the beach and walk in the sand or sand dune. Hug your child/mother/father and tell them that you love them. Thank your parents for **choosing life** and for their generosity to love unconditionally.

The Grand Opening - May 28 & 29, 2011 was indeed Grand!! Many of you came to celebrate with us and we are grateful to you for your enthusiasm to help and support this much needed service in the community of Rosemead and surrounding areas. GPS is here to offer quality counseling and is committed to helping women and their babies.

By the grace of God, we were especially blessed to have Fr. Robert Elias Barcelos OCD present to anoint and bless GPS-Guadalupe Pregnancy Services. The blessing prayers were absolutely beautiful. The presence of the Holy Spirit was felt that day, and continues to be present. Thank you for your spiritual direction, Fr. Robert! May God continue to lavish us with His awesome Mercy by sending us holy priests!

Other visitors included Sr. Paula Vandegaer, International Life Services director, Fr. Jan Lundberg OCD, Fr. David Guzman OCD from St. Therese Church, Alhambra, Fr. Austin Doran from St. Anthony Church, San Gabriel, Prayer Warriors for Priest (St. Therese Church), 40 Days for Life prayer warriors from La Puente / Rosemead/ Pasadena, many of our counselor-in-training, volunteers, sponsors, benefactors, and team players from other local pregnancy resource centers, East L.A. Pregnancy Services, Los Angeles Pregnancy Services, and La Habra Life Center.



Please stop in to GPS and we will be happy to give you a tour of the center.

Hours:

Sunday- 8:00 am - 5:00pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 2:00 am - 6:00 pm

Every 1st & 3rd Thursday - 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

Closed: Friday & Saturday

PROGRESS AT GPS - What's new at GPS?

Training, Training, Training

Volunteers have been busy training! We are putting together our library of DVDs and books. Hundreds of volunteer hours have been donated organizing baby clothes and supplies, developing our resource manual, literature & brochure library, decorating, painting, etc.

We are blessed to have a community of wonderful people from our local neighborhoods and parish communities; St. Anthony, St. Benedict, San Gabriel Mission, St. Therese, St. Stephen, St. Thomas Aquinas, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Joseph, Nativity, Epiphany, St. John Vianney, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, St. Rose of Lima, etc., just to mention a few.

If God is calling you to this **ministry of prolife work as a volunteer**, please heed the call. GPS needs you!

Just last week, the prayer warriors from St. Rose of Lime, Maywood, came to visit the center while spending most of their day praying for mothers & fathers and their unborn babies. We welcome you and others to visit GPS for the opportunity to refresh, rest and get a bottle of cold water. Or come and watch an instructional video. You are welcome!

Many thanks to the Discalced Carmelite Fathers, Fr. Austin, Fr. Steve, Fr. Domingo, Fr. Francisco, Missionaries of Charity Contemplative and the Cloistered Carmelite Sisters for your prayers and sacrifices. Please continue to pray for GPS!

Dear Jesus, send us holy people who are discerning and who wish to know the desires of your most Sacred Heart. Help us to be holy, may you gently nudge us to know your holy will in our lives and may we trust completely with total abandon knowing that we are following Our Blessed Mother's great maternal counsel, "Do whatever he tells you."

**GPS-Guadalupe Pregnancy Services is now on Option Line:
800-395 4357
www.optionline.org**

[CLICK HERE](#)

Option Line provides caring, confidential support if you or someone you know is facing an unplanned pregnancy. Option Line is available to talk 24/7 and will offer reliable information you can trust. We are here for you.

Is it true that GPS has Bistro Tables out in front and free Wi Fi on Sundays?

Yes, it's true.

Where's the frozen yogurt?

We're working on it.

GPS is becoming known solely by word of mouth. We are working hard to establish solid relationships in the community with local prayer warriors, volunteers, donors, benefactors and people who love and respect life and the dignity of the family. If you are interested and feel called to become a board member, committee and/or sub-committee members, volunteer coordinator, lay counselor, or in other areas. Your talents and resources are sorely needed. Please forward this newsletter to friends on your e-mail list and spread the word about GPS.

To contact us at GPS, please [CLICK HERE](#)

GPS needs help with the following:

- (2) 4'W X 6'H room dividers (office type to attach to wall -no protruding feet)
- Pantry Cabinet - 3'W X 6'H
- Kitchenette counter/sink
- Carpenter volunteer (to install these)
- New maternity clothes for Mary's Closet
- Good Instructional Books/DVDs for our Library
- Diapers - Size 0, 1, 2, 3
- New or gently used newborn baby clothes, gowns, t-shirts, etc.
- Baby shampoo, wash, lotion, powder, etc.
- Wipes

Have you considered becoming a GPS monthly donor?

God is calling each and every one of us to share our gift of the loaves and the fish. Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." Our Lord is calling us to recline on His Sacred Heart and to trust in him while we spread the table for others to be fed through the gifts that he has blessed us with. Jesus works wonders in the lives of those who have complete trust in His mercy.

Make a monthly donation of \$10, \$20, \$40 or \$50 a month. This will help GPS establish a monthly donor base.

By not having to worry so much about fund raising and because of your generosity, we can concentrate on counseling the women who come through our door who are confused and frightened and who are considering having an abortion. These women will learn to

understand that their child is a gift not a burden.

We can provide you with convenient envelopes to make your monthly donation or you may choose to make a donation by electronic transfer using your account and bank routing number.

Please contact GPS for more information. (626) 872-2483 or you may [DONATE HERE](#)



Thank You 40 Days for Life team! - La Puente for your constant prayers. You remained vigilant and consistent in your dedication to prayer. You know firsthand how God responds to the petitions of a faithful servant. God bless you for your noble response in answering the call. You are awesome, Yvonne Viramontes!

Congratulations on this awesome success!

Rosemead needs you now!

A note to the Counselors-in-Training:

Many of you have come forward to lovingly give of your time to learn the delicate art of counseling women who will have to face the challenge of an unplanned pregnancy. I know that God has gently nudged you to say "yes" to the call of helping the most defenseless, the unborn. We thank you for the courage and dedication that you possess. It may seem like an eternity to learn everything but God will provide. He is full of compassion and mercy and faithful to those who love him.



ATI- Advance Training Institute

On July 23, 2011 - GPS counselors-in-training attended one day of ATI - Advance Training Institute in Santa Ana. It was a full day of speakers and training covering the subject of Abstinence. What an awesome day! Thank you Sr. Paula for your gentle way of teaching and helping us understand with such simplicity, such complexity. You are the best!

Thank you, those of you who attended ATI- Advanced Training Institute, presented by International Life Services last Saturday. I hope this training reinforced your desire to continue to embrace the wonderful depth of opportunity that awaits you in this ministry of protecting the dignity of human value through chastity. Next year we'll plan on going both days.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more Information on International Life Services or to purchase ATI 2011 talks.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, Pray for us!
Pray for us, Oh Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ!

Support:

Please Support the Natural Family Planning Ministry of St. Therese Church.

If you wish to make a donation to help fund the training of three future NFP certified teachers, Katrina & Jack Crow and Martha Lacayo, please contact: Katrina @ (626)

826-1837. San Gabriel Valley, Greater Los Angeles and the L.A. archdiocese needs Spanish/English teachers for couples preparing for Marriage preparation, individuals and anyone who wishes to understand how God's design fits into the picture of authentic family planning with NaPro Technology and the Creighton Model Fertility care system.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 20, 2011

Hurry and register before August 10th - \$25

Women of the Blessed Sacrament Ministries presents, "A Witness to Divine Mercy" by Fr. Donald Calloway MIC at St. Louis De Marillac Church, Covina

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10:15 a.m. Registration

11:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Rosary for Priests

12:30 p.m. Lunch

2:00 p.m. 1st Conference: Mary and the Mystery of Femininity

3:00 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. 2nd Conference: Real Manhood

4:30 p.m. Closing

Saturday, October 15, 2011

2nd Annual 5k Fun Walk/Run for Life

Whittier Narrows Regional Park, South El Monte. More information to come.

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Please share this newsletter with your family and friends.

"There is nothing more infectious as a group of people all excited about the same thing."
"GPS-Guadalupe Pregnancy Services is for the Community by the Community."

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