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Imagine...

At Liberty Women's Clinic, we are susceptible—like any other ministry—to getting caught up in the day-to-day of meeting the needs of our clients. That's extremely important, to be sure. After all, it's why we are here.

But sometimes, the "day-to-day" can block our vision of where we need to be in 1, 5 or 10 years. And though we are excited about what the Lord is doing now, how much more exciting it is to think about all that God wants to do in the future.

For instance, our goal is to one day be the first choice of any woman in our area who is facing an unplanned pregnancy. But imagine what it would be like if we were the only choice. It might seem like a tall order, but we believe that it is God's desire — no more lives lost to abortion.

So in 2011, we are asking God to expand our territory to give us more than we can ask or imagine. We dream of meeting more needs than we can even fathom at this point. We also dream of having a fully funded budget so we can reach all abortion-minded clients in our area through expanded marketing and the staff required to meet their needs. And we dream of God sending volunteers beyond what is imaginable. A long shot? We don't think so, because we know that God cares for the hurting and mourns for the lives that are lost. We believe He is waiting for us to accept the challenge to allow Him to reach immeasurably more.

Imagination becomes reality when we have sought God for His direction, put it on paper and prayed through each step. And that is what we have been doing. We have narrowed our focus to the growth He wants in the ministry. Achieving the impossible starts with expanding our hearts to all that He imagines for us and being willing — and He will do the rest.

That's why we are very excited to announce that Dr. Bruce Wilkinson will be speaking at our Fundraising Banquet this year. He is a man that understands that God wants to expand our territory for Him and at such a time as this, Dr. Wilkinson has been called to imagine all that is possible for clinics like ours. Nancy Brewer and I had an opportunity to hear him speak at the national Care Net conference last September. Our hearts — along with 1,300 others from pro-life centers like ours --were transformed as God used Dr. Wilkinson to reveal His heart for the women we serve and the lives that He wants spared from abortion. It was a divine encounter. Believe me when I say, you do not want to miss our Banquet on March 22. Seating will be limited, so please RSVP early. For more information, see the article under "Clinic News."

If you are a person who wants to be part of something miraculous, something more than you can imagine, we need you — to support life financially, to pray for us, or to volunteer.

Imagine what God can do through hearts that are willing. Imagine what He can do when we lock arms for Him. And imagine this — a world where every innocent life is given the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Imagine.



"Empowering women to make an informed choice about their pregnancy."

Imagine Being in Her Shoes

By Missy Adams, Nursing Services Director

Imagine – To form a mental picture or image of...

You're seventeen, a junior in high school. You recently changed high schools because you got into trouble at another high school. You walk through the halls and feel like an outsider. You don't have any friends and no one talks to you...except this one guy. You start to hang out...at least he wants to be with you. Your mom moves 30 miles away, but you don't want to change schools again, so you move in with this guy. His mom is okay with it and you don't know anyone else, so that's it...you're now living with your "boyfriend." The next thing you know, you think you might be pregnant. You don't believe in abortion, but your boyfriend doesn't see anything wrong with it. His mom says, "Whatever is best for you. I don't care."

You're twenty-one. You always struggled in school... maybe ADHD, maybe bipolar disorder, maybe a learning disability...you're not really sure. You never really "measured up" in the eyes of your "perfectionistic parents." They had dreams for you, but you marched to a different drummer. You were always kind of alternative...weird friends, bad grades, didn't like your parents' religion. You felt misunderstood at church. No one talked to you at Youth Group, so you pulled away from "all that" and now you find all religions kind of fascinating...but you really don't like anything traditional. You've decided to worship nature..."God's in that, right?" You go to a trade school, but you get fired at your first job. Feeling down, you seek comfort in the usual way: your alternative friends with whom you "share benefits" and drugs and partying. Then it happens, you're pregnant and freaking out. Your parents are convinced you are a loser and incapable of parenting. But this seems to be the very thing where you feel you might really succeed. You're scared and sad. You know you can't get an abortion...you just know it isn't okay. Your mom and dad are furious with you and tell you nothing good can come from you. They are threatening to kick you out. You want to know what your options are.

We're all like sheep who've wandered off and gotten lost. We've all done our own thing, gone our own way. And God has piled all our sins, everything we've done wrong, on him, on him. (Isaiah 53:1-6, The Message)

Imagine the Body of Christ providing a safe place for a scared, pregnant girl to go where she will be listened to and encouraged through Godly options to an unplanned pregnancy. Imagine a chance for a scared young woman to see her baby through ultrasound or a chance to hear the truth about adoption placement and receive a wealth of information. Imagine receiving answers to any questions she might have about this process. Imagine a place to receive free parenting information and classes regarding pregnancy and the birthing process. Imagine all of this being free of charge and without pressure. Imagine a woman from a local church volunteering to drive a former client back and forth daily to obtain her GED. Imagine a former client being invited to share a meal and experience a loving family setting. Imagine local churches adopting clients at Christmas and providing gifts for entire families. Imagine a living space offered. Finally, imagine so many women that are still hurting and in need...imagine all the lives that were not yet reached, where innocent life was snuffed out by abortion. Imagine reaching them all. We look to Christ and imagine...how will he use this ministry in 2011? What lives is He going to touch? Whom will He save? Whom will He use to accomplish His purposes?

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Chances Are...

...Your odds of being born:

- At the exact time as someone else – 525,600:1
- On Leap Day – 1,461:1
- On your due date – 5:1
- If you were unplanned – 3:1
- If you were unplanned and your mom came to LWC – 50:1

Thanks to...

- ... Seventeen churches, individuals, & walk teams for a successful Walk on October 9.
- ... Community Covenant Church Kearney, Journey Church, and Waters' Edge Church who blessed our clients with amazing Christmas gifts.
- ... Apricot Lane Boutique for hosting a fundraising event.
- ... James Carrier for working on our electrical needs.
- ... Sylvia Wilhelm for client gift cards and bags.

"Empowering women to make an informed choice about their pregnancy."



Imagine Life 2011 Fundraising Banquet featuring Dr. Bruce Wilkinson

On March 22, 2011, Liberty Women's Clinic will be holding its 5th annual fundraising banquet – *Imagine Life*. Guests will experience an exceptional evening not only as they enjoy a wonderful dining experience at Embassy Suites KCI and hear our clients' testimonies, but this year we have the amazing opportunity to host Dr. Bruce Wilkinson as our guest speaker. Dr. Wilkinson is best known for having written the fastest-selling book of all time, *The Prayer of Jabez*, but our excitement goes well beyond that. Read on...

Dr. Wilkinson has written more than 60 books in 30 languages; and has been ranked No. 1 in *The New York Times*, No. 1 in *The Wall Street Journal*, and No. 1 in *USA Today*. His is the only book in history to win "Book of the Year" two years in a row. *Publisher's Weekly* reported *The Prayer of Jabez* as the "fastest selling book of all time" (2001); the only religious non-fiction to hit No. 1 in *The New York Times* in its first week was *A Life God Rewards*. He is also *The New York Times* best-selling author of children and teen books, and the Publisher

and Executive Editor of 10 monthly magazines with a distribution of more than 120,000,000. Wilkinson has served on the Overview Committee of the New King James Version of the Bible, is the author of the Outlines of the Books of the Bible for the best-selling *Open Bible*, and is Executive Editor of three other versions of the Bible. He is the author of *The Prayer of Jabez*, *The Secrets of the Vine*, *A Life God Rewards*, *Beyond Jabez*, *Set Apart*, *Experiencing Spiritual Breakthroughs*, *The DreamGiver* and *You Were Born for This*.

Other noteworthy accomplishments of Dr. Wilkinson include the following:

- Popular Speaker and Curriculum Developer.
- Global and Organizational Leader.
- Participant of Humanitarian Efforts and Volunteer Mobilization.
- Presenter for Media and Video/Film Production.

But we are most excited because we've heard for ourselves, as well as from friends at other centers, how Dr. Wilkinson has taken the time to meet with and gather personal information from each; prayerfully sought a personal message from the heart of God; and then spoken with knowledge and authority about that ministry.

This is an event that you will not want to miss! We hope you will join us. Contact nancy-psc@kc.rr.com for further information.

Sponsor A Day Calendar

January

- 1 Journey Covenant Church
- 2 Scott & Kelli Carr
- 6 Keith & Jennifer Volpi
- 10 Anonymous
- 13 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 14 Monique Asher
- 16 Kearney First Baptist
- 20 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 25 Bret & Patty Riemensnider

February

- 1 Anonymous
- 3 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 6 Mark and Christy Sharp
- 10 Anonymous
- 14 Frank & Madeleine Hosticka
- 17 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 18 William Ferrell
- 22 Glen & Tina Smith
- 25 Jennifer & Makena Hubbs
- 28 Pleasant Valley Baptist

March

- 2 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 10 Vivienne Pope
- 11 Paul & Gina Ash
- 16 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 20 Ron and Jan Witzke
- 22 Burn Fitness Training
- 26 Dennis & Mendy Shriver
- 27 Lisa Witmer
- 28 Pleasant Valley Baptist Church

April

- 2 Roy & Betty Cook
- 6 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 9 Tim and Yvonne Nixon
- 13 In honor of Jeannette Stilwell
- 14 Bob & Charla Vogelaar
- 15 Anonymous
- 20 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 25 The Glen Martin Family
- 26 Mike & Sue Brown
- 28 Fielding & Darla Staton
- 30 Anonymous

May

- 3 Hayden Ferrell
- 4 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 5 Ron and Jan Witzke
- 9 Mark & Karen Stern
- 12 Craig and Coleen Morris
- 14 Jennifer & Isabella Hubbs
- 15 Mike & Sue Brown
- 16 Kearney First Baptist
- 18 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 22 Dave & Linda Dull
- 26 Alicia Bowman
- 27 Glen & Gloria Scheib

June

- 3 Anonymous
- 4 Anonymous
- 8 The Tweet Family
- 9 Gale & Leanne Brattrud
- 14 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 15 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 16 Kearney First Baptist
- 28 Anonymous/Terri Steiger
- 29 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 30 The Carlson Family in honor of Caden Adair

July

- 1 Ainsley Scheib
- 2 Anonymous
- 3 Anonymous
- 4 Anonymous
- 5 Anonymous
- 6 Benjamin Ferrell
- 8 Anonymous
- 20 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 21 Dwayne & Amanda Woldruff
- 28 Pleasant Valley Baptist
- 31 Dan & Kris Plubell

August

- 3 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 9 Anonymous
- 10 Anonymous
- 16 Bob & Betty Raines
- 17 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 21 Kim & Bev May
- 25 Lily Ferrell
- 28 Pleasant Valley Baptist
- 29 The Kevin Adams Family

September

- 1 Bill & Bette Davis
- 2 Francis Sims
- 3 Anonymous
- 4 Anonymous
- 5 Anonymous
- 6 Anonymous
- 7 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 11 Anonymous
- 16 Ken & Carol Graham
- 20 John & Miriam Bailey
- 21 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 25 Mike & Nancy Brewer
- 28 Violet Ferrell

October

- 5 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 10 Gale & Leanne Brattrud
- 12 In Celebration of Ivy Allison Bayer
- 13 Dennis & Mendy Shriver
- 14 Desperation Church
- 15 Desperation Church
- 16 Pleasant Valley Baptist Church
- 19 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 23 Bruce & Connie Dawson
- 25 Greg & Julie Casel
- 28 Pleasant Valley Baptist

November

- 1 Dan & Leslie Foster
- 2 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 6 Peter Inzerillo/Brian & Starla Yarbough
- 12 Paul & Dianne Ferrell
- 14 Craig and Coleen Morris
- 16 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 19 Glen & Gloria Scheib
- 20 Anonymous
- 21 Anonymous
- 22 Anonymous
- 27 Anonymous
- 28 Terri Steiger
- 29 Rick & Cathy Cole

December

- 2 Dan & Leslie Foster
- 7 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 8 Desperation Church
- 10 Anonymous
- 17 Will & Holly Mills
- 18 Desperation Church
- 19 Desperation Church
- 22 Liberty Christian Fellowship
- 23 Desperation Church
- 24 Desperation Church
- 31 Journey Covenant Church

Full Days Sponsored: 109 **Half Days Sponsored: 20**



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Can you imagine the impossible?

If you can imagine that the impossible is actually possible, we're looking for you.

At Liberty Women's Clinic, we see our clients through the eyes of hope. We understand that while their life situations may seem impossible, anything is imaginable with God. We are always looking for volunteers who believe this as well.

What she is thinking

When a young woman comes in our door, she is looking for hope. She wants to see hope in our eyes, and wants someone to tell her things will get better. If you know the hope of Christ, you believe the impossible is imaginable. With that kind of hope, you can have an impact on someone's life—a life-changing impact.

What's your schedule?

If you want to share that hope with others, we want to help you be a part of this ministry. We're flexible if you are, and we want to find a place for you. Do you have four to six hours each week? Every couple of weeks?

If so, please contact Nancy at nancy-psc@kc.rr.com. Our ministry is about impacting lives—in a way that some might see as unimaginable.

Mission Statement

To minister with the love of Christ to the practical, emotional and spiritual needs of women, their partners, and parents who face the trauma of an unplanned pregnancy.

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