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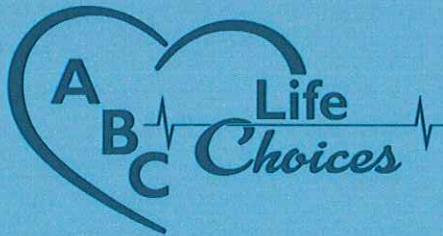
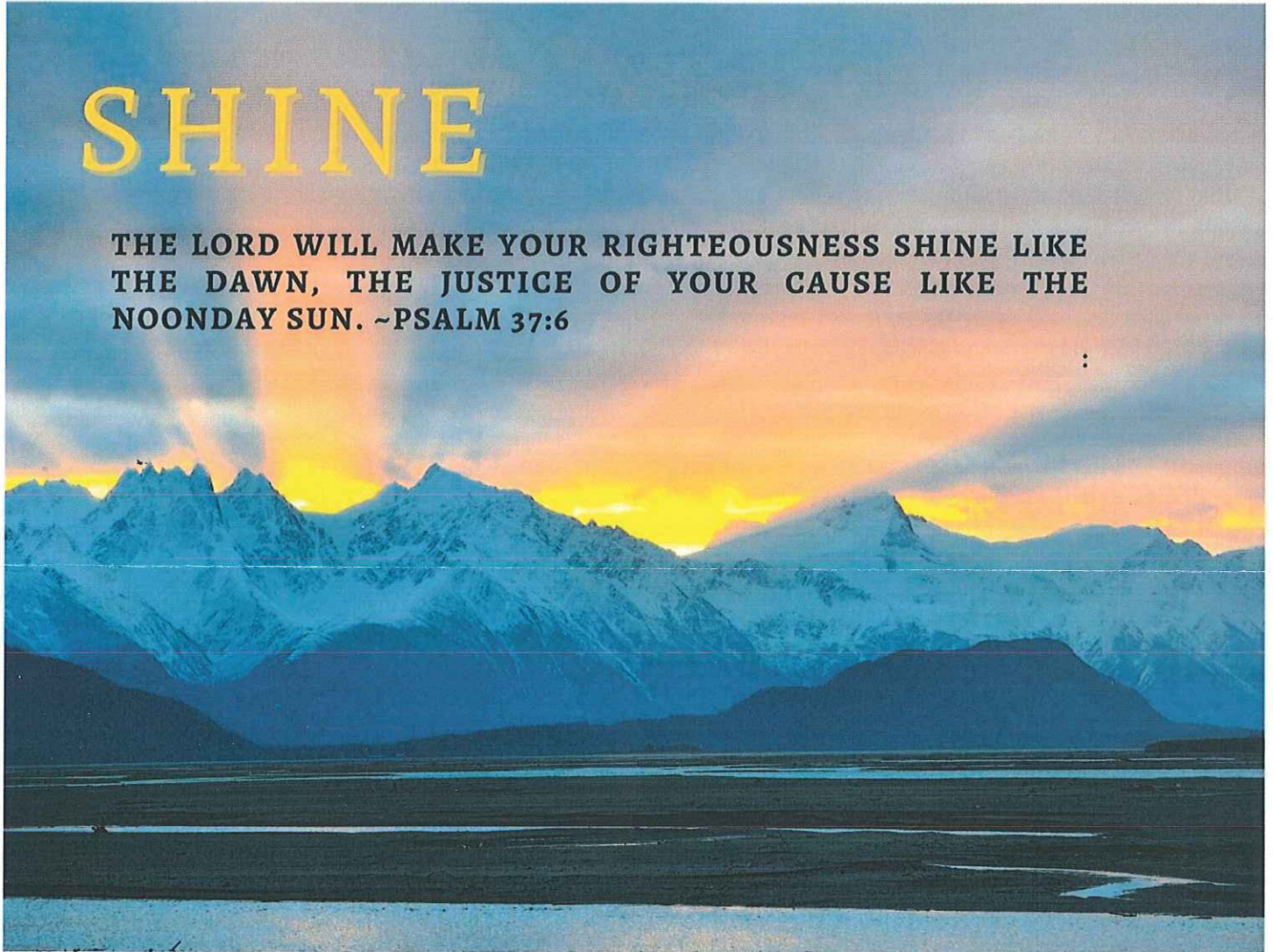
ABC CHRONICLES

The official newsletter of ABC Life Choices

Look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest Jn. 4:35

SHINE

THE LORD WILL MAKE YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS SHINE LIKE
THE DAWN, THE JUSTICE OF YOUR CAUSE LIKE THE
NOONDAY SUN. ~PSALM 37:6



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NEW ARRIVALS!

From the Director

Psalms 105:1 states, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done."



My name is Becky Peters, and I am the new Executive Director here at ABC Life Choices. It's my privilege to do just that, to give thanks to our good God for what he has done and continues to do here at the center. While I began working for ABC as a volunteer in January, God had already given me a passion that aligns with ABC's core values and purpose, to see hearts and lives changed for the glory of God. Over and over again, I was able to see firsthand how God was using the staff and volunteers at Life Choices to make a kingdom impact, from sharing the wonder of seeing a new heart beating to the, "Yes, I would like to hear how to have a relationship with God." God just continues to bring forth new life!

I am a wife and mother of three teenagers, two of which are young adults living on their own. Jonathan and I have lived in Alaska for over 22 years, bringing an understanding of some of the unique challenges we face as we seek to serve those desiring to grow in the areas of healthy sexuality, pregnancy, and family values. My experience in business, ministry, and education have also been part of God's preparation for this position.

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers as the Board searched to fill this critical position. Please continue to pray for a smooth transition for our ministry as we move forward into the future. I am daily reminded that we are in a spiritual battle, each playing a vital role, and I am privileged to play a part in it.

~Becky

Welcome New Staff



To rise and meet the changing needs here at the center, three new staff positions have been hired.

- Jenny Wood brings many years of experience at Life Choices to fill the position of Women Services Manager where she oversees women's client services as well as overseeing and training volunteers.
- Jennifer Winan also comes with years of service at the Center as well as in the community. She is the new Accounting Assistant helping with the critical job of maintaining center financial accounts.
- Sabrina Harden will expand her role here at ABC Life Choices serving as an Admin Assistant in the financial department in addition to her volunteer work in the Care Closet.

CLIENT STORY by Becky Peters

Although the Center was not officially open, Cayla and I were working that Friday morning when a man knocked on the locked door. We decided we could see what he needed despite the unusual time and heard of his need to meet with a mentor. Things were difficult, and he thought ABC might be a place to get some help.

What a joy it was to hear that when he showed up for his Monday appointment, he heard the gospel for the very first time. His heart was open, and he took a Bible and some information home to read. We do not yet know the end of that story, but we trust our faithful Father to water and bring the seed we planted to a good harvest. Thank you for partnering with us to make such precious investments!

JUST DELIVERED!

We have a new, state-of-the-art ultrasound machine! With an unexpected donation, it came fully paid. In February, our Nurse Manager, Cayla Boettcher, and some of the other nurse volunteers received training on the new machine. The difference in quality impresses those who have benefited from the improved capabilities of the new machine God provided. This amazing tool has enabled us to provide images that allow us to better show the beautiful intricacies of the unborn miracle inside the mother's womb.



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Thank you to all the wonderful staff members that made me feel comfortable at every appointment I had. "Baby" was born on . . . "

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2020 Report

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Total Services Provided* | 1,425 | 1,332 |
| Pregnancy Tests* | 67 | 64 |
| Ultrasounds* | 87 | 87 |
| STI Tests* | 8 | 17 |
| Classes Taken* | 699 | 701 |

*Data calculated on YTD through 9.30.20 & reflect COVID closure of all non-essential medical services during Mar./Apr. ABC remained open as an essential service to medical appointments during that time.

Over **2,052** volunteer hours made this possible!

Thank you!!

We are grateful for your donations of baby clothes, diapers, wipes, maternity clothes, and other baby items helping our patients and clients. This was especially helpful during the COVID shutdown when we had many patients needing the curbside deliveries of these necessary items!

Current Care Closet Needs

Currently we have need of infant/toddler coats and boots, women's socks, a double stroller, a Bumbo seat, a new toddler car seat, study Bibles, and children's Bibles. Baby wipes and diapers are always needed as well.

Ways to Invest



When you link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to ABC, we automatically get a percentage back from every purchase you make. Connect your rewards card to ABC Pregnancy Care Center (NPO#JU777) by going to www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards and use the link provided.



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