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# Mission Statement

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# **Pregnancy Resources**

of

### Doraville, Inc.

is a Christian pro-life ministry created to empower women and their families at the time of an unplanned pregnancy to make positive and healthy choices related to sexuality and child bearing which are consistent with a reverence and respect for human life.

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"Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name; make known among the nations what HE has done."

I Chronicles 16:8

a member of



# **Volunteer Training a Success**

October 2, 3, & 4, 2007 found a group of volunteers being trained by a Care Net curriculum entitled *Serving With Care and Integrity*. Trainer, Donna Perry, said that she had never felt such a warmth and spirit among volunteers at a training. Each of our volunteers said they came away with information and helpful material to use when talking with clients. Here are some pictures to show what our group looked like while at work.



Julia Hayes and Ada Lopez stop for lunch.



Judith prepares the sandwiches!



Gina, Brandy, Kareen, and Bobbie are trying to eat and listen to the video simultaneously!



Trainer, Donna Perry shares with the group.

Lunch was provided on Wednesday by **Dunwoody Baptist Church** ladies group. **Judith Wilson**, our 2007 contact with the church, came to serve the delicious lunch.

# Make Known What HE Has Done!

2007 has flown by for the PROD staff and volunteers. Here is just a thumbnail recap of all that has happened:

**Jan**: State of GA issues Non-profit Corporate certificate to PROD;

**Feb**:FBC Doraville allows PROD to move into office space in building B;

**March**: Donations come for literature and *Hope for the Future* Bibles;

**April**: Funds are donated to allow mailing or the first newsletter & Norcross First Methodist comes to organize the Stork's Basket for opening;

May: Paperwork using PROD name is

accepted to allow reconnection with Infant Adoption Project, NAMB and CareNet;

**June**: PROD launches website with assistance of Production Haus;

**August**: Volunteers trained to *Share Jesus Without Fear*;

**September:** Final selection of Board Members completed:

October: Volunteers trained for service; First meeting of the new Board of Directors;

November: PROD is certified as an Infant Adoption Awareness Agency and Deborah receives certificate as an Adoption Specialist.

December - Merry Christmas!

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### PRAISES, PRAYERS, & HOW TO HELP

### **PRAISES**

- School classes completing a *Change For Life* project in their school
- God answering prayers for board members
- Life Resources of Georgia agreeing to host training for new board members
- Faithful donors

### PRAYER NEEDS

- For clients to have open hearts to the Gospel message presented by our staff and volunteers
- Boldness for new volunteers when working with clients

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Help prepare a newsletter for mailing each quarter [next issue is to go out in March 2008]
- Invite a staff person to speak to a club, Sunday School class meeting, or civic group of which you are a member.
- Organize a "Change For Life" campaign.
- Donate postage for the March newsletter

### THE BIRTHDAY!

As we turn our thoughts to the celebration of the birthday of the King of Kings give thought to this from an adoptive mom.

*It's my child's birthday today.....* eyes are sparkling with the excitement only meant for today. It is a day for looking back and a day for looking forward.

*It's my child's birthday today*, but there's something very different happening inside me. This should be a day of complete joy, a day for thanksgiving, but in the midst of all this excitement my thoughts are with "someone else" for a time.

**It's my child's birthday today.** I have no memories of life growing inside of me and fighting to be released. Another "someone" suffered for my joy.

*It's my child's birthday today.* In the midst of this day that was given to me, I have a prayer: "Oh, God, may I never forget that 'someone' suffered so much to give life to my child. May I never forget for a moment, and especially today, to offer a prayer of thanks for that 'someone.' Help her through the hurts she will have when she stops to think that today is 'the birthday.'"

Source: Bethany Christian Services

### **PROD Names Board Members**

October 26, 2007 was the date of the first meeting of the Board of Directors of PROD. The members of the Board are:

Robert M. Knight - An employee in the IT division of the Ron Blue Company in Atlanta. He has served in the past on the boards of two start up companies. Mr. Knight brings knowledge of initiating corporate entities and improving PROD's presence through new technologies and innovative means. He has ministry experience in Church on the Street, a ministry to the homeless in downtown Atlanta. Mr. Knight and his wife, Marie, are members of First Baptist Woodstock.

Jean M. Murphy- The Director of Health Ministries of Atlanta Intercultural Ministries. Mrs. Murphy is a registered nurse, fluent in Spanish and brings knowledge of the cultural and medical impact of our ministry to unwed ethnic moms. Her ministry for the past ten years has been to educate the laity in churches on how to bring health awareness to their congregation. Mrs. Murphy and her husband served for 10 years as a missionaries to Guatemala. She and her husband, Rev. Michael Murphy, serve as pastor and first lady of Clairmont Baptist Church.

Kemper Smalley - CEO and Founder of Pick-It-Clean, Inc. a company that cleans construction sites from start to finish. Mr. Smalley brings knowledge of business practices and the pitfalls to avoid in starting a new business. His ministry experiences come from Impact Atlanta and other volunteer ministries. Mr. Smalley and his wife, Melissa, are active members of First Baptist Church of Atlanta.

**Deborah W. Hayes** - Founder and Executive Director of PROD and **Ronald V. Hayes** - Founder and Chief Financial Officer of PROD are also on the board.

PROD is fortunate to have an <u>Advisory Council</u> from which to get advice and information. The members of this council bring a wealth of knowledge to guide the board, staff, and volunteers. Two members are former pregnancy center directors with the know how of center operations, fundraising strategies, and successful evangelistic resources.

Elaine Ham - The National Consultant of Pregnancy Care Ministries of the North American Mission Board. Mrs. Ham brings the understanding of pregnancy center operations as a former director plus the demographic and evangelistic resources available through NAMB. She and her husband, Tom, live in Sugar Hill and are members of the First Baptist Church of Sugar Hill.

**Rev. Samuel Letson** - Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Doraville. He brings the heart of a mission minded pastor interested in the physical and spiritual welfare of people in this community.