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MISSION STATEMENT

"It is the mission of Avenues for Women to empower individuals to make healthy choices for their emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being regarding their sexual health and pregnancy related issues."

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These Three Remain Forever

"Three things will last forever—faith, hope and love—and the greatest of these is love," (1 Corinthians 13:13 NLT). Jesus also commands us to "love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." And secondly, but equally important, we are to "love your neighbor as yourself. No other commandment is greater than these" (Mark 12:30, 31 NLT).

In these tumultuous days of conflict and controversy, it is as important as ever to take these commandments to heart. We are constantly being bombarded in the news, on social media, from people on the street, and even from those in our own churches with differing views and opinions. We do not have to agree with everyone, but we do have to strive to cover everything we do and say with LOVE, especially when we disagree.

Each one of us is created in the image of God, and each is deeply loved by Him. One of our pastors recently drew the analogy of how, for those of us who have children, we deeply love our children because they are created in "our" image. God loves EACH of us because we are created in God's image. Think about this. EVERY human being, whether we like them or not, is created in God's image and is deeply loved by HIM. I know this is so hard for many of us, yet Jesus commands us to love our neighbor. That does not just mean the person next door; neighbor means EVERYONE.

At Avenues, it has always been easy to love the clients that God brings through our doors. The challenge is loving those outside of our building who seek to do us harm. Yet, we dishonor God if we do not try to view them through God's eyes of love. Therefore, we are striving to love equally those who love us and those who do not. I love the old song that says, "they will know we are Christians by our love." Sadly, it has been hard to tell the difference between Christians and non-Christians since we are often acting the same. We want to act differently and be a truer representation of Him to all.

Let us encourage you, as well, to love those who are difficult to love. We need to see them as God's image-bearers, dearly loved by Him, even when they do not act lovingly or agree with us. As Christ image-bearers, we need to strive more and more each day to reflect the image of Jesus to a lost and dying world.

Especially as the days grow even darker, let's shine as the light of Christ! God is still Sovereign and is still on His throne. May we honor HIM in all we say and do to everyone who crosses our paths. Thank you for being image-bearers with us. God uses your support to help make us shine stronger and brighter!

Cheri



Baby Bottle Blessings

Mother's Day – Father's Day



Baby Bottle Blessings 2022

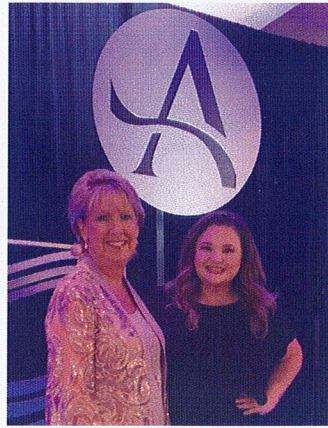
We continue to be overwhelmed by God's goodness toward this ministry through supporters like you who graciously give to our Baby Bottle Blessings fundraiser. We are so grateful to those who participated, to those who helped us process the bottles, and to the staff at Independence Bank for hosting us on "Counting Day." We exceeded our budgeted goal with a total of over \$83,000!

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

On Sanctity of Life Sunday, we celebrate God's good gift of life and pray for guidance as we share this truth in our community. The next Sanctity of Life Sunday is January 22nd, 2023. To help your church community observe this day and spread the message of His love for life, we provide FREE bulletin inserts and slides. Please contact our office at 502-695-0512 or email office@chooseavenues.com to place your order and plan your pickup.



Heart of the Matter 2022



Each year, God amazes us with how He plans our annual fundraising banquet. This year was no different! Our speaker, Rebekah Hagan, shared her inspiring story of growing up in a Christian home, being a young pregnant mom, believing that she had to have an abortion, and beginning the Abortion Pill procedure. She shared about her immediate regret and how she found Abortion Pill Reversal, an organization that helps women, who change their minds about their decision, get life-saving treatment for their unborn babies. Her life is a testimony to God's goodness, how He rescues and redeems.

With your help, we were able to raise over \$180,000, our largest total to date! Thank You, Lord!

Thank you to all of our banquet underwriters:

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Welcome, Patience McLaughlin, RN!



If you were able to join us at the banquet this year, you heard the amazing God-story of how He brought our new Nurse Manager, Patience McLaughlin, RN, right to our front door. As she told us, "Jesus drove my car!" She comes with a wealth of healthcare experience and knowledge from working as a CNA, an EMT, and an RN in the ER, critical care, diagnostics, wound care, and hyperbaric oxygen.

Many of you have joined us in praying for Patience for several years, and we are so thankful for His good gift of her to us now. As we look ahead to expanding our services at Avenues Clinic, please be in prayer for yet more staff that the Lord would call to serve alongside us.

Choosing Life and Loving It!



Monica* came to Avenues with a heavy heart, feeling like she had no choice. Already a mother without the support that she needed, she could not see how she could have another child. She did not want to raise another child alone. She also did not want this child to be without his or her father, too. With pressure coming from the father to abort, she had made up her mind—abortion was her plan. She received compassion and encouragement from the Avenues staff who continued to offer help along the way. Monica chose life for her little girl and said, “I am so glad that I did not have an abortion!” She has expressed appreciation to Avenues for our help, so thank YOU, supporters, for making life possible for Monica* and her precious daughter!

“I am so glad that I did not have an abortion!”

** Names changed to protect confidentiality*

Year-End Giving and 2023

If you are considering an end-of-year gift to Avenues, your gift will be credited in 2022 if your envelope is postmarked by December 31st. Your gifts will get us off to a great start in 2023!

Would you consider becoming a monthly donor to this ministry? Even gifts of \$15 - \$30 per month greatly impact our ability to serve clients and make plans for the coming year. If you are interested, please email linda@chooseavenues.com or call 502-695-0512. Thank you!

Three Simple Ways to Support AFW

Kroger Plus Card “Community Rewards”



Do you shop at Kroger using your Plus Card? If so, you can have

Kroger donate a percentage of your purchase to AFW every time you shop. Log into [kroger.com/communityrewards](https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards), and choose Avenues for Women as your rewards recipient. ***This must be renewed each year.***

Choose Life License Plates



Promote the sanctity of life and financially support AFW by purchasing a “Choose Life” license plate. Ask your County Clerk to direct the \$10 gift to Avenues for Women. For more information, visit www.kychoose-life.org.

AmazonSmile

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Email Updates

As the transition to Avenues Clinic continues, we want to keep you updated about the ministry. We will continue sending newsletters, but we will be emailing more succinct updates to our supporters.

If you would like to receive these occasional email updates, please contact our office to ensure that we have your correct email address by calling 502-695-0512 or emailing office@chooseavenues.com.





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Coming Expansion - Avenues Clinic

In the past several years, we have seen an increased need to expand our services by adding STD testing and treatment to our current offerings. Expanded services would give us a broader reach in our community, allowing us to serve both men and women. You will see more and more of our new name, Avenues Clinic, and our teal logo. It's still us!

In 2020, a piece of land close to the hospital was donated to Avenues. We believe the Lord has planned for us to build a new clinic to accommodate the expansion. Do you have professional services that you would donate as we plan to build? Contact our office at 502-695-0512 or email office@chooseavenues.com We look forward to what God has in store for Avenues Clinic!

