



LifeLine
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LifeCare's 9th Annual Golf Tournament was a Success!

We are praising God for His blessings and faithfulness for this year's event. We could not have asked for a more beautiful day at Riverhills! A huge Thank You to all 52 golfers who gave of their time and resources to raise funds for the ministry of LifeCare. We heard a life-changing testimony from clients **Josh Morgan and Courtney Tinder**, and an inspiring challenge to invest in the Center's mission from one of our faithful donors, **Jim Chadwell**. Our board, staff, and volunteers would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to this year's Golf Committee: **Mike Lehman, Steven Chadwell, Larry Boston and Jeannie Reid** and our **Event and Prize Sponsors**.

God bless you all for giving of yourselves and your resources!

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Going Green to Save Some Green!

Beginning next month, LifeCare will be using an electronic format to share our newsletters. In an effort to become better stewards of our resources we will be emailing more of our correspondence. Unfortunately, we do not have everyone's email address, so if you think we do not have yours on file, please contact us so that we can include you in our newsletter email.

If you go to our website at www.lifecareofbrandon.com and scroll down the page, on the left is the option to Join our Email List. Or you can contact Kelly at kelly@lifecareofbrandon.com or 813-654-0491. For those without an email address, we will continue to mail a newsletter via regular mail.

Thank you for your assistance and God bless you for your support of this ministry!



Client Testimony

I am a 29 year old single mother of one who has a lot to be thankful for. Before discovering LifeCare, I was struggling through felony probation and trying to quit a life of drug dealing and dancing. I went through a violation on my probation and discovered I was pregnant. At my lowest point in my life, pregnant and struggling to survive without selling drugs, I stumbled upon LifeCare by accident. In addition to the struggle with this pregnancy, 6 years ago I had made the choice to have my son adopted from birth and was still having quite a bit of difficulties dealing with that decision. At first I was not sure if I wanted to have my daughter adopted or keep her. The LifeCare Counselors helped me weigh out my options and gave me the knowledge to make the best decision for myself and my daughter. I decided to keep my daughter and immediately returned to church with my family. Each week God led me back to LifeCare so I could continue to find the strength to keep going with my decisions. He also healed my wounds from my adoption through the Adoption Group that LifeCare holds on Monday nights. I had held in 6 years of pain from placing my son for adoption and dealt with this pain through drugs and alcohol. The LifeCare center helped me through this difficult time and showed me that I was worth much more than peddling drugs and casually sleeping with unhealthy men for the rest of my life. Today I am a proud, sober mother of a wonderful nine-month old baby girl, named Mia Stephanie. I feel that God has given me the skills and confidence that I needed to become a wonderful mother. God's number one tool to provide for me in my life was and still is the LifeCare Center in Brandon. Counselors like Charlene, Kris, and Erika continue to mold and shape my paths in life to become the parent that my daughter deserves. These ladies give their hearts and souls to LifeCare to help others, and it truly has made an immeasurable difference in mine and Mia's lives. I pray that God continues to give LifeCare any support that it needs as LifeCare gives so much back to its community and people like me.

With all my thanks,

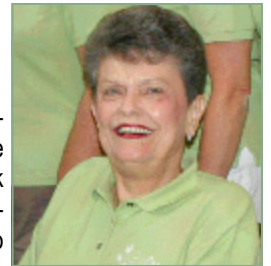
Sandra and daughter, Mia—LifeCare Clients



Cookie's Crumbs

Dear Friends,

We would like to say thank you to all of those who have given to the work of LifeCare recently. Your generosity continues to bless us abundantly! We know that there are many who have been unable to give for one reason or another and we also want to thank you for your prayers. However, if you do have an interest in financially supporting this ministry, I would like to share my heart with you so you can see why your donation is vital to us.



Think of that young woman whose home life has included physical and mental abuse and the strongest desire she's ever had is to experience loving and caring relationships. So she sets out to find love. A young man out there is in a quest to have the pleasure of sexual encounters. He shows this very needy young woman attention that she interprets as love. She gives herself to him in every way and very soon discovers that she's in the middle of an unplanned pregnancy. When this young man doesn't live up to her expectations of what she believes love is they find themselves in a crisis. Someone tells her about LifeCare and how we might help. She walks in our door hopeless and scared. The very first thing that we endeavor to do is show her unconditional love and speak order and hope into her life. Through the work of the Holy Spirit and much prayer we look at her circumstances and begin to help her and him, if he's willing, to make a plan for their future.

Another scenario might be a teenage girl or boy in high school who is making very poor choices concerning their sexuality. They're in class one day when one of our abstinence speakers is there giving a presentation. They begin to realize the error of their ways and decide to change their lifestyle which includes being abstinent until marriage. We speak to thousands of young people in middle and high schools with the abstinence message.

Finally, consider this. A woman calls us and says she had an abortion at nineteen; she is now thirty and experiencing extreme emotional pain over the abortion. We encourage her to take our "Surrendering the Secret" class which deals with post abortion healing. We have watched many participate in this class and experience God's precious forgiveness and learn how to forgive themselves.

As you give just think of the impact you are making by supporting this ministry that helps mend broken people by setting them on the right paths. Please remember LifeCare during the financially lean summer months. The numbers that come for help don't decrease so our need for your generosity is even greater. God bless you as you help His precious children through the work of LifeCare.

In His Service,

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