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Dear Friend of Birthright –

It's been a year since I sent out a newsletter. We lost two volunteer writers and have not replaced them yet. I apologize for not coming to you sooner. I fully realize the importance of staying connected with our supporters. Your friendship, prayers, and financial support are what keep our doors open for people in need, and for that I am grateful. I am looking at new avenues to stay connected to you as writing is not my greatest strength. Instead of waiting until we can give you a full newsletter I plan to send something smaller like this. This is a work in progress.

Carol Maglov, Executive Director

The feedback is about 50/50 when asked if you prefer receiving our news by mail or by email. We can offer you either or both. If you'd like to receive an email copy of our newsletter you can sign up on line at www.birthrightofbelair.org. If you'd like to receive a paper copy of our newsletter, or would like to stop receiving them in the mail, please call and let us know 410-838-0443.

If you are interested in making a tax deductible financial donation you can do so online at the address above or send a check to 38 East Gordon Street, Bel Air MD 21014. Birthright of Bel Air relies on the generosity of donations. We do not receive any state or federal funding.

One of our strongest avenues to reach clients in need is through our website. To keep our name at the top of any search engine we need an ongoing flow of traffic – or people coming to our website. Adding social media in the form of Facebook, Twitter, and Blog has helped us to do this. Some of the material you read here can also be found on our blog. You can find us on social media:

Facebook	Birthright of Bel Air	Youtube	Birthright of Bel Air Md
Twitter	Pregnancy Support@Birthright_md	Pinterest	Birthright of Bel Air

Our needs: Financial donation to cover our operational expenses, Similar Advance Baby Formula and Coupons, Gift cards to Baby's R Us for our, Pregnancy Program Participants, Ongoing Prayer for our Volunteers and Clients, Volunteer to help with Excel data entry and reporting, Writers for newsletter and grants

Do you ever wonder if the kindness you extend today has any long term significance?

There once was a teenage Girl who found herself pregnant and thought her world would end.
She met a Woman who held out her hand and said she would walk with the Girl on her frightening journey.
The Girl bore a Daughter who brought healing and love to all.
The Girl met a man, married, and had four other children and lived a wonderful life.
God called the Girl to volunteer at Birthright so that she, like the Woman, could extend a loving hand to others, the same way the Woman had helped her.

The Daughter grew, excelled in school, graduated from college, found a worthy profession, and married. The Daughter became pregnant and had a beautiful child of her own. And the Girl? The Girl is a grandmother for the first time. I am the Girl.

What a profound experience it is to realize that my baby just had a baby of her own – it's amazing! What's more amazing is to realize that one decision, made by a frightened, pregnant teenager long ago, has generational consequences. It was the kindness and care of a stranger –
who helped me in my crisis pregnancy,
who did not judge me,
who helped me have my baby,
who loved me to life,
that continues to have a ripple in the pond of life.

Do you ever wonder if the kindness you show today has any long term significance? It does! I'm living proof. And as the Director of Birthright for the last 26 years I've seen the long term effects of a life touched by the kindness of one of my volunteers - effects of a financial donation to keep our doors open, along with a material gift to tangibly support a new family.

Always remember that a simple kindness can, and will lead to miracles we may never see. Thank you for the hand of kindness that you offer others.

Carol Maglov

Look for our next mini newsletter in May.

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