

June 2009 NEWSLETTER

ANKENY BRANCH OFFICE.....

We are so excited to be getting close. There is a room in the Neveln Center that will be ideal. We had been told that there was no room, but now there is a perfect setting for us. God has brought in the money to get started and we have sent in the deposit! This will be Room #206 right next to the elevator. Opening date will be sometime in July, Lord willing.

The Neveln Center is in the heart of Ankeny. It houses many community services. There is a free pediatric clinic each week, a free clothing office, a food bank office, daycare, Headstart and the Visiting Nurse Services are there on occasion.

There is a plumber, David Chilton, who will install a restroom and do the work at his cost of materials and no labor costs. We will need some dividing walls built and some painting done. The ceilings are already lowered and window treatments are complete. We would also love a counter built around the office area. It looks like we have a Sunday School class from Faith Baptist Church in Cambridge who is going to help with the walls. THANK YOU!

I believe we can get by with used furniture and we are already getting supplies that will be needed for the tests and office needs, etc. We will have a baby closet with clothing, but may hold off on purchasing the diapers and wipes until we feel the money is there to do so.

It will be a great asset if we can offer prenatal and parenting classes like we do here at the main office. The classes will need to be purchased and we will need two televisions and DVD players to play them. The classes are a little expensive because the price includes the right to copy as many lessons as we may need. A full set of 9 modules would be \$1,500.00.

We will also need a small college dorm-size refrigerator. There are older chairs that we can use for awhile. If money is available, we hope to replace some 30 year-old carpet, but if not, it can wait.

We believe that God has been preparing us for this outreach. Please continue to pray for wisdom in all of our planning and securing the needed supplies. Would you or your church be able to help in any of these areas?

New Baby Basket Recipients

Anthony	Michael	Jayson	Julian
Osman	Roberto	Elio	Milagro
Destiny	Novella	Lillie	DeZiah
Axel	Chloe	Abigail	Donavan
Damien	Juan	Justin	Meztli
Kaylyn	Lia	Gabriella	Kayden
Jordan	Cyelen	Jesus	Abigail
Dani	Jayson	Ricky	Bryan
Adriana	Nicole	Oscar	Giannina
Chase	Lyric	Jaslene	Angela
Ricardo	Jeremiah	Dakota	Jaime
(Twins)	Nadia and Nicole		Isadra
Mario	Jose	Chris	

We have a state reaching influence:

It is interesting to note that as I looked over the past 10 months, we had women/girls coming in from at least these ten different county areas. Those included were: Polk, Warren, Story, Jasper, Guthrie, Dallas, Webster, Clarke, Louisa and Jackson.

Praise:

Money has come in to go ahead and lease a space for Ankeny.

Volunteers are coming forward to work on the Ankeny remodeling.

We are holding our own (financially) for the SE 14th Street office.

There are new volunteers taking training to increase our workers.

Our number of client contacts remains constant from year to year.

Pray:

For the health of our workers and their families.

For wisdom in getting the word out about the Ankeny office to the general public.

For monthly financial commitments for the Ankeny branch.

For someone to head up the effort to organize our representation in the Ankeny Summerfest Parade. We need this person NOW.

That volunteers will train quickly and efficiently – ready for God's service.

For manpower sufficient for both offices.

A big thank you to Dan Applegate for getting some office furniture for us at a recent auction.

Planned Parenthood released its 2007-2008 fiscal report a few months ago, and stated that the taxes rec'd from government sources increased to 350 million. Their net profit was 1.014 Billion! Why is it that they need government money when they always have a healthy profit? Abortions were up 5.3% AND in Iowa, there were only 9 adoption placements from their 47,908 patients. They are mailing out pills or patches for birth control, to anyone off the internet, who is between 15 and 44, with no medical supervision.

Special thanks to the SE Iowa Christian Union Mission Board for 31 diaper bags and 39 packages of diapers! What a blessing. (They are gone already)

Almost every day, we have been having a new woman signing up for our baby closet program. The drain on our diapers and wipes is getting huge. We have enough clothing for now, but we are really going to need help with diapers and wipes in the future.

Joel Rosenberg says that: More than 100,000 Muslims in Saudi Arabia alone have received Christ in recent years. More than 1 million Muslims in Iran have, as well. There are now more than 2.5 million followers of Jesus in Pakistan.

Many people give so generously with used clothing, diapers, wipes and hand-sewn items for our baby baskets. I usually list many of them, but space forbids that in this newsletter. We are so appreciative of each of you!!

Praise God for His mercy, goodness, patience and faithfulness to us. We have received some wonderful answers to our prayers.

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Remember to check out our website: you can donate online through paypal.

Thanks to our Board Members for their faith in me as Executive Director and the vision we share to continue to reach out with the gospel. Alpha is not here just for the babies, we are here to share Christ with the moms and dads who have little understanding of God's great love for them and the price His Son paid for their eternal redemption.

Arkansas passed a law to ban partial-birth abortions. It is similar to the federal law, but will punish doctors who do this and they can get up to 6 years in prison – federal law says 2 years.