

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address _____
Number & street City State Zip code

Phone # _____ Social Security # _____

Are you over 18 years old? Yes No Marital status: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes No

If yes, explain: _____

Education:

1. High School: Number of years completed (*circle one*) 1 2 3 4 Diploma: Yes No
G.E.D.: Yes No

School name _____

2. College and/or Vocational School: Number of years completed (*circle one*) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

School(s) _____

Degrees earned _____ Dates _____

Describe other training or degrees _____

Previous Volunteer Experience: List most recent volunteer experience first.

Organization _____ Date of volunteer service: From _____ To _____

Address _____

Position/Duties _____

Telephone _____ Supervisor name _____

Organization _____ Date of volunteer service: From _____ To _____

Address _____

Position/Duties _____

Telephone _____ Supervisor name _____

Employment History: List most recent employment first.

Employer _____ Date of employment: From _____ To _____

Address _____

Position/Duties _____

Telephone _____ Supervisor name _____

Employer _____ Date of employment: From _____ To _____

Address _____

Position/Duties _____

Telephone _____ Supervisor name _____

Additional Information:

1. What is your reason for seeking to volunteer here? _____

2. Do you consider yourself a Christian? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, how long have you been a Christian? _____

3. As a Christian, what is the basis of your salvation? _____

What training have you received to share your faith? _____

4. Please provide the following information concerning your local church.

Church name _____ Denomination _____

Address _____

Pastor's name _____ Phone _____

Positions in which you have served _____

5. This organization is a Christian pro-life ministry. We believe that our faith in Jesus Christ empowers us, enables us, and motivates us to provide pregnancy services in this community. Please write a brief statement about how your faith would affect your volunteer work at this center.

6. What special skills, talents, gifts, or personality traits would you bring to this ministry?

7. Have you ever counseled a woman who was considering an abortion? ___ Yes ___ No

(Explanation) _____

8. Have you had any traumatic experiences relating to abortion? ___ Yes ___ No

(Explanation) _____

9. Have you ever known a single pregnant woman? ___ Yes ___ No

(Explanation) _____

10. Under what circumstances would you consider abortion as an alternative for a woman with an unplanned pregnancy?

_____ Never an option

_____ In cases of rape or incest

_____ In cases where the mother's life was in extreme peril

_____ In cases of extreme psychological distress

_____ Other (specify) _____

11. Please list any books, films, or other material that you have read or viewed that relate to abortion, pregnancy, or alternatives to abortion.

12. How would you rate yourself in the following areas?

a. Knowledge of abortion methods excellent___ good___ fair___ poor___

b. Knowledge of current laws concerning abortion excellent___ good___ fair___ poor___

c. Knowledge of what the Bible teaches about abortion excellent___ good___ fair___ poor___

13. Are you currently or have you ever been involved in seeking to adopt a child? ___ Yes ___ No

(Explanation) _____

14. What do you consider to be your possible areas of weakness?

15. Are there any particular personality types with whom you have difficulty working?

References:

Please list persons who are not related to you and who have known you for at least two years, including your pastor.

	Name	Address	Phone #	Years acquainted	Relationship
1.	_____				
2.	_____				
3.	_____				
4.	_____				

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT

I certify that the facts set forth in this volunteer application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and I authorize the pregnancy center to verify their accuracy and to obtain reference information concerning my character and capabilities. I release the pregnancy center and any person or entity providing such reference information from any and all liability relating to the provision of such information or relating to any decisions made based upon such information. I give permission to the center to conduct a criminal background check to the extent that my volunteer duties may involve direct interaction with minors. If I become a volunteer at the pregnancy center, I agree to fully adhere to its policies and rules, including those rules relating to maintaining client confidentiality. I recognize that, as a volunteer, I will serve in a different role than the employees of the pregnancy center, and I am not seeking, nor expecting to receive, any compensation or other benefits in return for any volunteer services which I may provide for this ministry.

I further certify that I have read and that I am in full agreement with the pregnancy center's Statement of Faith and Statement of Principle.

Signature of applicant _____

Date _____

What I Believe

The Elmore County Pregnancy Center is an interdenominational Christian ministry. Because we emphasize sharing our faith with people seeking our help in a time of crisis it is important that counselors and other helpers be united in the core beliefs of our Christian faith.

What must one do to be saved?

Why did Jesus have to die on the cross? How does this affect our lives?

Give a brief explanation of who Jesus Christ was, is, and will be.

Other than the Bible what Christian book has had the greatest influence on your life and why?

What doctrines do you consider essential to the Christian faith and why?

Volunteers will be required to attend foundations of the faith and witnessing seminar.

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES FOR CRISIS
Pregnancy Center Ministry

Principle #1

A firm commitment to the sanctity of human life in all circumstances.

The volunteer must have a good understanding of what the Bible teaches about the sanctity of human life and a firm commitment to the pro-life position---even in the more difficult cases (i.e., rape, incest, suspected fetal deformity).

Principle #2

The woman experiencing the crisis pregnancy must be the primary focus of concern.

God cares equally for the woman and her unborn child. If the volunteer focuses primarily on the unborn child, the woman will sense it and feel that she is not important. In contrast, if the woman is the primary focus and she choose what is truly best for her, she will choose life. This approach benefits both mother and child.

Principle #3

The ability to distinguish between Biblical and Cultural values.

Christians are called to uphold Biblical values but must not impose cultural values. Many of the values regarding marriage, education, parenting and adoption are cultural values. For example, the Bible does not say, "If thou art single without a college education, thou shalt place thy child in adoption." It is important to examine all values in light of the Scriptures.

Principle #4

A commitment to maintain confidentiality.

If word gets out to the community that the Elmore County Crisis Pregnancy Center does not keep information about clients confidential, no one will come for its services. For this reason, it is important to remember: In such cases as child abuse the volunteer should inform the

Center Director or the Administrator of the situation and they will access the situation and take the proper course action.

Principle #5

A commitment to sexual purity.

God will not honor those who are not honoring Him. Volunteers who are involved in adultery or sexual relationships outside of marriage cannot expect God to bless their work. It is also very difficult to confront a client's sinful behavior if the volunteer has a problem in the same area.

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the five (5) essential principles of the Elmore County Pregnancy Center as long as I am a part of this Ministry.

Name

Date

VOLUNTEER PLEDGE

Recognizing that the pregnancy center is a Christian ministry, I openly acknowledge my personal faith in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. I have read the Statement of Faith and am in complete agreement with all statements in it.

I believe in the sanctity of human life as taught in the Bible and, therefore, reject abortion as an acceptable option for any woman facing a crisis pregnancy, except to save the life of the mother in some cases (e.g. tubal pregnancy).

I believe in chastity outside of marriage and in the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman as taught in the Bible. Therefore, I commit to a lifestyle of sexual purity.

I agree to be faithful in church attendance and participation, as a member of the body of Christ.

I accept the responsibility to act as an advocate on behalf of the women under my care; to give accurate information, emotional support, and spiritual guidance. I will keep all information on center clients in the strictest confidence, in accordance with center policies. I will consistently uphold the center's policies relating to confidentiality, even after I am no longer a volunteer.

Understanding the vital role volunteers play in the work of the center, I commit myself to faithfully serve _____ hours per week on a regular basis. Additionally, I agree to attend volunteer staff meetings and in-service training sessions. I have agreed to enter into my role as a volunteer without any expectation of receiving any compensation for the services I may perform.

I have read, understand, and agree with the center Statement of Principle and will at all times uphold it, as well as all policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors and Executive Director.

Volunteer signature

Date

VOLUNTEER CONFIDENTIALITY PLEDGE

I hereby pledge that all information, both client and financial supporter information, will remain confidential. I will not discuss any information with anyone except the Executive Director and the Client Services' Director(s).

I understand that if I break my pledge, I will no longer be permitted to volunteer

Volunteer's signature

Statement of Faith

- We believe the Holy Bible to be the only infallible, inspired authoritative Word of God. I Timothy 3:15-16, II Peter 1:20-21
- We believe in God eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I John 5:7-8, Deuteronomy 6:4-5, Mathew 28:19, II Corinthians 13:14
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God, conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man. John 1:1-14, Luke 1:34-35, I John 4:9
- We believe that mankind was created in the image of God, that mankind sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death which is separation from God, and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature. Genesis 1:26, Romans 5:12, Ephesians 2:1
- We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a representative, substitutionary and complete sacrifice, and that all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood. Romans 5:8, Galatians 1:4
- We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential, and that the salvation is received by grace through faith in Jesus Christ as savior and Lord and not as a result of good works. Titus 3:5, Eph. 2:8-9
- We believe in the physical resurrection of the crucified body of Jesus Christ, in His ascension into heaven, and His present life there for us as our High Priest and Advocate. Hebrews 4:14-16, I John 2:1
- We believe in the personal, visible and second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, at a time unknown to us, but for which we are watching joyfully. I Corinthians 15:51, I Thessalonians 4:13-18
- We believe that the believer should be a vessel sanctified, meet (fitting or proper) for the master's use. II Timothy 2:21, I Thessalonians 4:3
- We believe in the great commission which our Lord has given to His church to evangelize the world, and that this evangelization is the great mission of the church. Furthermore, we believe it our Christian duty to witness by word and deed to these truths. Mathew 28:19-20, II Corinthians 5:11
- We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost, and the everlasting blessedness of the saved. John 6:40, Acts 24:15, I Corinthians 4:14
- We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 4:13, Romans 12:5

May, 2004

Signature _____

Date _____

Statement of Belief

OUR BELIEFS

1. The Child

- (1) The Bible clearly teaches the humanity, personhood, intrinsic value, and divine creation of the preborn child.
- (2) The only possible justification for terminating the life of the preborn child is preventing the death of the mother.

2. The Pregnant Woman

- (1) She is a person for whom Christ died; therefore, she deserves the Christian's acceptance, love, and care.
- (2) She is accountable to God for her choices about her pregnancy, her preborn child, her own life, and her response to God.

3. The Christian

- (1) Each Christian has a divine obligation to protect the preborn child and to promote the sanctity of life.
- (2) For the Christian to fail to protect the life of the preborn child is a sin.
- (3) A Christian is called to minister through the church to the pregnant woman and her child.

Signature _____ Date _____