

anchored in HOPE

WE HAVE THIS HOPE AS AN ANCHOR
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IMMOKALEE PREGNANCY CENTER, INC. | FALL 2025 NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Champion for Life,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. Can you believe it's already fall of 2025? It feels like just yesterday we were mailing out our 2024 fall newsletters. A lot has happened since our last newsletter, and I can't wait to share all the amazing things the Lord has done through your faithful support. So please get comfortable, grab your favorite drink and let's catch up, sweet friends. We have some very exciting news to share with you.

We have officially chosen "Anchored in Hope" as our theme for 2026. How wonderful that we have an amazing God whom we can find firm and secure hope in. He's never lost a battle, and He surely never will! I am personally very excited about this theme as it's a sweet confirmation of a sentimental gift that my mother Esther shared with our office team earlier last year.

As you know, the Lord blessed us with our second suite as we needed more space to help serve our clients. At the end of painting the new office and setting up the furniture for suite 2, my mother gifted us a beautiful wooden anchor that is hung up in our new waiting room. She told me that God placed it on her heart to gift it to us based on a dream that He gave her about our mission here at Immokalee Pregnancy Center.

My mother had a dream that our office team was in the middle of the ocean and Diane would throw an anchor towards shore where there were many women. And in that dream, every woman would catch the anchor and show up at the pregnancy center. For us that anchor is the good news of Jesus, of true and everlasting hope in Him. Our anchor is hung on our office wall as a reminder that we are blessed to share with our clients the best hope that ever existed. It's a reminder that no matter what storm arises in their lives, no matter how many waves of fear, anxiety or hopelessness comes up against her and her baby- there is an anchor of hope that will give her strength to stand firm for herself and her precious baby.

Thank you for your faithful support. Thank you for your prayers, your financial support and for casting out an anchor of hope to help every family that steps through the doors of Immokalee Pregnancy Center. Now let's get to the exciting news we have for you! Ready to hear the big news?!... Nurse Gina will share all about it in "Our Center is Growing" article inside.

Together in His Service,

*Estefania
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Volunteers Needed

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Do you feel led to serve on our team?
We need volunteers to serve as:

- Nurse
- Client Advocate
- Office Assistant
- Receptionist
- Parenting Coach
- Church Liaison

If you would like to serve contact Stefy at:
stefy@immokaleepregnancy.com

2025

statistics

Clients Served	189
Pregnancy Tests	139
Positive Tests	113
Negative Tests	26
Sonograms	98
Parenting classes	463
Total office visits	811

84 women have said YES TO LIFE!

These were the clients that were
initially abortion-minded/vulnerable.



Save the Date

Immokalee Pregnancy Center

ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET

FEBRUARY 12, 2026

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: HEATHER LAWLESS

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Why We Do What We Do

Sarah Willig, Board Secretary:

"My involvement began when the Immokalee Pregnancy Center also began! I believe life is precious, and that women and men need truth, support, education, and hope as they face difficult decisions. The heart of the ministry is focused on loving people and sharing the hope of Christ, which should be the driving force for everything we do. It is an honor to serve on the Board and often I feel I receive more than I give as I witness God's work in and through this ministry."

Rose Trabbic, Board Member:

"It's been an honor to be involved as a board member for the Immokalee Pregnancy Center since it first began in 2008. Reflecting on my first meeting with Diane, when the IPC began in a church with just one room, it's amazing to see how far the ministry has come! After years of doing more "front line" sidewalk counseling and volunteering, I am now wife and mom of five kids, so it's not easy to get out and do that type of work. I'm grateful to still have a small opportunity to contribute to the great work God is doing through the Immokalee Pregnancy Center. Bonus: this is the easiest volunteer work I've ever done - it's a joy to work with Steffy, Diane, and the whole board!"

Armice Pulido, Bilingual Client Advocate:

"I was drawn to this ministry because I saw how it actively responded to a deep need in the community. Many women here face the challenge of living with limited resources, little emotional support, and few opportunities to learn about their own health. At the center, I love that we can step into their circle - offering them practical help. For those who face financial struggles, this ministry becomes an anchor. What I value most is how we can serve as a reminder to these women that they are not alone and that they are worthy of the love, hope, and support that we provide. In a world often marked by pain and sorrow, the Immokalee Pregnancy Center shines as a powerful corner of light."

OUR CENTER IS growing

by Gina Bonifacio, Nurse Manager

Immokalee Pregnancy Center is excited to share that we are now an Abortion Pill Reversal Network (APRN) Consulting Center! This new role has been months in the making, and we are grateful for the chance to expand the care we provide. Nurse Gina traveled to Austin, TX, to complete the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates (NIFLA) Ultrasound Practicum and then went on to finish her limited OB ultrasound competency at Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center under the guidance of a Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (RDMS). After completing her training and passing the APRN course, Gina was able to prepare the rest of our team here at IPC to become a certified APRN Consulting Center.

What does this mean for the women we serve? It means that if a client comes to us after taking the first abortion pill and then has second thoughts, we are ready to step in with immediate, compassionate support. We can connect her to the APRN hotline where a nurse is available 24/7 to send her to a local doctor who provides reversal medication (progesterone). We will cover her with free ultrasounds throughout the process and even help with medication costs and doctor's fees. We will be here to walk with her whether the reversal is successful or not. If successful, we will celebrate with her and shower her with support by offering pregnancy and parenting classes, baby supplies, and other resources she may need. If the reversal attempt is not successful, we will also shower her with love, prayer, and a listening ear. We're humbled to stand in this space for women, offering hope, care, and support every step of the way.



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BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Collect change for life! Set up a baby bottle campaign at your church, business or group or join our annual virtual Baby Bottle Campaign. Contact our office for more information.

HOST A BABY SHOWER

Plan a baby shower to collect NEW items to help keep our shelves stocked for our local mothers. We would be happy to give a presentation at your event to explain our mission.

DONATE GIFT CARDS

When an abortion minded clients decides to "Choose Life for her Baby" she is enrolled in our Second Mile Program, which provides Diapers and Wipes for the first year of the baby's life. As our storage space is very limited, we use gift cards to purchase diapers and wipes for these clients who come each month to collect a one-month supply and visit with our staff. This gives us another opportunity to express God's love for them!

TRIBUTE TO DEB COOK

JANUARY 22, 1956
TO JULY 18, 2025



"Well done thou good and faithful servant"

Deb Cook was our very first volunteer even before Immokalee Pregnancy Center opened its doors.

Deb was the last volunteer for the previous center, Life and Family Center which was closed after Hurricane Wilma in 2005. Deb attended our first organizational meeting in 2007 and began volunteering shortly thereafter as IPC was preparing to open. Deb was our very first trained Parenting Coach when IPC opened its doors in August of 2008. She served faithfully in this capacity for the next 14 years and again as a general volunteer until early this year.

She was primarily responsible for our client follow up and education services, our "Earn While you Learn" program. Deb had been an elementary teacher before joining the initial IPC team which was in the beginning comprised primarily of Deb and Diane! Deb's teaching skills were amply demonstrated as she guided young and inexperienced moms through their pregnancies and after with parenting classes that she loved to teach. The clients loved Deb as a teacher and coach! Deb got to hold and cuddle LOTS of babies during her time at the center!

We want to remember Deb's servant's heart as she cared for and loved on our young moms and babies and enriched the Lord's ministry in Immokalee. We are sure she heard these words as she entered eternity; "Deborah, Enter thou into the joy of the Lord".