



FALL INTO...

A P U B L I C A T I O N O F B I R T H R I G H T O F H U M B L E

Always Room For One More

By a Birthright-Humble Volunteer

Growing up in an Air Force family, we learned early about packing and moving. By the time I was sixteen, we had moved eight times, we developed friendships quickly because we never knew how long they would last. If we were lucky, we would be stationed with that same family at another base and resume the relationship. My mother was told by more experienced military wives to attend church the first Sunday in a new town, otherwise, it would be easy to put it off and eventually stop going all together.

Part of my parent's "quick and easy friendship" plan involved having people over for Sunday dinner, or an evening meal, or sometimes even lunch. As a child, I remember wondering where all of these people came from. This assortment of guests included Air Force people, college students, ministers, new people from church, old people from church, my friends, and my siblings' friends.

Growing up, I assumed everyone lived and ate like this. It never occurred to me to wonder why I seldom went to eat with other people at their home. My husband assures me that it was not normal, at least at his house. But, he liked the idea of having people over and I finally realized our children did as well. Eventually, the boys quit telling me when they were bringing someone over for dinner, they assured me that *there was always room and always enough*.

As we approach Thanksgiving, a season where we gather with others, I am reminded of the kingdom of God. In God's family, there is always plenty to share and room for one more. Our part is to do the inviting. He will do the rest.

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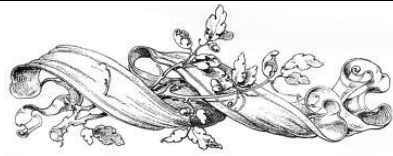
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of our community.**

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...TEACHING

OUR WISH LIST

- * Boy Hats
- Girl Hats
- Mitts
- Boy Socks
- Girl Socks
- Wipes
- Diapers size 1
- 0-9month Girl Sleepers
- * 6-9month Boy Sleepers

Our EWYL program is growing! As you may remember, we were in need of teachers; thankfully two wonderful volunteers, Margaret and Hayde, have stepped into these roles! We value their hearts and willingness to serve in this capacity. Margaret has been helping with the Thursday classes and Hayde has begun a weekly class taught in Spanish which has been requested amongst many of our clients. Recently, we've seen the need to adjust our classes for the many young



One of our winners from our monthly class raffles!



Learning to swaddle - baby dolls make willing participants!

moms still in school, in order to accommodate their studies, we've begun holding an additional class late Thursday afternoons. This has been an exciting development for us!

As another new addition to the EWYL program, we now offer a 'Baby Blanket Class', in which the clients learn to cut and sew fabric to create blankets for their babies. This coming November class will be our third time for this activity, each one has led to an encouraging and



Update From The Fall



Autumn, Laura, Erin K., Erin M.

The start of this fall has proven to be a busy season for us at the Birthright office. A few of our volunteers, aka, the Pink Ladies, have begun to visit local schools, sharing

our mission statement with the nurses and counselors and spreading the word to the young moms that we are here as a support for them. So far it has been a great success!



End of the Year Giving



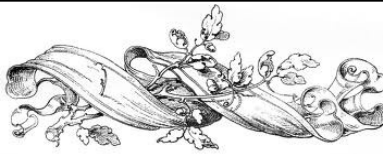
It is nearing the end of the year and the holidays are quickly approaching. As you begin to prepare for this time with family and friends, please consider those who may need extra help with their infants during this season.

If you would like to financially support this ministry, please use the enclosed envelope, making checks payable to *Birthright-Humble*.

We sincerely appreciate each and every gift.



To complete our relocation, Jim, from Kingwood Bible Church, generously donated his time, money, and talents to build us brand new custom shelves for our layette room! It has been a blessing to be able to organize and use our space to the fullest! Thank you Jim!



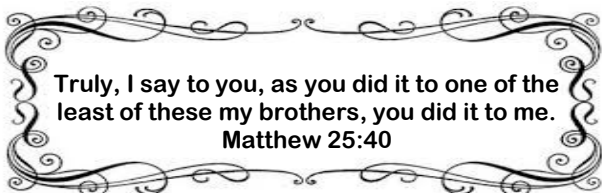
... SERVANTHOOD



The woman pictured, is helping victims of a local home fire where the family lost everything they had. This gave Birthright Humble the opportunity to collaborate in showing God's love and compassion by providing larger baby clothes, diapers, toys, and blankets to help them restart their lives.

Birthright Humble was also able to help bless a Romanian Orphanage by donating our

12month+ heavy winter clothes to them. Unable to properly use these items here in the South, we were able to help fulfill another ministries' need.



Our Volunteer Focus this Fall is spotlighting Autumn;

- **When did you start at Birthright?** About 4 years ago
- **Why did you decide to volunteer here?** I used another Birthright when I became pregnant as a teen. It made such an impact on me that when I found out I could volunteer here, I jumped at the chance of being able to help someone like I was helped.
- **Do you have a job or any other activity outside of volunteering?** I have 4 children, am a Children's Ministry Director and go to school part time.
- **What keeps you coming in to volunteer each time?** Knowing that I can make a difference in someone's life. I get to love on these women in an impacting way.
- **What client story has impacted you the most?** I once, a couple of years ago, was able to sit and counsel a woman who was in a true crisis pregnancy situation. During our conversation I told the woman that she was amazing and is doing a great job. She instantly began sobbing - she had never been told any of this. It surprised me that someone who had been a mom for over 7 years had never been told how much of a difference she was making in the lives of her children by making so many sacrifices for them. This all helped me in realizing how much difference we can make in someone's life, whether or not they're here and pregnant.



BIRTHRIGHT OF HUMBLE STATISTICS JANUARY-OCTOBER 2013

Phone calls	785
Pregnancy tests	994
Positive tests	621
1st visits	711
Revisits	299
Other visits	338
Reported births	162
Reported abortions	7
Reported miscarries	22
Layettes given	146
EWYL classes	193

Sources:

Friends/relative	338
Been in before	229
Internet	71
Sign/mall sign	38
Yellow Pages	2
Church	0
School	5
Health Dept.	90
Other	103

Ages:

12-13	1
14	5
15	8
16	18
17	34
18-20	224
21-25	316
26-30	200
31+	135



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