



WINTER 2018

“ Now choose life so that you and your children may live ...” Deuteronomy 30:19

Mission Statement

Empowering women to make informed choices about their pregnancy.

Mandarin Center

11215 San Jose Blvd.
Jacksonville, FL
(904) 262-6300

Beaches Center

224 N. Third St.
Jacksonville Beach, FL
(904) 246-7378

Clay County Center

105 Old Jennings Rd.
Orange Park, FL
(904) 213-9374

Baker County Center

368 South 5th St.
Macclenny, FL
(904) 259-2585

Mobile Pregnancy Center

(904) 945-Free (3733)



Thank you
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for printing our
newsletter.
We appreciate you!

Roe Versus Wade Overturned?

As we enter into 2019, it is with excitement that I share about all that the Lord has enabled us to do in 2018. We have, day after day, been able to share options with young women and men who feel trapped into abortion as their only choice. They walk into our doors afraid and confused, and are greeted by loving, non-judgmental volunteers and staff, many of whom have faced an unplanned pregnancy in their own lives. If they come into one of our centers, 85% of the time they will choose life for their babies. But beyond making that important choice, they are mentored with love and encouraged to make better life choices and receive support and training for parenthood. Many establish relationships with their mentors and are given the opportunity to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ and make a decision for eternal life. They are beginning to be taught by the Holy Spirit and encouraged to join a church family. As a result, entire families are turned around from despair and hopelessness to walking in wisdom.



Will there ever come a time when the ministry of First Coast Women’s Services is not needed? The recent mid-term elections and the Supreme Court appointments have left most of us unsure what the future of the for-life movement will be. The confirmation of two for-life Supreme Court Justices and some recent decisions by the high court look promising for future decisions. However, that hope has not yet been tested. If the Supreme Court receives a challenge to the 1973 Roe versus Wade decision, which legalized abortion in America, we still cannot be sure it will be overturned.

One thing is certain, regardless of the outcome of this or any other political change, First Coast Women’s Services will be needed as much or more than ever. It will not change the situation of a fearful and confused young woman struggling with an unplanned pregnancy. If many abortion centers are closed, we will be busier than ever. Women once thinking of abortion as a quick and easy choice will even more desperately need someone to turn to as they seek answers and loving support. That is what we do best and with your help we will be ready. We will continue to operate in the same way that we always have, with our HOPE in the Lord and our confidence only in Him. Our God is a God of life. I love the words of Roy Lessin and apply them to all of us in this fight, “God is for you, Jesus is with you, The Holy Spirit is in you, and all of heaven’s angels are on your side.” As we continue together in this battle for the unborn, I want to thank you for your amazing support in the past, and challenge you to continue to uphold this ministry with your prayers, your time and your gifts.

With confidence in the Lord and thankfulness for you,

Judy Weber, CEO

May God richly bless you in the New Year!

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Thank you for attending our annual "Life Banquet" and for partnering with us to change the hearts and lives of those who are facing unplanned pregnancies. A special thanks to all of our volunteers and everyone who worked behind the scenes to make our banquet a success.

Client Story

Learning the Father's Heart



While waiting for his girlfriend to have a pregnancy test, he played a game on his phone. He, like most of the men who come through our door, has no idea there is anyone on the other side who would want to talk to him. When the male mentor introduced himself and invited him back, he was very hesitant and caught off guard. He reluctantly went back to talk with the mentor. The male mentor offered him a cup of coffee and they bonded over talk of football. The conversation then changed to the client's relationship with his girlfriend and then to his family. He shared that his mother was on drugs, his father was in prison, and he was doing the best he could to work two jobs to support his girlfriend and make a better life. He appreciated that someone would take the time to show an interest in him. The client has made several visits now to see the male mentor who cared enough to listen and ask what he needed. They are planning goals together, working on a resume, talking about his future with marrying his girlfriend and what God wants for him. This is a reminder of the impact having a male mentor can have on a young man's life and how valuable they are to have as volunteers at FCWS.

Take A Stand For Life!

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday on January 20, 2019 is an opportunity to take a stand for Life.

Since 1983, Americans have observed Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (SOHLS) as a day to celebrate the intrinsic value of all human life. This important day also provides an opportunity for pregnancy centers to share about the work they do to bring life-affirming resources to their communities and to empower women and men to choose life for their unborn children.

Promote **LIFE** in January by encouraging your church and community to:

- Order your (FREE SOHL) bulletin inserts by calling 549-6104 or email kwhalen@fcwsprc.org.
- Participate in one of our Prayer Breakfasts or lunch at the beach
- Hold a prayer vigil or deliver a special sermon
- Invite one of our staff to speak at your church
- Show an FCWS Client DVD (provided by us)
- Host a Baby Shower/Diaper Drive
- Take up a special love offering

Celebrating the *Value*
of Every *Life*



FIRST COAST
Women's Services
11215 San Jose Blvd,
Jacksonville, FL 32223
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Join Us for Prayer closest to you!

Beach Prayer Lunch

Wednesday, January 16, 2019
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm

First Coast Women's Services
224 N. Third St.
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

RSVP by Wed., January 9, 2019
Call Cathy (904) 246-7378 or
email cfox@fcwsprc.org

We unite with area churches, to **PRAY** for future generations, for women and men facing unplanned pregnancies, and for the spiritual health of our nation.

"I firmly believe God continues to answer the prayers of His people even after He has taken them to heaven. Never forget that God isn't bound by time the way we are. We see only the present moment; God sees everything. We see only part of what He is doing; He sees it all." Billy Graham

Baker Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, January 16, 2019
Breakfast 7:30 am
Prayer 8:00 am ~ 9:15 am

Christian Fellowship Temple
251 W. Ohio Ave.
Macclenny, FL 32063

RSVP by Wed., January 9, 2019
Call Dana (904) 259-2585 or
Email dlane@fcwsprc.org

Clay Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, January 16th, 2019
Breakfast 7:30 am
Prayer 8:00 am ~ 9:15 am

The Salvation Army Corp Ctr.
2795 County Road 220
Middleburg, FL 32068

RSVP by Wed., January 9, 2019
Call Cheryl (904) 213-9374 or
email cgonzales@fcwsprc.org



Mandarin Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, January 16, 2019
Breakfast 7:30 am
Prayer 8:00 am ~ 9:15 am

Christian Family Chapel
10365 Old St. Augustine Rd.
Jacksonville, FL 32223

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Heartbeats

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Mark your calendars:

Register online at www.fcws.org/events

- January 16, 2019 - Prayer Breakfast and Luncheon
- January 20, 2019 - Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- February 18, 2019 - Golf-4-Life Charity Tournament
- March 8, 2019 - Baker Spring Event "Life-Fusion" Dinner & Auction featuring Mike Williams
- March 29, 2019 - Clay Spring Event "Denim & Diamonds" Dinner & Auction with guest speaker Robert Lee
- May 2, 2019 - Beach Spring Event "Fashion Show & Brunch" featuring Katherine Way Collections
- May 12, 2019 - Mother's Day Kick off for Baby Bottle Campaign

TOP 5 NEEDS

- Maternity clothes
(Sizes M to XL)
- Crib Sheets
- Infant bath tubs
- Baby wash, lotion and
Diaper crème, Bibs and
Teething Toys



FCWS 12 Month Stats

- 2,411** women and men were counseled on life-saving alternatives to abortion
- 919** babies were saved
- 340** individuals were presented the gospel, **69** made a faith decision
- 252** families received life transforming education through our HOPE program
- 29** women received post abortive healing as they participated in the Bible study *Forgiven and Set Free*, **4** attended from within prison
- 4** women received grief support from a miscarriage, still birth or early infant loss.

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