

Hope

WINTER 2024

PREGNANCY MINISTRIES
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SAVING LIVES.



From the Executive Director

Did you know that the governor of Montana works for free? I didn't! That is, until the governor's office called to tell me that Governor Greg Gianforte would be donating one-quarter of his annual salary to support the work of Hope

Pregnancy Ministries! What a wonderful surprise!

In the last week of November, the Governor and Mrs. Gianforte launched their third annual *12 Days of Giving* campaign on Giving Tuesday, with a visit to Hope Pregnancy Ministries in Kalispell. In October 2020, the governor committed to Montanans that he would contribute his salary as governor to nonprofit organizations and charitable organizations in the state.

"Giving back and serving our neighbors is part of who we are as Montanans, and in that spirit, I'm excited to bring back our 12 Days of Giving this year," Gov. Gianforte said. "For more than two decades, Hope Pregnancy Ministries has provided care and resources to young mothers and families, and I'm proud to support the nonprofit with its mission."

The Governor and First Lady were joined at Hope Pregnancy Ministries by local leaders, including Representative Courtenay Sprunger, R-Kalispell, and Representative Tony Brockman, R-Kalispell, all of whom donated items for Hope Family Resource Center's Baby Boutique.

During their visit, Mrs. Gianforte also shared her passion for the expansion of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, now available to all children under age five in Montana. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting books each month to children from birth to age five, **free of charge** through funding shared by state and local community partners.

Montana's First Lady has made it a priority to promote literacy in Montana's children and has worked hard to make the library available in every zip code in Montana.

What a blessing it is to have a Governor and First Lady who value the cause of *life* and promote family values in our great state! Thank you, Governor and Mrs. Gianforte!

Michelle

Enroll your child for free monthly books!

Inspire your child's love of reading with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



FREE BOOKS FOR KIDS!

If you have a child from 0-5 years old, register them today for free monthly books.

How It Works:

- Enroll your child online at ImaginationLibrary.com (Click on "Check Availability" button)
- In 6-8 weeks, your child will receive their first book in the mail. 'The Little Engine That Could'.
- Books arrive in the mail monthly until your child's 5th birthday.

Easy to Enroll!



Scan this code to enroll your child in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. It's easy!



First Lady Susan Gianforte's Literacy Initiative

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Introducing...

Linnea Morris,
one of the newest members
of the HPM Board of Directors!



Linnea was born and raised in the Flathead Valley and attended Stillwater Christian School, K-12. In 2012, she interned with the Easthaven middle school ministry and found joy in the administrative and creative side of ministry. She started college at MSU Bozeman where she met her husband, Jeph Morris, and later finished her bachelor's degree in business through MSU-Billings online. Soon after their wedding, Jeph and Linnea moved back home to be with family in the Flathead Valley.

Linnea works at Easthaven Baptist Church and serves as the Communications Director, which involves working with the website, emails, social media, and more. Her husband works at Chick-fil-A as the Front of House Director, and you may recognize him as the friendliest guy in the valley! Their children, Teddy and Addie (ages 6 and 5), keep them busy! They love being on the lake in the summer and playing board games with mugs of coffee in the winter months.

The Morris family have been huge fans of the ministry at Hope for years, and Linnea remembers attending one of the Fall Fundraisers while six months pregnant. We are grateful for Linnea's willingness to serve in this important leadership role and look forward to working with her into the future!



BOTTLES for BABIES

Kicks Off on Mother's Day!

Imagine...\$62,645.27 in pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and (our personal favorite!) large bills! In 2023, the Hope Pregnancy Ministries *Bottles for Babies Campaign* raised this whopping total, with 50 churches and organizations, and over 400 individuals participating! The 2024 campaign is set to begin on Mother's Day. Pick up your bottle at church, fill it to the brim, and return it on Father's Day! If your church doesn't participate, but you would like to, give us a call—we'll happily supply you with a bottle! Won't you be one of many who support mothers, babies and families, and fill *Bottles for Babies*?

**Campaign
Dates:**
Mother's Day thru
Father's Day



Pockets empty?

This year, consider using our unique
"Bottles for Babies" QR code!

Welcome

Peter Nielsen, MD!

As you may know, Dr. Lavin retired from Clear Choice Clinic last year, and we are blessed to welcome Dr. Nielsen to our team as Co-Medical Director. Dr. Nielsen joins Dr. Ken Graham in leading the medical team at Clear Choice Clinic. Our Medical Directors are vital to our mission—we could not do this work without them! Dr. Nielsen currently serves part-time as a Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio, and as Maternal-Fetal Medicine Staff at Logan Health in Kalispell. He is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology, as well as Maternal-Fetal Medicine.

With his extensive experience and love for serving the Lord by serving others, he will truly enrich the care we are able to provide at Clear

Choice Clinic. Dr. Nielsen has been a Fellow of the American College

of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) since 1994 and a member of the Christian Medical and Dental Associations since 1984. He retired as a colonel from the U.S. Army in 2016, after 29 years of service, including two combat tours as deputy commander of a deployed combat support hospital in Baghdad, and twelve years of service as gynecologic surgery and obstetrics consultant to the U.S. Army Surgeon General and hospital commander.

Dr. Nielsen and his wife Cheryl have three adult children and two grandchildren. They have attended Lutheran churches all around the world while they traveled during his military career, and now attend Concordia Lutheran in San Antonio and Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell. One of his favorite things to do is Bible study with his wife. When he is not working, he loves traveling, fly fishing, and college football.

When asked about why he has chosen to join us at Clear Choice Clinic, he graciously explained, "I believe in CCC's mission and values and admire their profound commitment and dedication to providing excellence in clinical care, all while demonstrating the love of Christ to each patient." What a great addition to our team as we strive to share Christ's love with all who come through our doors.

Welcome to the team Dr. Nielsen!



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