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Walk for Life

March 26, 2011

PARTING VERSE

“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves” Proverbs 31:8

Prayer Requests

- ♥ Funding to pay for nurse manager and liability insurance
- ♥ Volunteers
- ♥ More churches to send their “missionaries” to the field at TLC.
- ♥ Abortion minded clients find us
- ♥ The Gospel to be received by our clients
- ♥ God be glorified.

TLC Wish List

- ♥ Diapers (all sizes)
- ♥ Good Start formula
- ♥ Exam table for our ultrasound room
- ♥ Male Volunteers
- ♥ Walk Captains

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TLC Women's Center

End of an Era ... For Now

WINTER, 2010

TLC's most familiar name comes off the roll call

On the night of Monday, December 4, an era comes to a close for TLC. The ministry's annual planning meeting will be the last order of business for Tom Weber, one of TLC's founders and perhaps its most iconic figure. Tom or his wife, Karen, or both, have been on the board since the beginning, 27 years ago. So, on December 5, TLC will be Weber-less for the first time ever. Kind of.

Why is this the right time to step down?

That's easy. Our board thought it in the best interest of the ministry a year ago to have term limits. I'm the first person to be term-limited off.

If my phone IDs you on a call prior to a fundraiser next year, it's safe to answer now?

[Laughs.] We have some wonderful, faithful supporters who have been with us since the ministry started. They know when my number shows up I'm probably calling for money. They'll be hearing a fresh voice.

So you weren't voted off the island.

No, you're allowed a max of two three-year terms. It's a smart idea to keep people focused and bring new perspectives to the board. When you've been at it for a while, like me, you have a ten-



Tom Weber

dency to get into a certain way of thinking. If something didn't work a few years ago, you might think there's no reason to try it again.

Got an example in mind?

The whole medical conversion, it's been talked about forever. There was a lot of enthusiasm when we first started working on it years ago. But it waned because we ran into one obstacle after

another. Things that seem daunting to me because of the past don't seem insurmountable to the new board members. It's why we're making progress in that area.

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A Man's Perspective

Of a Women's Center

My name is James Lim. I have been volunteering at TLC Women's Center for a little over a year now, and have been praying for the Lord to use me and my limited gifts to minister to the men who walk into the center with their partners.

wanted to take parenting classes as part of his portfolio to show the family court judge. His three young daughters had been taken away from their mother by the DCF for neglect.

“Pastor James, why is your life different? I need a change in my life. How did you change your life?”

There are a steady flow of men who come in to the center scared, worried, or excited about the prospect of being a father. Gail encouraged me, saying “If you can help the men, you will be helping the women, too.” I took those words as my mission and began working on a men's ministry at TLC. The Lord has been answering my prayers, and working in the lives of men who come to TLC.

John wanted custody of his “baby girls” and to be a father to them. He was willing to do whatever it took to get them back, including parenting classes at TLC. When I first met John, he had a determined look in his eyes. A father's love is a powerful thing to reckon with and John didn't disappoint.

John made weekly visits to the center to meet with me and go through the Earn While You Learn curriculum. He never missed a class or session with me as weather permitted (He took the bus to TLC). He took notes. He soaked in all the material like a sponge. One counselor remarked, “I am just so impressed by him. Of all the men who walk in here, he wants to be here and learn to be a father”. I heartily echoed that sentiment as I sat down and worked with him, heard his story, and gave him practical, biblical, and spiritual counsel.

It's been more than four months since John first walked in. He's still trying to gain custody of his daughters, but he's come to learn that he needs more than classes, counseling, or determination. Recently, he called me up to ask, “Pastor James, why is your life different? I need a change in my life. How did you change your life?” Those words are like

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End of an Era (cont'd)

Did you ever think of stepping down over the years?

Oh yeah. There were times with raising five kids and wanting to come alongside Karen that I was tempted. But she wouldn't let me back away from TLC.

Is it hard to find people willing to give the necessary time?

Being on the board hasn't been all that taxing. The benefits far outweigh the time you spend at it. You're on the front lines of something truly life and death. So no, it doesn't weigh you down. If anything, it's invigorating.

What's the challenge then?

For finding new leadership? The pro-life issue isn't in the forefront as much as it was 15, 20 years ago. We now have a whole generation that's grown up knowing if a pregnancy is inconvenient, it's legal to distinguish it. Unless they dig into what they believe, and why, they lose sight of the sanctity of life.

But we hear surveys that say today, for the first time in memory, more than 50 percent of Americans believe abortion is wrong.

It's one thing to think something is wrong. It's another to be passionate enough to get involved. Both sides of the issue believe abortion takes a life. Yet it doesn't shock people.

Looking back, what are you most proud of?

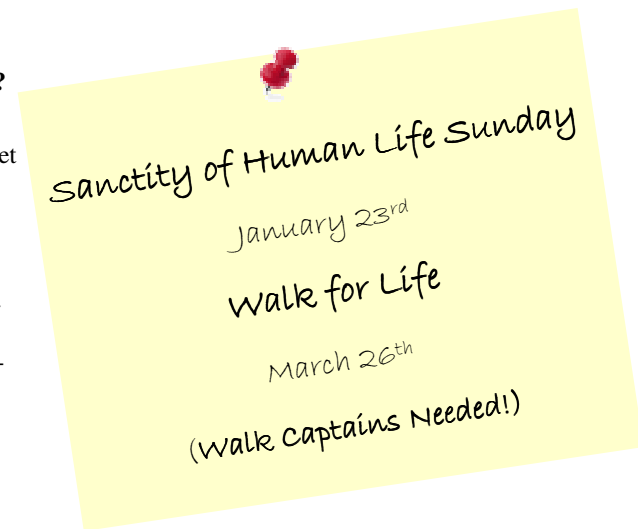
That my wife would have the vision and drive to undertake whatever was necessary to get this off the ground. It's so far out of her comfort zone, and it required so much, you have no idea. She was more driven than I've ever seen her.

What will be the hardest for you to let go of?

Seeing some of those clear hand-of-God things firsthand. But I don't think the new board will let me miss out on those entirely.

Is the door still cracked for you to come back?

Oh yeah. I'm not walking away from the ministry at all. I'll just enjoy some time away and watch TLC thrive with the board's new enthusi-



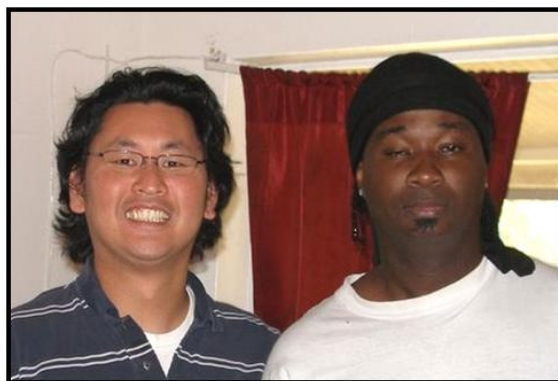
Help Wanted!

Nurse Manager

We are now accepting resumes for this 20 hrs a week position at \$20 per hr.

The Nurse Manager is responsible for immediate supervision of a wide variety of clinic functions, planning and performing direct and indirect nursing interventions, and is responsible for supervising, organizing, planning, assessing and monitoring the medical services.

Please email your resume to gailpicard@tlcwomenscenter.org.



Pastor James Lim & John

A Man's Perspective (cont'd)

music to a pastor's ears!

Knowing John, and what he's being going through, I believe he was reaching out to the Lord, yearning for a life filled with joy in the midst of his hardship, hungering and thirsting for peace that the world cannot offer. After all the Bible studies and spiritual discussions, John was looking for a new life that only Jesus Christ could give. After being presented with the life-changing gospel, John repented and put his trust in Christ!

All of this would not have come about without the wonderful ministry that is going on, here, at TLC Women's Cen-

ter. Gail's words have proved to be so true - "If you can help the men, you will help the women, too".

Please pray for us as we seek to build-up a men's ministry that will enhance the mission of TLC. We thank the Lord that God has brought another men's counselor to volunteer on Tuesdays, in addition to my Mondays. Please pray that the Lord might send three more competent men's counselors so that each day of the week will be covered.

asm. And then I can come back with my own fresh perspective.

Thanks to our Sheriffs for sponsoring the evening!!

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TLC Harvest Roundup & BBQ



Patria Alguila, Judges Choice Award winner and brother Julius ready for the Roundup!

More than 240 people came out, some dressed in their best cowboy boots and jeans all in support of TLC. As a result of our Sheriffs, Deputies and Gospel Crew we were able to raise a little more \$30,000. The Silent Auction raised over \$3,000. As if that weren't enough, God placed it on the heart of a local businessman to purchase that new ultrasound machine we've been praying for. Praise God for the work He is doing in the community!

To go along with our cowboy theme we added a chili cook-off. The chili winners were *Trevor MacLaren* who won the People's Choice Award and *Patria Alguila* who won the Judges Choice Award.

In Loving Memory

- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Perry & Beth Green graciously donated \$100 in memory of **John G. Anderson**
- ♥ Mrs. Elizabeth Bringham graciously donated \$100 in memory of **Sarah Anne, Laura Hope, Isaiah David**
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Tom & Karen Weber graciously donated \$100 each in memory of:
 - ♥ **Clyde E. King**
 - ♥ **Genevieve Gonzalez**
 - ♥ **Francis Pignato**

REPORT CARD

GRADING PERIOD	1	2	3	4	
<u>Third Quarter Report</u>					
♥ 385 client visits					
♥ 220 pregnancy tests					
♥ 110 were positive tests					
♥ 153 Earn While You Learn visits					
♥ 14 babies born					
♥ 3 moms born "again".					
♥ 100 clients already profess to be Christian.					
♥ 50 times the Gospel was shared					
Grade Average					
Attendance:	Present	_____	_____	_____	
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A = Excellent • B = Good • C = Satisfactory • N = Needs Improvement U = Unsatisfactory • I = Insufficient / Incomplete					
Student:	_____	Grade:	_____	Year:	_____