



## Hope Growth

*Article four of a four-part series*

Everything at Hope Pregnancy Clinic centers around our patients. That includes those women making tough life and death decisions in our patient rooms. It extends to those who not only choose life, but also want to move forward with a mentor to increase their parenting skills.

There are two constant threads moving through every woman's experience at Hope—God's Spirit and God's people. It's a miracle that happens every day: the Spirit of the Living God moves through His people at Hope to bless and heal the many who come through our doors. Our employees and volunteers are our most valuable resource. It is a rich, deep team. All of us here feel so blessed by those we get to do life with here at Hope. It is a privilege to be used by God in this setting.

Our team of volunteers is superb! Most of them are Advocates (options counseling), Mentors (parenting education), Donation Sorters (processing to give away) and Handymen (repairs and upkeep). At our last New Volunteer Training we set a record with 11 newbies!

Remarkably, we've grown to 15 employees now. Most are part time; it works out to the equivalent of 8.5 full-time employees. We've added some new positions and filled them with amazing hires. A practical issue that comes with so much good growth is that we have simply run out of space for any more office desks. We are contentedly crowded.

While our patients are the center of all we do, doing it as a team is a significant part of our joy!



## Moving Toward Later Hours

We're learning in the Parenting Initiative that new moms don't really prefer morning appointments. So we're adapting. We're now offering the vast majority of our mentoring appointments in the afternoon and early evening. Our new moms (and dads) love it! This also means we're looking for more volunteer mentors who can serve in those later time slots.

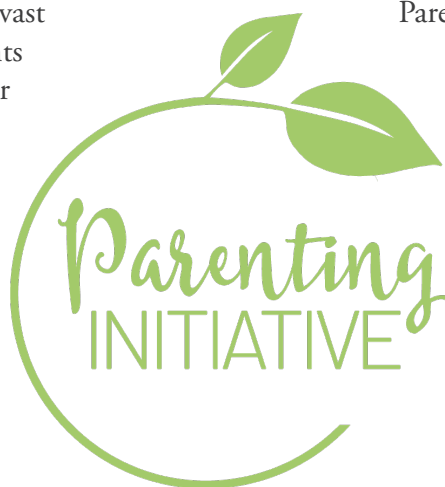
Please consider coming on board with us! Volunteer inquiries can be submitted on the "Get Involved" tab at [hopeforsalem.org](http://hopeforsalem.org).

## Parenting Initiative Assistant

Hope Pregnancy Clinic is looking to hire a part-time (14-20 hrs/week) Mentoring Assistant for the Parenting Initiative. She will need to:

- Have parenting experience.
- Be proficient in conversational and written Spanish.
- Be available some afternoons and evenings.

The full position description, employment application and submission details are available on the "Get Involved" tab at [hopeforsalem.org](http://hopeforsalem.org).



## Thank You Volunteers

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." The volunteers at Hope have a true heart of love and compassion for the women and babies we serve. Some volunteers work directly with patients as advocates and mentors at the clinic and annex. Others help behind the scenes, keeping our facilities organized and tidy, helping with custodial duties, sorting donations, and special projects in and around the buildings. Still other faithful volunteers show up to help before, during and after our events, willing to do whatever is needed.

We are so very appreciative of our volunteers. They are important partners in our ministry triad. Volunteers, financial supporters and staff work tirelessly to provide Hope's caring, honest and excellent services to the women who need us. Thank you, Hope Volunteers!

## Hope Events Recap

Hope Pregnancy Clinic has three major fundraising events every year: the Baby Bottle Campaign in the spring, the Hope Run in August and the Fall Dessert in October. Though these events are primarily fund raisers to continue our services, they're also great opportunities to educate our donors, make new friends and celebrate lives changed. It's a joy to look back on each event and thank the Lord for His work in and through Hope.



The 2023 **Baby Bottle Campaign** was a record breaker, not only in the number of participants, but in the total amount raised. You all brought in over \$100,000! Wow!

If your church or small group would like to join us for baby bottles in 2024, email Whitney at [whitney@hopeforsalem.org](mailto:whitney@hopeforsalem.org).

**The Hope Run** wouldn't be the success it is without a little healthy competition. Here are the winners for this year: Valley Baptist Church of Perrydale raised over \$1,100 and was awarded the Golden Binky Award for the top fundraising team. Awards also went to our fastest runners in the 10K—Jacob Benjamin and Tori Lewis, and in the 5K—JJ McNown and Ashley Tank.



**The Fall Dessert** is a great night for celebrating with friends, family and loved ones. There's nothing like gathering in a room full of life-minded people to praise and glorify the Giver of Life, whose love for our patients and their babies far outweighs our own. Thank you, table hosts, for your efforts, and another big thank you to everyone who attended.

Be on the lookout for next year's event dates!



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