



## What We Have To Be Thankful For



### Banquet 2014

We are thankful for another successful banquet. October 23rd was a night filled with inspiration in song and testimonies. Leah and Lindsay Thibodeau performed the piece "Beautiful Things," reminding us that our Lord can make beautiful things out of dust. That we are made new every morning. Pastor David Stewart sang, "His Eye is on the Sparrow," reminding us that our Lord is always watching out for us. Our scripture this year was from Matthew 25:40: Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of these my brothers, you did it to me." Life is precious and begins in the womb. If your pregnant, it's a baby. Elizabeth and Charlie shared their story. They talked about the help they received at the center. From the first ultrasound picture, through childbirth classes, they felt blessed as they welcomed Charlie Jr into the world. We are so very thankful to God for all His provision. We are thankful to

all who gave their time, prayers, and dollars. We are thankful for David Haschig, Board President, who presented our Pro-Life Achievement award to Dr. John L. Worden IV, Medical Director for the center. We are thankful for Dr. Worden who reminded us how very precious life is and noted that Jesus, Himself, began His life in the womb. We are thankful for John Newton as we ended the evening singing "Amazing Grace" together. We are thankful for God's love and mercy, truly amazing gifts.

From Tara Lappas, our newest board member:

*"What a wonderful experience it was working behind the scenes planning and participating in this year's banquet. Hearing the hearts of the director, board members, workers and volunteers... listening to the testimonies of the impact on the clients and the community... feeling the mighty hand of God upon the process as He directed details and moved upon the hearts of people to attend and to give... Oh what a glorious and edifying experience! What an encouragement it is to see the body of Christ come together from different denominations to unite in the saving of lives and souls! I feel so honored to be a part of it! Putting together and working with the usher team was pure joy! The young people ranged in age from 14 to 18 and came from five different churches. Their youthful energy and eagerness to serve was contagious. After the banquet, a gentleman shared that he was quite moved by the song, "Beautiful Things". He expressed that it touched him deeply at his point of need. This was the first year that he and his wife had ever attended a Care Net banquet and they are very much looking forward to next year's. So am I."*

From Gail Gardner, Executive Director, reporting for the center:

*We are all broken and wounded. What makes us whole is the redemptive power of love. We have a Father in Heaven that has good gifts for us, his children. He abides in us and through his eyes we see all that come to the center as divine appointments. Our day begins with prayer, acknowledging that we are the work of His hands, knowing in the deepest cells of our being that we are loved, we are healed, in this awareness we keep our appointments.*

*At the center we believe that you are stronger than your circumstances. Sometimes pregnancy comes at a time when your life seems to be spinning out of control. Strength to do what is good, what is right, comes from God.*

*Our center is affiliated with CareNet National located in Virginia. We are one of over 1200 centers across the country. We do not receive any financial support from this partnership, because each center is its own charity. We do receive guides that assist us in focusing on the needs of our clients. One of these is a commitment of care and competence. Our clients are treated with kindness, compassion and in a caring manner. We do not offer, recommend or refer for abortions; we are committed to offering accurate information about abortion procedures and risks. All of our advertising and communications are truthful and honest, and accurately describe the services we offer.*

*If you are pregnant, it's a baby. At conception a unique individual comes into existence. Their hair and eye color, and to some extent, personality and intelligence are*

*established. 6 weeks from your last menstrual period the brain is dividing into its three main parts and the respiratory and digestive systems are forming. Upper and lower buds appear. Both the yolk sac and the baby's heartbeat are easily seen on ultrasound. In the great words of Dr. Seuss, "A Person's a person no matter how small." Pregnancy is a natural process that is complex and full of wonder. From the elaborate details of DNA in a newly formed embryo, to the awe-inspiring passage of a full-sized infant through a 10 centimeter opening, human reproduction is nothing short of miraculous.*

*To see pictures from our Banquet visit [www.friendsofcarenetchburg.org](http://www.friendsofcarenetchburg.org) and click on pictures. The beautiful bouquets you see were individually created by our volunteers and were given as gifts to be brought home.*



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