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PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

Prayers for: Redeeming Life Maternity Home

PRAYER #1

Dear Lord, You have called us to share the love of Christ through the proclamation of the Gospel and acts of mercy. The residents of Redeeming Life Maternity Home face the fear and uncertainty of unplanned pregnancies. May this safe haven, offering Christian love and mercy, help to replace their feelings of hopelessness and helplessness, with the forgiveness, hope and love that only You can provide. In Your Holy Name, we pray, Amen.

PRAYER #2

Dearest Father, as You sheltered Your precious Son in Mary's womb, and gave Him an earthly family to love and protect Him, so may You bless the young mothers and their babies at Redeeming Life Maternity Home. Assure them of Your grace, mercy, and love, and grant them renewed hope for their future. Remind them of Your perfect plan for Your dear children; *"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."* Jeremiah 29:11. We thank and praise You for Your ever present love. Amen

PRAYER #3

We thank you Lord, for the dedicated staff at Redeeming Life Maternity Home, as they provide safe housing and program services to single mothers and their babies. Grant them peace, patience, and perseverance as they help these young women to grow in their faith and relationship with you. *"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."* Galatians 6:9. In Jesus Name, we pray, Amen.

PRAYER #4

Dear Jesus, we ask Your blessings on the courageous young women at Redeeming Life Maternity Home who have made life affirming choices for their children. We are so often saddened to know that in our country nearly 1 million babies are lost to abortion each year. We praise You for working in the hearts of these women, who have chosen life for their children and are seeking to grow in their relationship with You. We rejoice with the mothers who have brought their infants to the waters of Holy baptism. May they be wholly served by Christian mercy, that they may live their lives as forgiven, loved, and redeemed children of God. In Your precious Name, we pray, Amen.

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MISSION GRANT STORY

REDEEMING LIFE MATERNITY HOME

\$100,000

Over 25 years ago Rev. Edward DeWitt and his wife, Sheryl, dreamed of opening a maternity home for women who chose life for their unborn babies but who lacked the resources to live independent, healthy lives. Redeeming Life Maternity Home (RLMH) became a reality in 2013, started by Lutheran Church of the Redeemer. Since that time the Sanford, Florida crisis pregnancy ministry has served as a home to 15 women and referred some 60 more to other service agencies. Four women currently live at the home, including three mothers with infants.

At RLMH faith, family, and education are upheld as keys to living a healthy, hope-filled life. Residents live together as family, learning to support and accept one another. Whether a resident chooses to parent or to lovingly place her child for adoption, she works toward finishing her education and/or obtaining the job skills necessary for success. Spiritual growth is fostered through daily prayer and devotions, worship and Bible study, and active involvement with the congregation.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) grant will support the home's programs for educational and vocational learning, instruction in financial management, parenting skills, and life skills. Individual, group and specialized counseling is also available. What a blessing it is for the LWML to be able to support this organization, upholding the value of human life and sharing the message of Christ's salvation.

