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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.