

## 2018 Celebration of Life

**Who:** Lou Holtz, Keynote Speaker

**What:** Celebration of Life banquet

**When:** Thursday, April 12 at 6:30pm  
(Doors open at 6:00pm)

**Where:** JW Marriott, 10 S. West Street,  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

**Why:** Benefits men and women facing  
pregnancy related decisions

**How:** Register at [LifeCenters.com](http://LifeCenters.com)

Registration is open! Lou Holtz, legendary football coach and analyst, ESPN (2004-2015) is the keynote speaker for the 2018 Celebration of Life banquet.

Lou Holtz is many things: coach, sports analyst, speaker, author, and he has even produced highly acclaimed motivational videos. His previous role as Notre Dame's 25<sup>th</sup> head football coach is arguably his most recognized one. As a speaker, he has built a reputation as a motivator, a demanding disciplinarian, and someone who relishes challenges and hard work. You won't want to miss this rare opportunity to hear Lou Holtz speak in Indianapolis.

You will also hear firsthand the impact you and all of our supporters have made in the lives of men and women facing pregnancy related decisions. Former clients will share with you their stories of choosing life and how Life Centers helped and supported them along the way.

This event is our largest fundraiser to sustain the ministry and to raise awareness to the life-saving work done in our eight centers every day. The Celebration of Life banquet allows us to provide free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, peer counseling, post-abortion programs, a 24 hour call help line, and support items to our clients.



## Celebration of Life



Your business or organization can be recognized as a sponsor during the Celebration of Life banquet! Sponsorships help us host the banquet and fulfill our ministry, but there are also many other benefits.

- Sponsorship helps fund our eight centers
- Sponsorship is a great way to multiply dollars given to Life Centers. Your sponsorship may prompt others to join you as a key sponsor.
- We will provide a platform for recognition and referral that lasts well beyond the banquet.
- Your sponsorship will provide you with preferred seating and VIP access at our banquet.
- There are three levels of sponsorship opportunity: \$6,000, \$3,000, and \$1,200.

For more information on becoming a sponsor and what each level of sponsorship provides, please contact Tom Shevlot at (317) 968-9139 or [tshevlot@lifecenters.com](mailto:tshevlot@lifecenters.com) or Mark Pappas at (317) 968-9140 or [mpappas@lifecenters.com](mailto:mpappas@lifecenters.com). To give your sponsorship amount online, visit [lifecenters.com/give/online-donations/](http://lifecenters.com/give/online-donations/).

Instead of using a business name, you can honor a loved one who was passionate about life. Our "In Memory Of" sponsorship opportunity will identify a person by name in our program and on the screen during the banquet.

- "In Memory Of" sponsorship will be recognized as a table sponsor
- "In Memory Of" sponsorship is \$1,200

## “I Came Here For You to Pray with Me.”

Our tagline, “*We Choose Compassion*” is so much more than a tagline. It is something we set out to do every single day for every single person that walks through our doors. We want people to want to come back again and again. We want them to feel comfortable talking to us, knowing we will be unbiased listeners, not placing judgement. So many people just need someone to listen, show genuine concern, and offer support and solutions.

At times, the stories we hear can be difficult and full of sorrow. Many times, it’s hard to know the right thing to say, but if we lean on the Lord and rely on Him to speak through us, often times the right words come pouring out; words offering hope.

Recently, a young lady and her boyfriend visited one of our centers. Jessica had been seen twice this year by Karen who happened to be working when the couple came in. Karen took her back to a counseling room and determined she was here for a pregnancy test. The test was negative.

But a pregnancy test wasn’t the only thing Jessica came in for that day. Tearfully, she said to Karen, “I came here for you to pray with me.” Somewhat shocked, as that isn’t something we hear very often, Karen asked Jessica if this was something her boyfriend should be a part of, or if she would like to be prayed for alone. Stating her boyfriend should be involved, Matt came back to the counseling room.



When Karen asked the couple what they needed prayer for, Jessica replied, “Our life together and for our relationship.” The couple held hands and cried as Karen prayed for them. Karen was encouraging them to move toward God and to put Him first in their relationship, forsaking all things that are interfering with a relationship with their Lord and Savior.

When their time together came to a close, they left the counseling room and Karen led them down the hallway toward the lobby. While they were walking, Karen heard Matt say to Jessica, “I feel so much better.”

God is moving in this young couple’s lives. They sought prayer and guidance and knew where to go.

This is such a powerful example of what Life Centers is. A place of compassion, hope, and support.

*To read more stories about real clients and how Life Centers is working in their lives, visit our blog on our website. [Lifecenters.com/blog](https://lifecenters.com/blog).*

## New Center Openings

The Hamilton County open house and ribbon cutting was in late November. Members of the community came to tour the center and celebrate the opening of a new full-time center in Noblesville. The new center is located at 305 Sheridan Road, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Donations, such as new and gently used baby items, are accepted at this location. For information on volunteering at this center or at any of our centers, contact Tammy Johnson at [tjohnson@lifecenters.com](mailto:tjohnson@lifecenters.com).



## Staff Updates



Sydney Gautier

Life Centers welcomes Sydney Gautier! Sydney is the Associate Director at the South center. She also works part-time at New Circle Church (where she and her husband, Joe, also attend), as the Community Engagement Coordinator. Sydney graduated from IUPUI with a bachelor's degree in general studies and a minor in religious studies. She loves spending time with her husband and their dog, Carley, hiking, rock climbing, and traveling.



Christy Green

Christy Green is the new Director at the East center. Christy has a social work background, having worked in foster care and closely with children and families in crisis. She has a Bachelor of Science degree from Indiana Wesleyan University in general studies with concentrations in psychology and criminal justice. Christy and her husband, Richard, have been married for 23 years and have six children; three were adopted from foster care. She enjoys reading, hiking and hunting with her husband, and camping with family.



Rachel Weiss

Life Centers is pleased to announce Rachel Weiss as the new Associate Director for the Downtown center. She attended Anderson University and has a Bachelor of Arts degree in family science. Rachel has a variety of different experiences, mainly in direct care with young women, mothers in crisis, preventative educational programming, and mental health. In her free time, you can find Rachel with family or friends playing games, hiking trails, or sharing a meal or coffee together.

## 2017 Ministry Stats

				
<b>7,868</b> Women & Babies Served	<b>19,464</b> Free Services	<b>86</b> Spiritual Decisions	<b>244</b> Ultrasounds Given	<b>1,624</b> Babies Born

## Ways to Give to Life Centers

### Choose Life License Plates:

Every year your plate is registered, \$25 will go toward the pregnancy resource center in your county.

Visit [www.in.gov/bmv/2620.htm](http://www.in.gov/bmv/2620.htm) to find the "Choose Life" plate. Select "Order or renew your plates online" and enter your information. Your new specialty plate will arrive in the mail within 14 days! You can also get a Choose Life license plate at your local BMW.



### Kroger Community Rewards Program:

Life Centers has enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. This program allows Kroger Plus members to designate Life Centers to receive a percentage of what they spend at Kroger. To designate Life Centers as your charity of choice, visit [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com), set up an account and enter 79056 when prompted to enter a "NPO #" (nonprofit organization).



### Baby Bundles:

We provide baby bundles as a gift to our clients who choose life for their babies. A baby bundle contains diapers, wipes, baby clothes, a blanket, a bottle, and many other items a new baby will need. An expectant mom comes to one of our centers to pick up her baby bundle when she is 8 months pregnant. One baby bundle costs \$60 for Life Centers to assemble. If you visit [life-centers.com/give/online-donations/](http://life-centers.com/give/online-donations/), you can designate your \$60 donation to a baby bundle!



## Winter 2018 Ministry Update

Life Centers' goal is to **save babies** from abortion and **transform** the **lives** of their mothers.



## Thank you notes from our visitors to you!

This has been such a wonderful experience. You are helping so many women & families with not only their pregnancies but with sharing the gospel.

I will certainly recommend any women I know to come here ☺

God is using you in so many ways!!



Today you help me get the services I need. I need someone to talk to and someone to listen to me and not impose their values on me. A lot is going thru my head but I do want to say thank you for giving me the chance to be heard and understood.

Thank you for all you help I am blessed to have come in and meet with you. Thanks for your support and advice you have made me change my mind. I think I am moving on and keeping my baby. Thank you so much

I will love to say thank you for been here for me and my kids when we need you the most you was here when the money was low and I didn't have any one else to go to but you was here ...  
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