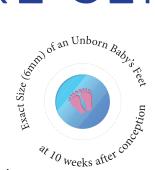
# Kerman CARE CENTER





September 2021

Maria Pacheco Executive Director

#### Newsletter Highlights

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#### Prayer Request

### The Supreme Court Reconsiders Roe: Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization

Next year, the Supreme Court will likely issue the most consequential abortion decision of the last 30 years, in a case entitled Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization.

The case focuses on Mississippi law that bans abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy. While significant majorities of Americans support abortion restrictions after the first trimester, lower courts struck down this law because of existing Supreme Court decisions. Roe v. Wade's chief successor case, 1992's Planned Parenthood v. Casey, holds that the 14th Amendment of the Constitution gives a high level of protection to abortions prior to fetal "viability", the shifting point at which an unborn child can survive outside the womb. Children are not "viable" until 21-23 weeks after pregnancy, so the Mississippi law clearly runs afoul of that standard. State laws cannot violate the Constitution -- or what Supreme Court mistakenly interprets the Constitution to mean.

By taking the Dobbs case, the Court is clearly considering a revision of Casey's viability standard, which has no grounding in the text or historical public understanding of the Constitution. The following are the possible outcomes of this case, which could reshape the landscape of abortion in America:

- The status quo: This would be a disaster. If the court simply upholds Casey, abortion will continue to be effectively legal for all nine months of pregnancy, for any reason, in all fifty states, with limited ability by states or Congress to regulate the practice.
- Overturning Roe: While the most positive outcome (and the one we at KCC support) would be a finding that the Constitution simply has nothing to say about abortion. The finding would open the door for Congress or state legislatures to regulate abortion however they wish. They cannot do so now, because Roe and Casey interpret the constitution itself as protecting abortion, and normal laws cannot contradict the Constitution. Overturning Roe and Casey would allow states or Congress to pass laws outright banning abortion, or banning it after various significant points in pregnancy (the end of the first trimester, after fetal heartbeat can be detected, etc.).



Let us pray for the Supreme Court, as they hear the oral arguments for Dobbs this fall and issue their decision sometime next year. The end of Roe v. Wade could very well be upon us!

Hope. Help. Healing.

## Staff & Stories~ LUAU

#### KCC'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Tickets are still available -- TIA for Your Support!
We are Looking Forward to Spending a Great Evening with You
Contact KCC at 842-4357 or info@kermancarecenter.org





#### KCC'S BABY BOUTIQUE ~

We are so excited we have been able to open this great resource to the public! AND... the public (and our clients) have been So Excited right back!

Please drop by and see us (KCC office hours) -- we offer gift baskets, new and gently-used clothing and miscellaneous baby items.

We are in need of donations, volunteers, and prayer for our local communities. ♥





#### **Our Mission**

Kerman Care Center is a non-profit organization which exists

to promote an abstinent lifestyle for the unmarried, offer life-affirming alternatives to those facing an unplanned pregnancy, and equip individuals through eduction and factual information.

Our services promote wellness for our clients, their families, and the community. All our services are free. We depend on the support of individuals such as you.

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If you would like to be removed from our mailing list, please email us at info@KermanCareCenter.org

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## KERMAN CARE CENTER SUPPORTS LOCAL EVENTS ~

Pictured below is Maria at CITY OF KERMAN'S 75th ANNIVERSARY OF INCORPORATION CELEBRATION

On the right, is Elsa during Kerman's NATIONAL NIGHT OUT held at Kerman High School's football field





**Prayers & Praises** 

- KCC's Fundraising Luau -Please pray for its success, and
  the Center's continued ability to
  make a positive difference in the
  community.
- Thank You to all of you who have donated and volunteered in our new Baby Boutique!
  - And, a **Praise** because our storeroom is flowing with donations! You, too, can be a part of this wonderful ministry that is open to all in our community ~
  - **#1** Shop with us. We are open to the public during regular office hours. The Boutique is located in suite 110.
  - **#2** Donate. We are in need of new and gently-used baby clothes size 6 months thru 24 months; shoes for under 4 years of age; baby wipes, shampoo, bottles, etc.; and toddler clothing 2T to 5T.
  - **#3** Volunteer your time sorting, tagging, greeting customers, etc.

#### NEW FINANCIAL CONVENIENCES ~

The Center has changed its accounting program to *Realm*, part of *ACS Technologies*. This company's program is specifically for churches and charities. Connected to this is the electronic processing company *Vanco*.

With the electronic transfer of funds, those who prefer to donate by credit card can have full control of their donations. On your cell phone, To: **73256** text **KermanCare**. The text must be one word; no spaces. It will then instruct you on how to make your donations. You choose what date and how often you donate. You can help the Center even more by choosing to include the processing fees in your donation.

If you are currently making a monthly donation by credit card, consider changing to this method. You have complete control without concern your credit card information being at the Center.

When you change your donation to this method, please email Carol at worcbitter@live.com to remove your card information from the Center's list.

Included in this program is the ability to communicate with you by email and for you to check events and your donation information. Please send your email and a phone number so your profile can be updated. We can then "Invite" to join our site. Also, if you would like to be in the directory, which will show your phone and email only and be available to only donors, indicate that in you email by saying "directory".

Thank you, Carol Bitter

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Probably one of the scariest things in life is bringing home your newborn for the first time and realizing, "I DON'T COMPLETELY KNOW WHAT I'M DOING!" The first year of a baby's life is so important! *BrightCourse* lessons creatively teach our clients medically recommended practices while relating to their shared experiences.

#### A few of the 200+ topics include:

- The Emotions of Pregnancy
- What Is Safe During Pregnancy
- The Importance of Bonding
- Postpartum Depression
- Car Seat Safety
- Newborn Sickness
- Shaken Baby Syndrome
- Crying
- Getting Your Baby to Sleep
- Infant Hygiene
- Mommy Work (Balancing Family/Work)
- Childhood Immunizations
- Breastfeeding
- Being a Super Mom
- Preventing Child Sexual Abuse

Discussion Ideas are suggested with each topic. The ideas help to promote a better understand of the heart of our client and her needs through sharing, connecting, and caring.

Whether our client is coming into our office for one-on-one learning or watching and answering questions from the lesson online; an easy-toread Fact Sheet and, often, a Spiritual Application is provided for each topic.

Talking about subjects that may cause insecurities in a parent's heart is not always easy. We appreciate your prayers and your donations in support of this program!



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**KermanCare** (one word, no space)





- Free Pregnancy Testing
- Earn While You Learn Parenting Classes
- Birth and Breastfeeding Classes
- School Presentations on Life Skills
- Court-Ordered Parenting Classes
- Anger Management Courses
- · Community Resource Referrals



#### **Life-Affirming Alternatives**

We offer FREE and Confidential Resources to Help Women and Men Navigate the Challenges of Unplanned Pregnancies, in a Safe and Encouraging Environment

**Office Hours** 

Tuesday through Thursday, 10 am to 5 pm

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