

## Alpha Deceit

Life and Liberty for Women, a new non-profit organization dedicated to aggressive, radical abortion rights education, ([www.lifeandlibertyforwomen.org](http://www.lifeandlibertyforwomen.org)), based in Fort Collins, congratulates Allison Kruse for her excellent investigative piece ("The Hidden Agenda of Crisis Pregnancy Centers," July 2001) on the fundamental Christian, anti-abortion Alpha Center, a so-called crisis pregnancy center (CPC). I've met with Sharon Hindman of the Alpha Center and co-sponsor of last year's anti-abortion "Woman's Right to Know" ballot initiative that, not surprisingly, wouldn't have applied to the Alpha Center. Kruse is correct: Using deceptive means to attract women, misinforming them of the facts, and preaching to them is routine for a CPC.

*The Center*, a magazine resource for CPCs, published by a Christian company in the winter of 2000, claims, "A major challenge to CPCs in the next decade will be finding new methods to attract abortion-minded women. Each year there are a decreasing number of truly abortion-vulnerable women as clients. However, there's been an increase in the number of clients who aren't abortion-vulnerable but simply want material resources such

as maternity clothes and baby accessories. Every woman in need is important and should be helped. However, CPCs were originally organized to reach the abortion-minded woman and save her and her baby from abortion."

The magazine says turning a CPC into a licensed medical facility allows it to use the ultrasound Kruse described to guilt women unprepared to parent into becoming mothers or into giving birth and giving away their child—the child's quality of life once born or consequences of adoption unimportant.

As for the extreme evangelism to which Kruse described being subjected, I'd suggest to this Alpha Center counselor that she read our first article under "Issues" on our website. God never condemned abortion. In fact, God believes women have a right to life and liberty over a fetus, conception to birth. No exceptions.

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