

Alpha Center Responds

In the July issue of the *Bullhorn*, Allison Kruse wrote an article entitled "The Hidden Agenda of Crisis Pregnancy Centers." Ms. Kruse asserts in her article that crisis pregnancy centers offer free pregnancy testing, but that the hidden agenda is to deter women from having an abortion. There is nothing hidden in the agendas of crisis pregnancy centers. They advertise under "Abortion Alternatives," which clearly state that they are "businesses that provide alternatives to abortion and primarily engage in counseling against abortion." I cannot seem to find anything hidden there. Crisis pregnancy centers do not provide or refer for abortions, and that is clearly stated to anyone who asks.

When Ms. Kruse entered the Alpha Center for Women, as she states in her article, it was abundantly clear that she had walked into a Christian, pro-life atmosphere. She was greeted by people who offered her kindness and genuinely cared for her. She and anyone else who walks through the doors have the freedom to walk away at any time. She could have had her free pregnancy test and asked that she not receive counsel or materials, and her request would have been honored. Many things in her article need to be addressed, but it is impossible to do so within the space allotted.

Ms. Kruse presented herself as someone in need. She presented a story that was not true with the full intent of disparaging the Alpha Center. I ask you, Who had the hidden agenda? This article unjustly defamed the Alpha Center. We invite all those who have concerns or questions about the Alpha Center to stop by and visit us.

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