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This Mother's Day, honor the special women in your life with a Mother's Day card. Simply give a gift of \$150, \$100, \$50 or any amount in the enclosed remittance envelope. Fill in the name and address of each mother you would like to honor, and we will send them a special Mother's Day card. Your generous support allows Alpha Center to stand in the gap to help women in difficult circumstances choose life for their unborn child.

For HIS Unborn,

Leslee Unruh, Founder



A Mother's Day Story

Hi, my name is Callia and this is our story. I was adopted at birth, and Debbie has been and always will be my mom. The past few years, we've had a normal teenage daughter/mother relationship. We would have our fights, but I knew she was a great parent because of everything she did for me and how she supported me in all of my activities. When I found out I was pregnant, it became a strain on my relationship with my family, but it was especially hard on my mom. It was hard to even talk to my parents after what I did. My mom had heard about Alpha Center, and suggested we go there to get help during this difficult time. I didn't consider terminating my pregnancy obviously, I was scared though and didn't know what to do. Micah's dad said it was a possibility, but I stood up for what I believed and I wanted to protect this baby at all costs.

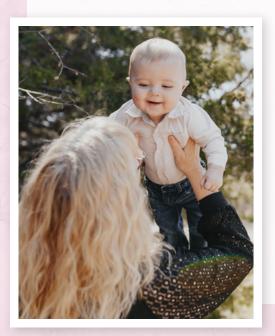


We were shocked when Callia told us she was pregnant. Life became confusing and difficult right away. Our prayer became 'how can we bring GOD glory in this situation?' We did not know. I was aware of Alpha Center but did not know all the services offered other than helping with unexpected pregnancies. I was struck by the center's professionalism and especially the care and concern for Callia, the baby and me. As a Christian, I was sensitive to being judged as a mom. That concern was not warranted at Alpha Center. The staff does a great job at focusing on looking forward and getting past the circumstances leading up to the pregnancy. They quickly made me feel safe and accepted.

I began Alpha Center's Earn While You Learn program and have been able to earn Baby Bucks that I can redeem for baby items we need. My mom has been able to go through the program with me and I love how much she has helped me and my baby. Our relationship has changed and we've become a lot closer. It wasn't just our relationship with each



other, but with our God too. I trust in His plans for my future. I'm currently working at Sanford and Skyzone, but hope to attend Southeast Technical College this fall for Nursing and Law Enforcement Science. And for my first Mother's Day, I hope to experience the joy of getting to hang out with my mom and also the joy of being with my son, Micah.



Alpha Center was there for us as a starting point on a rocky road. We are grateful for all the prenatal classes Callia and I were able to take, the weekly conversations, the ongoing lessons on caring for baby. I was so grateful to see Callia growing in her faith and her desire to be a godly mother to this baby. She wanted me at all her prenatal appointments and for the birth of her beautiful son. God drew us closer together over those months and our relationship grew. I continue to pray for Callia as she is now navigating life with an 8-month-old, several part-time jobs and planning to start college in the fall. She chose to have Micah baptized and has him in church with her every Sunday. We praise GOD that He used this unexpected pregnancy to shower our family with His love, mercy, forgiveness, and joy!

