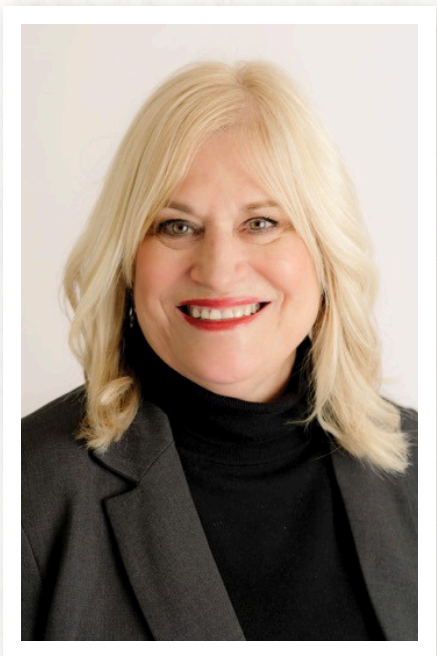




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This Mother's Day, honor the special women in your life with a Mother's Day card. Simply give a gift of \$150, \$100, \$50 or any amount in the enclosed remittance envelope. Fill in the name and address of each mother you would like to honor, and we 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,

Debbie Munk



Megan's Story

One evening, I was hanging out with a couple of friends at a familiar home. It started out as a fun, low-key party. I had no idea that evening would lead to the life-altering nightmare of being raped.

One day I was care-free and laughing and the next I was faced with handling the stress and trauma of a sexual assault. I remember I kept asking myself, "Did this really happen to ME?"

At first, I didn't want to report the rape. But I eventually decided to go to the hospital where I received an exam and filed a report. Two weeks later I realized I was pregnant. Dozens of overwhelming thoughts swirled around in my mind, and I felt paralyzed about what I was supposed to do next.



Megan

My family was extremely supportive when I shared everything with them. They responded with love, compassion and tenderness. They assured me that I didn't have to go through this alone and that we would work through everything together.

I felt I had two choices – I could keep this baby or place the baby with adoptive parents. As the pregnancy continued, the weight of the decision got heavier and heavier. I just wanted to do "the right thing" both for myself and the baby. After carefully and prayerfully considering my options, I decided, with the help of my family, to keep my baby.

Today my "baby" is a wonderful, happy and healthy 20-year-old woman named Maria Grace.



Maria & Megan

The path has not always been easy, but my faith and family have been essential factors that helped a beautiful story unfold from a difficult, unexpected situation. Alpha Center also played a key role in encouraging me through this journey. I was able to hear about and meet other women who also faced unplanned pregnancies. Seeing their strength helped me to know that I could overcome the challenges too. Alpha Center gave me the opportunity to share the message that every life, regardless of circumstance, has absolute and abundant value.

Being Maria Grace's mom has been a phenomenal blessing! Her presence was a strong motivational factor for me to earn a college degree and create a simple, yet happy life for us. A few years later, God brought a wonderful man into our lives. Daniel and I married, and we were blessed to become a family and have



Daniel & Megan

three more children. The birth of Maria's son has given us another reason to celebrate life, but this time as grandparents.

I am grateful to Alpha Center for allowing me to share the joy and hope in my personal story of motherhood; letting everyone know that God can use the scattered, broken pieces of our lives and transform them into a magnificent masterpiece!



Maria & her son


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