

# Hope connection

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## Walk for Life 2010 Results Are In!



We had such a great turnout for our 2010 Walk for Life! So many of our wonderful friends came to show their support for the sanctity of human life.

Even though the economy is in a slump we were able to raise more than we did last year. Right now our total raised, including individual donations and business sponsorships, is **\$8,366.00!**

We owe a big thank you to each of our walkers, and all their friends and family who donated through them. Our ministry stays open and ready to save lives because of your selflessness!

We also need to thank our sponsors who underwrote the entire event, so every dollar raised goes directly into our programs. Please be sure to thank these businesses and churches next time you're there:

**Cooper Drug Store**  
**Augusta First Assembly of God Church**  
**Edward Jones Investments--Joel Yourdon**  
**Dunsford-Zeiner Funeral Home**  
**Brick Street Bake Shoppe**  
**Life Church of Augusta**  
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## MONTHLY STATISTICS

### *Client Visits*

July-80 August-89

### *Pregnancy Tests*

July-5 August-9

### *Diapers Earned*

July-994 August-816

Reaching new souls  
each month!

Pregnancy Care Center



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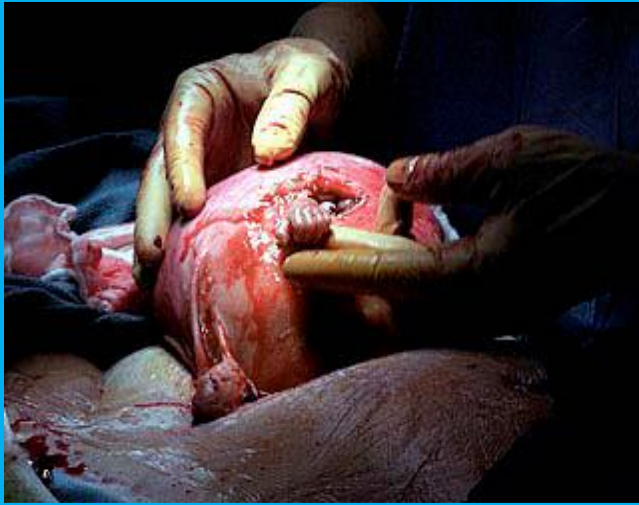
Encouraging healthy choices for  
women, babies and families.

*Guest Commentary by Michael Clancy*

## The photo that grasped the world

For me it still seems like yesterday—August 19, 1999. While on assignment at Vanderbilt University Medical Center the click of my camera's shutter changed my life forever.

Dr. Joseph Bruner was performing fetal surgery for spina bifida on Samuel Armus—at just 21 weeks gestation—as I was shooting photos for USA Today. Suddenly I saw the uterus shake and little Samuel's fist force its way out. His tiny arm flailed about and when the doctor squeezed his hand Samuel responded, squeezing back.



I fired my camera and was mesmerized as the more Samuel squeezed, the harder Dr. Bruner pulled. My camera was capturing the earliest human interaction ever seen on film.

Here in the states, I was originally told the photo—though miraculous—was too graphic for the U.S. literary market. On Sept. 7, 1999 however, USA Today ran the photo and it soon spread across the globe. In Europe a media firestorm spread regarding the photograph that came to be known as *The Hand of Hope*.

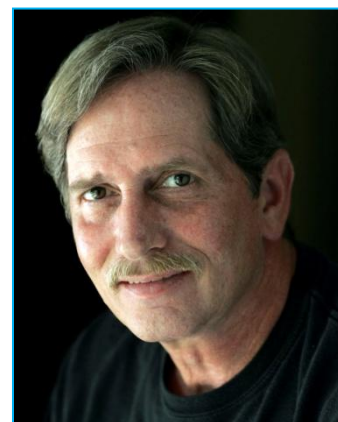
Much later Dr. Bruner would claim Samuel was under anesthesia and could not have reached out, saying he alone

was responsible for creating a staged photo.

I'm sure Dr. Bruner has reasons for his version of history. Was Samuel under anesthesia as Dr. Bruner claims? Perhaps; as I'm no expert. Yet I saw—with my own eyes and my camera—a little fist burst forth on its own. After seeing the miracle of pre-born life, my Samuel—the most important person in this story—is now ten and doing well. He is a joy to visit with, exuding optimism at every turn. Samuel knows—as do I—that his photograph is changing hearts every day.

As I share my story at pro-life events around the world, one of the greatest blessings is seeing first-hand the importance of pregnancy resource centers. At these ministries, men and women—many for the first time—experience true compassion. And these ministries—just like a photo of a child grasping hope—are winning hearts and saving lives.

*Michael Clancy is an award-winning photojournalist and frequent speaker at prolife events. His story can be found on the web at [MichaelClancy.com](http://MichaelClancy.com).*



# Thanks to Outgoing Board Members

We wish to thank the following retiring Board Members for their years of service to the Pregnancy Care Center:

**Bev Morris**  
*11 years*

**Lori Ridder**  
*7 years*

**Jessica Yourdon**  
*7 years*

All three of these ladies have given generously of themselves to our ministry. If you see them about, please stop and thank them.



# New Office Hours

Monday 12:00-5:00pm  
Tuesday 12:00-5:00pm  
Wednesday 12:00-5:00pm  
Thursday 12:00-5:00pm  
Friday Closed

# WELCOME LAURIE ANDREWS!



Bringing over 20 years of ministry experience, Laurie Andrews joined our staff as the new Client Services Manager in August. Originally from Texas, Laurie attended New Life Bible College in Cleveland, TN in 1988-89, receiving a certificate of completion. She then traveled for 4 years nationally and internationally with New Life Drama Company, also based in Cleveland, TN. In January of 1994, she and husband Paul moved to Augusta and they became youth pastors for the Ministry of Jesus Church, which eventually led to their becoming senior pastors of Life Church in 2006. Laurie was ordained through Christian Outreach Centers of North America in March of 1999. She is also the Worship Pastor & in charge of Women's Ministries at Life Church, on the corner of 60th & Ohio here in Augusta. Laurie is the proud mom of a 12-year-old son, Zachary, and a 14-year-old daughter, Alex, both of which attend Circle Middle School. She and Paul have been happily married for 18 years.

# Baby Gallery Meet our PCC Kids



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