

# Cornerstone Among Women

# Women

## THE STATE OF THE CENTER

### REALIGNED AND READY

*Dear Friends,*



As I write this, we are waiting to hear the words of the President of the United States in his annual state of the nation address. Article II, Sec. 3 of the United States Constitution requires that, *"The President shall from time to time give to Congress information of the State of the Union and recommend to their Consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."*

Since January 8, 1790, when George Washington personally delivered the first annual address to the nation, presidents have "from time to time" been doing just that in what has become known as the

State of the Union Address. Thomas Jefferson reverted to a written report sent separately to both houses of Congress in 1801, and it would be 112 years before the state of union was delivered via speech again. This happened in 1913, when Woodrow Wilson spoke his address to a joint session of Congress. Today, modern media capabilities have made it possible for the world to share in this conversation between our president and our legislative branches of Congress.

Jesus originated such a practice at His last supper with the twelve disciples. His address defined the "state of His Kingdom," and His words impacted humanity for all time. *"If you abide in Me and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be done for you... If you keep my commandments, you will abide in My love just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in His love."* John 15: 7-10

One of the pictures of an "abiding" posture is that of a relaxed bowstring, prepared and ready in the hand of the archer. The bow must be tended and cared for in order to launch the arrows effectively. 2011 has been such a year of preparation and realignment for Cornerstone Among Women. There have been significant board and staff changes, as well as the launching of our mobile ultrasound unit, and with it the strengthening of our North Coast Pregnancy Center alignments. Now our CAW bow is ready for our arrows to be shot forward "... to proclaim release of the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord." Luke 4:18-19

Like an arrow shot from the abiding Presence of the Lord, Cornerstone is being sent with the expansion of our development and medical models and our Center Without Walls outreach. This we proclaim with confidence, joy, and great expectations for what He will do in 2012!

Sincerely,

Carolyn Herbert, D. Min.  
Executive Director

## Client Testimony

Hi, my name is Amanda. I am 38 years old. I am a single mom of three. My son is 19; my daughters are 16 and 9. I separated from my husband about 14 years ago when my two oldest were 2½ and 5. It was very scary on my own with two children depending on me to feed, clothe and to keep a roof over their heads. We stayed with my Dad for awhile and then for a few years went from friend to friend's houses, staying in a spare room or the basement. I paid what I could to help with the household until we had worn out our welcome. I worked mostly through temp agencies and a few housekeeping companies. I think it was the end of 1999 when we got approved for a 3 bedroom apartment through public housing. I did my best to keep my kids close and stay out of trouble.

One day at about 3 a.m. my husband started banging on my door. He was drunk, but I told him that he could pass out on the couch. Long story short, I ended up at Cornerstone about two months later. I went to get a free pregnancy test and some information on getting an abortion. I was sort of in panic mode at the time. I remember thinking how could I take care of another child when I already was struggling to survive and take care of the two I had. At Cornerstone a lady led me up the stairs.

I can still remember how the stairs and floors of the old building creaked. After my test she led me down the hall to the last door on the right. As I walked in, I saw about 9 or so plastic fetal models, one for each month of pregnancy. She worked out the numbers and I think she told me I was about 2 months pregnant. I looked at the

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## COMING EVENTS

### Annual Fundraising Banquet

April 30, 6:30 p.m.

### Volunteer Orientation

Feb. 23 and Oct. 11,  
9:30–11:30 a.m.

At Cornerstone Among Women

### Volunteer Training

Thursdays, Mar. 1-29  
Thursdays, Oct. 18-Nov. 15  
9:30-11:30 a.m.

At Cornerstone Among Women

### Walk/Run For Life

Saturday, September 29  
10:00 a.m.

At Lorain County Community College

## CELL PHONES DONATIONS

We are still recycling old cell phones. Please donate them to the Among Other Things Resale Shop.

## GIVE ELECTRONICALLY – IT'S EASY!

If you're a regular donor to Cornerstone Among Women, you can now save yourself the hassle of writing checks and mailing envelopes. Email Laurie at [lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org](mailto:lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org) learn how to give via your credit/debit card from a bank account. It is a secure and easy way to give.

## MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAM

Does your company have a matching gifts program that will provide the opportunity to increase your contribution to Cornerstone Among Women? Check with your Human Resources Department.

## Client Testimony continued from page 1

model of the 2 month fetus as she gave me the real truth about what happens during an abortion. She didn't sugar coat it, but gave me facts. She was non-judgmental and didn't make me feel uncomfortable. I went home with my information and literature and did a lot of thinking. After about 3 weeks, my ex-husband called with the money for an abortion, but I told him I had changed my mind. It was a very lonely pregnancy and I was sometimes very depressed, but I made it through. I had a baby girl and named her Angelina (which means little angel in Italian). She is my sunshine! I don't remember the name of the lady that day at Cornerstone, but would like to tell her thank you so much. You saved my baby's life!

About two years ago a Christian church here in my home town started picking up Angelina on the church bus for Sunday services. For the next year she would ask me to go to church with her. I would give her excuses like "Mommy doesn't have anything to wear to church" or "I will some day." She would listen to my excuses and tell me it was okay. For about a year she would ask me to go every couple weeks or so. One day I did. I hopped on the church bus, asking if there was room for me and of course, there was. That was about 14 months ago. I have rededicated myself to the Lord, as I was born again when I was 14, but had strayed.

## Monthly Prayer Meeting at Noon

Join us at Cornerstone Among Women for our prayer meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at noon, patterned after the Jeremiah Lanphier New York City meetings. We will be praying for the Midway Mall area and the surrounding cities of Elyria and Lorain. Stop in for 5, 10, 20 or the whole 40 minutes as your time permits. No RSVP is necessary. We look forward to seeing you.

## "AMONG OTHER THINGS" RESALE SHOP

We, at "Among Other Things," have much to thank the Lord for in 2012! AOT has experienced many changes. Many donations and new shoppers have been added daily. Most importantly, the presence of the Holy Spirit has allowed us to pray for those in need as they shop. One customer said, "AOT is the only store where she gets her material needs met and prayer needs addressed as well." We endeavor to "Carry each others burdens, and in this way you fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:3

Thank you for joining us as we serve the Lord.



## SUPPORTING CHURCHES

Amherst Congregational United Church of Christ  
Amherst Foursquare Church  
Bay Presbyterian Church, Bay Village  
Bay Presbyterian Nursery School, Bay Village  
Bethany Lutheran Church, Wellington  
Calvary Baptist Church, Avon Lake  
Christ The King, North Olmsted  
Church Of The Open Door, Elyria  
Church On The North Coast, Lorain  
Church On The Rise, Westlake  
Community United Methodist Church, Elyria  
Cornerstone Community Church Assembly of God, South Amherst  
Cross Community Church, Elyria  
Elyria Baptist Church  
Elyria Seventh-day Adventist Church  
Grace Lutheran Church, Elyria  
Harvest Christian Church, Elyria  
Harvest Ridge Assembly of God, North Ridgeville  
Holy Trinity Church, Avon  
House of Praise International Church, Lorain  
Journey Community Church, Fairview Park  
Kipton Community Church  
New Haven Baptist Church, Sheffield Lake  
New Life Baptist, Elyria  
Old Stone United Methodist Church, Amherst  
Penfield Community Church, Wellington  
St. John Ev. Lutheran Church, Elyria  
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Strongsville  
St. Paul Lutheran Church, Westlake  
St. Paul Lutheran School, Westlake  
Trinity Evangelical Free, Amherst  
United Church of Huntington, Wellington  
Westlake Bible Fellowship

## BABY BOTTLE BLESSINGS CAMPAIGN PARTICIPANTS

4H Pitchfork Pals, Oberlin  
Abbe Road Baptist Church, Elyria  
Abundant Life Church, Elyria  
Amherst Church of the Nazarene  
Amherst Congregational United Church of Christ  
Ascension Lutheran, North Olmsted  
Avon United Methodist Church  
Beth-el Baptist Church, Elyria  
Bethel Logos Christian Fellowship, Oberlin  
Broadway Assembly, Lorain  
Brownhelm Congregational United Church of Christ, Vermilion  
Calvary Ridge Nazarene, Elyria  
Camden Baptist Church, Wellington  
Christ Church Westshore, Bay Village  
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Avon Lake  
Christ The King, North Olmsted  
Church Of The Open Door, Elyria  
Church On The North Coast, Lorain

Church On The Rise, Westlake  
College Heights Baptist Church, Elyria  
Columbia Road Baptist Church, North Olmsted  
Community United Methodist Church, Elyria  
Cornerstone Community Church Assembly of God, South Amherst  
Cornerstone United Methodist Church, Elyria  
Covenant Community Church, Columbia Station  
Cross Community Church, Elyria  
CrossRoads Baptist Church, Bay Village  
Elyria Baptist Church  
Elyria Catholic High School  
Elyria Seventh-day Adventist Church  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria  
Faith Baptist Temple, North Ridgeville  
Faith Lutheran Church, Avon  
Fields United Methodist Church, North Ridgeville  
First Baptist Church, Elyria  
First Baptist Church, Sheffield Lake  
Freedom House Church, Amherst  
Grace Church of North Olmsted  
Grace Community Church, Grafton  
Grace Lutheran Church, Elyria  
Grafton United Methodist Church  
Harvest Christian Church, Elyria  
Henrietta United Methodist Church, Amherst  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Avon Lake  
Holy Trinity Church, Avon  
Hope Christian Church, Avon  
Hosanna Lutheran Church, Columbia Station  
Journey Community Church, Fairview Park  
Journey Community Church, Olmsted Falls  
Kipton Community Church  
Lagrange United Methodist Church  
Lakeview Baptist Church, Vermilion  
Midway Baptist, Elyria  
Murray Ridge Church of God, Elyria  
New Haven Baptist Church, Sheffield Lake  
New Life Baptist Church, Elyria  
North Eaton Baptist Church, Grafton  
North Eaton Christian Church, Grafton  
North Olmsted Assembly of God  
Northridge Christian Life, North Ridgeville  
Old Stone United Methodist Church, Amherst  
Open Door Christian School, Elyria  
Our Lady Queen of Peace, Grafton  
Pittsfield Community Church, Wellington  
Rocky River United Methodist Church  
Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain  
Second Baptist Church, Elyria  
Sheffield Church of God, Sheffield  
Shepherd Of The Ridge Lutheran, North Ridgeville  
St. Anthony's of Padua, Lorain  
St. Bernadette Catholic Church, Westlake  
St. John Ev. Lutheran Church, Elyria  
St. Joseph Catholic, Amherst  
St. Mary Church, Vermilion  
St. Mary Church, Elyria

St. Mary Immaculate Conception, Avon  
St. Mary School, Avon  
St. Matthew Lutheran, Vermilion  
St. Paul Lutheran, Westlake  
St. Peter Catholic Church, Lorain  
St. Richard Church, North Olmsted  
St. Thomas Lutheran Church, Rocky River  
St. Thomas the Apostle, Sheffield Lake  
Sts. Peter & Paul Lutheran, Lorain  
Students for Life – Lorain County Community College  
Templo Emmanuel Assembly of God, Lorain  
The Gathering Community Church, Elyria  
The Sanctuary, South Amherst  
Trinity Evangelical Free, Amherst  
Trinity Lutheran, Grafton  
Trinity Lutheran, Vermilion  
Westlake Baptist Church  
Zion Lutheran Church, Lorain

## TIMELESS TRIBUTES

This year \$1,130 was donated.

### IN HONOR OF:

**Low and Barb Einfalt** from Annabel Schmidt.

**Jim and Linda Potter** from Van and Arlene Hayne.

**Shirley Scheuermann** from Eugene and Jennie Martin.

### IN MEMORY OF:

**Gene Arndt** from Carmen Janik.

**Jeremiah Bennet Libertowski** from Donna Brooks, Mark and Jennifer Libertowski, and LaMinda Toth.

**Timothy Bruder** from James and Roberta Bruder.

**Jacqueline Coots** from Carol Ann Todd.

**Jack Eschweiler** from Carolyn and Jan Pomfrett, Kenneth and Joyce Wahl, and Robert and Susan Ziegan.

**Lily Jennifer Gardner** from Doug and Joyce Gardner.

**John and Ann Holub** from Marge Holub.

**Sam and Jean Klepacz** from Richard and Carolee Zentkovich.

**Richard Luecke** from Jim and Linda Potter.

**Thomas MacMath** from Lucille Porter.

**Margaret Schalk** from Don and Sally Bestor, and Carmen Janik.

**James Sutorus** from Bob and Pat Wash.

# Annual Report 2011 – LOOKING BACK

## MISSION

Share Christ, Save Lives and Transform Hearts.

## VISION

The vision of Cornerstone Among Women is to reach out to the culture of death with the Life changing Gospel of Jesus Christ and services that reach the abortion minded client in the community where she lives.

## VOLUNTEER IMPACT

This ministry could not operate on staff members alone. Numerous volunteers sacrificially give of themselves in all aspects of the ministry to save lives and souls. Last year approximately 230.75 professional volunteer hours and 360.5 client service volunteer hours were recorded. In addition, through the benevolence of the church and community 705 baby bucks were redeemed for diapers, formula, wipes and baby clothing and furnishings.

*“...and He has also made me a select arrow...”*  
Isaiah 49:2



## Ministry Report

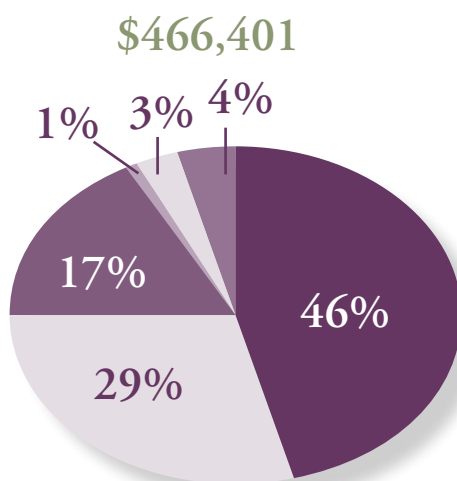
STATS	ELYRIA CENTER	MOBILE ULTRASOUND UNIT (July-December 2012)	TOTAL
New Clients	498	45	543
Pregnancy Tests	389	44	433
Ultrasound Visits	41	11	52
Known Babies Born	111	Data not yet available	
Known Abortions	3	Data not yet available	
Love of Christ Shared	498	45	543
Spiritual Discussions	412	42	454
Christ Received	28	7	35
Follow Up Visits	632	N/A	632
Days In Use	N/A	32	32
<b>AGES</b>			
Under 15	3	0	3
15-19	121	10	131
20-24	194	12	206
25-29	113	14	127
30+	75	9	84
<b>RACE</b>			
African American	102	9	111
Caucasian	282	19	301
Hispanic	61	10	71
Other	63	7	70
<b>STATUS</b>			
Single	335	32	367
Married	76	4	80



# Finances

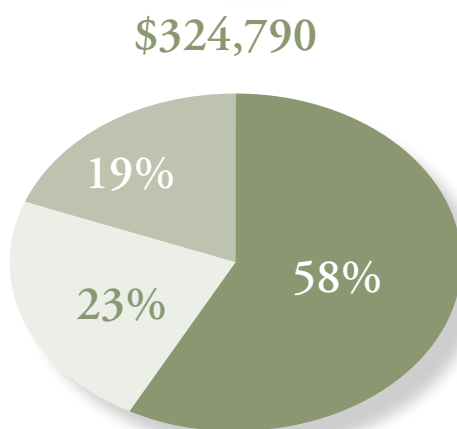
## TOTAL INCOME FOR 2011

- General Contributions 46%
- Special Events 29%
- Special Projects 17%
- Grants and Corporate Matches 1%
- Resale Shop 3%
- Miscellaneous 4%



## TOTAL EXPENSES FOR 2011

- Client Services 58%
- Fundraising 23%
- Administration 19%



Grant funding was provided for programming and operations by American Family Ministry, Generation Trust, In His Steps Foundation, and St. Paul Lutheran Church, Westlake.

## 2011 AFFILIATIONS AND COLLABORATIONS

Association of Fundraising Professionals  
 Better Business Bureau  
 CareNet  
 ECFA (Evangelical Council on Financial Accountability)  
 Heartbeat International  
 Lorain County Chamber of Commerce

Lorain County Healthy Fatherhood Coalition  
 Lorain County Maternal Depression Task Force  
 NARTS (The Association of Resale Professionals)  
 NIFLA (National Institute of Family Life Advocates)  
 Northeast Ohio Pregnancy Resource Centers

## 2011 HIGHLIGHTS

- 25th Anniversary celebration for ministry
- Launching of the Mobile Medical Unit and establishing a symbiotic relationship with Cleveland Pregnancy Center
- Availability of professional counseling at center
- Presence of Therapy Dog, Sir Levi, at center
- Approval of Better Business Bureau Charity Seal Program
- First Annual Run for Life
- Cornerstone Among Women General and Client Services brochures produced in Spanish

## 2012 LOOKING AHEAD

### 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Chairperson**  
 Minister Linda Gaines, MA, PCC  
*Master of Arts  
 Professional Clinical Counselor  
 Adjunct Professor  
 Ashland Theological Seminary*

**Treasurer**  
 Joe Flinger  
*Financial Advisor  
 Flinger, Kime, Berkey & Associates*

**Secretary and Acting Vice Chairperson**  
 Cindy Gecik, MSN, RN  
*CWOC Nurse Cleveland Clinic  
 Home Health Care Services*

**Board Member**  
 Susan Knauff  
*President of True Blessings Ministries  
 Author and Minister*

**MEDICAL DIRECTOR**  
 Joseph Spirnak, MD

**2012 STAFF MEMBERS**  
**Executive Director**  
 Carolyn Herbert, D.Min.

**Director of Finance & Operational Services**  
 Carmen Janik

**Director of Client Services**  
 Sue Marie Wilhelm

**Director of Medical Services**  
 Cynthia Carter-Smallwood, RN, BSN, MBA

**Resale Shop Manager**  
 Irene Hollo

**Corporate Administrative Assistant**  
 Laurie Fuleki

**Development Coordinators**  
 Barb Einfalt  
 Kathy Rafferty

**Advanced Program Coordinator**  
 Lee Strouse, RN, MSN

**Men's Ministry Coordinator**  
 Dan Fondale

**Receptionists**  
 Patsy Hoag  
 Adelaida Tellado

**Resale Shop Assistants**  
 Cheryl Biegacki  
 Sue Ziegan

Staff is equivalent of 9 full time employees.

# 2011 VOLUNTEERS

## CLIENT SERVICES

Kristen Barta  
Jill Bleisath  
Tim Bradford  
Barbara Centanni  
Joan Cochran  
Heather Croucher  
Dolly Daso  
Mary Lou Doebele  
Betty Groot  
Tammy Hauff  
Beth Harroff, RN  
Wendy Hildebrandt, RN  
Joey Jones  
Lu Keressi  
Marsha King  
Carmen Leibas  
Debbie Lysaght  
Alex Marks

Lisa Marshall  
Deborah McDonald  
Christy Miller  
Dawn Molnar  
Kathleen Morris  
Rhonda Norman  
Carol Ott  
Barb Parsh  
Eva Prosowski  
Latrice Ralston  
Amy Spiegelberg, RN  
Carol Stringer  
Ilona Taylor  
Liz Toth  
Donna Volchko  
Deanna Watts  
Susan Webb  
Judy Zimmerman, RN

## AMONG OTHER THINGS

Kathy Allison  
Ken and Bonnie Babet  
Carole Bluhm  
Kathy DeLuca  
Patti Eschweiler  
Carole Halter  
Edmund and Esther Schmitt  
Joyce Wahl  
Bob and Pat Wash  
Susan Webb  
Heather Weed  
Peggy Wyar  
Gene Zimmerman

## CORPORATE OFFICE

Craig Gabel  
Pam Madalone  
Mike Mlakar  
William Moench, CPA  
Charissa Schalk, EA  
Keith Vanderburg, JD  
John Webb

## 147 CHURCH LIAISONS

## FACILITY

Dick Gorman  
Dave Meyer  
Jack Parker



# YOU ARE INVITED!

Cornerstone Among Women Cordially Invites You to Attend  
Annual Fundraising Banquet



Featuring Shawn Harper,  
Former NFL Player

Monday, April 30, 2012

LaCentre

25777 Detroit Rd., Westlake

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Gather at 6:30 p.m. – Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

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There will be an opportunity to financially support the work of Cornerstone Among Women.

PLEASE RESPOND FOR COMPLIMENTARY DINNER

RSVP by April 13. RSVP for \_\_\_\_\_ complimentary dinners.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet, please include a list of names (first and last names of each guest),  
addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of your guests.

\_\_\_\_\_ I regret that I am unable to attend this year's banquet.

Please find enclosed my donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to further the work of Cornerstone Among Women.

**Please mail your reservations or regrets, by April 13, to Laurie at:**

Cornerstone Among Women

364 Griswold Road, Suite C, Elyria, Ohio 44035

Or Email Laurie at [lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org](mailto:lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org) and you will receive a confirmation via email.

# Cornerstone Among Women

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Elyria, OH 44035

#### ○ CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please help avoid unnecessary postal fees by noting any changes in your name and address at right. Or email changes to Laurie at [lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org](mailto:lfuleki@cornerstoneamongwomen.org).

#### ○ DUPLICATE MAILINGS

I am receiving duplicate mailings. Enclosed are the address labels from the duplicate mailings and I have indicated which one(s) should be removed from your list.



Scan this QR code with your smart phone and automatically be directed to our website.

## Cornerstone Among Women

364 Griswold Rd., Suite C, Elyria, Ohio 44035  
440-284-1010 / Fax: 440-324-5333

## Among Other Things Resale Shop

364 Griswold Rd., Suite B, Elyria, Ohio 44035  
440-324-5333

Carolyn Herbert, *Executive Director*

NEWSLETTER STAFF

Laurie Fuleki, *Corporate Administrative Assistant*



## Baby Bottle Blessings

Many thanks to all the churches, community groups, small groups, and individuals who participated in Baby Bottle Blessings last year!

If your church or group would like to become involved in the Baby Bottle Blessings campaign for 2012, either through donations or preparing bottles, please contact Barb at [beinfalt@cornerstoneamongwomen.org](mailto:beinfalt@cornerstoneamongwomen.org) or Kathy at [krafferty@cornerstoneamongwomen.org](mailto:krafferty@cornerstoneamongwomen.org).

## Services

### ALL FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL

- Pregnancy screening test and verification
- Limited ultrasound
- Decision-making for pregnancy, parenting and adoption
- Prenatal education and support
- Men and Father's Support
- Material assistance incentive programs (Life Ed "U")
- Mobile Ultrasound Outreach
- Parenting education and support
- Early childhood development
- Grief support for pregnancy loss
- Community Outreach Programs
- Sexual integrity/fertility awareness
- Postpartum depression screenings and support
- Perspectives on menopause
- Professional Counseling Services
- Teen MOPS (Mothers Of Preschoolers)