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Dear Faithful Supporters:

Thank you for being willing to lend your support to Ashland Pregnancy Care Center (APCC) by volunteering to host a table at this year's upcoming fundraising banquet. We have set our goal at 90 tables so your involvement is essential.

Prayer is also essential in all that we do. On Tuesday, March 31, I am asking you to make time to come together between 6:00-7:30pm for a Prayer Walk (come when you can, leave when you must.) Along with board, staff, and volunteers, we will pray for the Lord's blessing on this year's banquet and the other prayer concerns (see detailed sheet enclosed). Please see the enclosed invitation for all the details of the prayer walk.

Plans are well under way for the 14th Annual Fundraising Banquet being held on Thursday, April 23 at the J.C. Myers Convocation Center at Ashland University. Our theme "Wrapped In His Majesty" is based on Isaiah 62:3 which says, You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. We are all born to a mighty King, and He loves us more than anything. He sees us as precious and worthy of life. When a pregnancy is unexpected, it's difficult to see the baby that is growing in the womb as royalty. At Ashland Pregnancy Care Center we want to show mothers and fathers how much He loves them and the new life beginning inside.

I know that you rejoice right along with us over last year's attendance of 700 individuals. Last year we raised about \$148,000. Our goal for 2020 is to have 900 in attendance and raise \$175,000, as we celebrate 39 years in ministry!

The fundraising banquet is essential in keeping our doors open. The monies given ensure that we receive the necessary day to day funding so that we may continue providing pregnancy testing, ultrasound confirmation of pregnancy, support and education while developing relationships, and sharing the love of Christ with clients.

The night of the banquet, please arrive between 5:00 - 5:15 p.m. by entering through the second set of doors of the banquet hall. A board member will greet you at the doors. Promptly at 5:15 p.m. we will go over instructions and have prayer. You will then go to your tables which will allow you to greet your guests when the doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Please read through the enclosed instructions carefully. Feel free to call us with any questions you may have at 419.281.1111. Thank you again for your willingness to serve.

Blessings,

Melanie Miller Executive Director

P.S. Enclosed is a biography of our special guest speaker and other information and materials you will need. I am sure you will agree with me that we are in for an exciting and wonderful evening!

Updated Info! Please Read

2020 Table Host Information and Instructions

Ashland Pregnancy Care Center's 14th Annual Fundraising Banquet

Mrapped In His Majesty

Thursday, April 23, 2020
J.C. Myers Convocation Center at Ashland University
5:30 pm DOORS OPEN / 6:00 p.m. DINNER

- 1. Please note: Everyone that attended the Banquet in 2019 will receive an invitation in the mail. In the event one of your invited, confirmed guests should also mail in an RSVP card rest assured that we will adjust their reservation accordingly. Your packet contains two (2) printed invitations. You are welcome to send when inviting those who have never attended an APCC banquet or have not attended in the last few years. Or, please invite your guests online. Please contact APCC if you need additional invitations.
- 2. Prayerfully consider and then personally invite your guests. We encourage you to invite those who may have *never* attended one of APCC's fundraising banquets as well as "veteran" attendees. Doing so helps to "grow" the event and increases the potential of adding new donors and making our donor base even stronger. See the enclosed sheet titled "Who should I invite..." for more help.
- 3. The main purpose of the evening is fund-raising Adults only please.
- 4. Make sure your guests understand that there is no charge for them to come, but that this is a <u>fund-raising</u> banquet. Don't be afraid to ask them to bring their checkbooks. APCC is a ministry funded by many people who are not necessarily wealthy, but have a heart and commitment to the ministry.
- 5. Each table will seat a total of 10 people including you. Please feel free to invite more than one table-full.
- 6. NEW THIS YEAR— Dinner will be plated and served to accommodate a larger attendance. The main entrée is a combo plate with chicken and fish. If you or a guest has special dietary needs, please make a note on your guest list, when registering a guest online, or contact the office. Gluten free plates and special dietary restriction will need a special color card at their place at the dinner table.
- 7. Please fill all 10 seats at your table(s). If you are not able to do so, please let us know by **Tuesday, March 31, 2020** as seating is limited. We will fill the open seats with guests who do not yet have a table. We anticipate a sold out crowd!
- 8. REGISTRATION PROCESS: ONLINE OR USE GUEST LIST FORM IN YOUR PACKET

ONLINE REGISTRATION: We want to encourage you to invite guests through our new online system. You can invite guests, register guests, and manage your table online. First, you need register yourself as a table host. Once registered, you will receive an email confirmation. Then, follow the prompts in your email to mange your guest list. Please refer to the handout "Using the Guest List Manager (Host Information)."

OR

REGISTER GUESTS USING THE "TABLE HOST GUEST LIST" (in your packet): Please include your guests' contact information.

List each person individually who is committed to attend. Return the form to Traci at APCC offices, by mail:

119 Sloan Ave., Ashland OH 44805, fax (419.281.1111) or in person by Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

We will enter your data in the online system. Tables will be assigned in the order that guest lists are received.

- 9. Upon registration, each guest with an email will receive a confirmation and event details (via email). The week of the banquet, all registered guests will receive a friendly email reminder confirming their attendance and table number assignment for the banquet.
- 10. Call Traci (419.281.1111 ext 104) immediately with any additions or deletions to your guest list. In the event that someone cancels, please make every effort to find someone to take their place. We are required to confirm and pay for all meals! We will pay for all dinners not eaten. We anticipate that there will be a wait list to attend.
- 11. Call and remind your guests two days before the banquet, to reconfirm their reservation.
- 12. ***Please arrive between 5:00-5:15 p.m. by entering in the second set of doors of the banquet hall. A board member will greet you at the doors. Promptly at 5:15 p.m., we will go over instructions and have prayer. You will then go to your tables which will allow you to greet your guests when the doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Who should I invite to Ashland Pregnancy Care Center's 14th Annual Fundraising Dinner?

Thank you for taking on the vital role of hosting a table for this important event in the life of Ashland Pregnancy Care Center.

Your role is not only appreciated; it is also keenly important to this event's success. As you consider whom to invite, here are some tips and ideas:

Consider those who believe in life

We are looking for your friends and acquaintances who—if they knew more about the ministry—would be inclined to support Ashland Pregnancy Care Center financially.

Keep in mind that, if possible, we're looking for new, first-time attendees. There are many people in our area- in your Sunday school class, small group, business or Bible study- who believe as you do in the sanctity of human life and in sharing the hope of Jesus Christ.

Consider the heart

God looks at the heart and we know you do as well. Look for hearts that are open and generous. We can find generous people in all walks of life from the wealthy to those who are living on a tight budget. In addition we can look to friends of all ages, from the young couples just starting out to those who are happily retired.

A few thoughts as we consider who to invite:

Invite the entire team – When it comes to married couples, we want both husband and wife to attend. A couple makes financial decisions together and as the focus of our event is raising funds to building the future of Ashland Pregnancy Care Center, it is imperative that the entire "team" is on-hand to make a wise decision.

We love children and youth, yet... – We do love babies, children and youth– they are gifts! On this night, we want to raise the funds necessary so that future children gain the gift of life. For this reason then, we need adults only– so that as many possible have an opportunity to support this ministry financially– and build a culture of life here in Ashland.

Pray as we invite – As we consider who to ask, let's make each invitation a matter of prayer. God might show us someone with an open heart in the most unlikely places. As we are open to His direction, we look forward to His hand leading us to the right people with a joyful desire to take this ministry exactly where God wants us to go.

Table Host Guest List Form

This form must be turned in by Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Online Registration Closes on Tuesday, April 7, 2020.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:	
Guest list received:	Table #

	o list yourself in box one. List each individual separately. Include full onfirmation. Feel free to invite more than one complete table of guests, ***NOTE: Tables are assigned in order of receipt of guest list.
Table Host	Spouse or Guest
Your Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
City:Zip:	Zip:
Phone: ()	Phone: (
Email	Email
Guest	Guest
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
City:Zip:	Zip:
Phone: ()	Phone: (
Email	Email
Guest	Guest
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
City:Zip:	Zip:
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City:Zip:	City:Zip:
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2020 Banquet Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following items in your prayers:

- 1. Praise for 39 years of APCC ministering to the Ashland area
- 2. For the women and men in Ashland County facing unplanned pregnancies to seek help from APCC
- 3. Praise for the wonderful blessings APCC has received in the past year
 - a. A total of 2,195 visits to the Center 228 different client families
 - b. Celebrated the birthday of 68 babies
 - c. Community Outreach at the Fair, Sanctity of Human Life Community Event
 - d. Faithful supporters Churches, Individuals, Businesses
- 4. For the Board of Directors
 - a. That they would make wise, Godly decisions
 - b. For those with a passion and burden for this ministry to consider board service should they be called
- 5. For the future location of Ashland Pregnancy Care Center
 - a. For the Lord to provide the funds
 - b. For wisdom to follow HIS timeline
- 6. For APCC staff (Melanie, Traci, Jackie, Amanda, Pat) & Ministry Leaders
 - a. The staff and volunteers would have strength and wisdom each day and boldness to share the Gospel and love of Christ with clients.
 - b. Restore Post-Abortion Ministry Maryanne Wise
 - c. Men's Ministry Andrew Foster & Travis McKenzie
- 7. For Volunteer Medical Team Dr. Debbie Cowden, Dr. Jerry Klobutcher, Mandi Ross, Katie Kline
 - a. That the Lord would use the medical technology (ultrasound machine) to save lives and minister to women and men in need as they bond with their baby
- 8. For the Lord to be glorified at the banquet and in all of the preparations leading up to the banquet.
- 9. For the Lord to provide all needed table hosts and sponsors for the banquet
- 10. Reach the goal of having 900+ attend the banquet A sold out crowd!
- 11. For speaker Abby Johnson to be effective in her presentation at the banquet.
- 12. Thanksgiving for all the volunteers that are helping with the banquet and serving at APCC throughout the year
- 13. For additional people to partner and invest with APCC as monthly financial supporters
- 14. For churches in Ashland County to support APCC prayerfully and financially (through baby bottle campaign and missions budget)
- 15. The guests attending the banquet would give generously 2020 goal is \$175,000
- 16. For our great country to turn from its sin of abortion



MEET GUEST SPEAKER

All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. Her passion surrounding a woman's right to choose even led her to

It was this conviction that both led Abby to a career with Planned Parenthood, and caused her to flee the organization and become an outspoken advocate for the pro-life movement. During her eight years with Planned Parenthood, Abby quickly rose in the organization's ranks and became a clinic director. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she was involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counseled countless women about their reproductive choices. However, Abby became increasingly disturbed by what she witnessed. Abortion was a product Planned Parenthood was selling, not an unfortunate necessity that they fought to decrease.

Her life was changed on September 26, 2009, when Abby was asked to assist with an ultrasoundguided abortion. She watched in horror as a 13-week baby fought, and ultimately lost, its life at the hand of the abortionist. At that moment, the full realization of what abortion was and what she had dedicated her life occurred to Abby and a dramatic transformation took place.

Desperate and confused, Abby sought help from a local pro-life group. She swore that she would begin to advocate for life in the womb and expose abortion for what it truly is.

Planned Parenthood is fully aware that the workers who leave are their greatest threat. They took immediate action to silence Abby with a gag order and brought her to court. The lawsuit was ultimately thrown out of court.

The media continues to be interested in Abby's story as well as her continued efforts to advocate for the unborn and help clinic workers escape the abortion industry. She is a frequently requested quest on Fox News and a variety of other shows. She also the author of the nationally best-selling book, Unplanned, which chronicles both her experiences within Planned Parenthood and her dramatic exit.

The book has become the movie Unplanned. From Cary Solomon and Chuck Konzelman, the writers/co-producers of God's Not Dead, comes a film that speaks to one of the most polarizing topics of our day. Unplanned brings us an eye-opening look inside the abortion industry from a woman who was once its most passionate advocate. After reading Abby Johnson's best-selling book of the same title, Cary and Chuck were moved to bring this inspiring true story to the big screen, giving voice to a woman who has been on both sides of the abortion conversation.

Today, Abby travels across the globe sharing her story, educating the public on pro-life issues, advocating for the unborn, and reaching out to abortion clinic staff who still work in the industry. She is the founder of And Then There Were None, a ministry designed to assist abortion clinic workers in transitioning out of the industry. To date, this ministry has helped over 550 workers leave the abortion industry. Abby lives in Texas with her husband and eight precious children.

Using the Guest List Manager (Host Information)

The Guest List Manager is a webpage that allows group hosts to manage their own guest list. Each host has a unique Guest List Manager. This includes people who manage the same table, so it's important to keep that email. The event contacts can send you a new host manager if it is lost.

To get started, click the Manage My Guest List button in your email.

Table Host Information

Sandy, thank you for being a **table host** at the upcoming Dev - Banquet FTA!

Inviting and registering guests is easy. You can start today!



Please retain this e-mail and use this button each time you need to manage your guest list.

Inviting your friends

Send an invitation to your friends so they can register to the event or decline the invitation. When your guests Accept or Decline from your invitation, they will automatically be marked as responded.

1. Click **Invite Your Friends** in the Table Host Manager to open the the Invite Your Friends page

	GUESTS REGISTERED F	OR BARTON, SANDY	
	Register a New Guest	Invite Your Friends	
Dave Barton			4
Sandy Barton HOST			4

2. In the top text box of the form, enter in one or more email addresses of people to invite (addresses must be separated by commas). **Only 50** invitations can be sent at a time.

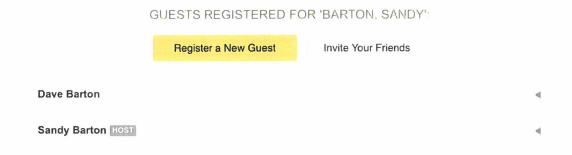
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN YOU!
Enter their e-mails below, separated by commas.
ADD A PERSONALIZED NOTE:
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☑ Email me when my guests register
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Preview Email Send Invitations
Cancel

- 3. In the second text box, write a personal note encouraging invitees to come.
- 4. Click **Preview Email** to see what the email will look like. If your personalized note doesn't appear, your event contact may have removed

- the Invite Note variable from the invitation template. Contact them for more information.
- 5. Check **Email me when my guests** register to be notified when these invitees register.
- 6. Take one of these two actions:
 - a. Click **Cancel** if you do not want to save this information.
 - b. Click **Send Invitations** to complete the process.
- 7. Once you have sent invitations, click **View Sent Information Details** to see your invited list. From here you can:
 - a. Use the **Invite Again** button to resend invitations to any of the email addresses that are checked on the list
 - b. Use the **Send Email** button to use your email software on your computer (not a web version) to send a follow-up email.

Registering Guests

You can also register your guests to the event from your Guest List Manager



- 1. Click **Register a New Guest**. This will take you to the registration form.
- 2. Your group will automatically be selected in the Group Host List on the registration form, so your guests will added to your group.
- 3. If you have paid for your guests, you may need to choose a registration option for registering a guest of a host.
- 4. If you added their email address, they will receive a confirmation email. If you don't know their email address, use noemail@ministrysync.com to skip a required field.

Update Guest Registration Information

Click the caret (triangle) to the right of your guest's names to edit their registration.

Dave Barton	
Registered Time:	Jul. 17, 2017 at 10:54am
Address:	OK
Edit Registra	Cancel Registration

- Click Edit Registration to edit basic information for your guests, such as name, contact information, and some extra registration information from your Guest List. Meal choices can only be updated through your event contact. Please let them know if your guests have changes to their meal choices (if offered).
- Click Cancel Registration if your guest can no longer attend.

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14th Annual Fundraising Banquet Table Host Checklist

☐ Check off each guest on the table attendance roster found on the outside of your packet.
$\hfill\square$ Pass out a name tag to each guest. Extra blank tags are included for write-ins.
 DURING the financial appeal there will be 2 separate asks (One-time Gift & Monthly Investment) Abby Johnson will prompt you when to open the master envelope. When instructed, please pass out the pair of pledge cards and envelopes to each of your guests. Each guest should have a small one-time gift pledge card & a long monthly investment pledge card.
☐ AFTER the appeal has been given (and sufficient time has elapsed to fill out each pledge card):
Collect ALL (used and unused) pledge cards/envelopes
 Place the pledge envelopes into the white master envelope. This envelope has your name and your table number on it. If you have more than one table – please <u>collect each table</u>
individually and place in the corresponding envelope.
□ <u>DISTRIBUTE</u> the Evaluation Questionnaire in your packet.
 Please encourage your guests to fill these out. This will greatly help in planning next year's banquet.
 Place the completed questionnaire into the same master envelope with the pledge cards. Please pass out the yellow "Dine for Life" papers to your guests.
□ Place Completed Table Roster in the master envelope.
□ Place ALL pieces used & unused back into the master envelope.
□ SEAL YOUR MASTER ENVELOPE.
☐ AT LEAST ONE TABLE HOST WILL NEED TO STAY AT YOUR TABLE UNTIL YOUR ENVELOPE IS COLLECTED BY A BOARD MEMBER.

There is no way to thank you enough for all the time and effort you have put into making Ashland Pregnancy Care Center's 14th Annual Fundraising Banquet a success.