



rooted in love

You are planting *seeds of hope*



Dear Friend,

My office is full of plants. While I'm no plant care expert, the one thing I do know is that soil is critical. Roots need good soil for stability and nourishment. I like to think that the Apostle Paul had this fact in mind when he wrote his prayer that the church in Ephesus may be strengthened to do good by being **"rooted and grounded in love"** (Ephesians 3:17).

In 2026, A Door of Hope will celebrate our 45th anniversary—a **milestone of God's grace and your faithful support.**

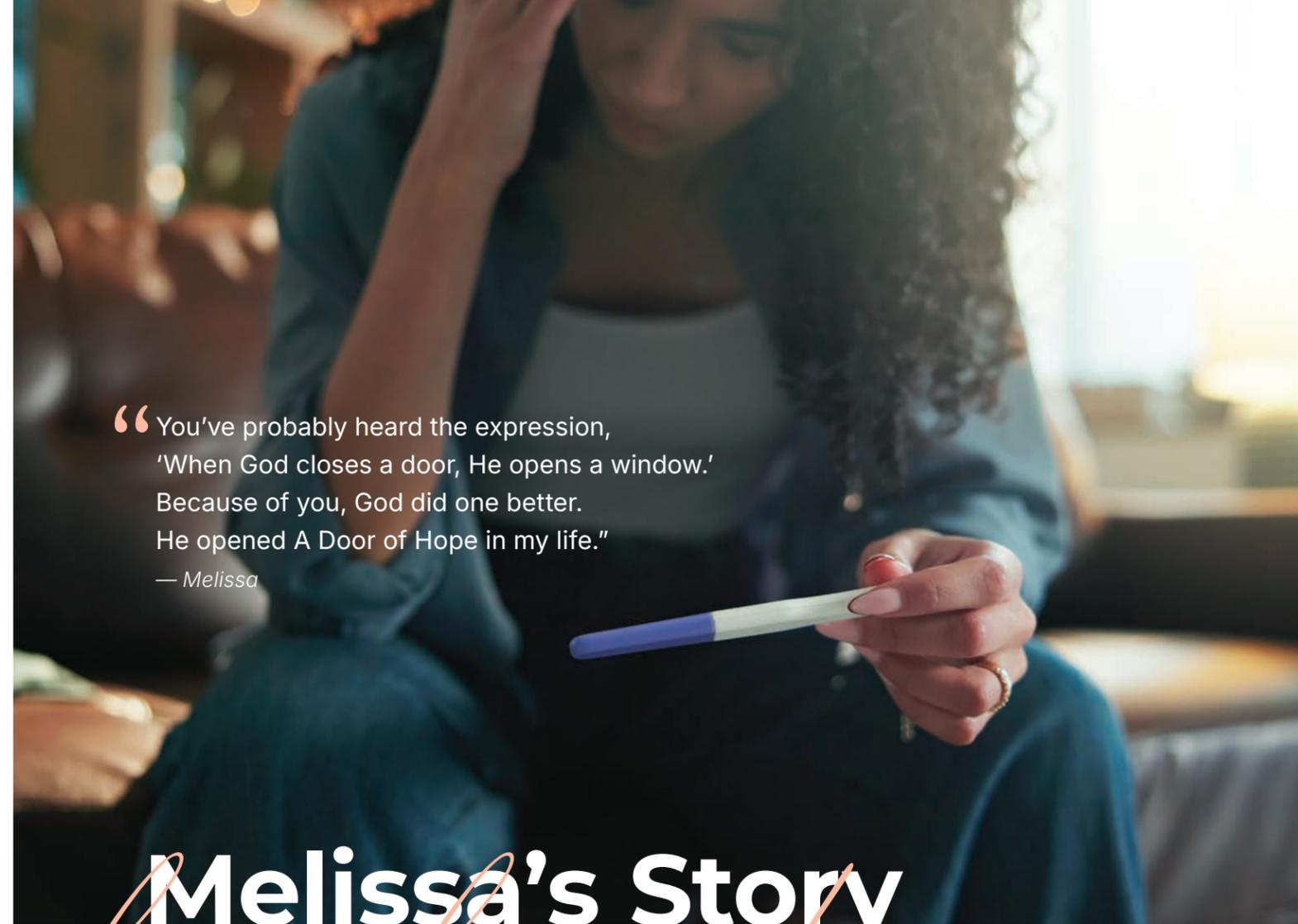
For decades, our work here in Delaware has been rooted in Christ's love. It's the love we see in you when you bless moms and babies in need. And it's the love we share with women like Melissa, who remembers her first visit to A Door of Hope: **"The staff met me with love and understanding... They live out what it means to be a Christian, and to be truly pro-life."**

Love is the soil that supports, strengthens, and grows our ministry. Your prayerful care and support over the years has helped us grow deep roots and serve women like Melissa in their most difficult seasons. Better yet, your love has helped seeds of hope grow as we celebrate the birth of precious babies like Shane, Melissa's son.

Because of you, we've served **447 women like Melissa last year.** We look forward to seeing what God will do through your love in our 45th year of ministry!



With deep thanks,
Rachel D. Metzger
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Executive Director



"You've probably heard the expression, 'When God closes a door, He opens a window.' Because of you, God did one better. He opened A Door of Hope in my life."

— Melissa

Melissa's Story

hope changed everything

"When I first found out I was pregnant, I felt devastated. I had just moved back home with my family after going broke. I was beginning a new career. And I had recently ended a relationship with someone I loved, but who had an alcohol addiction and treated me horribly.

I was faced with a difficult decision: keep my pregnancy, and be tied to this man for the rest of my life. Or end my pregnancy, and face the loss of this baby—and what could have been—for the rest of my life. **The weight of this decision was soul-crushing. I couldn't cope alone."**

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You're Making a Difference!

Through your prayers, volunteer hours, and financial support, you're making our ministry possible. **Thank you for being one of our faithful donors!**

One of our donors, Connie, organized a diaper drive through her church this year and collected 1,000 diapers for our moms and babies!

Learn how you can get involved like Connie by contacting us at (302) 998-9000.

“One thing that I am thrilled about is how dedicated the A Door of Hope staff is to our Lord. That carries into a hurting community and offers healing.”

— Connie, a faithful supporter like you



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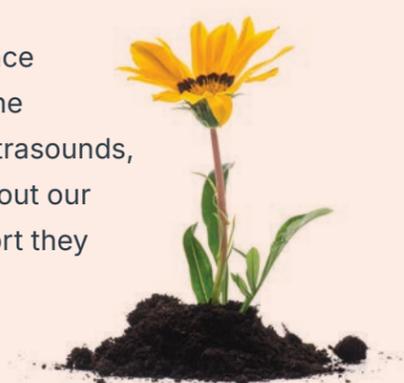
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You Help Us Reach At-Risk Women

Melissa's story isn't rare. Nearly 50% of our clients this year were facing similar struggles and at risk* for abortion—which meant we were serving them at one of the most critical moments of their lives.

Thanks to your generosity, we can offer women like Melissa a safe place to turn. Online marketing has helped us better target areas of need in the Greater Wilmington area. Our five registered nurses on staff provide ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, options education, and abortion pill reversals throughout our business hours. These services give women the information and support they need, when they need it most.



81% of our clients carry their babies to term after accessing our free services.



447
clients served



383
ultrasounds provided



2
abortion pill reversals

You Equip Us to Walk Alongside Women

Beyond our services, we offer women the care, advice, and encouragement they need throughout their pregnancy. Your support ensures that women can fully consider their options for themselves and their babies. This safe environment empowers the majority of our at-risk clients to choose life, confident that they can depend on A Door of Hope to walk alongside them every step of the way.

* An At-Risk client is either considering having an abortion or is vulnerable to abortion according to national standards.

You Help Moms and Babies Flourish

Beyond walking alongside women through pregnancy and birth, we function as a critical support system for moms and their babies. You enable us to offer resources, referrals, and mentorship, giving our clients an environment that helps them thrive.

Our Hope Program has grown this year with additional Hope Mentor Volunteers, who love, serve, and walk alongside at-risk clients by providing parenting education and spiritual support. In addition, we made 584 referrals to external services this year, connecting our clients to additional resources that serve their needs. Finally, we are seeking to better serve our community by building partnerships with other ministries that share our mission. This year, we helped found the Delaware Association of Pregnancy Centers (DAPC), which we expect to strengthen our mission in our state. You can find more information at DelawarePregnancy.org.



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“Following my son Shane’s birth, A Door of Hope continues to be a great support for both of us. Their educational program is a valuable resource that is teaching me the ins and outs of parenting my baby as he grows. The Baby Boutique is our well-loved reward, where we can spend the points we earn from the educational program and celebrate each step of our journey.

My baby boy is nearly six months old and thriving. I am working mostly from home so I can be readily available to care for him. We have a solid network of support. And my son’s father has been able to quit drinking for some time now. We are learning to get along and communicate effectively, and he is more supportive and involved with our baby.

Today, things are much better.

I won’t sell you a fairytale. Things aren’t perfect. But we have what we need—and more. We have many blessings to count, and A Door of Hope is one of them. **Thank you for all that you have done for us!”**

thank you
for your love.

Because of you, moms like Melissa and babies like Shane experienced the love of Christ here at A Door of Hope last year. Thank you!



48

welcome baby baskets gifted



100

Hope Program participants enrolled



1,946

parenting lessons completed



2,987

free materials items distributed

Fiscal Year 2024–2025

REVENUE

Individuals	\$383,292	55%
Churches	\$104,323	15%
Businesses	\$38,017	5%
Special Events (Gala)	\$178,840	25%
Total Revenue	\$704,472	100%

EXPENSES

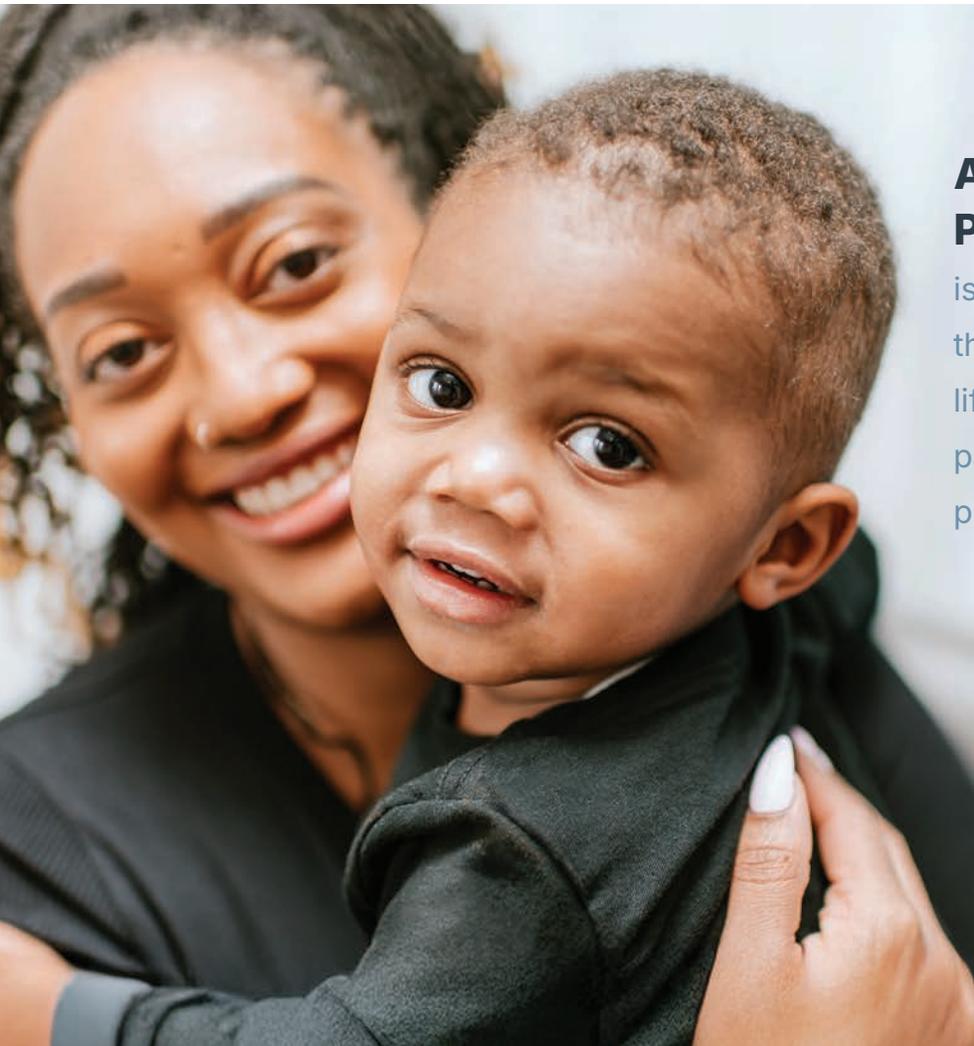
Program	\$494,010	76%
Administration	\$69,400	11%
Fundraising	\$87,241	13%
Total Expenses	\$650,651	100%

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by giving today.**

