

Your quarterly update from our mission field, as we uphold the sanctity of life and foster a culture of compassion and support.



EXCITING NEWS

from Melany

We recently announced the name of our new Maternity Housing Program, and we wanted to share how the name was chosen and how it reflects the heart of our organization. **We pray it resonates with you as much as it does with us.**

A while back, my husband Bryan and I felt a powerful calling to establish a Maternity Housing Program. Through my work at APO, I witnessed the urgent need for housing options for mothers and their babies— **a gap that often sways women from choosing life.** This need weighed heavily on our hearts, and we knew we had to take action.

A few years earlier, we had met with Kim, our founder, to discuss the possibility of creating this program. When Kim retired, and I stepped in as Executive Director, we knew it was time to bring this vision to life. After much reflection, we chose to name the home in honor of our daughter, Ally, who passed away at just six years old. Ally's life had a profound impact on our family's faith and our reliance on God. We prayed for guidance on how to best honor her memory, seeking a way to share hope and love with others. **Naming the program Ally's Place felt like the perfect way to carry her spirit forward. In our grief, we prayed for guidance, asking how we could transform our loss into a legacy of hope and love.**

From the beginning, Kim has held onto a powerful scripture that embodies our mission: John 10:10: "I have come that they may have life and have it abundantly."

We pray that Ally's Place becomes a sanctuary for families—a loving home where they experience not just life, but the fullness of it. Ally may have been with us for only six years, but her spirit radiates through our ministry, and we commit to carrying her legacy forward.

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MATERNITY HOUSING and EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

coming summer 2025

Ally's Place will offer holistic care, addressing the physical, emotional, spiritual and educational needs of each mother. We will provide life skills training, parenting classes, and career development opportunities—empowering our residents to build brighter futures. Spiritual care will nurture personal growth, and our mentoring program will connect each mother with a compassionate guide to walk alongside her on this journey. **To turn this vision into reality, we need your help. This year, we are raising funds to bring Ally's Place to life, and we invite you to join us on this mission.** Please partner with us during Brazos Valley Gives or our other fundraising efforts.

Your support can create a safe haven for mothers who choose life. Together, we can cultivate a community where hope flourishes, where every woman knows she is not alone, and where every child has the chance to thrive. **Together, we can make Ally's Place a reality by Summer 2025.**

ADOPTION SUPPORT

Katie - Senior Director of Programs

APO is passionate about our Adoption Services. We believe every child deserves a loving home and work tirelessly to connect expectant moms with a compatible family. Our adoptive families understand the journey and are selflessly committed to providing a loving, stable home for a child. Our brave birth moms deserve continued respect, support and prayers regardless of the choice they make.



Ashley & Katie in the waiting room, called to serve our clients

We recently served a sweet couple matched with an expectant mother during her 8th month of pregnancy. They grew to know one another and made a plan for the child to go home with the adoptive family. They communicated in person and through technology and developed a deep friendship. Birth mom invited the family to be with her during her hospital stay after delivering her son. They worked collaboratively to name him, and the adoptive parents were given the opportunity to provide care for him throughout the night.

The adoptive family learned through many conversations that this sweet mom had a hardened heart to the Lord and they wanted to help soften the gap. Before going to their separate rooms, the family prayed with birth mom and encouraged her to lean into the Lord and pray about her choice moving forward. The very next day they received the news that she had done exactly what they prayed for. She had talked with the Lord for the first time in a long time and made the decision to parent her son along with her other children. She knew she faced challenges, but with the support of the prospective adoptive family, our agency and her extended family members, she was able to shift her heart and mind and develop a parenting plan.

Although this story did not end with an adoptive placement, APO considers it to be successful. A sweet mom who felt overwhelmed with the thought of raising several children alone was given time and space to consider all of her options. She was given encouragement and care she had not known prior to working with APO. *Most importantly, she was pointed back to Christ.*

There's even more to this story! About six weeks later, we received an unexpected call from a hospital. A young woman had delivered and wanted to place her child. The Lord provided again as this new birth mom chose this same adoptive family to parent her child. They were able to take their son home at this time, whom the Lord had definitively chosen for them.

We are thankful to serve in this special ministry and see how the Lord works on behalf of all of our clients. We witness His goodness and provision every day. Great is His faithfulness!



First-annual Mama Club Community Fair in action

PRAISES

- Fall Mama Club has launched with over 120 on our roster, served by our staff, 15 mentors, Young Lives ministry and over 40 other volunteers.
- We hosted our first Community Fair with twelve local organizations sharing resources.
- Our Parent Academy serves 8 local schools.
- We're offering a free 2-part class taught by a Labor & Delivery/postpartum nurse.
- We handed out over 1,200 fans, koozies, and footballs at our first-ever TAMU Tailgate. We had a blast sharing APO with the 12th man!
- Save the date! We're the charity recipient for the Jingle Bell Market, November 17.

PRAYERS

- For a bilingual staff member or volunteer.
- For more host families and adoptive families.
- For 12 brave clients who are considering or have chosen adoption for their children.
- For peace and patience for our APO families who are waiting to grow their family through adoption.
- For renovation of Ally's Place, beginning 10/7.
- For our participation in Brazos Valley Gives, to raise \$100,000 toward our **\$1 million need for Ally's Place**. BV Gives Day is 10/15.
- For stamina and a hedge of protection over our staff and families as we prepare for future endeavors of APO.

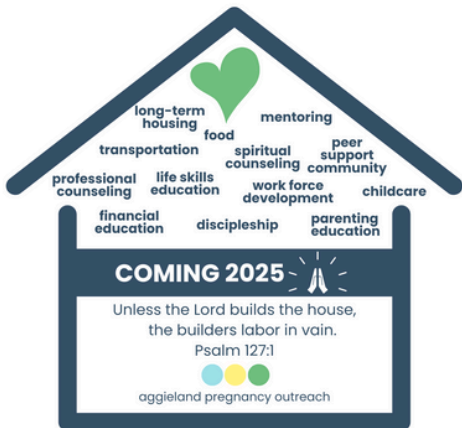
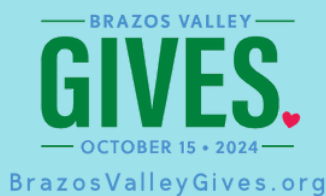


Our tailgate t-shirt backs read: "Tailgating for tiny feet"

Our BV Gives Goal is \$100,000. We have a *\$50,000 match secured.* This means your gift is **doubled in impact.** A gift of \$1,000 = \$2,000!



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