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Mark Schultz is a Christian recording artist. He has sold over two million records, has ten No. 1 singles, and is a Dove Award recipient. As an adopted son, and now as an adoptive father, Schultz shares from his own experience on the importance of choosing life. JOIN US! September 28, 2023

@ EKU Center for the Arts

Reception 6:00pm-7:00pm

Program 7:00pm-8:30pm

Tickets are FREE!



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Night for Life coming up on Sept. 28

PHC's annual Night for Life banquet will be held on Thursday, Sept. 28 at EKU Center for the Arts. This year's keynote speaker is Christian recording artist, Mark Schultz.

Schultz is a platinum-selling, award-winning artist whose career has spanned two decades with thirteen #1 hits. He's garnered accolades like Artist of the Year, Songwriter of the Year, and Album of the Year. But Schultz would say that all of that pales in comparison to the honor of getting to share his own story of adoption with an audience.

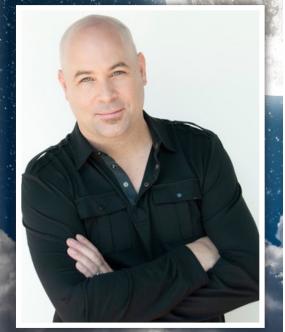
Schultz was adopted when he was two weeks old and raised by loving parents. And, though he's never met her, he's grateful to his birth mother for giving him life. "She'll always be a hero to me," he says with a smile and tears in his eyes.

Schultz's hit single, "Everything to Me," a song about his life and gratitude to his birth mother, was the centerpiece for Bethany Christian Services ministry to expectant mothers. "I wanted to write a song for birth mothers, so that they could hear how grateful I am to my own birth mom and how she made the choice to give me life." And that's exactly how the song was used, to encourage expectant mothers across the country who were in crisis.

Once again, there is no cost for attendees. However, this is PHC's annual fundraising event, so there will be an opportunity presented to support the ministry for those who wish to do so. A heavy appetizer reception and silent auction will take place in the lobby beginning at 6:00pm with doors to the auditorium opening at 6:30pm. The program will start at 7:00pm.

"We want to make a strong stand for life in Madison County," said PHC Executive Director Sarah Roof. "Come join us and bring your co-workers, church friends, or small group."

For ticket information, visit <u>www.madisonphc.org/</u><u>nightforlife</u>, scan the QR code on the back page or call 859-624-3942.



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A Day to Celebrate

On June 24, PHC supporters gathered at White Hall State Historic Site to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that overturned *Roe v. Wade*. While many participated in the Walk for Life, others did a motorcycle or car ride throughout Richmond for the Cruisin' Around for Ultrasounds. Kids enjoyed the bounce houses and Kona Ice truck. Thank you to everyone for coming to celebrate!



Special thanks to local youth band, Five Finger Discount, for providing live music

PHC welcomes Meaghan Elliott

PHS is excited to introduce Meaghan Elliott as the new Director of Client Services, who joined the staff in June. In her role, she oversees all parenting programs and mentors women who are pregnant or have young children.

"I am a first-time mom, so I'm experiencing many of the 'firsts' just like the young moms I meet with. Most of the time, we are learning together and connecting on our struggles, or our wins as mamas of littles. I'm excited to walk alongside families as they enter parenthood whether it be the first or fifth time!"

Meaghan has a Master of Public Health degree from Eastern Kentucky University. She and her husband, Hayden, are members of Vineyard Community Church where Meaghan serves on the worship team. They have an infant daughter, Theo.





Golf Fore Life to Expand

Due to an overwhelming response, PHC has expanded this year's Golf Fore Life to have two options – Friday, Sept. 22 or Saturday, Sept. 23. Both events will have a shotgun start at 9:00am with lunch provided after rounds.

To register a four-person team, visit www.madisonphc.org/golf-fore-life.

How can God use YOU to impact a life?

The email came across my computer screen in early May from a PHC supporter who owns a car shop, offering to help one of our young moms in need. Not having anyone with a pressing need, I filed it away for a rainy day. Months later, at the beginning of August, Kimberly*, one of our teenage moms, called to say she could not make it to her parenting class due to car trouble. She said it could be weeks before she could get it fixed. Remembering the gracious offer of our donor, I mentioned this opportunity to her, and she was almost in tears, grateful for the opportunity to have her car examined...at no cost to her.

Supporting PHC and our clients doesn't have to come in a return envelope (though that is always needed and appreciated (3)). Sometimes it may be your goods, your compassion, your prayers, your time...the options are endless! Our desire is that our clients feel loved and supported, and ultimately, be shown the love of Jesus. Yes, we can offer them a free ultrasound, a package of

diapers, and a Kleenex as we listen to their stories, but often, their needs go far beyond that.

And that's where you can come in. Kimberly would likely not have been able to afford the more than \$1000 in repairs, but it came as a gift to her because someone thought outside of the box on how they could support a young mom in need. "Thank you for your understanding and your help. This is a promise from God that He will never leave or forsake me and my kids. Glory to God for putting it in your hearts to help us. I am grateful." ~ Client Testimony

Consider where you are right now and what you may have in your possession or skill set that God may be able to use to affirm the lives we encounter. We never know when we will be part of the miracle that God is performing for someone. Just be ready to say yes.



Blessings, in Christ,

Sarah Roof Executive Director

PHC ready to provide Sexual Risk Avoidance program

As students head back to school, PHC staff is preparing to be in the classroom as well. Four young adults will be instructors for the new Sexual Risk Avoidance program. They will be using an evidence-based curriculum, Relationships Under Construction, to teach students the consequences of early sexual decisions and the importance of delaying such activity. The program offers options for both schools and youth groups.

"We are excited to help youth develop a strong foundation for their future so that they can enjoy a healthy marriage and strong family relationships," said Kourtney Cole, PHC's Community Outreach Coordinator.



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