

JUNE 2024



ps i love you

135 Metro Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29303

## MINISTRY IMPACT

790  
VISITS TO THE  
RESOURCE CENTER

4  
FOSTER PARENT  
SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

3  
FAMILY EVENTS

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June 10th, 2002 changed mine and my family's lives forever! Our first placement was a five-day-old baby boy, born addicted to crack-cocaine, and the son of a prostitute. That day, God began to birth a deep passion for children in foster care and that passion birthed PS I Love You. I remember walking out of the hospital on that sunny June day carrying a baby I didn't give birth to, thinking what just happened? Unending questions began to swirl through my mind.... What if his birth mom gets clean and gets him back? What if we get too attached? Will we get to adopt him? Will he call me Mama?

My heart began to break for God's kids who are helpless and innocent. That five-day-old baby couldn't speak up for himself; he couldn't feed himself or provide food or shelter. He was completely helpless, just like thousands of innocent children caught in the crossfires of adults in their lives. Birth parents are supposed to care for and protect their own, but instead, they are neglecting or abusing them physically and emotionally.

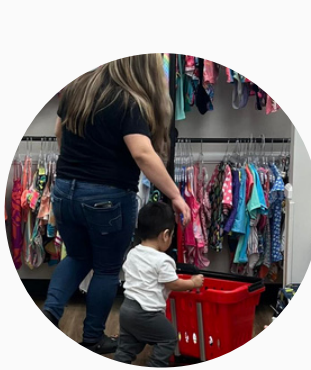
Foster care is messy and undeserving for the victims it takes. The lives of foster children hang in the balance for months, and sometimes years, waiting for decisions to be made. Often they have multiple moves into different foster homes due to behaviors resulting from trauma they have endured.

We are called to "care for the orphan in their distress" James 1:27. I am thankful God used our experience to birth the PS I Love You Resource Center to provide for the physical needs of foster children, as well as the Training Center to help foster parents be better equipped to foster "HIS kids".

Thousands of children have benefited from the resources you have provided. We could not do this without your kind support! Foster Care....."Father to the fatherless....is God"  
Psalm 68:5

*Blessings, Kay Kirby  
Executive Director*

Supporting children in foster care  
and the families who serve them.



## Busy Spring at The Resource Center

During Spring Switchover, we served 125 children in the Resource Center. We had 127 volunteers who served over 300 hours to help us switch over the seasons in the closet. With God's help, we were able to serve HIS KIDS. We could not do what we do without the help of the community that helps us provide for HIS Kids and their needs.



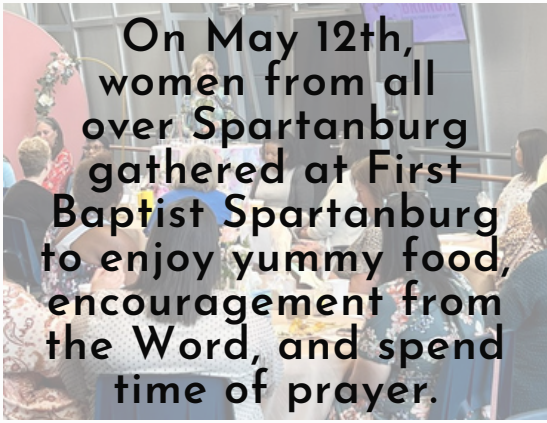
## Mother's Day Brunch



In February, PS I Love You hosted our very first "Foster Care Collab" to connect churches that serve foster families, and explore opportunities to serve together.



Planning a community-wide Mother's Day Brunch honoring foster and adoptive moms from all over Spartanburg, was the groups first collaborative event.



On May 12th, women from all over Spartanburg gathered at First Baptist Spartanburg to enjoy yummy food, encouragement from the Word, and spend time of prayer.

- Immediate Needs:**
- Teen Waterbottles
  - Character Blankets for Carebags
  - New Teen Girl Items: Pajama Sets and Sports Bras
  - Black & Yellow Totes from Costco

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**"Every great movement of God can be traced to a kneeling figure."**

D.L. Moody

Prayer has been the key focus of our time together at PS I Love You this year. Our staff is studying *Praying Women* by Shelia Walsh each week in our devotion time together. The Lord continues to show us that He alone is the answer to the needs of each family that walks through our doors.

On May 2nd, PSILY hosted our first annual "12 Hours of Prayer for Foster Care" event in our new Training Center. Forty-eight people spent 30 min each, praying over all of the people in our community who impact the lives of foster children.

In June, we began a weekly time of prayer for all foster parents, to come share their needs and receive support.