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#### **HOPE'S CRADLE TESTIMONY**

We recently received a message from someone who was deeply impacted by the Hope's Cradle that Life Culture funded:

"Our family recently moved to this area (Southern Manitoba) from another province, and I had informed my mom about Hope's Cradle in Landmark's fire station.

When my mom came to visit a few weeks ago, we were walking down the sidewalk when she spotted the Hope's Cradle door. She went to the door, read the instructions on it, and cried.

Then she told me the story about her father and my grandfather. He had been surrendered at a safe place for babies and children when he was an infant. Since no relatives wanted the baby, his mother surrendered him.

My mom is so thankful that Taché Fire Department is that safe place in this community because she knows that if there hadn't been a surrender site for her father, she wouldn't be alive today."



#### Support Life this Christmas!

**Cheque:** Life Culture Unit E - 98 Brandt St. Steinbach, MB R5G 0V6

### **From Our Executive Director**

As the Christmas season approaches, I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for your support of Life Culture.

As I reflect on the gift of life and the profound importance of our mission, I am grateful for your financial contributions that have played an integral role in furthering our efforts to protect and promote the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. Your support has allowed Life Culture to provide education, resources, and practical help that saves lives and advances a culture of life in our society.

Throughout this year, we've achieved significant milestones. From raising awareness about the value of every human life, to supporting woman, Life Culture is making a positive impact.

Your partnership with us is invaluable, and we are truly blessed to have you as a part of our pro-life family. Your gifts, your prayers, and moral support inspires us to work to make a difference.

Thank you and we look forward to continuing our journey together in the coming year.

Merry Christmas, and may the love and hope of Jesus fill your heart this season.

Susan Penner Executive Director

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## THE YEAR IN A GLANCE

- Over 12,000 of our Give Care, Not MAiD postcards were ordered to be sent to key federal government ministers.
- Over 700 people attended our Walk for Life, braving extreme heat to support life. Hundreds of baby items were donated.
- Over 40 pastors attended our Pastors' Lunch 2023.
- We raised \$20,000 to fund the installation of a Hope's Cradle at the Landmark Fire Station in the RM of Taché.
- We gave a \$2,500 MPower scholarship to an 18 year-old single mom who is attending university to become a nurse.
- We helped dozens of single moms with things like diapers, groceries, gas, and rent.
- We started a foster mom peer support group to help and encourage foster moms.
- Angel Baby held it's first annual Walk to Remember in honour of babies lost during pregnancy and infancy.
- And more!

It has been an incredibly productive year for Life Culture and we look forward to more in 2024!



Our second annual Pastors' Lunch addressed the topic of *MAiD*: *Where do we go from here?* Life Culture provided the lunch and our executive director, Susan Penner, did a presentation on MAiD. Following that, pastors engaged in table discussion about MAiD and how it is impacting their congregations.

Feedback on what was most helpful about the event included:

"Asking us to wrestle with questions of ethics while providing care and compassion for those contemplating MAiD."

"Updates on the latest news and legislation. The helpful tips on how to promote a sanctity of life position in churches was also very helpful."

It is encouraging to see churches engaging in topics of life.



**100,000 Lives Flag Display** Saint Boniface Cathedral Thursday, May 9th Save the Dates!

**Spring Gala** Niverville Heritage Centre Thursday, May 23rd

Walk for Life KR Barkman Park, Steinbach Sunday, May 26th