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The all volunteer staff of the Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint are regularly reminded that we are NOT here to provide medical care to women in need, but rather, that we are here to share the unconditional love of God in Christ Jesus BY providing medical care to women in need. The following two stories illustrate that reality.

Last night at 2AM we received a phone call on our 24/7 nurse triage line from one of our teenage patients. The call was not about her pregnancy. It was a call from a desperate young teenager who had no one else to call informing us that her mother had been shot 3 times in her apartment and was undergoing surgery at that very moment. This was the same apartment where we delivered emergency groceries just last week. This young teen, in her time of need, called us for consolation and care and prayer and support and received that. Please remember her and her mom in your prayers.

On a happier note. We received a call from a mom who now lives in Texas whom we had helped (actually saved her baby by our staff's intervention) a year ago to let us know that baby is doing well on her 1st birthday and that she regularly thanks God that we were there for her last year.

A healthy baby at one year of age is one of our goals and your support makes stories like this possible. THANK YOU!

THE BLESSING OF THE WIDOW'S MITE

In Luke 21:1-4 it says "And He looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury. And He saw a poor widow putting in two small copper coins. And He said, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all *of them*; for they all out of their surplus put into the offering; but she out of her poverty put in all that she had to live on."

Every month we receive a $5 check from a faithful couple to support our work and every month this gift makes me smile and thank God for those with little who still find a way to bless our Moms (and me) with this act of faithfulness. To all of our volunteers who give of their time and to all of our supporters who give of their resources, you are the blessing of the widow's mite.

AUGUST NEWS

- On September 6th at 10:30 AM the Board of Directors of the Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint will be meeting with Aimee Godfrey, the Director of Catholic Charities to discuss how we can best collaborate to extend our efforts to "save babies, change lives, and help parishes build community".