

#1 BLACK HILLS PREGNANCY CENTER EARN WHILE YOU LEARN PROGRAM — \$5,000

Leader: An unplanned pregnancy poses many challenges, and some young women struggle to know how they are going to provide the physical and emotional needs of a child. **Black Hills Pregnancy Center** (BHPC) of Rapid City, South Dakota, has been providing an incentive-based pregnancy and parenting class to mothers and fathers of a current pregnancy or a child from birth to four years old. Through the various activities required by the Center, they are exposed to the Gospel through Bible studies, church attendance, and the love of Christ through others' actions toward them.

R1: *Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God (Ephesians 5:1–2).*

Leader: In 2018, the **Black Hills Pregnancy Center** purchased the **Earn While You Learn** (EWYL) curriculum and Bright Course subscriptions for their clients. The **EWYL** program helps their clients choose life for their babies when they see there is support for them to learn, grow, and understand how to be good mothers and fathers to their children. Updates of the **EWYL** curriculum are done twice annually for a cost of \$1,000. In addition, the Bright Course's new online curriculum costs about \$129 per month for five clients. Over the past year, with all the restrictions of meeting together, this has proved invaluable for the parents that **BHPC** serves.

R2: *See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. For the Son of Man came to save the lost (Matthew 18:10,11).*

Leader: The **BHPC** has seen an increase in new clients and participants over the past three years. With the new abortion regulations in our state, there is potential for even more participants. Support of this program is critical for new parents to gain the knowledge they need to provide a loving home for their children. With our grant of \$5,000 we can help defray some of the costs of this vital program for the most vulnerable of children.

R3: *For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them (Ephesians 2:10).*

All: **Heavenly Father, Creator of all persons, You established the first family as a place for children to grow physically as well as spiritually. We ask Your blessing on the Black Hills Pregnancy Center as they strive to assist mothers and fathers of the most vulnerable children. Guide the program directors as they interact with their clients, showing them the love of Christ in all their actions. Bless these parents as they seek to be the best parents they can be. Keep these children and their parents in Your loving grace and care. Increase our mite offerings to cover the cost of the lessons given. Pour out Your mercy on the Center as they reach out to families in need of your love. In Your powerful name, Jesus. Amen.**