# St. Elizabeth | Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services

## Rooted in Love, Respect, and Courage

What we do....

We bring HOPE

To pregnant women in need . . . to couples who have longed to hold a child and become a family . . . to a young mother struggling to find resources to help with parenting needs.

## **Adoption Services**

- Adoptive parent preparation
- Domestic, stepparent and relative adoption home studies
- HAGUE approved international home studies
- Life long adoption counseling
- State licensed and COA accredited
- Adoption Search Services



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## **Mission Statement**

St. Elizabeth | Coleman Pregnancy & Adoption Services, rooted in Catholic tradition, believe that every child has a right to a healthy, loving family. We provide life long services to empower women and families of all faiths by offering support, compassion and professional guidance.



Help expectant women make the best decision for themselves & their baby

- Counseling (confidential, free and life long)
- Help pregnant women make an adoption plan
- 24/7 availability by phone, email and text
- Qualified professionals who care and understand
- · Schedule meetings at a convenient location and time
- Focus on the needs of the birth parents & their families
- Parent Support Group Available
- Basic needs donations available for infants & children





## **Core Values**

Life- Honoring forever the sanctity of life.

Love-Nurturing a family's love for a child

Family- Establishing and developing a strong foundation

Faith- Living our Lord's work with commitment and compassion

## **Prayers**

We always love continued prayer for our Birth Mother clients and the families we have helped through adoption.

#### **Donation Needs**

We are in need of new/ gently used children's items.

As well as household items for our support group members.

Our wish lists can be seen on our website.

## Why use Positive Adoption Langauage?

At St. Elizabeth | Coleman we promote and advocate for the use of Positive Adoption Language. This is for the benefit of the entire Adoption Triad. When someone says, "they put up their baby" it has a negative connotation and takes the power away from the adoption story. Instead use, "the child was placed for adoption" giving the context that a plan was made, and the child has value and purpose. (See our handout for more information.)



**Adoption Triad** is a triangle which symbolizes the three parties involved in an **adoption**: adoptee, adoptive parents and birth parents.

And the heart symbolizes the love they share for each other.

## Check our website: www.givingbirthtohope.org for updated information about future events

## Our history....

In 1915, the Daughters of Isabella, founded St. Elizabeth's to meet the needs of local women and children during World War I. In 1922 the D of I purchased a home on 10 acres of land at our current address, where they began offering adoption services and residential prenatal medical care to young mothers. In the Early 1990's Coleman Home, previously "Door of Hope" in 1894, specialized in adoptions of medical needs.

On August 1, 2004, St. Elizabeth and Coleman came together to form a full service agency called, St. Elizabeth | Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services. We are committed to provide support and compassion as well as professional assistance to pregnant women and families facing adoption and parenting decisions.

#### Church Bulletin/Information Requests

If you would like some more information about our services for your church, we would be more than happy to assist you. Please just email pkamrath@SECindy.org and we can prepare an item to fit your needs.

#### Find us on....



Website: http://www.givingbirthtohope.org/



Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ stelizabethscoleman

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

"Indianapolis Area"

St. Elizabeth | Coleman is lucky to have volunteers help us serve the pregnant women, mothers, and children.

#### Opportunities include:

- Sorting and organizing donations
- ♦ Landscape/yard work

Please email Priscilla- pkamrath@SECindy.org or call office



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