## HEARTS FOR JESUS 2021-2022

**Teacher Resource Supplement** 

**FEBRUARY 2022** 



### **Supporting Redeeming Life**

We've organized five themes for the school days and how the theme connects to the ministry of Redeeming Life. Each theme page includes ideas for activities that will help your students personally connect to Redeeming Life and the babies and women we serve.

Thank you for highlighting and supporting Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries at your school during Hearts for Jesus

### **About Redeeming Life**



### **Dedicated to Preserving Life and Preventing Abortion**

Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries is dedicated to preserving life and preventing abortion through its Christ-centered maternity home for single pregnant women in crisis.



### **Serving Expectant & Postpartum Mothers in Need**

Motivated by God's grace, Redeeming Life Maternity Home seeks to reach out with the love of Christ to support single expectant and postpartum mothers who, because of the circumstances in their lives, lack the support and opportunities offered by a loving, caring, Christ-centered home and family.



### Providing Housing, Education, Job Skills, Faith & Forgiveness

Our residents live together as a family. They learn to support one another, to forgive one another, and to accept forgiveness. Whether a resident chooses to parent or to lovingly place her child up for adoption, she works toward finishing her education and/or obtaining the job skills necessary for success. We continue to love and support our residents as they move from the maternity home program, though the transitional home program, and beyond.



#### **Our Heart**

Faith, family, and education are the backbone of our ministry. Lives are changed here as the women find hope and comfort in the loving arms of Jesus Christ.

# HEARTS FOR JESUS GRACE



### **Connecting Real Grace with Redeeming Life**

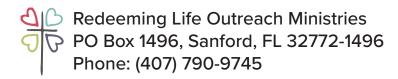
God delivers grace to the living and yet unborn babies at Redeeming Life, and He protects the lives he created for His purposes. His grace is present at Redeeming Life through the teaching of His Word, daily prayer, weekly worship, emotional support, and providing for the babies' and moms' physical needs.

### Ways to Share God's Grace with Babies



- Pray for the health and welfare of the babies & moms at Redeeming Life. Ask the Lord to provide the support they need to develop and grow. Pray for the ministry staff and volunteers and ask for God to guide them and protect them as they lead and serve.
- Organize a grace collection of food and/or gas gift cards, organize a baby bottle campaign to collect loose change to support the ministry of Redeeming Life and save the lives of unborn babies.

Donations may be mailed to Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries at





### **Connecting with the Real Places of Redeeming Life**

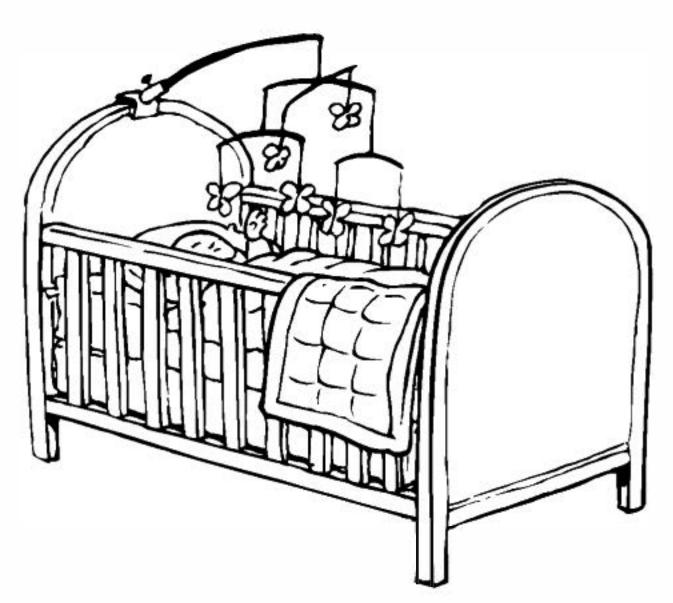
Redeeming Life is a real place where God's Word is spoken! He is revealed to the babies through His word, through the forgiveness of sins, and infant baptism. You can bring Jesus here to visit the babies and moms with full confidence that His presence is real and active in this ministry!

### **Ways to Share Real Places**



### Would you consider helping the students understand how Redeeming Life is a REAL place by doing the following activities?

- Discuss how Redeeming Life provides a safe place for the babies and their mothers to live and grow. Begin by showing the Redeeming Life video to the students to allow them to learn more about the ministry (< 4 minutes @ www.rlom.org)
- Pray for God's continued protection and blessing to keep the maternity and transitional homes as safe places to live.



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### **Connecting with the Real People of Redeeming Life**

At Redeeming Life, the babies and moms are real people! Before babies are born, they may be invisible to us, but they are visible to God! Psalm 139:14 says, "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb." Just like us, they are real, living people from the moment God created them.

### Ways to Share Real People



Would you consider helping the students understand how the babies and their moms are real people by doing the following activities?

- Read the story of Ishmael and Hagar in the Bible with the students. Discuss the similarities between them and the babies and women at Redeeming Life (they were lost, rejected, sent away, and uncertain about their future, yet God was with them and God's grace followed them and protected them).
- Pray for all of the babies, mothers and fathers in the world, and pray that their needs are met. Pray that the invisible children are made visible to people around them, and God will give them a heart to serve them and meet their needs.







### **Connecting with the Real Time of Redeeming Life**

Everyone, including babies, are truly living in God's time. During their 9 months of miraculous development in their mother's womb, they are not worried, not stressed, they are fully present in the moment and patient! He is with them throughout their development, and after they are born into the world and take their first breath.

### **Ways to Share Real Time**



Would you consider helping the students understand how babies use time before and after birth by doing the following activities?

- Lead a discussion about the gestational development of babies while they are in the womb. At 4 weeks, the baby is the size of a poppy seed, yet has organs and a heartbeat. At 8 weeks, the 1/2" long baby has facial features, arms and legs, fingers, a nose and an upper lip. At 10 weeks, all of the vital organs (brain, kidneys, intestines, and liver) are starting to function. At 12 weeks, the baby is almost fully formed, weighs about half an ounce and is 2" long!
- Pray for all of God's unborn children, asking for His protection over their lives and that they are born and live if it be His Will. Pray that His grace, love and hope will be revealed to them and follow them all the days of their lives.





### **Connecting with the Real Praise of Redeeming Life**

Redeeming Life is a place of praise! Jesus is present and welcome. Jesus is worshiped and praised here. We have the privilege of praising him now and in eternity! We praise Him in all things and in all circumstances.

### **Ways to Share Real Praise**



Would you consider helping the students understand how we can praise God for all of the things babies do by doing the following activities?

- Lead a discussion about what babies do with their bodies each and every day. Find reasons to praise God for those activities, even though they may not appear praiseworthy (eating, sleeping, pooping, crying, etc.)
   What would happen if they couldn't do those things? Why are the important to life and health of the baby?
- Praise God for all of His creation, for everyone and everything in it, and praise Him for His Grace, His places, His people, His time, and everything He created for us as precious children of God!

