

Aloha friends and family at Kona Bible Church,

At LIV, we've had an amazing last few months, and we wanted to take a moment to share some testimonies and updates. We are also including a digital version of our 2024 LIV Magazine recapping highlights from last year. This magazine is a collection of stories and updates from last year.

In 2024, we've already had 237 clients visits with 88 of them coming to LIV for the first time. We've done 93 pregnancy tests and 125 ultrasounds exams. Out of those visits, we've had 61 that came in undecided or open to the idea of getting an abortion but after their experience, left LIV intending to keep their baby.

We continue to operate in 3 offices across the Big Island: Kona, Hilo, and Oceanview. In Hilo, we've been able to grow our open hours and have seen a sharp increase in the number of appointments.

Here's a recent story about a client interaction:

A mother came into the LIV Exchange, our material resource for families, looking for clothes for her daughter. She was a single mom of five children, one of them with a chronic illness. They had been homeless in Oceanview, but recently got into government housing. As she met with our LIV Exchange staff, they were able to find clothes in the exact size of her daughter and provide her with freezer meals. The woman explained how she didn't know what she was going to feed her children that night. The woman and our staff were both in tears as the client received overwhelming support. The mama left feeling very loved and seen.

This year also came with some unexpected good surprises. At our Hilo office, we hosted a small wedding for two clients who came in after finding out they were pregnant. The clients discussed wanting to start their family right and live righteously before God, but had little support to pull off a wedding. Even though this is outside the normal scope of our services, our team felt that it was an important step for this family and their child in-womb. It was wonderful to celebrate and honor their commitment to each other and to God.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership! We are thankful for every individual, family and church that has continued to give financially as they are able. As we continue to expand across the Island we are raising additional funds to cover our costs and better serve our communities. Last year, we began believing for 100 individuals or families that would be able to partner \$100/mo or commit to a regularly yearly amount of \$1200. Please consider any amount of donation towards how we can continue to impact our communities across the Big Island.

Mahalo and Blessings! Kyle and Corrie Werts Directors