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Dear Pastor or Church Leader,

When hard lessons and difficulty come into one's life (like an unplanned pregnancy), the opportunity for ministry and an open heart for the things of God are often present, too! Through the support and partnerships of area churches, Ruth Harbor is reaching out to meet the needs, of young women. Your investment of prayer, finances, referrals, and volunteers continue to make this ministry possible!

Once each year, Ruth Harbor seeks to connect with churches and church leaders who can assist us in raising awareness of our mission and the funds to support it! We do this through our annual *Walk for Life* on *May 9, 2009*. During this time of year, I also seek to connect with each pastor or church liaison in order to provide a ministry update and to be accountable with our ministry, answering any questions you have.

Would you consider partnering with us by:

1. **Meeting with me** for 15 minutes to provide a ministry update?
2. **Providing a Walk Brochure to each adult** in your church family? (Maybe during an announcement time).
3. **Determine (or affirm) a "liaison"** from your church who would coordinate announcements and arrangements (most pastors prefer assistance with these details)?
4. **Personally joining us** for the Walk for Life on May 9?

Three tools are available for sharing the Walk for Life:

- A "Walk" brochure (describes the who, what, when, where, and how).
- A concise, 2-minute DVD for communicating the walk to others.
- A note that you may hand to a liaison. (A special meeting is planned for church liaisons on Thursday, April 2 at 7:00pm.)

You can review each of these here on our site including the DVD. Would you take a minute and do that? [www.RuthHarbor.org](http://www.RuthHarbor.org).

I would welcome the opportunity to follow this letter with a short phone conversation to answer any questions you may have or schedule a 15-minute appointment with you. Please give me a ring at (515) 279-4661.

God bless you and your church family as together we celebrate the risen Lord!

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