



# Be the One

## **Meet Maddie.**

### **One young woman. One brave choice. Immeasurable impact.**

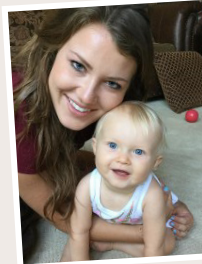
"I am pro-life, but when I found out I was pregnant at age 17, I immediately asked the woman at the clinic what I could do to get rid of the pregnancy.

As I was saving up money and waiting for the day of my abortion appointment, God impressed upon me multiple times not to go through with it; the money I saved up was stolen at a party, a friend's mom spoke words of truth to me, and the father of the child didn't want me to have an abortion.

I finally told my mom and she immediately covered me with grace. I considered my options and ultimately chose adoption for my daughter. I wanted to have a relationship with Elise, I just didn't think I could be her mom. I choose adoption so I could have a life, she could have a life, and we could have a life together.

Being pregnant in high school was very difficult. I asked God to use the situation for the good and He did. Girls would come up to me who had past abortions or were thinking about getting abortions. I was able to talk to them and help some of them avoid the pain of abortion. God used me being at a big public school to help lots of different kids.

I never could have imagined that this mistake would lead to this. I know the beauty that can come from choosing life because I got to see the beauty."



**In Maddie's life**, there were multiple people that accepted the call to "be the one" for her. And through her decision to place her daughter for adoption, Maddie was able to "be the one" to many others at her school who were facing an unplanned pregnancy and needed support.

**How might God be calling you to "be the one" to change a life?**

**Below is a list of practical ways that you can be the one to impact and affirm lives, one at a time.**

# Make a difference for life!

- **Volunteer** in one of our centers.
- **Pray** (to sign up for our weekly prayer list, visit the Partnership page on our website under the Get Involved section)
- **Look for ways to befriend your neighbors** and support parents of young children in your community. Offer to babysit for a single mom.
- **Refer someone** in need of pregnancy related services to New Life.
- **Find healing from your past abortion** through our Conquerors program.
- **Open your home for homework help after school.**
- **Love to run/walk?** Participate in our Walk & Run for Life fundraising in June or sign up for a race of your choice and raise funds for New Life.
- **Donate online at [www.nlfs.org](http://www.nlfs.org).**
- **Host a baby shower** for the families served at New Life Family Services.
- **Drop off diapers and baby clothing** at your nearest New Life center.
- **Sign up for our email list at [www.nlfs.org](http://www.nlfs.org).**

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