



## Statement of Principle

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Informed Choices Parenting Services is an outreach ministry of Jesus Christ through His Church. Therefore, the Center, embodied in its Board of Directors, staff and volunteers, is committed to presenting the gospel of our Lord to women with crisis pregnancies – both in word and deed. Commensurate with this purpose, those who labor as Center Board Members, Directors, staff and volunteers are expected to know Christ as their Savior and Lord.

1. Informed Choices is committed to providing its clients with accurate and complete information about both prenatal development and abortion.
2. Informed Choices is committed to assisting women to carry to term by providing emotional support and practical assistance. Through the provision of God's people and the community at large, women may face the future with hope and plan constructively for themselves and their babies.
3. Informed Choices never discriminates in providing services because of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or marital status of its clients.
4. Informed Choices never advises, provides, or refers for abortion or abortifacients.
5. Informed Choices offers assistance free of charge at all times.
6. Informed Choices is committed to creating awareness within the local community of the needs of pregnant women and of the fact that abortion only compounds human need rather than resolving it.
7. Informed Choices does not engage in contraceptive counseling or in referring for contraceptives or contraceptive services. (Married women seeking contraceptive information should be urged to seek counsel, along with their husbands, from their pastor and/or physician.)
8. Informed Choices recognizes the validity of adoption as one alternative to abortion, but is not biased towards adoption when compared to other life-saving alternatives. Centers are independent of adoption agencies, relating to them in the same manner as to other helpful referral sources. Centers receive no payment of any kind from these agencies, do not enter into contractual relationship with these agencies, and do not share combined office spaces. Adoption agencies are not established under the auspices of Centers. Centers neither initiate nor facilitate independent adoptions.