

Masterpiece



For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He has planned for us long ago. Ephesians 2:10

Melissa's Story

Mosaic's counselors and nurses are more than familiar with serving women who are young, financially vulnerable, and not ready to start a family. Often, these women are just entering the beginning of their adult years, considering college or a career, and a family just doesn't fit in with their plans. But there's another side to the story.

Melissa came to Mosaic as a born again Christian, a mother of four, and in the early stages of her fifth pregnancy. She was leaning heavily towards abortion.

Melissa moved to America with her four kids, leaving behind her husband—who had chosen not to be involved. Although Melissa's faith was strong and she loved babies, she couldn't imagine adding another child to her busy life.

That's where Mosaic stepped in. During her appointment, Melissa shared how overwhelmed and alone she felt. Her counselor made sure she understood her options, and with a supportive and loving staff cheering her on, Melissa took a moment to finally breathe and check in with herself. And that's when she realized she felt empowered to have another baby.

Mosaic worked with Melissa to create a plan of support and flourishing for her, and a beautiful ultrasound was just icing on the cake. Having someone listen, care, and advocate for her—it was exactly what Melissa needed.

Melissa's counselor connected her with a church for community, and she left Mosaic elated by all the support she suddenly had. And not just for her new baby, but her other children too. Today, Melissa attends Mosaic's Parenting Program while waiting for the arrival of her baby. She attends her local church and is feeling more established in her new home!

Many women face unimaginable pressure—from society, family and friends, or their circumstances—to get an abortion. Even women like Melissa, who know the Lord and have already experienced the joys parenthood has to offer, can be led to believe they only have one option. Or that they're simply too alone to raise a baby, no matter how much they want to.

Sometimes, all it takes is a little community and resources to save a life by showing women like Melissa unconditional love and support, reflecting the perfect love of Jesus.



Birth Announcements!

Every life that is welcomed into the world because of an encounter with Mosaic is made possible by the prayers and support of so many of you. We praise God for every single one! While we can't share them all, we would like to introduce Sophie and Eva. They were recently welcomed into families who are now equipped to provide for them. Thank you for your donations and support, which help to provide for these precious lives!

FROM OUR CEO NIKI MATTSON



Niki Mattson, CEO

2023 MID-YEAR STATS:

750+ CLIENT CARE SESSIONS

91 FAMILIES IN OUR PARENTING PROGRAM

139 BABIES JOINED THE MOSAIC FAMILY

64% OF WOMEN VULNERABLE TO ABORTION CHOSE LIFE!

As I paused to write this note to all of you, our friends, prayer warriors, and partners, my first thoughts are about all of the people we have served together and the many lives transformed. Incredible stories like these are the testimonies of God's faithfulness...

When *Jocelyn came to Mosaic, she was pregnant, alone, and afraid. Not one person in her life supported her decision to keep her baby. Mosaic has been with her every step of the way, providing the love of Christ, medical services, education, and material support. She is embracing motherhood with joy. Even better, Jocelyn has become a follower of Jesus and joined one of our partner churches.

Another of our clients, *Bethany, had already made the decision to have an abortion before she came to Mosaic. She had the abortion so that her family, friends, and church would never know about her unplanned pregnancy. She thought it would be something she could get over quickly and never talk about it again, but like many women, Bethany could not forget her abortion. Bethany heard a presentation about Mosaic services during a church service and reached out to us for help. She received love, support, and healing in Jesus Christ – she can't stop smiling!

*Amira grew up in an oppressive religious and family environment. She's been coming to Mosaic for the past six months and little by little, she has listened to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Recently, her Mosaic counselor asked if she could pray for her and Amira replied, "Oh! This is my favorite part." After praying she said "I feel light each time and peace-- like a lifting and more connected to God. I wish everyone could have this."

Please pray for Jocelyn, Bethany, and Amira, as they continue their journey and discovery of Jesus Christ. There are not enough words to show our gratitude for the many ways our community has fueled this ministry. The Legacy Team provides steady and faithful support through monthly giving. Churches are joining Mosaic to provide long-term support and discipling to women and families in our Mosaic Bridge Community program. When we have a specific financial or volunteer need, our brothers and sisters in Christ respond to the Lord in their generosity and kindness. Many individuals continuously pray over our needs and some form their own prayer groups just to lift up this work.

We cannot fight this battle for Life alone and we thank God for inspiring so many to join us. While the abortion industry, politicians, and government leaders strive to make abortion the only choice for unplanned pregnancies, we will continue to be "about our Father's business". Because of His love for us, we are compelled to show women there is something better than abortion – motherhood, family, and Jesus.

Thank you for fighting for Life with us!

Bridge Communities: Mosaic Church Partners

In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1:4-5

Moms and dads who come to Mosaic Virginia are prayed for, cared for, and shown the love of Jesus Christ. It is our hope that they would know Him as Savior and eventually become a thriving member of a Christ-centered church community.

This is the heart of Bridge Communities - where Mosaic moms are connected to local church communities who can provide tangible help and discipleship through the love of Jesus Christ.

A Bridge Community provides:

- **Loving Care** – extend heartfelt compassion to women and families in need by volunteering time, talents, and resources.
- **Christian Community** – offer prayer and the Gospel of Jesus Christ by connecting women and families with caring church members.
- **Lasting Connections** – build meaningful relationships, sow seeds of hope, and help transform lives.

Already, the families who have been connected to a Bridge Community have been blessed beyond measure! *Raelyn, a single mom, was provided free tuition that enabled her to pursue her CNA license. *Meaghan's Bridge Community has been helping with her newborn, and taught her how to plan, shop, and cook nutritious meals. And *Cindy went forward in church to receive Christ after her Bridge Community shared the Gospel.

Bridge Communities connect Mosaic moms to a church community and to Jesus!



Mosaic can support your church by:

- Mentoring and discipling women and families in our Parenting Program.
- Providing medical services and advocate counseling to women with unplanned pregnancies.
- Connecting families with material and community resources.
- Providing post-abortion healing Bible studies and private counseling.

- Hosting a baby shower for an expectant mom.
- Praying for you and your church - if you have specific prayer requests, we would be honored to lift those to our Father in Heaven.

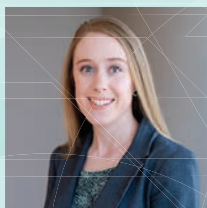
For more information about any of these opportunities, contact Jennifer Bossier at 571- 831-3834 or JBossier@Mosaic-Virginia.org.

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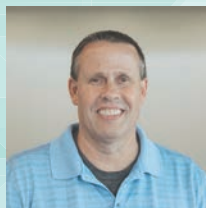
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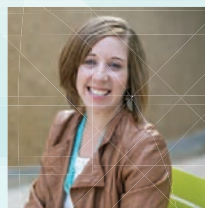
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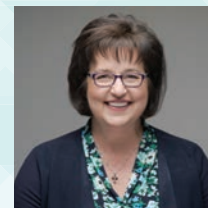
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Mosaic Virginia

This event will be an intimate gathering of pastors, church leaders, and liaisons to share our appreciation for your service to the community, the latest on the current state of abortion in Virginia, and provide resources for churches to help women and men considering and affected by abortion. Register today using the qr code at right, or contact Jennifer Bossier at 571- 831-3834 or JBossier@Mosaic-Virginia.org.



Jocelyn's Story

Jocelyn dreamed of having children...but not this way.

What she dreamed of was a stable home, a loving husband, and a present family to help her raise the baby. When Jocelyn came to Mosaic, she had none of these things.

Her boyfriend was completely uninterested in the pregnancy—and told Jocelyn not to call him until she had the abortion. Jocelyn lived with a friend and had no idea how she could raise a baby in a small apartment with a roommate. If that wasn't enough, her mother was living across the world in her home country—leaving Jocelyn with no support system.

When her Mosaic counselor, Lanie, sat down with her, Jocelyn was visibly shaking but resolute in her decision to have an abortion. Lanie began to dive deeper into Jocelyn's pregnancy decision, discussing the pros and cons—what it would be like raising her baby versus having an abortion. It was soon realized that Jocelyn didn't actually want to have an abortion. She was alone, lacking resources, and believed it was her only option.

Jocelyn admitted she was a born-again Christian—and that she knew God wasn't excited about her decision to abort. Lanie told her that God loved her and wanted the best for her, and Jocelyn started to cry.

She then decided she wanted to have an ultrasound and see her baby.

During the ultrasound, Jocelyn was very quiet. Afterwards, she began to talk about the baby like she was planning to keep it. She and her counselor discussed the option of a maternity home and creating a plan for how she could tell her parents.

When Jocelyn came for her follow-up appointment, her roommate accompanied her and was planning to help her through the first few months—until she could move into the maternity home. Jocelyn's mother was so excited about the pregnancy and already making plans to come help with the birth and early months of parenthood. Jocelyn even got connected and established with a local church—the changes in her spirit and outlook were visible on her face.

Stories like hers are the reason that Mosaic Virginia is planning on opening up a maternity home in Leesburg to help even more women who need the support. For so many women, the option of a maternity home is a life-saving resource that fills all of the material needs that were holding them back from believing they could raise their baby. We thank God for generous partners who gave us this beautiful, historic home, and we pray it will be a place of refuge and peace.

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The Mosaic Team

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6



Nursing Team: Julie Rucker, Sharon Emerald, Maggie Heim



Development Team: Grace Leone, Monica Fernandez, Jennifer Bossier



Administrative Team: Cindy Jacobs, Laura Derkowski, Judy Cafiero



Program Team: Betsy Bloomer, Lanie James, Shelly Nix, Stephanie Nunez, Rebecca Kwitowski (pictured separately at right.)



Frontline Coordinators: Paula Sierra (left), Priscilla Vega (right)



COO: Kelley Wesley



CEO: Niki Mattson

Planned Giving

Ensure your resources are stewarded for an eternal impact—include Mosaic Virginia in your estate planning.

Planned gifts are crucial contributions to the flourishing of Mosaic's life-saving work, and can also provide you with valuable tax benefits well into retirement.

For more information, please reach out to speak confidentially with our Development Director, Jennifer Bossier at 571-831-3834.



Volunteer Spotlight: Catherine Palusci

Why do you volunteer at Mosaic?

I love to be able to provide connections for our Spanish-speaking moms in our county. As an immigrant myself, I remember growing up with my family, with the hardships that can come from the lack of knowledge of language, customs, and culture.

Is there a particular time your life has been impacted by a client you serve?

Early this year, I started working with a mom who actually just gave birth today! She hasn't even been in this country for a year; she came with her daughter and mom to America with only the clothes on their backs. After many hardships in the short time she's been here, she now rents a place of her own, has a job, and a plan for her life. I love helping all the moms, but this client in particular has shown what it is to be a strong woman who knows God looks after her.

Do you have a favorite story where you saw God work?

A young woman decided to keep her baby after a divine appointment with a stranger in Maryland. She had just scheduled an abortion, but hadn't been able to go through with it. She was all alone here in Virginia—God found her, and found a way to let her know she's not alone. It was very humbling and a huge reminder to me of God's immense providence. Her baby will be three this year!

What are the greatest needs Mosaic's Parenting Program has and how can people get involved?

We would love to see more Spanish-speaking volunteers, and any other languages that you may know! A lot of our clients do not have the extra necessary means to provide for their newborns, and though our little client store can have a nice variety of offerings, we are always in need of car seats, strollers, and bassinets!



Volunteer - Open Positions

You can be a big part of God's ministry at Mosaic Virginia! Our centers in Lansdowne and Herndon have a variety of volunteer needs. If the Lord is calling you to get involved, now is the time!

Male Mentors: Fathers are the most influential person in a woman's pregnancy decision. We want them to know their influence and how to come alongside their partners to ultimately choose life and be informed, prepared parents. If you are available during the weekdays and would like to be a male mentor, we'd love to talk with you!

Advocate Counselors (Spanish speaking): We will fully equip you to counsel women facing unplanned pregnancies by sharing the truth of abortion, adoption, parenting, and the hope of the Gospel. Must be able to commit to a 4-hour shift once a week.

Receptionist/ Helpline (Spanish speaking): This role is the first point of contact for women and families who come to our clinics. Answer the phones, check in clients for their appointments, and ensure all client information is entered accurately in our database. Must be able to commit to a 4-hour shift once a week and be computer savvy.

For more information on how to volunteer, please email Monica at mfernandez@mosaic-virginia.org.



Director of Clinical Services: Sharon Emerald, RN & CCM

What led you to Mosaic Virginia and why did you want to work here?

The grace of our Lord and the abortion lies that have derailed millions of lives led me to my role at Mosaic Virginia. I have been a nurse for over 30 years and worked in various areas of healthcare from neurology, neurosurgery, clinical research, and telephone triage, to case management. All of these healthcare settings combined do not total the plethora of people negatively impacted by the abortion industry.

For several years I prayed that the Lord would lead me to a role in which I could use my skill set to serve Him, something with true purpose, something that mattered to Him. I found and instantly wanted to be a part of the mission to offer hope and help for people to make informed decisions about the sanctity of human life, faith in Jesus Christ, and sexual integrity, all in a loving and confidential manner. What better way to serve our King and Savior!



What are some of the challenges the medical team faces when serving clients at Mosaic?

There are many challenges pregnancy center teams face daily. Just after the reversal of Roe V Wade, many centers experienced Big Tech censorship. Women search online for pregnancy help and searches are filtered to exclude pregnancy centers. Pro-abortion activists deliberately report deceptive information about what a Pregnancy Resource Center does.

The medical team is challenged regularly to discover the unique circumstances of each of our clients in a short period of time. The women we see come from every ethnic background; many do not speak English, and often are alone with no family support, money, housing, or healthcare. Our caring nurses provide truthful and accurate medical information so our clients are aware of all their options.

With the increase in abortion pill usage, how is your team responding?

With the increase in abortion pill usage and now the recent puzzling recommendation by the abortion industry to use unsafe misoprostol-only protocols for chemical abortions, it is imperative that pregnancy center medical teams stay abreast of the ever-changing misinformation coming from the abortion industry. Attending webinars, staying knowledgeable on federal and state laws, and attending training conferences is crucial to providing safe services to our clients.

Our medical team must be knowledgeable about these new proposals, stay up to date on current evidenced-based practices, and continue to always prioritize the safety of our clients by following center policy and procedures approved by our medical director and leadership teams. I am proud to be part of the Mosaic Team, where we are unified in our mission and guided by the love of our Lord!

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SHARON EMERALD



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Mosaic dad and baby

Speak up for those who can't speak for themselves. Speak up for the rights of all those who are poor. Proverbs 31:8