

Abundant Love

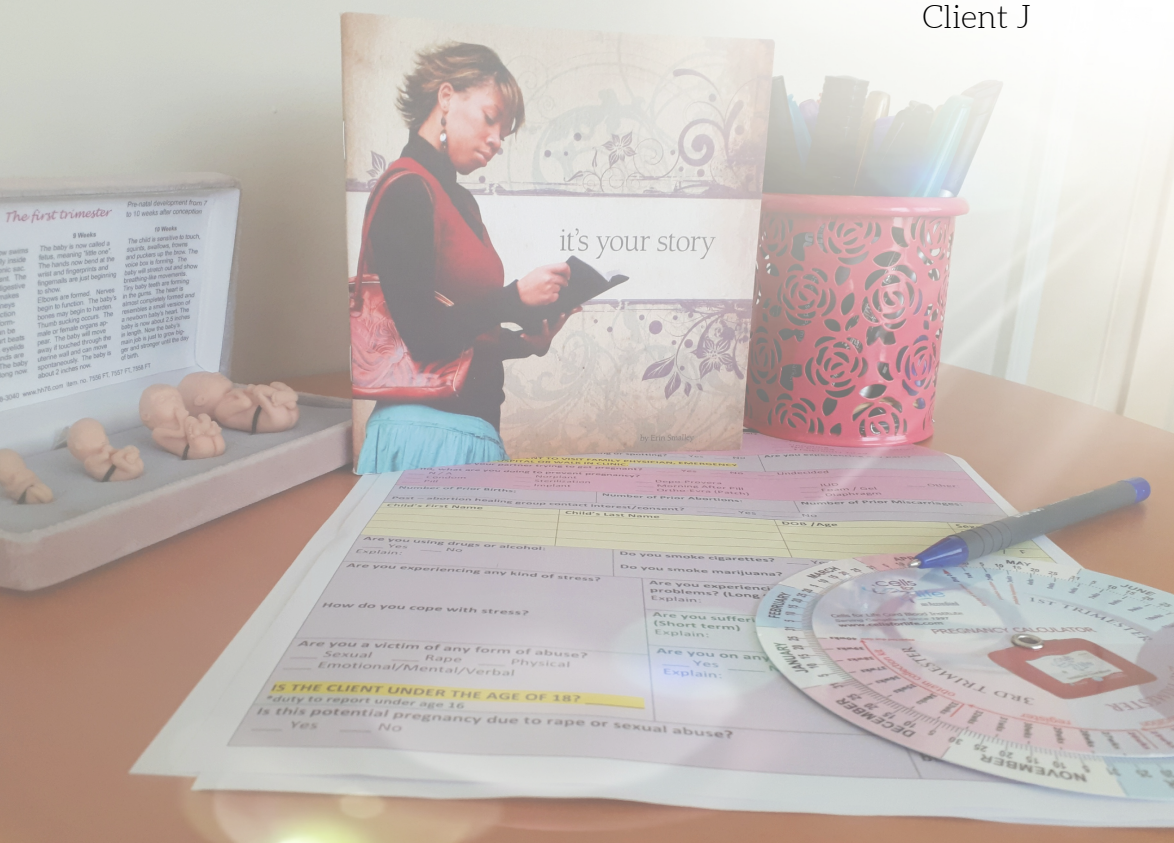
A pregnancy client testimony

When I found out I was pregnant with my son, I was scared because I felt I had no support. At that point in my life, I didn't get along with my family and I didn't have any friends. One day my coworker told me about Elisha House. I was very skeptical about it at first, but when I spoke to one of the pregnancy support workers there she explained the program, and told me all about the groups and support they had. I felt anxious about it, but I took the information I had just received and started the Young & Pregnant prenatal class they offered. I was very shy at first and didn't know what to expect.

Before long I felt comfortable with the staff and volunteers at the Elisha House, which became a safe place where I could share anything and everything.

They were very compassionate and very generous. I have received so many baby items from them that truly helped me raise my son. They threw me a baby shower and I received even more necessary baby items such as diapers, clothing, and baby blankets. I had my son over 18 months ago and I am still very involved with the Elisha House to this day. I have gained so many friends and love everyone there. They truly are amazing people.

Client J



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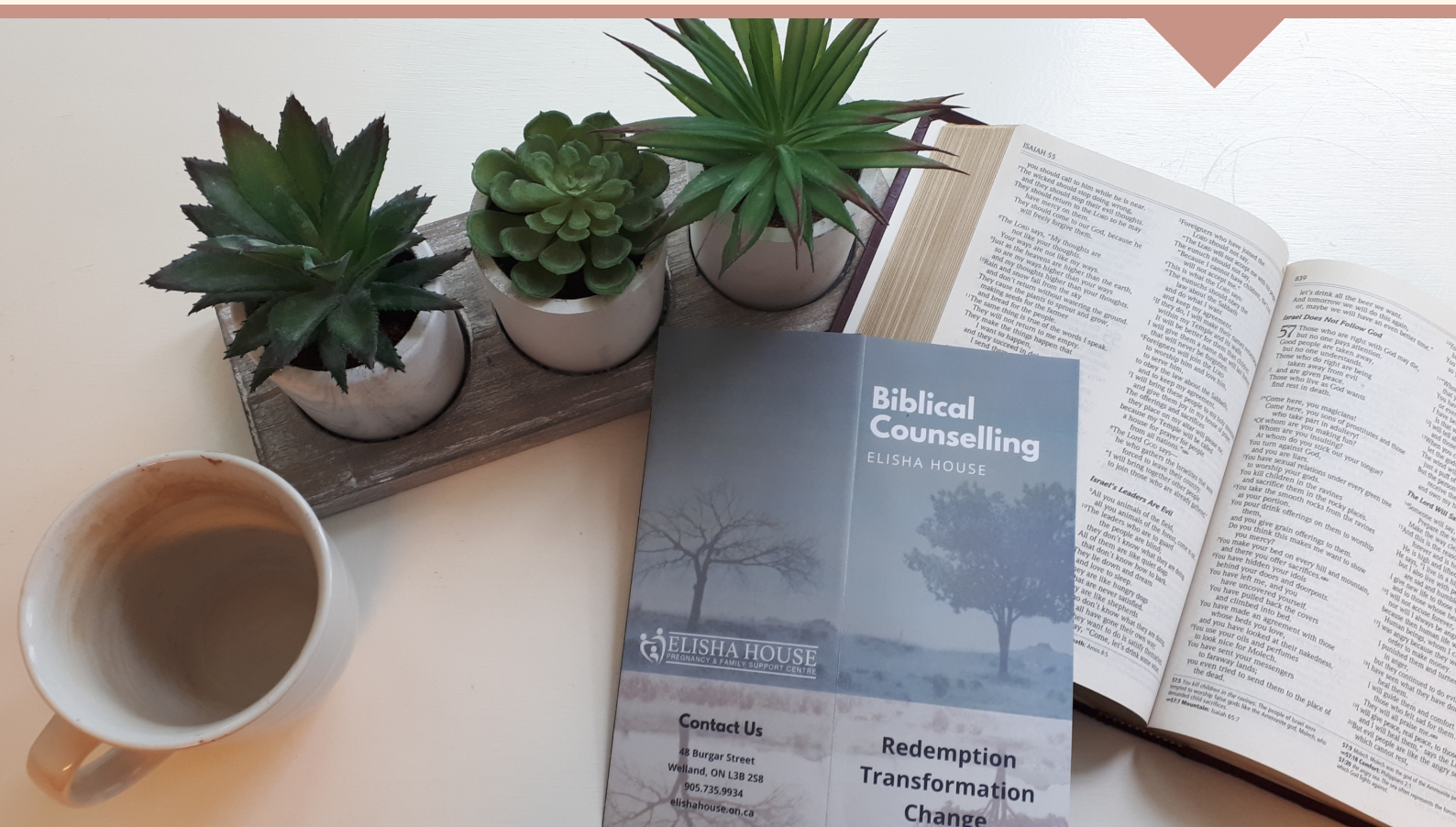
We are so thankful to God that we were able to receive counselling from Elisha House. We are an "empty nester" couple that has spent 30 out of 31 years of marriage bringing up our 7 wonderful children in a Christian home. In September 2018 as our last son went off to college we looked at each other gleefully and said in essence, "we're free!" No more responsibility and our days of sacrificing for our children are over, now it's "our time".

And so began our new found freedom to serve the Kingdom of Self. Only problem? We kept getting in each other's way in the race to be #1. By the spring of 2019 our marriage was spiraling down into selfish anger and bitterness. After a particularly awful showdown between two individuals serving the Kingdom of Self, we knew we needed help or we would not be spending the last half of our marriage as blissfully as the first half. After crying out to the Lord for help. God led us to Elisha House for marriage counselling.

Our counselor led us through scriptures like James 4:1. "What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?" He helped us take a very in-depth analysis of our hearts and our selfish motives were uncovered. We had to admit and confess our long outstanding angry and bitter responses to the evil desires of our hearts to be served rather than serve. We were shown how being a follower of Jesus Christ requires that we need an attitude exemplified by the race to be 2nd. No longer serving our own selfish wants by putting our spouse's needs over our own.

One other very important truth we learned was we could not overthrow our selfish desires by ourselves. We needed the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit working in our hearts to carry out the right response. Our counselor taught us the importance of the spiritual discipline of Bible study and prayer. Through these disciplines we have a life line to Jesus and when those irritations come, they are a trigger for us to pray and ask how we can have a Christ-like response. We are on the way to a better marriage and committed to the Biblical teaching we have learned to keep us on the right track.

Client A & K



COME OUT AND HELP US CELEBRATE LIFE AND LIFE ABUNDANTLY

Save the date for our annual fundraising banquet as we celebrate the ways in which God gives life and life abundantly! There is no cost to attend, it is a free will offering event. Please reserve your seat by calling 905-735-9934 or emailing info@elishahouse.on.ca

This enjoyable evening is made possible through support from local businesses. Would your business be able to help out through sponsorship or by donating a silent auction item? For more details please connect with Brent at brent@elishahouse.on.ca



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

ELISHA HOUSE FUNDRAISING BANQUET

CELEBRATING LIFE AND LIFE ABUNDANTLY

September 20, 2019

Hors d'oeuvres @ 5:30
Dinner @ 6:30



John Michael's Banquet &
Conference Centre - Thorold
RSVP by September 6th

UPCOMING BIBLICAL HEALING GROUPS

BIBLICAL PEACEMAKING

Wed. Sept. 25- Dec. 11, 2019
7-9pm

SHELTER FROM THE STORM

Thurs. Sept. 26 - Dec. 19, 2019
9:30 - 11:30 am

UPROOTING ANGER

Wed. Oct. 2 - Dec. 4, 2019
1-3 pm

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS PUT
ON BY SOME 3RD PARTIES FOR ELISHA HOUSE??



THE HOPE CHEST

"Porch Sale" - all proceeds from book
sales go to Elisha House
August 23, 2019
www.hopechestbooks.com



RIDE FOR REFUGE

Family friendly cycling & walking
fundraiser. 5, 10 & 25 km routes around
Pelham - October 5, 2019
www.rideforrefuge.org



HOSANNA CHOIR

Songs of praise and worship - free will
offering for Elisha House taken
November 18, 2019 @ 8:00 pm
Wellandport URC

THIS YEAR'S
AMOUNT RAISED IS
\$40,008.84

We are so very grateful to the 34 churches and their faithful people who participated in the Baby Bottle Campaign this year! Your support is both humbling and encouraging. With your help we reached our goal of \$40,000!!! These funds will go to support our on-going work of Crisis Pregnancy and Biblical Counselling. We can't thank you enough! May our great Lord bless you all.



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