

## OUTREACH TEAMS

### I'm Worth Waiting For

#### **Mission:**

I'm Worth Waiting For works with the Capital Area Pregnancy Center to promote an abstinence education program focusing upon the 100% effectiveness of abstaining from intercourse until marriage and the purification via God's grace. Volunteers are trained to present fun and informative skits, initiate activities, and lead discussion in area schools and youth groups.

#### **History:**

Emily Chase, wife of Messiah Professor Dr. Gene Chase, started I'm Worth Waiting For in the Mechanicsburg school district almost 15 years ago. She wrote the curriculum that is still used today, Waiting: The Smart Choice. Today, the program visits over 30 public and private schools, running 400 programs each year. Malia, a Messiah alumni, now oversees the program through the Capital Area Pregnancy Center.



#### **Student Coordinator:**

- Angela Livesay
- Office Ext.: 5097
- Email: al1185@messiah.edu

#### **Volunteer Info:**

There are currently almost 50 Messiah students who help with I'm Worth Waiting For! Training Nights are usually held in September and October, however students can still volunteer in the Spring, even if they have not attended any training. Volunteers work with a lead presenter in presenting the abstinence curriculum to local schools and youth groups. The program presents the material through skits and testimonies. Students who have gone through at least a year of volunteering are eligible to be lead presenters.

#### **Current Prayer Requests:**

- Pray for ample people to staff all 400 programs, especially in the Spring.
- Pray for male student presenters, so that youth will see that abstinence is not just for women.
- Pray that students' hearts will be open to abstinence.

#### **To Learn More About:**

- Chase, Emily. Why Say No When My Hormones Say Go. (Available at Amazon.com)
- Chase, Emily. Waiting: The Smart Choice. (I'm Worth Waiting For Curriculum)
- For a brochure on the I'm Worth Waiting For program email Malia at malia@capchelp.org
- VIDEO: Sex, Lies & The Truth: Focus on the Family Presentation. (Murray Library's Media Services)