

# HAVE YOU BEEN GIVEN A POOR PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS?

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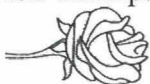
***YOU ARE NOT ALONE &  
THERE IS HELP!***

***Are you feeling numb, heartbroken  
and frightened?***

***Do you want to carry your baby to  
term but are uncertain how to find  
resources and support?***

## **\*Free services are available such as:**

- practical guidance and compassionate care which focuses on meeting the needs of expectant parents as they seek to honor the life and dignity of their baby no matter how frail or how brief.
- resource materials, assistance with writing birth plans, birth support persons as requested and referrals to other community-based services and support groups.
- unique insight and sensitivity are offered to expectant parents regarding such difficult issues as maintaining hope when the prognosis is poor, medical decision-making during pregnancy and beyond, neonatal critical care, stillbirth, and mourning the possible loss of their anticipated baby.



## **Resources:**

Be Not Afraid (peer support for carrying to term) [www.benotafraid.net](http://www.benotafraid.net) 704-948-4587.

Pieta (local support group) Email: [pietamoms@aol.com](mailto:pietamoms@aol.com) 732-548-0100 ext. 225.

Prenatal Partners for Life  
(peer support for carrying to term)  
Email: [mary@prenatalpartnersforlife.org](mailto:mary@prenatalpartnersforlife.org)

National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC)  
(clergy & parent resources & phone consults)  
[www.ncbcenter.org](http://www.ncbcenter.org) 215-877-2660

National Catholic Partnership on Disability  
(NCPD) (prenatal diagnosis resources for  
sensitivity and ministry development)  
[www.ncpd.org](http://www.ncpd.org)

Directory of perinatal hospice service  
providers nationwide  
[www.perinatalhospice.org](http://www.perinatalhospice.org)

My Child, My Gift: A Positive Response to  
Serious Prenatal Diagnosis  
[www.mychildmygift.com](http://www.mychildmygift.com)

For the Love of Angela  
[www.theobooks.org/product/for-the-love-of-angela-by-nancy-mayerwhittington-1039.cfm](http://www.theobooks.org/product/for-the-love-of-angela-by-nancy-mayerwhittington-1039.cfm)

Waiting For Eli [www.waitingforeli.com](http://www.waitingforeli.com)

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