

Be an "Angel" of Hope



A Christmas Tale of Compassion Through the Red Door

“People will forget what you said, forget what you did,
but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

-Maya Angelou

“Do not neglect to
show hospitality to
strangers, for by
doing that some have
entertained angels
without knowing it.”

-Anonymous



“True hospitality is
marked by an open
response to the
dignity of each and
every person.”

- Kathleen Norris

As the joyous season of Christmas approaches, our hearts turn to the timeless story of Jesus—born in a humble manger, as there was no room at the inn. The significance of hospitality, compassion, and the comfort of a welcoming place resonates deeply, and in this spirit, I'd like to share a modern-day tale that unfolded right here in New York, within the embrace of our community.

In a bustling city, a young lady faced the daunting challenges of an unplanned pregnancy, finding herself alone and frightened. Amidst confusion and fear, a friend stepped forward, offering more than just a place to rest—a sanctuary of peace, a home. In her small living room, a simple blow-up mattress became a haven—a safe place to sleep, provided not out of luxury but from a heart brimming with true friendship, love, and compassion.

This friend, also a mother and a client of The Bridge to Life, understood the difficulties but also celebrated the beauty of motherhood.

Aware of the empathy and care offered by Bridge—where judgment finds no place, only genuine care and support—she hoped and knew that her friend's fears would be replaced by strength, and confusion would give way to clarity.

Recognizing the gravity of the decisions her friend faced, she spoke about Bridge—the house with the "Red Door." "You are not alone once you cross the Red Door," she reassured. "Just enter, and let the blessings come to you. You have reached the safest place full of support for you and your little one."

Drawing from her own experiences as a mother, she felt a profound responsibility to guide her friend with true care. Seeking assistance from Bridge, they were warmly welcomed, embraced by "Angels" from the moment the door opened.

Beyond the Red Door, the young lady found not just listeners, but compassionate hearts, an environment so magical that fear transformed into hope.



Today, as we eagerly await the arrival of Little Zoey in February, we celebrate the precious gift of motherhood. This young lady, once frightened and confused, now stands as a testament to the transformative power of love, support, and the open doors of Bridge.

This Christmas, we invite you to be one of our "Angels," ensuring that the Red Door remains open for those seeking refuge. Your generous support makes all this possible, allowing us to spread messages of hope, providing the love and support needed to make life-affirming choices during difficult times.

Will you consider being an "Angel" of hope for mothers and babies in need?

Your donation directly touches lives, creating ripples of hope that extend far beyond the holiday season. Thank you for being a vital part of our ministry, caring for the most vulnerable among us.

As we approach the year's end, we extend our heartfelt wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a blessed New Year to you and your loved ones.

*Love from our
Family to yours.
Francesca Vellico*



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