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# Interview with Gaye Barnes [sound recording]

# Interviewer: Barbara Baird

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## Details

1 hour 39 minutes??Gaye Barnes, nee Robinson, grew up in Angle Park, Adelaide where her parents ran racing stables. Gaye explains how, within an eighteen month period aged 19 and 20, she had three abortions for personal convenience, and the severe psychological effects on her. She describes a life-altering religious experience arising out of continuing depression and her later determination to help others. In 1990 she and her husband Peter, also a Christian, had three children. They sold their home to establish the non-denominational Genesis Pregnancy Support service at Marden. She describes the centre's publicity, fund raising, training for support workers, support groups, and its relationship to other organisations. Gaye also discusses the issue of post-abortion grief. She concludes by voicing her disappointment at the lack of support from some churches but also describing the rewards of seeing lives changed by her work.

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