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A NOTE FROM IENNY

Over a million families worldwide are devastated each year by the death of their baby in the delivery room, NICU or post-NICU.

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness *Month.* We take this time to recognize the parents who have experienced loss around the world due to prematurity, stillbirth, miscarriage, SIDS and other complications. Sadly, many times the value of their babies' lives are rarely acknowledged.

During the entire month, we take time to honor and remember those who have lost a child during pregnancy or lost a child in infancy. We encourage you to reach out to an angel parent and ask how they are doing. Ask about their baby, say their baby's name. Remember, the greatest way to acknowledge life is to say their name.

Not sure what to say or do for a loss parent? Here are some suggestions:

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AFTER THE NICU

Children who were born very preterm have a 2-to-3-fold increased risk of being diagnosed with ADHD compared to their term born peers. After the NICU many parents are experiencing 504 Plans and Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) for their school-age preemies due to ADHD. How can you help your child succeed in school?

Special Education and Accomodations: There are two laws that govern special services and accommodations for children with disabilities:

- IEPs provide individualized special education services to meet the unique needs of the child.
- A 504 Plan provides services and changes to the learning environment to meet the needs of the child as adequately as other stucontinued at preemieworld.com/afterthenicu-2022-Oct



PREEMIE STORY OF THE MONTH

BONNIE GLOVER



"Take each day as it comes, don't over think it"

- Gina Glover

"In February 2021, I was 7 months pregnant and so excited to have our second baby."

"I woke one cold morning with a high temperature and constant cough. After a couple of days, my chest got tighter and tighter, I was struggling to breathe. My husband called an ambulance. When I arrived at the hospital...the news I already knew was becoming a reality....I had Covid," shares preemie mom, Gina Glover.



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BUILD YOU UP SISTERS

OUTREACH: NATIONAL



Build You Up Sisters (BYUS) was created after founder, Jamie Johnson, published "Strong Faith" as a tool to offer encouragement and support to moms and families of premature babies and NICU experiences.

It then evolved to include ways to support women in unearthing and nurturing their purpose through programs and partnerships.



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Each shirt is constructed with 100% fine jersey cotton.



OUESTION OF THE MONTH

What was the toughest part of the NICU for you as a parent?

@growingupshortgut: Missing the time to bond skin-to-skin and breastfeeding my son because he was critical for so long.

@hisivvy: Joining round table meetings as doctors casually discuss occurences and conditions you were unaware happened or existed. Also watching other babies leave and feeling guilty about not being happy for those parents.

@amt9288: Leaving my daughter every night for 156 days.



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WHAT'S NEW?

BLOG: DEB GOES TO FRANCE!

Deb Discenza, founder of PreemieWorld had the honor of attending the International Children's Advisory Network (iCAN) summit in Lyon France with colleague and good friend and multiple time author, Parent Leader and Patient Advocate, Jennifer Degl.

Blog: https://preemie.us/iCANDebFrance



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PREEMIE GENIUS



WF DARF BF BRAVE by Salina Miller, Patricia Parker, Charisse Montgomery

A collaboration of three moms who have over 60 years of collective experience with disabilities and advocacy.



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PREEMIEWORLD TAGS

LENOX SANDERS



Tag us on Instagram before the 15th of the month for a chance to be highlighted!

Lenox is a former 26-weeker and spent 119 days in the NICU.

Today Lenox is 3 years old and just started preschool. He has since graduated from speech therapy and is identifying some sight words.



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PREEMIE FREEBIES

RSV AWARENESS MONTH

October is RSV Awareness Month. We have a special RSV Awareness Card just for you. Our Preemie Freebies can be downloaded and printed. Ahora disponible en Español!



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