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On September 2, 2006, I took an at-home pregnancy test. When the test showed positive I was absolutely terrified. I had no idea what to do or where to turn. All I could think was that "this wasn't supposed to happen to me." I told myself that no one besides the baby's father could ever find out. So, I decided to schedule an abortion. I knew that what I was doing was horribly wrong, but at the time nothing seemed worse than being 16 and pregnant. I went back and forth with my decision and after about a week decided that I needed to tell my mom. A day or two later she brought me to FirstChoice Clinic. By this point I was about six weeks along. I really had no idea what to expect, and was still considering the abortion. I had no idea that the experiences I had at FirstChoice would ultimately lead to one of the biggest decisions of my life.... When I had the ultrasound there was a little black shadow and it had a heartbeat. The moment I heard that heart beat I knew what my decision would be, and there was no way I could go through with the abortion. From that point on I had an appointment about every two-three weeks. The baby's father was also encouraged to come and learn more. At the appointments, we watched short films about pregnancy and the baby's development. For each appointment we also received parenting points which could later be traded in for prizes. The staff was always extremely kind and informative. It was so helpful to know what to expect with the pregnancy at certain stages, and it was great to have tips about things like nutrition. After several months, I was referred to Christian Family Life Services where I eventually chose an adoptive family to place my child with. I will never forget my experiences at FirstChoice and I will forever be grateful to the staff that taught me so much about life and especially love. Thank you so much.