

**General Topics :: Godly wisdom requested****Godly wisdom requested - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/4/4 12:00**

I have been hesitant to post this in the past due to the nature of it, but I could use some wisdom from the Body on this now.

A few weeks ago, my brother-in-law's girlfriend had a baby while addicted to heroin. The baby was born addicted to heroin as well, his name is Simon.

After a long stay at the NICU, the baby was released to the mother. The mother is currently on Methadone (replacement drug for heroin to help people ween off heroin) since the birth of the baby. The mother is also on many other pain medications since she had to have a C-section and lighter drugs have no affect on her due to her current drug addictions (usually pain killers and heroin).

Here lies the issue. We have been lobbying the mother and the government to take temporary custody of the baby until the mother can get in treatment and get help. The government (social workers) have checked on the situation and have told us that they can do nothing until something happens to the children. We have opened our doors to have this baby, and her other 4 year old child, to stay with us full time until she is better. It has been denied by the mother and the government doesn't wish to get involved at this time. She first agreed to get help after 6 weeks in order to have some "bonding time" with the baby. Now she changed her mind and said that she will get help after a year, so she can "fully bond" with the child. Very manipulative spirit present.

The opportunity arose this morning through negotiation between outside parties that Simon could come stay with us at night, and go back with his mother during the day, thus we would be caring for the baby at night. Since Simon was born, we have found that in the morning, both children are fully soiled while staying with the mother. Apparently the mother sleeps the majority of the night while the children are uncared for. My brother-in-law is currently in jail and will not be out anytime soon. During the day the mother has been driving with the children to the methadone clinic and who knows where else. We have contacted the police about this and other things to no avail. The mother is subtle in her actions and words, but very manipulative for her own benefit.

There is much more to this whole thing of course, and that is the battle for a few souls, including the mothers. How do I proceed in a Christ-like fashion while trying to discern and obey the Lords will for this "family", has been my prayer.

I have been praying on this situation for a while and about this specific situation all morning. This issue has and continues to be prayed over from the body of Christ here. I am waiting on the Lord to lead me to a decision and can use any Godly wisdom that you may have on this situation or similar situations. If the Lord has something for you to share with me, please do.

I am open to any prayerful, Godly wisdom.

Re: Godly wisdom requested - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/4/4 15:01

I have decided that we will have the baby stay over at nights with us. Thank you for your prayers. They have been felt and it has helped guide my decision. I can only pray that the Lord would open doors that would allow for Simon to stay with us full time. May His will be done.

Please pray for the salvation of Jaime, Brandon, Connor and baby Simon. That we would be Godly representatives of Christ. Also pray that His will will be done in our lives.

Edit* This staying over night is a long term deal, everynight, that we pray will turn into full custody.