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### **Powerful new DVD resource pack aims to educate people in ways to support women facing unexpected pregnancy**

A powerful new DVD, featuring the personal stories of two young women faced with an unexpected pregnancy, has been launched as part of a comprehensive strategy to explore alternatives and pastoral responses to abortion.

The *Walking with Love* DVD comes with an accompanying study guide which aims to help people come to understand ways in which they can help to support women who find themselves facing an unexpected pregnancy.

A project of the Bishops Commission for Pastoral Life, the DVD was launched by Bishop Peter Elliott in Melbourne on Friday night.

Bishop Elliott congratulated all who had been involved with the production of the DVD and particularly thanked the two women, Bek and Nicolette, whose stories are featured.

“It is appropriate that this DVD is being launched in Victoria, where we now have the most extreme pro-abortion laws in Australia,” he said.

“As never before, the Church must be strongly pro-woman in Her ministry to those facing an unexpected pregnancy or whose lives have been affected by abortion.”

The DVD Resource Pack is an innovative, practical educational resource which is aimed at empowering every member of society in supporting women, men and their families in unplanned pregnancies.

The program aims to encourage the Catholic community and all people of goodwill to increase their support for vulnerable pregnant women, and to reach out to those women, their husbands, partners and families who have been touched by the abortion experience.

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