

Walking down a crowded street, you'll run into people at all stages of life with their own worries. One man may be thinking of how he is going to help his wife beat cancer. A woman may tug at the sleeve of her sweater, pulling it to cover the bruises on her arm from the night before. Still others are concerned with the issues affecting each of them at their specific stage of life. We may all be walking down the same street, but on the road of life, we're in very different places.

This issue focuses on concerns people may face during different parts of their lives. It'll let you look into the lives of those who could be your peers, your parents, your grandparents or your children. It may even be you who's reflected in the pages of this magazine.

The range of people you'll read about goes from premature babies in a neonatal intensive care unit all the way through a woman whose long life is about to come to a close in hospice care. In the back of the magazine, you'll find a list of the nonprofit organizations throughout the Waco community that helped those in each story come through life's ups and downs. These groups offer numerous ways to volunteer your time or find support if you are in a similar position.

Hope you enjoy every step of the journey on this Road of Life.

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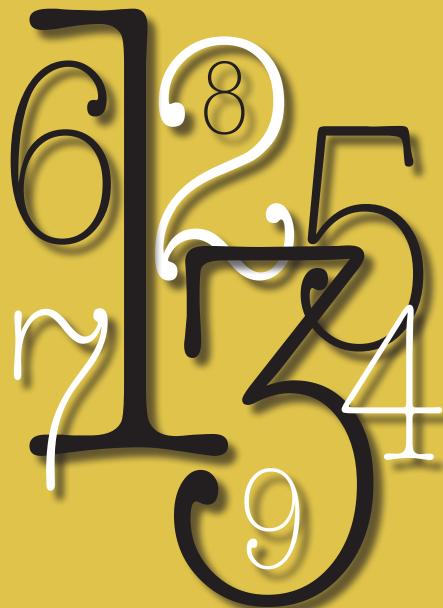
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