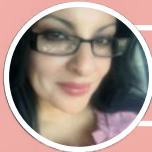




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## A NOTE FROM JENNY

February is dedicated as **Black History Month**, honoring the triumphs and struggles of African Americans throughout history. We have come a long way, however, statistics show we have much more work to do. In the U.S. alone, the CDC reported that black women experience maternal mortality at a rate 2-3x higher than that of white women and the rate of preterm birth among African-American women is about 50% higher than the rate of preterm birth among white women.

PreemieWorld is honored to support groups dedicated to supporting black families:

- **Alliance for Black NICU Families:** Join the ripple of change. Racial & Health Equity starts with you. Learn more: <https://blacknicufamilies.org/>
- **GLO Preemies:** Supporting the Black community from pregnancy to adulthood. <https://www.glopreemies.org/>
- **Once Upon a Preemie Academy:** Health and Racial Equity Training. <https://www.ouonceuponapreemieacademy.com/>

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## CALENDAR EVENTS

### CONFERENCES/EVENTS FOR NEONATAL PROFESSIONALS & SPECIALISTS

#### APHL Newborn Screening Symposium

- October 16-20, 2022
- Location: Tacoma, Washington
- Website: <https://www.aphl.org/conferences/NBS-Symposiums/Pages/default.aspx>

#### 20th Annual World Congress on Neonatology

- September 20 - 21, 2021
- Location: Vancouver, Canada
- Website: <https://neonatal.conferenceseries.com/>

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## GLORIA M. CROCKETT

### SR. DIRECTOR OF QUALITY | PROLACTA BIOSCIENCE



Meet Gloria M. Crockett, MAOM, ASQ-CMQ/OE.

*"I have my bachelors in Biology and I wanted to pursue a career in laboratory science so that I could contribute to science and help save lives. I worked in the Biological products industry that provided life saving plasma products around the world. I now work in the Nutritional products business to help save the lives of premature and very low birth-weight infants around the world,"* shares Gloria.

**“** I am proud to be a part of a team that is "Leading the human milk industry in quality and safety."**”**  
- Gloria M. Crockett

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## THE INSPIRED TREEHOUSE

### OUTREACH: INTERNATIONAL



*"At The Inspired Treehouse, we believe that with a little help, kids can build strong, healthy bodies and minds through play. We feature easy-to implement activities that are designed to promote all kinds of developmental skills for kids,"* shares Physical Therapist, **Lauren Drobnyak** and Occupational Therapist, **Claire Heffron**.

*"We believe that the more parents, teachers, and caregivers know about child development and wellness, the better off kids are!"*

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## PREEMIE SWAG



It's not just the cool design or perfect fit- our t-shirts help support our organization.

Each shirt is constructed with 100% fine jersey cotton.



## INSPIRING PROS PROSE

**MICHELLE HART, NICU NURSE | CHOC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**

*A very special shout out to Joshua's associate NICU nurse, Michelle. Thank you for everything you have done for us, for taking the time to hold the hand of a terrified preemie mom and for sending pictures of Joshua when I couldn't be there. You will always be a big part of our preemie journey. - Jenny McCormick*



## PREMIERWORLD TAGS

**LENOX SANDERS**



“Meet the handsome, **Lenox Sanders!** Lenox was born at 26-weeks and spent 119 days in the NICU.

Lenox will be 3 on February 26th. He loves playing with his dog and turtle and riding his scooter.

Let's all share some birthday cheer for this amazing miracle!”

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



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## WHAT'S NEW?

**WELCOME TO THE PREMIERWORLD TEAM!**

PremieWorld is excited to welcome two amazing women to our team!



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- **Jean Katongole** (preemie grandma) from Uganda, Personal Assistant for PremieWorld.
- **Thavery Ngeth** (preemie mom) from Alberta Canada, PremieWorld Intern.



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## PREEMIE GENIUS



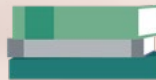
### MY VERY LITTLE SISTER AND THE VERY BIG STORY

Author: **Alina Brett**

A book created to help siblings cope with a sibling in the hospital. Created by big sister, Alina through personal experience.



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## PREEMIE STORY OF THE MONTH

**AIDEN, LONDON & JAMIE**



*“I am the mother of 3 children born premature. I came from an accomplished family but in my Senior year of college I found myself pregnant, suffering from severe HG, with no family support, and unenrolled from college, ‘share preemie mom,’ Ashley Randolph.*

*“They are born early but that is just the beginning of their story.”*

- Ashley Randolph

*“The advice I would give is to take it one day at a time and don't forget to ask questions when you need more information. No question is too small or unimportant.”*



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## PREEMIE FREEBIES

**VALENTINE'S CARD FROM YOUR SPECIAL PREEMIE**

This Valentine's Day, we have you covered! Download this adorable card from your special preemie and remember, YOU are loved! *Ahora disponible en Español!*



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