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NEWSLETTER

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“Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction.”
Proverbs 31:8

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE PRO-LIFE?

Being pro-life means that we have a fundamental belief that all life, no matter at what age, stage of life, or economic status, has inherent dignity and is worth protecting.

We believe that it is our duty to open our mouths and speak for the voiceless and the most vulnerable. As a ministry, it is our goal to equip the saints to understand the important issues at stake and to stand up for the innocent, whether through personal conversations, teaching young people, or even standing outside the abortion clinics to pray and offer another way to a desperate mother.

REFLECTING ON 2017

This last year we have seen some great ministry opportunities!

- 1) We finished putting together an excellent resource book containing in-depth information on a myriad of pro-life issues, and were able to distribute over 20 at our informational luncheon in March. The luncheon was very well attended, and it was a blessing to be able to educate a room full of people on these important issues.
- 2) Over the summer we trained 14 Life Liaisons and other individuals in after-abortion care to help women and men who have gone through an abortion. Many people struggle intensely with the mental, emotional, and spiritual effects of this trauma. If you or someone you know needs help after having had an abortion, please contact us and we can put you in contact with someone who can help you.
- 3) In August we held our first All for Life youth conference. Our guest speaker, Christian Andzel, taught the teens about what abortion is and how it affects society. After some fun game time and pizza, the boys and girls separated for panel discussions on purity and then finished out the night with an ice cream bar.
- 4) We have also been focusing on fine-tuning our Truth Team presentations. These teams are available to come to your church, youth group, or school and present on the issues of life and purity. We can tailor our presentations to your group and have both youth and adult presentations. If you know someone who is interested in having a Truth Team presentation, please let us know!

IN OTHER NEWS

Sanctity of Life Sunday is January 21, 2018!

The first time this day was actually designated was as National Sanctity of Human Life Day by President Reagan in 1984, timed for the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. It has been designated by several presidents since. This day, in the words of Reagan, is a day “to give thanks for the gift of life, and to reaffirm our commitment to the dignity of every human being and the sanctity of each human life.” This is an excellent time to share with your children, family, and friends about what it means to be pro-life and the special value God has placed on each human life.

NATIONWIDE PRO-LIFE MOVEMENTS

Be aware and encouraged by what's happening in the pro-life arena across the country!

There are a myriad of organizations engaged in some awesome pro-life work:

- 1) **March for Life** organizes the annual March for Life in Washington, DC. On January 19, they are expecting hundreds of thousands of pro-lifers to attend and over 40 other marches will also take place around the country. Abortion workers are even quitting their jobs to become pro-life and join this ministry! More info: www.marchforlife.org
- 2) **LiveAction** has been revealing the truth about Planned Parenthood and abortion procedures since 2007 through undercover investigations and videos by former abortion workers which have been seen by over 50 million viewers. More info: www.liveaction.org
- 3) **Students for Life** is directed towards middle school, high school, and college groups to educate and inspire young people. In 2017 they put pressure on Congress to defund Planned Parenthood with #Sockit2PP. They created a mountain of 196,543 baby socks to represent babies aborted by Planned Parenthood and later took 100 laundry baskets full of the socks to Speaker Ryan's office. More info: www.studentsforlife.org
- 4) **Save the Storks** provides mobile medical counseling units, known as Stork Buses, to provide free ultrasounds and pregnancy tests. They also provide consulting services to pro-life pregnancy centers to help them in their organizational efforts. More info: www.savethestorks.com
- 5) **Rock for Life** promotes human rights for all people, born and preborn, by engaging the culture through music, education, and action. They have over 40,000 followers they are educating and inspiring to stand for life! More info: www.rockforlife.org

2018 EVENTS & UPDATES

We're very excited about our next pro-life luncheon, which we're calling "The Great Debate!"

This will be a debate-style conversation by friends of the ministry to help educate about the various arguments and points that are sometimes made in these discussions. The event is free and will be held March 3, 2018, at 11:30 am, at Grace in Community Church. (See enclosed flyer) We look forward to seeing you there!

As we move into 2018, we are seeking the Lord's blessing and guidance for the year ahead.

We ask that you would prayerfully consider joining our team of supporters to partner with us so that we can continue to educate and equip the local Church on how to boldly stand for life and be a light in a world of darkness and death.

We also ask for your prayer support. It is so important to bring our needs to the Lord and ask Him for His guidance as we work in His field of ministry. Here are a few prayer points:

- 1) Guidance in the year ahead
- 2) For more volunteers to join our team
- 3) For the various special events and Truth Team presentations coming up throughout the year
- 4) Our upcoming luncheon
- 5) That God would lead us to the right people who can benefit from our ministry
- 6) For our sidewalk ministry in front of the abortion clinic

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for your prayers and partnership in this important ministry!

TO THE LORD JESUS CHRIST BE ALL THE GLORY!

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