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Surrogacy and Abortion: A Child Is Not a Product

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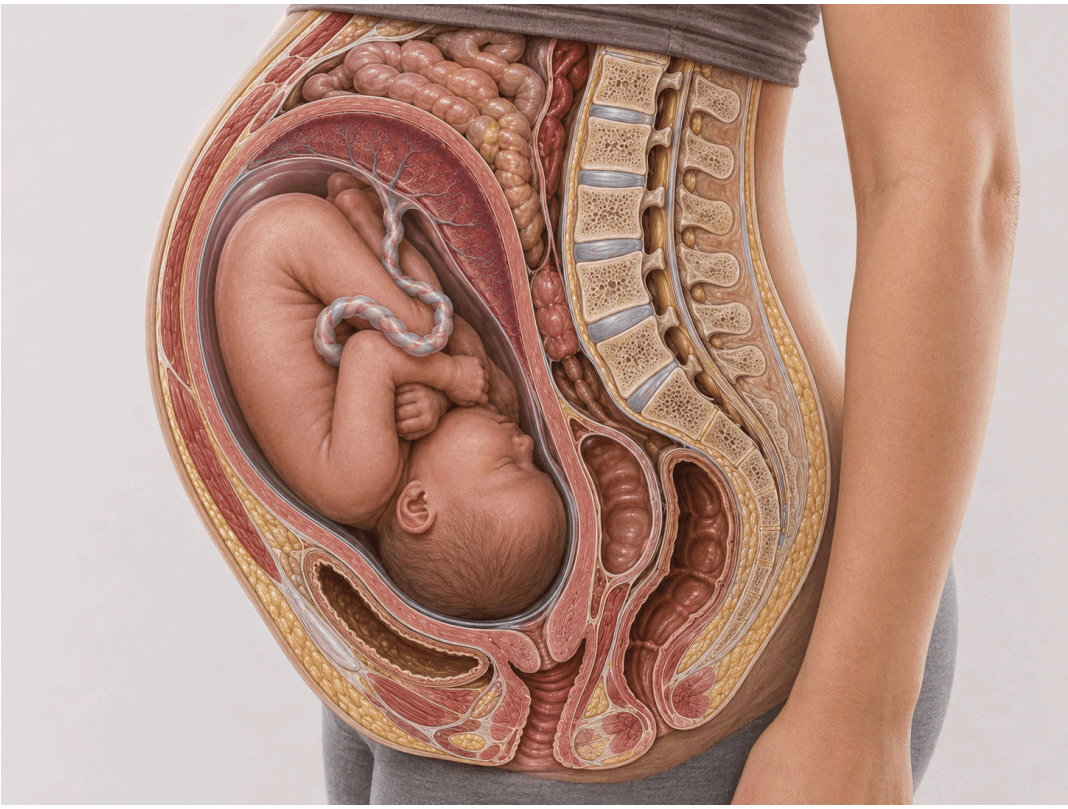

Two headlines this week revealed the very same lie.

Dear Christian:

Two stories broke this week. At first they look like opposites. Read them together and you find the same lie underneath both.

In Texas, a surrogate mother refused to end the life of the baby she was carrying. That same week, a [illegible]ws host celebrated the birth of a second child bought through surrogacy—and a national co[illegible]st told conservatives to cheer. Surrogacy and abortion are not the tidy, separate debates

we thought they were. Both stories ask one question: is a child a gift to receive, or a product to order?

Both stories were highlighted on the August 19 edition of Albert Mohler's *The Briefing*.

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A Baby Was Born Because One Woman Said No

McKenna West, a nurse from Alaska, agreed to carry a baby for a California couple. Around twenty weeks, doctors found the baby had a serious heart defect. According to West and the Texas Attorney General's office, the couple asked her to end the pregnancy.

She refused. She traveled to Texas, where abortion is heavily restricted, and the boy—she calls him Gabriel—was born in Dallas. In response, the state attorney general secured a court order that the baby must receive lifesaving care.

In fairness, the couple's lawyer disputes how the story has been told, calls it "political theater," and says the parents are simply following their medical team and doing what any loving parent would do. In the end, a court granted them custody. Those facts are not in question. But what West describes—being asked to abort a child because he was not "perfect"—should stop us cold.

The Same Week, a TV Host Celebrated Buying a Baby

Guy Benson, a Fox News political analyst, announced the birth of his daughter through a surrogate. He is openly gay and married to a man, and this is the couple's second child conceived this way. Many voices on the right sent warm congratulations.

Then a USA Today columnist, Ingrid Jacques, went a step further. She argued that surrogacy can be conservative, and that critics are only shrinking their own movement. That claim deserves a real

answer—not a sneer. We will give it one.

One Lie Links Surrogacy and Abortion

Put the two stories side by side. In one, a child is nearly discarded for being "defective." In the other, a child is manufactured to fill an adult's wish, with the mother designed out of his life on purpose. Different headlines. Same idea: the child exists to serve the adult. The child can be ordered. The child can be returned.

So that is the logic of a product, not a person. And once a child is a product, "quality control" always follows. And so a weak heart becomes a reason to send him back.

What God Says About the Child in the Womb

Scripture does not leave us guessing. King David wrote:

> For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. *(Psalm 139:13–16, ESV)*

Look closely. David says God is the one who "knitted" him together. Not a lab. Not a contract. God. And notice the timing: God saw David's "unformed substance" and had already written his days—before David had done a single thing, healthy or sick, useful or weak.

So the baby in Texas was fearfully and wonderfully made. A failing heart did not lower his worth by one inch. And every child conceived in a lab is still knit together by God, still loved by God, still an image-bearer we must welcome and guard. The child is never the problem. Turning the child into a product is.

But Wouldn't That Baby Rather Exist?

Here is the strongest argument on the other side, and we should say it plainly. The columnist argues that without surrogacy, Benson's daughter would not exist at all. So the real choice, she says, is between a loving home and never being born. Who could argue against a child getting to live?

We can hold two truths at once. Yes—once a child exists, that child is precious, full stop, no matter how he or she was conceived. We welcome that child with joy. But "the baby turned out fine" does not make the means right. By that logic, any act that produces a baby is excused by the baby. Scripture never reasons that way. God can bring a treasured life out of a broken situation without blessing the situation that caused it. The gift is holy. Still, that does not make every path to the gift holy.

"Conservative" Is Not Enough

Some Christians said so out loud this week. Author Megan Basham wrote that there is nothing conservative about deliberately creating motherless children. Children's-rights advocate Katy Faust has argued for years that a child has a right to his own mother and father, and should never be bought and sold. They are right.

Here is the deeper point. You can defend free markets and small government all day long. But if you will not conserve the created order—mother, father, child, the body, the womb—you are not conserving much at all. A movement that guards the market while discarding the mother has lost the plot.

Why This Should Wake Up Virginia

Surrogacy is not on our ballot this November. But the worldview underneath it is. The same idea—that grown adults may define life, marriage, and the body however they please—is exactly what Virginians will weigh when we vote on marriage and on life. How we see the child in the womb, and the mother who carries him, is not a far-off debate. It is a choice set right in front of us.

The Author of Life Has the Last Word

So do not put your hope in a headline, an election, or a court. Put it where David put his—in the God who knits every child together in secret and writes their days before they draw a breath. He is sovereign over the surrogate in Texas, over the baby in Dallas, over the columnist at her keyboard, and over you.

Our task is not to win a culture war by our own strength. It is to tell the truth in love, to welcome every child as a gift, and to trust the Author of life with the rest. A child is not a product. He is a person—known, formed, and named by God long before we ever saw his face.

The views expressed in this article are the author's own and do not necessarily reflect the official position of the Virginia Christian Alliance. This piece is offered as commentary and

encouragement for Christ's church, in the hope that it will be read—and debated—with grace and truth toward all.

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A 911 Call That Highlights Everything Wrong with the Abortion Drug Debate

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First Responders see some horrific things, but even they were probably shocked by a call that came to the station in late July to rush to a Durham, North Carolina home. Inside, a tiny five-pound baby floated quietly in the bathroom toilet, barely alive. The team raced to do CPR on the newborn, as its 18-year-old mom — the girl who had tried to abort it — looked on.

The little survivor miraculously pulled through, and the small bundle — premature at 31 weeks — is only alive today because someone in the house called 911. But for the teen parents, who were arrested on multiple charges, the nightmare is just beginning.

Syeisha Johnson didn't realize she was pregnant until she was 20 weeks along. Although she and her boyfriend, Elijah Speight, decided they didn't want the baby, in North Carolina, abortion isn't legal after 12 weeks. So, the couple went online to try to order mifepristone from another state, even though the FDA limits the abortion drug's use to 10 weeks and under. They finally found a source in Virginia willing to help them break the law and ship the pills across state lines.

In late July, Syeisha took the drugs, despite being well into her third trimester — a disaster scenario for both the young mom and her baby. As health experts will tell you, the government limits mifepristone to the early weeks of pregnancy because women are in much greater danger of complications the bigger the baby gets, and it's also not as likely to work correctly. Even for moms who do take the abortion pill under the 10-week limit, there's already an **11% rate of "serious adverse events**," an appalling statistic for what the FDA considers "regulated" use.

Eventually, a detective **wrote in his notes**, Syeisha started having "abdominal pain" and soon after, "sat on the toilet and gave birth to a child." No one knows who called for help, but both of the teens' moms were in the house when police arrived. Elijah finally admitted to the officers that the box of mifepristone was in his girlfriend's purse. According to **reports**, she now faces three charges for "child abuse, assault with a deadly weapon, and negligent child abuse inflicting serious bodily injury." The baby's father is also charged with negligent child abuse and inflicting serious bodily injury.

At 31 weeks, their baby was almost **completely developed** — a fully-formed, unique, little human who deserved to be welcomed into the world and loved. Instead, it was delivered into a toilet and almost left to die. And under the current administration, nothing's being done to hold the out-of-state abortionists from places like Virginia accountable for these horror stories. Under the Comstock Act, it's illegal for any online store, doctor, or organization to mail mifepristone to teenagers like Syeisha. And in North Carolina, where the law clearly limits abortion to the first trimester, it's especially egregious that suppliers are ignoring red states' clear boundaries.

There's some hope that Todd Blanche, America's new attorney general, will finally start taking the country's abortion drug crisis seriously. In fact, some of the opposition to his confirmation last week came from Democrats and liberal Republicans like Senator Susan Collins (R-Maine) who admitted that she was worried that he might crack down on the Amazon-type model for shipping these dangerous drugs directly to people's mailboxes without a doctor's supervision — or a **significant other's permission**.

"He promised an anti-abortion organization that he would seek to prohibit the mailing of abortion medication to women nationwide," Collins **posted** as an explanation to vote no. Let's hope her fears are confirmed. The situation in our nation — now a Wild West of lethal drugs — is only emboldening abusers, predators, insurgent abortionists, mifepristone suppliers, and even young people to secretly access the pills. If Syeisha had been a few days younger, police point out, she'd have also been violating North Carolina's parental consent law on abortion.

Last Wednesday, the couple appeared before the Durham County Court and posted bail. The city's district attorney, Satana Deberry, was quick to defend the teenagers and even hinted at leniency because of her personal pro-abortion views. Although admitting she hadn't reviewed the details closely, Deberry told reporters, "What I can say is that I have been on the record over and over again saying I believe a woman has the right to choose and has the right to make decisions about her own body, and we will review the evidence in this case in that light."

Unfortunately for Deberry, whose job is to defend her government's policies on life, her ideological extremism doesn't give her an excuse to ignore the plain text of the law. It should also raise serious questions about her ability to serve the people of Durham, who have a vested interest in her willingness to bring people to justice for their crimes.

Joy Stockbauer, who serves in Family Research Council's Center for Human Dignity, was, like most people, aghast at the circumstances of the case and the public officials' callous disregard for the baby's life.

"This horrifying story sheds light on the semantics that conversations about abortion so often hinge on," she told The Washington Stand. "The average person will be horrified to hear of a 31-week-old child being aborted and left to drown in a toilet. But in our twisted society, which elevates loaded concepts like "reproductive freedom" above basic human decency, some feel the need to pretend that the real tragedy is simply that these young folks got themselves into a messy situation."

What's more, Stockbauer continued, "I take major issue with the words of the public defender who claimed that 'in order to be living, one must be born.' How many non-living creatures do you know of with heartbeats? Or that kick, squirm, and suck their fingers? Our society has turned a blind eye to logic and science for too long."

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A Dark Day in Massachusetts and a Warning for Virginia

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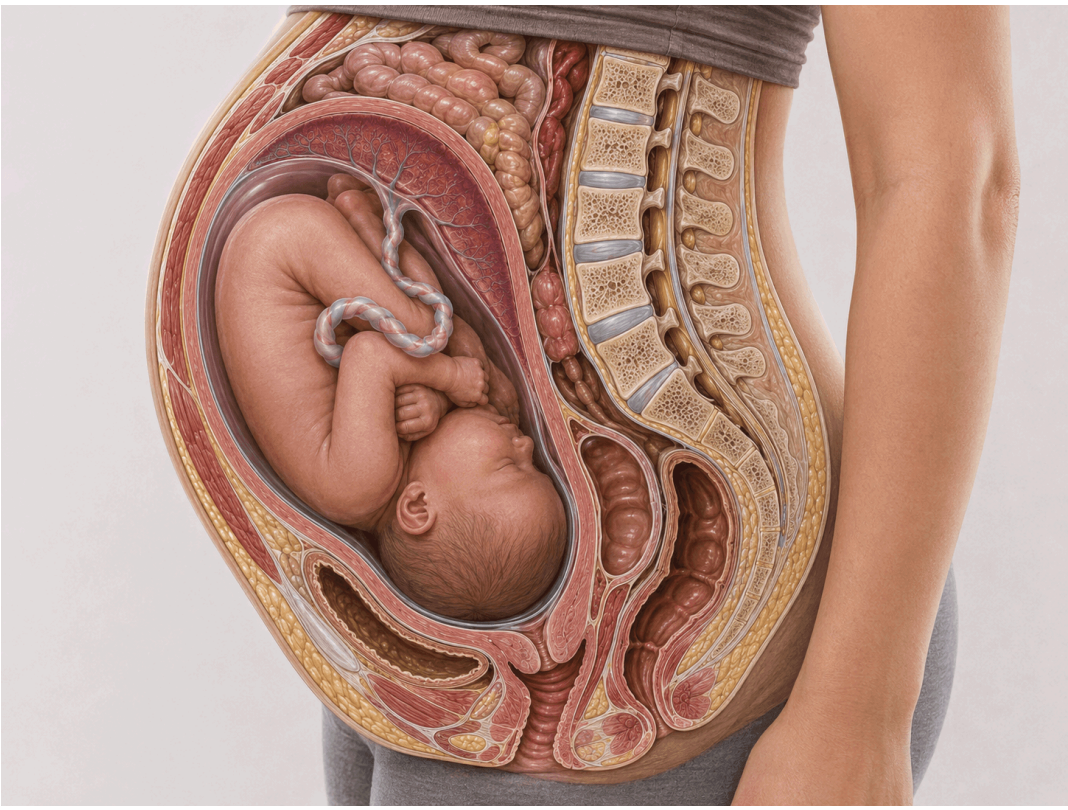

One governor's pen ended the debate in Massachusetts. In Virginia, the pen is still in your hand.

By Jeff Bayard, Content Manager, Virginia Christian Alliance

Yesterday, in Massachusetts, the culture of death held a signing ceremony. And it applauded.

On August 10, Governor Maura Healey signed a law that erased her state's remaining limits on late-term abortion, making Massachusetts the eleventh state in the country with no gestational limit at all. She signed it in public, at a ceremony, to applause from advocacy groups and medical societies, and she framed it as returning the decision to a woman and her doctor. Dr. Albert Mohler, on his daily program The Briefing, called it what it is. Moral insanity. I want you to watch what he said, and then I want you to see why it lands squarely on Virginia.

The Two Cultures

Mohler draws the line the Bible draws. There is a culture of life, in which every human being is treated as sacred from the moment of fertilization to natural death. And there is a culture of death, which prizes personal autonomy so highly that it will end the life of another to secure it. The Massachusetts law is the second culture, unashamed, and celebrating.

Listen for the language, because language is where the deception hides. The decision, we are told, now belongs to “a woman and her physician.” It sounds humane. But strip the euphemism and here is the claim underneath: a child fully formed in the womb has no standing and no voice, right up until birth, and then, having traveled a few inches, becomes a person with the full protection of law. Mohler’s word for that is the right one. A human being’s worth cannot depend on which side of the birth canal the baby happens to be on.

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What Massachusetts Did by Statute, Virginia Is Asked to Do by Constitution

Now bring it home. What Massachusetts just did, it did by statute — a law the legislature can revisit and a future one could change. What Virginia is being asked to do on November 3 is far harder to undo, because it is not a statute. It is a constitutional amendment.

The amendment, HJ1, would write a fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including abortion, into Article I of the Virginia Constitution — our Bill of Rights — and set it behind strict scrutiny, the highest legal standard we have. On the third trimester, it follows the very path Massachusetts just took. Today, Virginia law requires the performing physician and two consulting physicians to certify that continuing the pregnancy would kill the mother or substantially and irremediably impair her physical or mental health. The amendment reduces that to the judgment of a single physician, drops the "substantially and irremediably" standard, and sets no ceiling for how far along the pregnancy is.

I keep my convictions and my facts in separate hands, as I always try to. My conviction is that this is the taking of an image-bearer's life, and I grieve it. The facts in the paragraph above are simply the text, and you can read them for yourself.

The One Difference That Changes Everything

Here is the difference between Massachusetts and Virginia, and it is everything.

In Massachusetts, the people never touched this. One governor lifted one pen at one ceremony, and it was done. No ballot, no vote, no recourse for the citizen who grieved it. It was decided for them.

Virginia is not Massachusetts. No governor signs a constitutional amendment. Governor Spanberger supports it, and the Democratic majority that now controls Richmond passed it through the General Assembly twice and placed it on the ballot — but they cannot finish it. They do not hold the pen. You do. On November 3, the pen that Massachusetts handed to its governor, Virginia hands to you.

That is not a small thing. That is the whole thing. Moses set the same choice before a nation: *"I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live"* (Deuteronomy 30:19). The choice was theirs to make. On November 3, this one is yours.

Let Me Be Fair

The governor of Massachusetts did not speak of convenience. She spoke of heartache — of families receiving devastating diagnoses late in a wanted pregnancy, and of the anguish of being sent out of state in the worst moment of their lives. That anguish is real, and any Christian who waves it away has forgotten how to weep with those who weep.

But grant the hard case its full weight, and the law still reaches far past it. As Mohler observes, removing every limit does not write a rule only for the rare tragedy; it writes a rule for every case, healthy mother and healthy child included. And a constitutional right is not a narrow exception carved out for grief. It is a wall. Once it is built into our Bill of Rights, no legislature and no court in Virginia can take it down.

The Citizen Is Responsible

Back in January I wrote that the citizen is responsible — that we cannot outsource this to politicians and then mourn the result. Charles Finney said the same of preachers: if the pulpit is silent, the pulpit is responsible. On this question, in this state, I would add only that the citizen is responsible too, because in Virginia the citizen is the one who votes.

Scripture does not leave us guessing about the child. *"You knitted me together in my mother's womb… I am fearfully and wonderfully made"* (Psalm 139:13–14). Every one of them bears the image of God (Genesis 1:27). And we are told plainly what to do with what we now know: *"Rescue*

those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, 'Behold, we did not know this,' does not he who weighs the heart perceive it?" (Proverbs 24:11–12). He weighs the heart. He knows the difference between the citizen who could not stop this and the citizen who would not look up.

So look up. Watch what Mohler said. Then do the thing Massachusetts could not do — walk into the booth on November 3 and choose life. And put the Plea in your pastor's hand, because he still has a trumpet to blow.

Massachusetts had a dark day. Virginia still has a choice. Let us not waste it.

Watch and Act

- **Watch: Al Mohler, "The Briefing"**
- **Read the amendment (HJ1): lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20261/HJ1**
- **Register and check your polling place: elections.virginia.gov**

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- **A Plea to the Pews** — hand this to your pastor
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A Plea to the Pews

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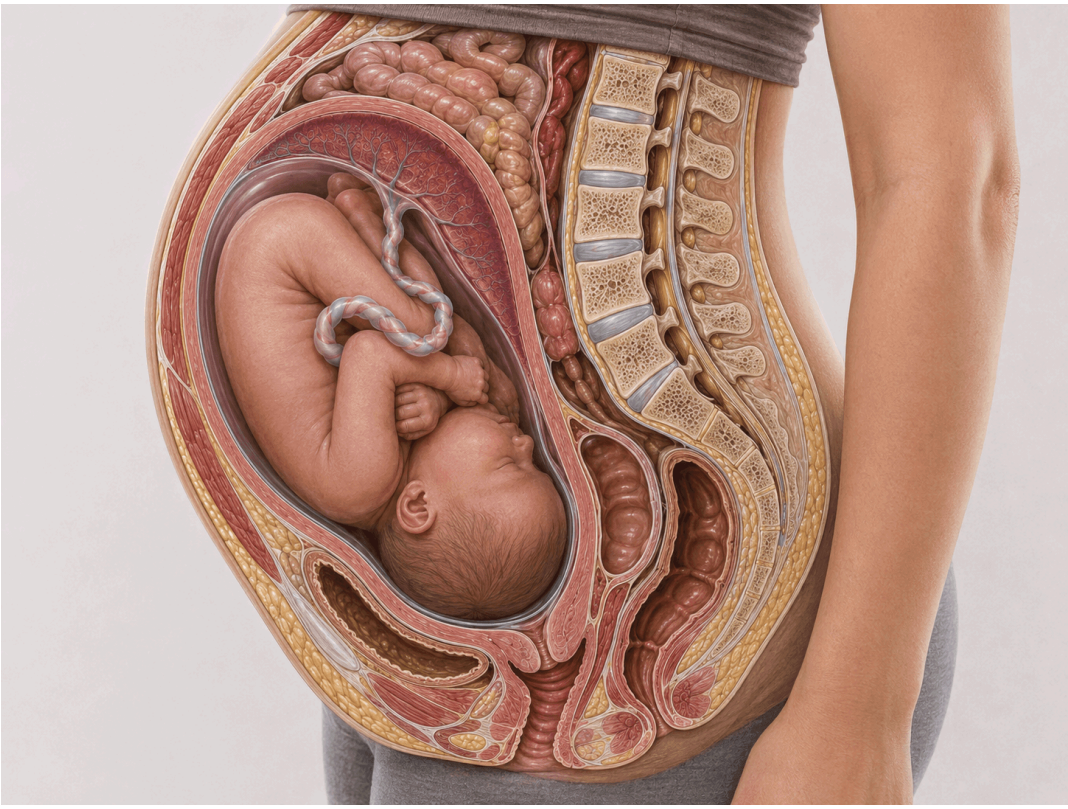

What November Will Write Into Virginia's Bill of Rights — and Why Your Pastor Needs to Hear It From You

By Jeff Bayard, Content Manager, Virginia Christian Alliance

Dear Christian, I am not writing to pastors today. I am writing to you.

Before you read another word, look up. Look at the child at the top of this page. That is an accurate medical visualization of a baby in the third trimester — not yet born, curled and whole, and the most helpless human being alive. He cannot vote. He cannot march. He cannot so much as speak his own name. Yet God commands us to speak for him: *"Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute"* (Proverbs 31:8). And God has already settled what no ballot can un-settle — that this child is an image-bearer, knit by His own hand, and that his life is sacred because it is God's alone to give.

Now look at the sword. It is no longer on the horizon. It is in plain sight — the Virginia abortion amendment, on this November's ballot, raised over the wall that guards that child's life. And the

clock will not stop the second hand from ticking. November 3 is coming whether the church is awake or asleep.

I already wrote to the watchmen — one shepherd to another — in "**A Warning to the Watchmen**." This letter is different. This one is for the man and the woman in the pew. Because the trumpet that must sound this November may never sound at all, unless you are the one who places it in your pastor's hand.

That day, Virginians will vote to rewrite our Commonwealth's Bill of Rights. One of those amendments would write a sweeping right to abortion into our highest law — permanently. And here is the hard truth I must tell you plainly: your pastor may never mention it. Not because he does not care. Because he is buried, and because the word "politics" makes him flinch. You can be the reason he picks up the trumpet anyway.

You Are Not Too Small for This

Most believers assume the current only runs one way — the pastor leads, the congregation follows. That is true, and it is good. But it is not the whole picture. The body of Christ was never designed to move in one direction only.

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ," Paul writes in Galatians 6:2. Notice what he does not say. He does not say the pastor bears the burdens and the people receive. He says *one another.* The shepherd carries the flock — but Scripture also hands the flock a share in carrying him.

And your pastor is carrying a great deal. Hospital rooms at midnight. Marriages coming apart. A budget that will not stretch. A hundred quiet crises you never see. Into that weight, many pastors will not add what they fear is a partisan fight. So the sword keeps advancing, and no one blows the trumpet — not because the shepherd is faithless, but because no one in the pew ever brought him the burden and asked him to carry it with them.

A Burden Shared Is a Life Changed

Let me tell you why I believe this so strongly. It is not theory to me.

Years ago, in 2020, I was in serious pain with my neck, on a road that likely ended in surgery on my spine. I mentioned it — almost in passing — to a Christian sister. She did not shrug. She steered me to a man in Charlottesville who knew exactly what to do, and I was spared the operation entirely. God used one believer, paying attention, to change the course of my body.

That is Galatians 6:2 with skin on it. A burden I could barely name, shared with someone who was listening, became a rescue. I did not need a sermon on burden-bearing. I needed a sister who saw.

Now hold that beside what is coming in November. If a Christian will do that for a neck, how much more for a child who cannot point to his own pain — and for a church about to sleep through the vote that decides his future?

Here Is the Look

People do not see because they do not look. That is the whole problem, and Scripture named it long ago.

"Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, 'Behold, we did not know this,' does not he who weighs the heart perceive it?" (Proverbs 24:11–12). Read it slowly. God anticipates our excuse — "we did not know" — and He does not accept it. Willful blindness is not innocence. The One who weighs the heart knows the difference between a man who could not see and a man who would not look.

Look again at the child at the top of this page. The humanity you see in him — the fingers, the face, the sleeping weight of a person — was every bit as present, in smaller form, from the earliest weeks.

"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb" (Psalm 139:13). David does not describe a clump of tissue that later becomes valuable. He describes God at work — deliberate, personal, hands on the loom — from the very beginning. If God is the One knitting, then no legislature and no ballot can vote that life into something less than an image-bearer.

Look at the child. Then look at what we are being asked to do.

What the Virginia Abortion Amendment Actually Says

I want to be precise, because a warning is only as strong as the truth beneath it.

The abortion amendment would add Section 11-A to Article I of the Virginia Constitution — our Bill of Rights — declaring a fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including abortion. Any law that would limit it must survive strict scrutiny: the state must prove a compelling interest, achieved by the least restrictive means. That is the highest bar in American law, and very few protections for the unborn could clear it.

On the third trimester, the amendment lets the state regulate — but it forbids the state from ever prohibiting an abortion when, in the professional judgment of a single physician, it is needed to

protect the life or the physical or mental health of the mother, or when that physician judges the child not viable. Today, Virginia law requires three physicians to make that call. This would reduce it to one. And those health exceptions carry no gestational ceiling.

I will own my conviction as conviction: I believe abortion is the taking of an image-bearer's life, and I grieve it. That is my moral claim, and I hold it before God. But the legal facts above are not my opinion — they are the text, and you can read it yourself.

Here is what makes this different from an ordinary law. This is a constitutional amendment. It passed the General Assembly twice, in two sessions, exactly as the constitution requires. Once the people vote yes, no court can undo it — a state court cannot strike down the constitution for violating the constitution. There is no appeal, no morning-after ruling. November 3 is the last word, and it is meant to be permanent.

That is why silence now is not caution. It is surrender on a delay.

The Oldest Lie in the Garden

Now look again at the words the amendment chooses. Not "abortion" up front, but "reproductive freedom." The bill titles itself a fundamental right to reproductive freedom, and it tucks the ending of a life into the same sentence as prenatal care, childbirth, and fertility care — the vocabulary of a nursery wrapped around the reality of a grave.

That distance between the gentle word and the grave thing is not sloppy drafting. It is the oldest tactic there is.

In the garden, the serpent did not announce death. He renamed it. *"You will not surely die,"* he told the woman — you will be *"like God"* (Genesis 3:4–5). He took the one forbidden, fatal thing and dressed it as freedom and enlightenment. Eve reached for what looked like liberty and closed her hand on death. The lie was not loud. It was soft, reasonable, kind-sounding — and that is precisely why it worked.

So when a law files the death of an image-bearer under "freedom" and "care," I do not first see clever politics. I see an ancient pattern, and behind it the one Jesus called the father of lies. *"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against… the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places"* (Ephesians 6:12). Paul is not reaching for drama. He is telling us where the real battle is fought — and it is not against our neighbors who will vote yes. They are not the enemy. Many are sincere, and the deceiver has always preferred sincere people; a deceived heart is the whole aim of a deception. Every one of us believed a lie once. The adversary behind the soft words is the same one who has been renaming death since Eden.

Once you see that, two things change. You stop being surprised. And you stop being afraid — because the outcome of this war was settled outside an empty tomb, and the Victor has already spoken.

"But That's Politics"

I know the objection, because I have felt it too. "I don't want my church dragged into politics."

But hear me: the Bible is the most political book in human history — not because it endorses a party, but because it tells people how to live. Every command about life, marriage, justice, and mercy is a claim on how a society orders itself. When Scripture says God knits a child in the womb, that is not a private devotional thought. It is a public truth with a vote attached to it this November.

Our Editorial Board cleared this ground in "**The Word the Enemy Stole**," and I laid it out plainly in "Christians and Politics: Please Take a Stand." The short version is this: a Christian's vote on whether to write a right to end an image-bearer's life into our Bill of Rights is not partisanship. It is stewardship. This is no longer about left and right — it is about a wall God built, proposed for demolition by public vote.

Let Me Be Fair

I owe the other side an honest hearing, and so do you.

Those championing this amendment will tell you they are protecting women in genuine medical crisis — mothers facing a nightmare diagnosis, families in tragedy who do not want the government in the room. Many of them believe this with their whole hearts, and the fear behind it is not imaginary. That concern is real, and we cheapen ourselves if we pretend otherwise.

But the amendment writes far more than emergency care into permanent constitutional law. It installs a fundamental right, guarded by the highest legal standard we have, with no gestational limit on a single doctor's judgment — and it places the whole question beyond the reach of any future correction. Grant every ounce of the sincerity. The question remains: does a right to end the life of an image-bearer belong in a Bill of Rights?

Go to Your Pastor — With Honor

So here is what I am asking you to do. Not to argue. To help.

Go to your pastor the way Scripture says to: *"Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account"* (Hebrews 13:17). Notice —

he is a watchman too, and one who will answer to God for your soul. You do not march into his office to accuse him. You come as one who honors his watch and wants to strengthen it.

And do not be afraid. You are not starting a fight; you are stepping into one that has raged since Eden — on the side that has already won. *"God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control"* (2 Timothy 1:7). If the real adversary is the deceiver behind the soft words, then an honest, humble conversation with your own shepherd is the last thing on earth you need to fear.

Bring him the burden the way that sister brought me help. Hand him "**A Warning to the Watchmen** (pdf)." Hand him this letter. Ask him, gently, to make this not one Sunday but a season — from the pulpit, in the bulletin, in the announcements, until the last ballot is cast. And ask him the one question that matters: will he blow the trumpet, or keep it in the closet?

Then do your own part. See that you are registered. See that you show up on November 3. A watchman who warns and then stays home has only rehearsed.

The Line Still Hangs

I will not predict defeat, and I refuse to despair. Despair is simply disobedience wearing a humble face.

No argument on this page will change a single heart. Only the Spirit who raised Christ from the dead can do that. But the same God who knits the image-bearer in the womb can still wake a sleeping church — and He often does it through one ordinary believer who paid attention. A sister once did that for my neck. You may be the one who does it for your congregation, and for the children who cannot speak for themselves.

Look at the child. Bring the burden to your shepherd. And leave the outcome in the hands of the One who has never lost a battle in the history of the world.

Read It, and Act

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Virginia Department of Elections — official referenda explanations and voter registration: elections.virginia.gov

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How Conservative Candidates Can Win the Abortion Conversation

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Hannah Lappe | The Daily Signal

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The 2026 election season is well underway, and as usual, Democratic candidates are embracing radical, up-to-birth abortion messaging armed with support from Big Abortion.

Once upon a time, some Democrats promoted abortion to keep it "safe, legal, and rare," or so they said. But in the wake of the overturn of Roe v. Wade, the pro-abortion Left is pushing for nothing less than extreme, all-trimester abortion policies at every turn.

On Capitol Hill, Democratic members en masse support the Women's Health Protection Act, a bill to legalize abortions in all fifty states. Meanwhile, voters in Virginia, Nevada, and Idaho are facing radical abortion ballot measures this fall.

But the truth is that the Left's up-to-birth abortion extremism is out of touch with the American people. Americans' views on abortion are much more diverse than the abortion lobby will admit.

In January 2026, **Marist polling found that 57% of Americans** (including 37% of self-described Democrats) support limiting abortion by law to the first trimester of pregnancy. A 2022 Harvard/Harris poll found **only 10% of Americans support abortion up to birth.**

The Left paints pro-lifers as "extreme," but the Democratic National Committee's own abortion position abandons the American mainstream. As such, silence on abortion is not a winning strategy for conservatives. Conservative candidates have an opportunity to meet Americans with persuasive pro-life messaging and win voters in the process—here is how to win the conversation.

Challenging the Narrative

The Left's abortion extremism is cloaked in euphemisms like "basic healthcare," "pro-choice," "my body, my choice," "bodily autonomy," and "reproductive freedom," but good pro-life messaging reveals what these shallow euphemisms are designed to hide.

First, abortion always intentionally kills an innocent human being. Health care heals; it does not kill, so abortion is not health care. Second, the abortion industry does not offer "freedom" or "choices." It sells and profits from one service for mothers: abortion. That applies to both brick-and-mortar abortion clinics and online abortion drug vendors.

Planned Parenthood's abortion numbers, for example, are skyrocketing as general clinical services plummet. Per their own reports, breast exams, cancer screenings, and pap smears are down 70% from 2010; contraception services are down 39%. In 2023-2024, prenatal services made up only 1.7% of total services, miscarriage care 0.9%, and adoption referrals 0.5%. The remaining 96.9% of pregnancy-related services at Planned Parenthood are *exclusively abortions*.

As the abortion giant rakes in cash selling abortions, it is doing so to women's detriment. **The New York Times reported** that patients and Planned Parenthood staff alike are concerned about botched abortions, nerve-damaging IUD insertions, outdated and inadequate clinics, and frequent health-code violations.

One such botched abortion **killed 18-year-old Lexi Arguello**. When Lexi began to bleed out at a Colorado Planned Parenthood, the staff stalled calling an ambulance. When they finally did, they requested the ambulance drive without its lights to avoid attention. Lexi died in the hospital.

Abortion drugs, which are now responsible for more than two-thirds of abortions, are much the same. Eleven percent of women experience a **serious adverse medical event**, such as severe hemorrhaging or sepsis, after taking **mifepristone** for an at-home abortion.

Women are not being informed of these risks, are not seeing doctors to rule out ectopic pregnancies (which can be fatal when combined with mifepristone), and certainly are not being

informed about the trauma of seeing their baby's hands, feet, and face in their toilet after their abortion.

On top of that, **unregulated abortion drugs** sent via mail empower abusers, traffickers, and criminals to cover up their crimes, perpetuate abuse, and force unwanted abortions on women and girls. **Seventy percent of Americans agree** that the abortion drug should not be sent in the mail without physician oversight.

Abortion hurts women, and conservative candidates need to make that clear. They can win the abortion conversation by exposing the undeniable abuses the abortion industry perpetuates in spite of the Left's flowery euphemisms. Abortion and the abortion industry do not offer "care," "choices," or "freedom," and the American people deserve the truth. Transparency is a winning strategy.

Real Choices and Pro-Woman Alternatives to Abortion

The winning pro-life message has something pro-choice politicians cannot offer: hope. Women do not need Planned Parenthood's 500 abortion clinics. Nineteen thousand federally qualified health centers (FQHC)—already funded by the government and available for Medicaid users and underserved communities—**provide** the general and sexual health care Planned Parenthood cannot.

What is more, almost 3,000 **Pregnancy Resource Centers** (PRC), often operated by charitable people of faith, offer fully informed choices and **genuine care for pregnant women**, including but not limited to breastfeeding information, clothing, household and baby supplies, family-planning education, financial assistance, food and nutrition assistance, housing support, adoption services and legal support, mentorship, work and education opportunities, OB-GYN and other health care services, perinatal hospice, pregnancy and infant-loss counseling, ultrasounds and prenatal diagnostic services, information about the reversal of the abortion pill, services for domestic and sexual violence, substance-abuse recovery, and support services for abortion survivors and their families.

Between FQHCs and PRCs, there are well over 20,000 centers with a range of life-affirming, fully informed choices for women compared with a total of just 753 abortion centers across the country. **Sixty percent of women** who had abortions report they would have preferred to carry their pregnancies to term if they had received greater support, resources, or assistance. Those resources exist, outnumbering abortion centers 30 to 1.

The pro-life message is holistically pro-woman, offers genuine choices to mothers and fathers in all walks of life, and promotes real, quality care for mothers and babies alike. Sitting silent on the sidelines of the Left's hottest campaign issue will not help conservatives win support.

The American people deserve honesty, transparency, and a sincere alternative to the radically pro-abortion DNC platform. The Left's up-to-birth abortion extremism is not a good fit for Americans, and the pro-life message is a winning strategy.

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PERKINS: On the Abortion Pill, Follow the Evidence

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Tony Perkins | The Washington Stand

Look at the evidence.

In his address to the nation on election integrity, President Donald Trump declassified compelling evidence that America's elections are vulnerable to manipulation, from noncitizens voting to foreign interference. The president argued that the evidence demands action by Congress to protect one of the most sacred rights of American citizens, the right to vote.

The principle applies elsewhere. When the evidence is clear, it demands action.

Compelling evidence of a different kind was presented this past week during the Senate Judiciary Committee's **confirmation hearing** for Attorney General nominee Todd Blanche. More proof was presented that unborn babies are losing their lives through the abortion drug mifepristone, and increasingly, the drug is being obtained through the mail by men who secretly administer it to the mothers of their unborn children.

Alabama Senator Katie Britt (R) recounted the story of Jona Affholder. After Jona refused to abort her baby, her boyfriend, Hassan-James Abbas, an Ohio medical resident, allegedly used his ex-wife's identifying information to obtain abortion pills online to poison Jona and kill their unborn child. As Senator Britt observed, "Her story is one of many."

The evidence supports Britt's claim.

Last month, Army Captain Brandon Jones-Adams **was convicted** of secretly placing mifepristone into the drink of a junior enlisted soldier he had impregnated, causing the death of their unborn child.

These are not isolated crimes. They expose the deadly consequences of policies making abortion drugs easier to obtain through the mail with fewer safeguards and less accountability.

Why was this evidence presented during the Attorney General's confirmation hearing? Because the Department of Justice has the authority to reverse one of the key policies making this possible.

Following the Supreme Court's Dobbs decision in 2022, the Biden administration sought to undermine the decision by expanding access to chemical abortion. It relaxed the FDA's Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS), removing the long-standing requirement for in-person dispensing and medical oversight.

But another obstacle remained: the Comstock Act, an 1873 federal law prohibiting the use of our mail system to send articles intended for abortion. Rather than enforce that law, the Biden Justice Department issued an opinion concluding that abortion drugs could be mailed unless the sender specifically intended an illegal abortion. In effect, the government said, "Presume lawful use and ask no questions."

That DOJ opinion remains in effect today under the Trump administration. Unlike the FDA's REMS policy, which is being challenged in court, the Justice Department can withdraw and replace that opinion without waiting for Congress or the courts.

The evidence also shows these cases are part of a much larger trend. Since Dobbs, abortions have increased by roughly 20% nationwide, with the abortion pill now accounting for approximately 65%.

The evidence demands action. If evidence of election vulnerabilities justifies action to protect the right to vote, then evidence that existing federal law is being ignored to the detriment of women, unborn children, and the laws of nearly half the states demands action as well. President Trump should direct the Department of Justice to review the Comstock Act, withdraw the Biden policy, and enforce the law as Congress enacted it.

If safeguarding the right to vote is fundamental, and it is, safeguarding the right to life is foundational.

SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance to Host 2026 Health Choice Summit

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The Virginia Christian Alliance encourages our readers who are interested in medical freedom, informed consent, preventive health, and patient advocacy to consider attending the **Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance's 2026 Health Choice Summit**.

As healthcare continues to be one of the defining public policy issues of our day, many Virginians are asking important questions about patient rights, chronic disease, nutrition, preventive care, medical mandates, and the role of informed consent. This summit brings together physicians, healthcare professionals, researchers, and policy advocates to discuss these issues from a variety of perspectives.

The conference will feature a full day of presentations, educational exhibits, networking opportunities, and an evening keynote address. Organizers describe the event as an opportunity for individuals and families to become better informed about today's healthcare challenges and to hear from professionals working in medicine, research, public policy, and patient advocacy.

Event Details

Date: Saturday, September 12, 2026

Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Location:
The Founders Inn Conference Center
5641 Indian River Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Cost: $75

For registration, hotel information, the complete speaker lineup, conference agenda, and additional event details, visit:

https://vamfa.org/health-choice-summit/

The Virginia Christian Alliance is pleased to make our readers aware of this educational opportunity and encourages those interested in these important healthcare issues to learn more and determine whether this event would be beneficial for them.

Saturday, Sept 12: Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance 2026 Health Choice Summit

JULY 5, 2026
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The Virginia Christian Alliance is pleased to share information about the upcoming **Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance (VAMFA) 2026 Health Choice Summit**.

This conference brings together physicians, healthcare professionals, researchers, and advocates to discuss medical freedom, informed consent, preventive health, nutrition, healthcare policy, and patient advocacy. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear a variety of perspectives on important healthcare issues affecting individuals and families today.

The summit features a distinguished lineup of speakers, including physicians, nurses, researchers, and policy leaders from across the country. Whether your interest is learning more about preventive health, chronic disease, medical freedom, or current healthcare challenges, this event offers an opportunity to become better informed and engage with others interested in these topics.

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The Virginia Christian Alliance is sharing this event as a resource for those interested in medical freedom and healthcare policy. The views and opinions expressed by conference speakers are their own.

Beware the legal meaning of reproductive freedom amendments

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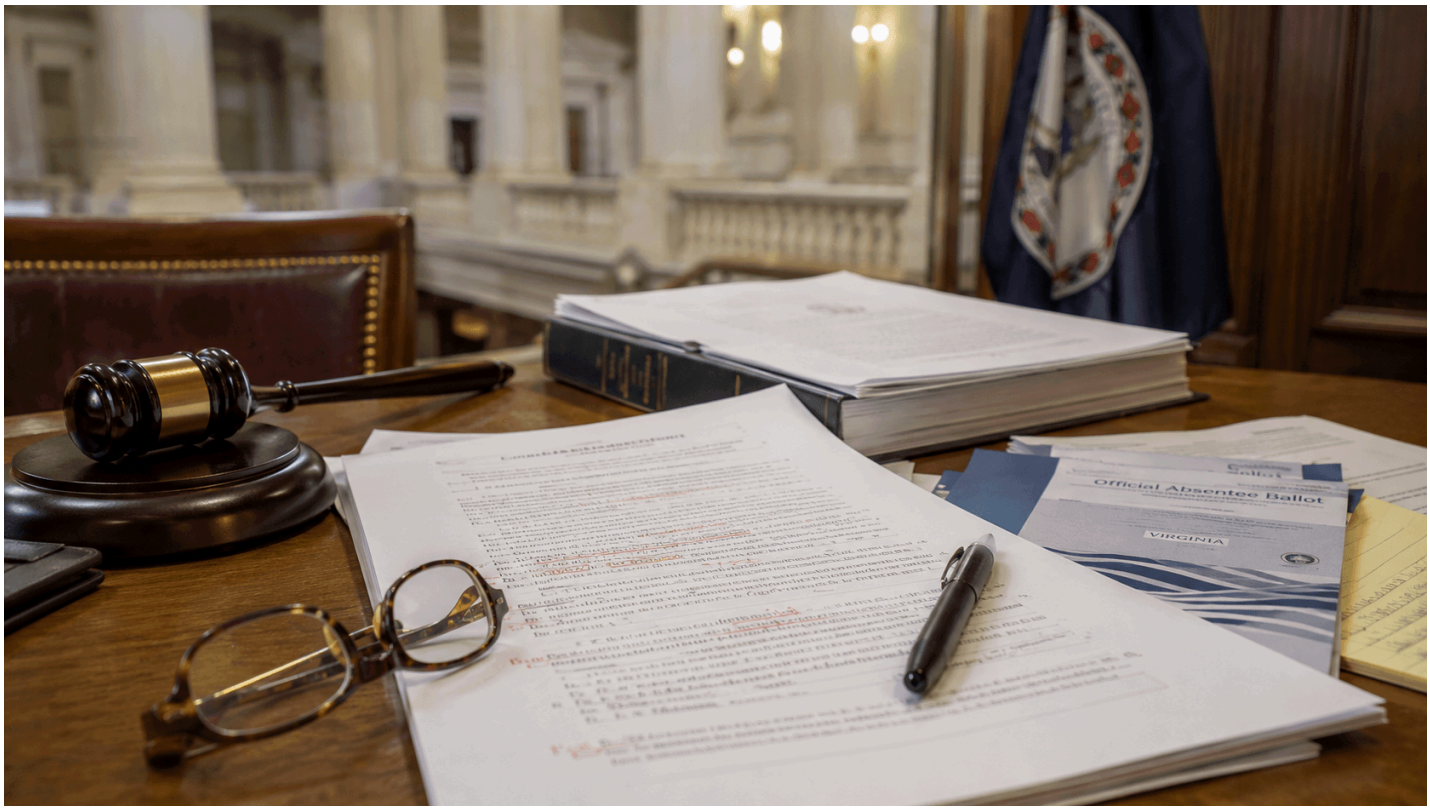

Bob Marshall

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In evaluating the contemporary spate of reproductive amendments to State constitutions, it is important to realize how the language of each amendment will be used in court cases. Regardless of whether the legal topic is taking the lives of children before birth, regulating automobile driving, providing for home-schooling or any other topic, establishing legislative intent depends on the meaning and use of words as well as grammatical rules of sentence construction and the understanding and placement of words as well as their omission.

Here I will examine some of the obvious legal pitfalls of the language used in the proposed Virginia reproductive freedom amendment. But the Canons of Judicial Construction governing statutes are not limited to only one state of the United States. While the discussion here uses examples from Virginia, other states and the federal courts have similar legislative practices for discovering legislative intent, at least when they are not completely overtaken by political ideology. Other states also have similar legal and grammatical usages defined in their state codes

as to how certain words used by their legislature are to be applied. Further, all states have guidelines, rules or canons of judicial construction to ascertain the legislative intent of statutes.

For example, the Virginia Bar Association published an article on statutory interpretation which notes:

> In interpreting statutes, Virginia courts follow the plain meaning rule.... The Supreme Court of Virginia has described the plain meaning rule as looking at the words of the statute to determine the legislature's intent.... ourts, at least initially...are to focus on the words of the statute to determine legislative intent. And in doing so, courts are to presume that the General Assembly selected the words "carefully and intentionally" and that it used the words in their ordinary sense.

With this in mind, let us answer some questions about Virginia's proposed reproductive freedom amendment (RFA), currently proposed as SJ Res 1. In other words, if Virginia voters approved SJ Res1, adding the Reproductive Freedom Amendment to Virginia's Constitution at the November 3, 2026 general election, how would a Virginia judge look at the wording of this amendment?

Who may exercise RFA's reproductive freedom in SJ Res 1

The RFA's first sentence reads, "...every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom...." (SJ Res 1, first paragraph, first sentence).The words "individual" or "individual's" appear twelve times in SJ Res 1. Black's standard legal dictionary, in the US since 1891, defines *individual*:

> As a noun, this term denotes a single person as distinguished from a group or class, and also, very commonly, a private or natural person as distinguished from a partnership, corporation, or association....

Virginia's own Code of statutory construction provides that:

- "'Person' includes any individual..." (§ 1-230);
- "'Child,' 'juvenile,' 'minor,' 'infant,' or any combination thereof means a person less than 18 years of age." (§ 1-207);
- "'Adult' means a person 18 years of age or more." (§1-203).

Virginia is in the fourth federal Circuit Court of Appeals (MD, VA, WV, NC, and SC). In a 2022 decision the Court of Appeals noted:

> the Supreme Court has explained, when used "s a noun, 'individual' ordinarily means a human being, a person.

The use of the word "individual" as a regular or possessive noun has the meaning of a "person" or "human being". Note, that there is no reference in SJ Res 1 to conditioning the exercise of "reproductive freedom" on attaining a minimum age. Moreover, there is no reference to age anywhere in SJ Res 1. The only valid conclusion that a Virginia judge may fairly draw is that the authors of the House and Senate RFAs plainly are using the word "individual" and its variants to include persons, individuals or others under 18 years of age, and individuals or persons older notwithstanding whatever senators or delegates pretend their personal motives or intentions were otherwise, and regardless of whether the legislators claim ignorance as to how the words would be applied. The Amendment has no minimum age and the present Code of Virginia indicates that the word "individual" must be understood in its most expansive use, which includes 12 years olds.

Indeed, had the RFA's sponsors wanted a minimum age they could have provided one such as was done by an amendment to Virginia's Constitution reducing the voting age from 21 to 18 by voter ratification on November 7, 1972 and made effective January 1, 1973 (found at Article II. Section 1, of Virginia's Constitution which now reads, "Each voter shall be a citizen of the United States, shall be eighteen years of age…."

But the abortion-loving lawmakers did not put a minimum age in their Amendment, so there is no minimum age for exercising reproductive freedom.

What is the meaning of "reproductive"?

The RFA has a provisional, though incomplete, definition of reproductive freedom:

> reproductive freedom, including the ability to make and carry out decisions relating to one's own prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, abortion care, miscarriage management, and fertility care.

Note that the use of the word "including" in the enumeration of the instances of "reproductive freedom" in the Amendment has the consequence that the list of particular instances mentioned is not to be taken as a complete list of "reproductive freedoms." Virginia's own Code of statutory construction provides that, "'Includes' means includes, but not limited to" (§ 1-218). Black's Dictionary also defines "including" consistent with the Virginia Code of Statutory Construction

as, “Including within statute is interpreted as a word of enlargement” (Black’s Law Dictionary, 6th edition, Centennial Edition p. 763). Black’s Dictionary is in widespread use by American lawyers and judges.

For example, the chief author of SJ Res 1, Sen. Jennifer Boysko, at least twice in debate used the term, “IVF”, as being authorized by SJ Res 1 under the rubric of “reproductive freedoms” even though the words *In Vitro Fertilization* or acronym *IVF* are NOT found anywhere in the text. In other words, *IVF* and *In Vitro Fertilization* are included since this is both reproductive-related and in accordance with the ordinary rules for interpretation of statutes.

Transgender treatment for minor children is also covered by SJ Res 1 because of the word “including” and also because on at least two different occasions, as recorded in the taped recordings of the state senate debate, Sen. Durant offered an amendment to prevent the General Assembly from retaining legal authority to enact limits on so-called, “gender affirming care.” Note that no one objected to Sen. Durant’s offering her amendment to SJ Res 1 on the grounds that her effort to limit the application of SJ Res 1 was not related to the overall purpose of the Proposed Constitutional Amendment, and therefore was not germane or out of order to be offered to the pending Constitutional Amendment. Therefore, a vote was taken on senator Durant’s gender related amendment. Moreover, her attempt to forbid the Amendment from being used to authorize transgender services or treatment was rejected.

Medical organizations such as Physicians for Reproductive Health support “gender affirming care” as part of “reproductive health” care (see **Gender Affirming Care Fact Sheet**, June, 2025). The American Society for Reproductive Medicine has published **Access to fertility services by transgender and nonbinary persons: an Ethics Committee opinion**.

SJ Res 1 will carry with it any application or use now or any time in the future regarding behavior, surgery, medical intervention, drugs or devices, or actions which are related to some aspect of “reproductive” behavior. For example, cloning is a form of human reproduction that is currently illegal in Virginia, and a person who engages in human cloning may be “liable for a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed $50,000 for each incident” . But cloning could not be made illegal or criminal with passage of SJ Res 1.

Indeed, one need only reflect that the terms, “slavery” or “chattel slavery” never appeared in the original US Constitution. Yet, its meaning certainly was universally understood as being legally allowed in the states choosing it. A Civil War over slavery resulted in at least 618,222 deaths and possibly 750,000 killed on both sides. The first time “slavery” was mentioned in the US Constitution was in the 1865 Thirteenth Amendment abolishing slavery! At long last, it was stated that “Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.”

In other words, just because something is not stated in a list of inclusions does not mean it is excluded. And that is the case with more than one reproductive bill or amendment, including the one currently pending in Virginia which, for convenience, is reproduced below.

Previous in series: The deception and danger of "Reproductive Freedom Amendments"

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Fundamental Right to Reproductive Freedom, S.J.Res. 1—H.J. Res. 1

ARTICLE I BILL OF RIGHTS Section 11-A. Fundamental right to reproductive freedom.

That every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including the ability to make and carry out decisions relating to one's own prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, abortion care, miscarriage management, and fertility care.

An individual's right to reproductive freedom shall not be, directly or indirectly, denied, burdened, or infringed upon unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

Notwithstanding the above, the Commonwealth may regulate the provision of abortion care in the third trimester, provided that in no circumstance shall the Commonwealth prohibit an abortion (i) that in the professional judgment of a physician is medically indicated to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant individual or (ii) when in the professional judgment of a physician the fetus is not viable

The Commonwealth shall not discriminate in the protection or enforcement of this fundamental right.

The Commonwealth shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against an individual based on such individual's own exercise of this fundamental right or such individual's own actual, potential, perceived, or alleged pregnancy outcomes, including miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion. The Commonwealth shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against any individual for aiding or assisting another individual in exercising such other individual's right to reproductive freedom with such other individual's voluntary consent.

For the purposes of this section, a state interest is compelling only if it is for the limited purpose of maintaining or improving the health of an individual seeking care, consistent with accepted clinical standards of care and evidence-based medicine, and does not infringe on that individual's autonomous decision making.

This section shall be self-executing. Any provision of this section held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of the section.

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Will President Trump's Pro-Life, Pro-Family Budget Survive the Appropriations Process?

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&Mary Beth Waddell and Chantel Hoyt | The Washington Stand

Most folks equate springtime in D.C. with the cherry blossoms around the tidal basin, but another staple of springtime in the nation's capital is appropriations season. Congress ultimately controls government funding, and the House takes up the first appropriations bill this week, but the process starts with the release of the president's budget in which the administration's priorities and recommendations are laid out for Congress's consideration.

President Trump recently released his budget, and we were grateful to see a strong emphasis on removing funding for the infiltration of gender ideology that we saw explode in the previous administration, as well as supporting unborn children. The president recognizes that American taxpayers should not be forced to fund radical ideologies and death.

Trump's budget calls for language across all 12 appropriations bills that would prohibit the funding of gender transition procedures, calls out many of the problems we saw under the previous administration, and notes that these should not be funded in the future.

Specifically, the budget seeks to reverse the elevation of gender ideology over properly educating the next generation. For example, it calls out the Department of Education's previous earmarking $1.2 million for San Diego Community College's Pride Center and Head Start centers for indoctrination of children via promotion of picture books about gay penguins and lessons on how to grow children's "gender identity."

It also seeks to bring science, good medicine, and reality back to the center of the medical field. It specifically calls out the National Library of Medicine for previously funding a program for nurses to learn about "transgender and gender diverse" patient care in accordance with the World Professional Association of Transgender Health standards of care, undermining laws that are designed to protect individuals from the harms of gender transition procedures in America.

Furthermore, it calls out the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) because AHRQ has pushed radical gender ideology onto children, previously funding a project at the Seattle Children's Hospital ("Using Telehealth to Improve Access to Gender-Affirming Care for BIPOC and Rural Gender-Diverse Youth"), and hosting an online tool designed to help females who identify as transgender choose a contraceptive.

The budget also calls on the Violence Against Women Act programs and grants to return to a focus of assisting women who have been victimized seek safety, healing, and justice. In recent years, battered women have been forced to share private spaces with biological men who claim to identify as women, and some have even been revictimized in the place that is supposed to be their safety net.

These are just a few examples beyond education, health care, and victims' assistance that the president's budget acknowledges where gender ideology indoctrination has previously been essentially a "whole of government" focus and calls on it to end.

In addition to addressing gender ideology, Trump's budget contains several pro-life wins as well. The proposal maintains longstanding pro-life riders, such as the Hyde Amendment (prohibiting federal tax dollars from funding abortion), the Weldon Amendment (preventing discrimination against health care entities that refuse to participate in abortion), and the Helms Amendment (prohibiting foreign aid from being spent on abortion).

Notably, the budget calls for eliminating funding for the Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program, which is one of Planned Parenthood's major funding streams. This program has shown itself to be ineffective in accomplishing its purpose — reducing teen pregnancy. Additionally, concerns have been raised about the curriculum used by grantees, which may promote abortion and contraception for young people while undermining parental involvement.

The president's budget also includes new provisions to stop federal funding for aborted fetal tissue research and to defund Planned Parenthood. The latter is especially important given that

the current moratorium on Medicaid funding for the organization ends on July 4th, after which tax dollars will start flowing again if Congress doesn't act. The budget also includes a new provision to prohibit federal funding for health training programs if they require abortion training (rather than allowing students to opt-in) or discriminate against students who do not want to undergo such training.

On foreign policy, Trump's budget includes another new provision reinforcing the Protecting Life in Foreign Assistance Rule, which prevents foreign non-governmental organizations from receiving U.S. health assistance if they promote abortion. The new provision would cut off grant funds to international organizations that don't comply with this rule. Additionally, the budget includes funds to "end the previous administration's abuse" of certain global programs. This section makes specific reference to the abuse of PEPFAR (the President's Emergency Plan For Aids Relief) and notes the program's funding of health workers who carried out abortions in Mozambique as an example of activities that should be eliminated.

There is one discordant note in the president's budget: While it zeroes out the Teen Pregnancy Program (a slush fund for organizations like Planned Parenthood to bring sexually explicit classroom instruction to children, which we are glad to see removed), it inexplicably proposes defunding sexual risk-avoidance education. FRC and our pro-family allies have fought for years to set aside a relatively small amount of federal funding for abstinence education that teaches young adults the benefits of using the success sequence — graduate high school, get a full-time job, and marry before engaging in sexual activity. It would be sad if sexual risk-avoidance education became a casualty of the appropriations process.

The president's budget is nevertheless full of very good proposals, and Congress would do well to take his pro-life and pro-family priorities to heart and include them in this year's appropriations bills.

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Cemeteries in Our Sewers: The Abortion Pill Crisis Christians Can No Longer Ignore

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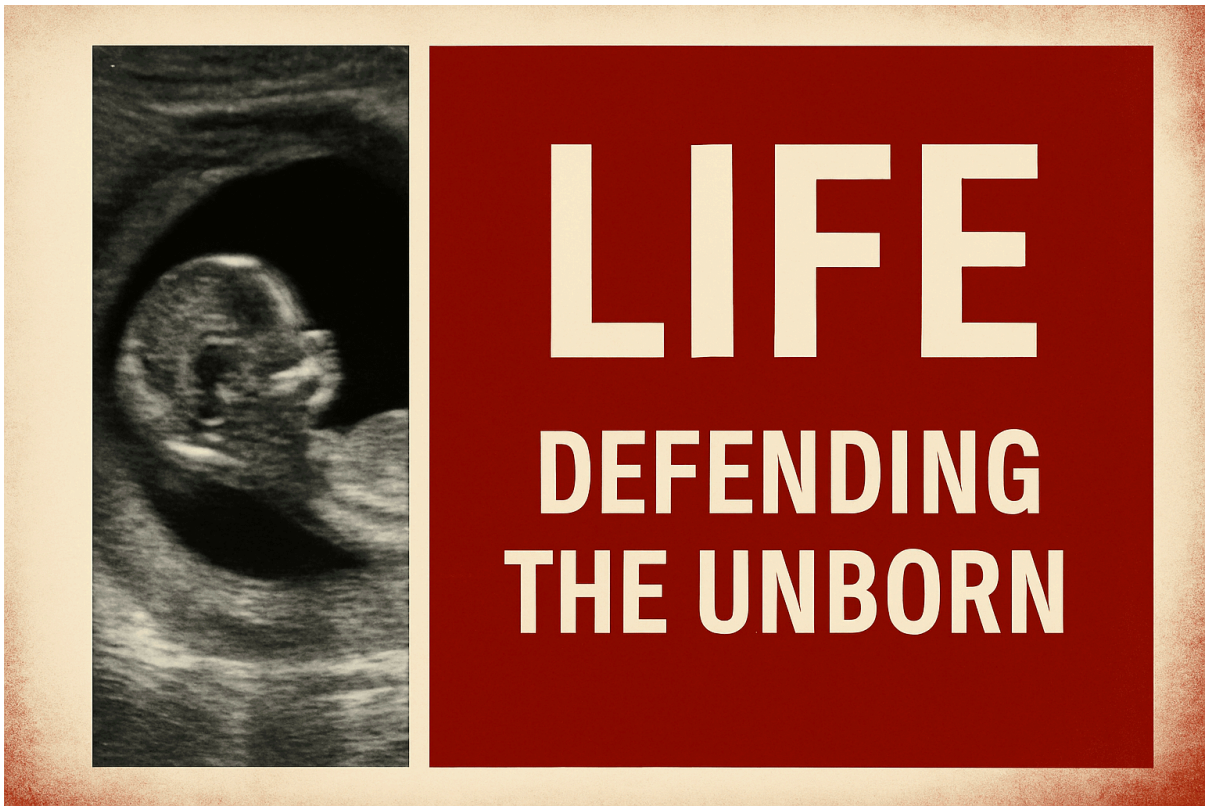

50 Tons of Death: The Abortion Industry's Dirty Secret Is Finally Getting Exposed

Dear Christian: What if I told you that more than 50 tons of chemically contaminated human remains are being flushed into America's drinking water every year — and that until this month, no one in the federal government had introduced a single bill to stop it?

That changed on March 18, 2026. Representative Mary Miller (R-IL), joined by nine co-sponsors including Virginia's own Rep. John McGuire (R-VA), introduced the **Clean Water for All Life Act** — the first federal legislation to directly confront what Students for Life Action (SFLA) President Kristan Hawkins rightly calls "cemeteries in our sewers."

The abortion industry has had no comment. That silence tells us everything.

What Is Abortion Pill Water Pollution — and How Bad Is It?

The abortion pill mifepristone now drives more than 60% of all abortions in the United States. According to SFLA's analysis of abortion industry data, more than 642,700 chemical abortions occurred in 2024 alone. At approximately 2.5 ounces of chemically contaminated blood, placental tissue, and human remains per abortion, that translates to over 50 tons of biological and chemical waste entering America's waterways every single year.

So what does the abortion industry tell women to do with those remains? According to SFLA's investigation, the standard guidance is simply: flush it down the toilet.

Mifepristone is a synthetic hormone — a progesterone blocker — and a recognized endocrine-disrupting chemical (EDC) that interferes with hormonal systems. SFLA's own preliminary water testing, conducted upstream and downstream of wastewater treatment facilities in three U.S. metropolitan areas, detected the three active metabolites unique to mifepristone in tap drinking water. That research currently undergoes peer review for scientific publication.

Critically, mifepristone does not even appear on the EPA's Forever Chemical List that tracks harmful contaminants in drinking water. No one in the federal government is monitoring it.

Rep. Miller stated at the press conference: *"Our water systems were never designed to filter these toxic substances. The fact is, the abortion pill ingredients used to starve a preborn child remain active and unfiltered in our water treatments. That means families across the nation may be unknowingly ingesting abortion-related chemicals in their drinking water, exposing them to potential health risks like infertility and cancer."*

How Did We Get Here? Deliberate Policy Failures Opened the Door

This abortion pill water pollution crisis did not happen by accident. It is the direct result of deliberate policy choices made over decades.

The FDA first approved mifepristone in 2000 with an environmental assessment concluding it could be used without expected adverse effects. That assessment is now 30 years old — completed before at-home chemical abortions existed at scale, before telehealth distribution, and before over 700,000 chemical abortions occurred annually. Danco Laboratories, the maker of brand-name Mifeprex, has conducted **no** post-market environmental impact study since that original 1996 assessment.

The Biden administration then accelerated the crisis. As Rep. Miller explained on "Washington Watch": *"It was under Joe Biden that the FDA dismantled basic safety standards. They eliminated or removed in-person requirements to take the abortion pill."*

Mifepristone now ships anywhere in America via telehealth — including into states with pro-life laws. As Miller noted, "Thirteen-year-olds can get them, and if they have a cell phone, they can access the ability to order them and to get them and never have a physical exam." Meanwhile, one in ten women who take these pills requires some form of medical care afterward, often in an emergency room.

The Hypocrisy Environmentalists Cannot Explain

This is no longer just about abortion — it's about a stunning double standard at the heart of American environmental policy. And Christians must call it out.

Tom McClusky, Director of Government Affairs at CatholicVote, captured the absurdity perfectly at the March 18 press conference: *"You can't build on your land because of a snail darter, but they had no problem pushing this abortive pill onto women with no studies about how it affects the environment, how it could affect the drinking water."*

Consider the double standard. The Endangered Species Act halts multi-million dollar construction projects to protect a three-inch fish. Federal law requires hospitals to treat all biological waste — blood, tissue, placental material — as biohazardous, documenting and disposing of it through licensed facilities. A homeowner cannot legally dump used medication into the toilet.

But the remains of children made in God's image? The abortion industry's official guidance is to flush them. Concerned Women for America President Penny Nance said it directly: *"The chemical abortion drug is catastrophic from beginning to end. First, the drug is designed to starve and kill an unborn human made in the Image of God, leaving the child's body to be flushed down a toilet or sucked down a shower drain."*

What the Clean Water for All Life Act Would Do

Rep. Miller's legislation directly targets the reckless practices that created this abortion pill water pollution crisis. If passed, it would accomplish four things:

Require in-person medical examination before mifepristone is prescribed — ending remote prescriptions with no screening for ectopic pregnancy or gestational age, conditions that make chemical abortion life-threatening.

Mandate physician presence during the abortion itself, ensuring medical oversight when complications arise — as they do in roughly 10% of cases.

Require a "catch kit" with every prescription — a red biohazard bag in which the woman collects the fetal remains and delivers them to a licensed medical waste disposal facility, following the

same standard already required of every other home-based medical procedure.

Impose real penalties: up to five years in prison and fines up to $50,000 per incident for abortionists who prescribe remotely, fail to be present, or neglect to provide catch kits.

As Hawkins noted, the bill would also shut down online abortion pill trafficking into states with pro-life laws: *"If passed, this bill will shut down online abortion pill traffickers who are flooding states, including those with abortion limits, as common-sense medical requirements for medical 'waste' will have to be followed."*

Addressing the Opposition Honestly

Proponents of unrestricted mifepristone access argue that environmental scientists have found no conclusive evidence of harm at current trace levels, and that mifepristone is no different from the dozens of other pharmaceuticals detectable in treated wastewater. The EPA itself noted in earlier comments that dilution factors make drinking-water exposure extremely small. This concern deserves a fair hearing.

It is true that SFLA's water testing data has not yet been published in a peer-reviewed journal, and that groups like the Guttmacher Institute dispute the environmental danger. We should not overstate what current science definitively proves about health harm from trace levels.

However, this argument fails for three reasons.

First, **no environmental impact study has been conducted on mifepristone since 1996** — before at-home chemical abortions existed at scale. Calling for updated research is not extremism. It is basic scientific accountability that the abortion industry has simply refused to pursue.

Second, **every other pathological medical waste** — from surgical procedures, insulin needles, and home medical care — requires biohazard disposal by law. No scientific justification exists for exempting abortion pill waste from those same standards.

Third, and most importantly: **the remains being flushed are not merely pharmaceutical byproducts**. They are human beings made in God's image. Even if one accepted every claim that mifepristone poses no measurable chemical risk, the disposal of human remains as sewage waste is a profound moral offense that no civilized society should normalize.

What God's Word Says: Where Sanctity of Life and Stewardship Converge

As Christians, we must understand that this abortion pill water pollution issue sits at the exact intersection of two biblical callings.

The first calling is the sanctity of human life. The Bible teaches in Psalm 139:13-14, *"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made."* David is not describing random biological tissue. He is describing a divine act of personal creation — God Himself, the master Craftsman, intentionally forming each human being in the secret place of the womb. That child is not biological waste. That child is an image-bearer of God, and every child bears that image from the moment of conception.

Proverbs 31:8-9 commands us: *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute."* The unborn child cannot speak. The family unknowingly drinking chemically contaminated water cannot speak to what they do not know. As Christians, we must speak for both.

The second calling is faithful stewardship of creation. Genesis 2:15 tells us that God placed man in the garden *"to work it and keep it."* The Hebrew word for "keep" — *shamar* — means to guard, to protect, to watch over. We are not masters of creation to exploit it; we are stewards entrusted with its care. Allowing human remains and potent endocrine-disrupting chemicals into waterways without accountability is a failure of that stewardship — whatever one's position on abortion.

The reality is that this is where pro-life conviction and genuine environmental responsibility converge. Christians hold a unique opportunity to lead on an issue that exposes the selective outrage of secular environmentalism — protecting snail darters while ignoring 50 tons of human tissue — while defending both human dignity and God's creation.

The American People Are Ready for This Conversation

This is not a fringe issue. According to a January 2026 poll of registered young voters ages 18-45, conducted by SurveyUSA for SFLA's Demetree Institute:

- **94%** see a federal review of chemical abortion pill policy as important
- **92%** believe women should receive ultrasound screenings before receiving abortion pills
- **89%** say it is important to study the environmental impacts of abortion pill waste on waterways

When Americans — including young Americans with no particular attachment to the pro-life movement — hear these facts honestly presented, they are troubled. They do not want human remains in their drinking water. They do not want women endangered by unsupervised chemical abortions. They do not want a double standard that protects endangered fish while ignoring the children of God.

A Call to Action for Virginia Christians

The battle is real. But so is our God. He who sits in the heavens is sovereign over governments, agencies, and industries that operate in the darkness. *"He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding"* (Daniel 2:21). Our calling is not simply to win a legislative fight — it is to be faithful witnesses who speak truth into a culture that has grown comfortable with the unspeakable.

Contact your representatives. Urge them to co-sponsor the Clean Water for All Life Act. Virginia's Rep. John McGuire (R-VA) already stands as a co-sponsor — thank him, and encourage your other representatives to join him. Visit marymiller.house.gov for bill details.

Educate your church and community. Most Americans have never heard the words "abortion pill water pollution." Share this article. Raise the conversation. The abortion industry has operated in darkness long enough — and sunlight remains the best disinfectant.

Pray. Pray for Rep. Miller and the bill's supporters. Pray for the women harmed by unmonitored chemical abortions in their homes. Pray for the unborn. And pray that God would raise up a generation of Christians courageous enough to speak what others refuse to say.

As Rep. Miller stated: *"Innocent life should never be discarded as waste; our environment should not be contaminated; and women deserve full transparency about the dangers of the abortion pill."*

We could not agree more.

For a deeper exploration of this topic, visit our archive of over 500 sanctity of life articles at vachristian.org/category/sanctity-of-life/

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Virginia HB863: When the State Protects Criminals Instead of Their Victims

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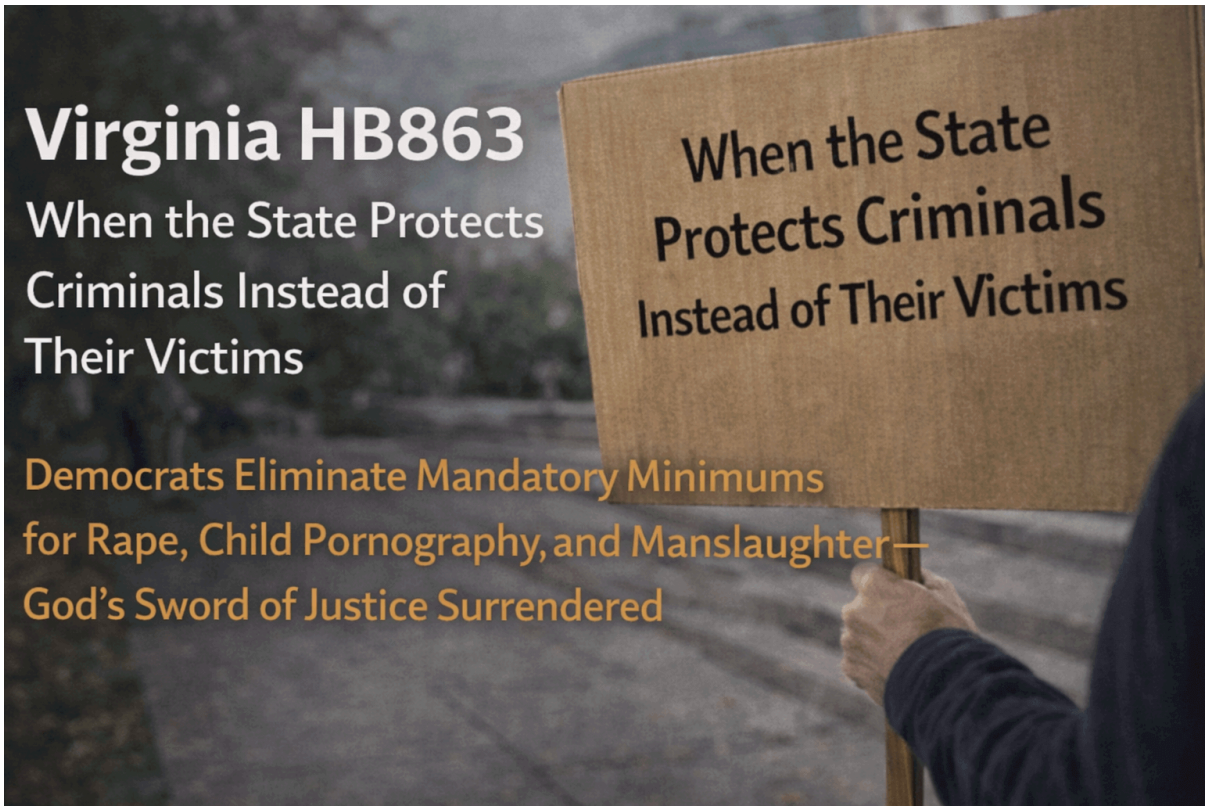

The **Virginia Christian Alliance** has been sounding the alarm about a "perfect storm" of Democrat policies undermining life, liberty, and law enforcement. In my recent article, **Virginia's Perfect Storm**: How One-Party Rule Threatens Life, Liberty, and Law Enforcement, I traced that agenda; HB 863 is its next diabolical step.

Democrats Eliminate Mandatory Minimums for Rape, Child Pornography, and Manslaughter—God's Sword of Justice Surrendered

Romans 13:1-4 declares: *"Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God… is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer."*

God established civil government with a specific purpose: to punish evil and protect the innocent. The state *bears the sword*—not as suggestion, not as decoration, but as God's instrument of justice

against those who shed innocent blood, violate the vulnerable, and destroy human life.

Virginia House Bill 863, sponsored by Del. Rae Cousins (D-Richmond), abandons this God-given duty. The bill eliminates mandatory minimum prison sentences for dozens of serious offenses—including violent crimes, child sex crimes, and attacks on law-enforcement officers—by repealing most of Virginia's remaining mandatory minimums.

Track the bill: **https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20261/HB863**

This isn't criminal justice reform. This is the state abdicating its responsibility to defend victims and restrain evil. When government refuses to wield the sword against those who rape children, produce child pornography, and kill the innocent, it ceases to be God's servant—and becomes an accomplice to wickedness.

What Virginia HB863 Actually Does

HB863 is titled "Offenses, certain; elimination of mandatory minimum sentences." The bill removes mandatory minimum prison terms for dozens of criminal offenses, giving judges discretion to sentence convicted offenders anywhere within statutory ranges—including at the lower end.

Here are the specific crimes that would no longer carry guaranteed minimum sentences:

Rape and Sexual Battery

Virginia law currently ties mandatory minimums to a long list of violent and sexual offenses. HB863 strips away many of those mandatory floors, allowing judges to impose lighter sentences even in some of the most serious cases.

Translation: Offenders convicted of violent and sexual crimes could receive far less prison time than current law guarantees. The victim's trauma is deemed secondary to the offender's "unique circumstances."

Child Pornography Production and Distribution

Reform advocates themselves highlight HB863 as repealing mandatory minimums even for certain child sex crimes that currently carry life-linked mandatory minimums, which would include some offenses involving child sexual exploitation.

Translation: Predators who sexually exploit children could serve minimal sentences at a judge's discretion. The children whose bodies and dignity are destroyed receive no assurance that justice will be served.

Manslaughter (Including DUI Manslaughter)

News coverage notes that HB863 would wipe out mandatory jail time for certain DUI offenses with very high blood-alcohol levels, and similar changes are proposed across other serious crimes. Families who lose loved ones to impaired drivers would have no guarantee that the offender serves meaningful prison time.

Translation: Take an innocent life through reckless intoxication, and you might walk free with minimal consequences. The victim's family gets no promise of accountability.

Firearm Use in Commission of Felony

Policy summaries identify use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, some firearm possession offenses, and assault on a police officer among the mandatory-minimum statutes HB863 would strip.

Translation: Armed robbery, armed assault, and other gun crimes could result in lighter sentences. The very crimes Democrats claim to oppose—gun violence—receive less guaranteed punishment under their own bill.

Assault on Law Enforcement Officers

HB863 removes mandatory minimums for assaulting police officers and other law enforcement personnel. Officers who risk their lives to protect communities would have no assurance that those who attack them face serious consequences.

Translation: Attack a cop, get lenient treatment. Democrats prioritize criminals' "discretion" over officers' safety.

Repeat Violent Felonies and Other Serious Crimes

The bill also appears to repeal mandatory minimums for some repeat violent offenders and certain DUI cases (including removing the five-day minimum for some first-time DUI offenders).

Del. Cousins defends the bill as "common-sense" reform that gives "experienced judges" discretion for "unique facts of each case." But here's the reality: Mandatory minimums exist precisely because some crimes are so serious that society demands baseline accountability, regardless of a judge's personal philosophy or sympathy for offenders.

HB863 doesn't eliminate maximum sentences—it removes the floor. Violent offenders, child predators, and those who take innocent lives could serve far less time than current law guarantees.

But here's why this matters biblically: Government that refuses to punish evil defies God's purpose for the state.

Why This Matters: Government's God-Given Duty to Punish Evil

Scripture is crystal clear: Civil government exists to restrain evil and protect the innocent.

Romans 13:3-4: *"For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer."*

God didn't give the state a sword to hang on the wall. He gave it a sword to *use*—to execute justice against those who shed innocent blood, violate the vulnerable, and destroy human life.

When government refuses to wield that sword—when it gives rapists, child predators, and killers lenient sentences in the name of "discretion"—it abandons its God-ordained purpose.

Genesis 9:6: *"Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image."*

God commands justice for those who take human life because humans bear His image. Every murder, every rape, every act of child sexual exploitation is an assault on the image of God. The state's duty is to punish such evil severely—not to minimize it through judicial "discretion."

Proverbs 17:15: *"He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the LORD."*

When judges minimize sentences for rapists and child predators, they justify the wicked. When the state prioritizes offenders' "unique circumstances" over victims' justice, it becomes an abomination before God.

HB863 isn't compassionate. It's cowardice. It's the state refusing to execute God's wrath on wrongdoers because it values criminals' comfort over victims' dignity.

Now, let me address Virginia pastors:

Dear Pastor: Will You Defend the Vulnerable?

If you're a Virginia pastor and you faithfully preach God's Word, the question is not whether you teach Scripture—but whether you have made room in the pulpit for what is happening right

outside your church doors: civil authorities in Richmond dismantling the very protections God ordained to restrain evil.

Your congregation includes rape survivors. Families who lost loved ones to drunk drivers. Parents terrified that child predators will receive lenient sentences. Law-enforcement officers who risk their lives daily.

Yet in many churches, these concrete threats from Richmond are rarely, if ever, addressed. HB863 will move forward unless pastors mobilize their congregations—but too often, anything touching "politics" is kept out of the pulpit, even when it is really about justice, mercy, and the protection of the vulnerable.

Meanwhile, Virginia Democrats are stripping mandatory minimums from dozens of serious crimes, including child sex crimes. While you preach sermons on God's love, the state is abandoning violent-crime victims to "judicial discretion."

Proverbs 31:8-9 commands: *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy."*

Rape victims cannot speak for themselves in the legislature. Children exploited in pornography have no voice. Families mourning loved ones killed by drunk drivers need you to defend their right to justice.

Will you speak up? Or will you remain silent while Virginia surrenders God's sword?

What You Can Do RIGHT NOW to Stop HB863

HB863 was prefiled on January 13, 2026, and referred to the House Committee for Courts of Justice. It hasn't been voted on yet. **You can stop this if you act NOW.**

First, contact your state delegate immediately.

Find your delegate: **https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/**

Call their office. Email them. Say this:

"I am your constituent and I demand you vote NO on HB863. Eliminating mandatory minimums for violent crimes, child sex crimes, serious DUI offenses, and attacks on law-enforcement officers abandons victims and protects criminals. Romans 13 commands government to bear the sword against evil. HB863 surrenders that sword. Vote NO."

Second, testify against HB863 at committee hearings.

When this bill comes up for public comment, show up in Richmond and speak. Share how eliminating mandatory minimums endangers victims and emboldens criminals.

Track hearings: **https://lis.virginia.gov**

Third, mobilize your church.

Print copies of this article. Share it with your small group. Host a prayer meeting focused on justice for victims. Organize church members to contact delegates together.

For more on defending the sanctity of life and biblical justice, visit our **Sanctity of Life category**.

This Is Spiritual Warfare Over Justice

Ephesians 6:12 reminds us: *"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."*

This isn't just bad policy. This is spiritual warfare over whether the state will fulfill God's purpose—to bear the sword against evil and defend the innocent.

Satan hates justice because God is just. Every rapist who walks free, every child predator who serves minimal time, every drunk driver who faces lenient consequences—is a victory for the enemy and a defeat for God's created order.

But we serve the God of justice. Psalm 89:14 declares, *"Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne."* When we fight for mandatory minimums, when we demand accountability for violent criminals, when we defend victims—we align ourselves with God's character.

You are not helpless. Contact your delegate. Testify at hearings. Mobilize your church.

And demand that Virginia's government bears the sword God gave it—against rape, against child exploitation, against those who shed innocent blood.

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Virginia's Perfect Storm: How One-Party Rule Threatens Life, Liberty, and Law Enforcement

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Democrats Now Control Everything—And Virginians Will Pay the Price

On January 17, 2026, Abigail Spanberger became Virginia's 75th governor and first female chief executive. Within hours, **she signed 10 executive orders reshaping state policy**.

Within days, the Democrat-controlled General Assembly advanced four constitutional amendments that, if approved by voters in November 2026, will permanently

- enshrine abortion through birth,
- eliminate the biblical definition of marriage,
- automatically restore voting rights to felons, without restitution to victims, regardless of the severity of the crime
- and allow Democrats to gerrymander congressional maps.

This is not an incremental change. This is a **coordinated assault on Virginia's heritage, values, and safety**—executed with the efficiency of a party that knows it has unchecked power.

A Warning to Virginia Christians, Pastors, and Patriots

The Bible warns us in Proverbs 29:2: *"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn."*

Virginia is entering a season of mourning.

For the first time since Reconstruction, Democrats control the Governor's mansion, the House of Delegates (64-36), and the State Senate (21-19). They wasted no time. On the very first day of the 2026 legislative session—January 14, just three days before Spanberger took office—the House Privileges and Elections Committee advanced all four constitutional amendments. The full House passed them the same day. The Senate followed suit within 48 hours.

This was not deliberation. This was execution.

As Christians, we must understand what is happening.

Romans 13:1-7 teaches that God ordains governing authorities for the purpose of punishing evil and rewarding good. But when government itself becomes the instrument of evil—when it enshrines the murder of the innocent, redefines what God Himself designed, and opens the door to lawlessness—the church cannot remain silent.

This article will examine **Virginia's perfect storm** from multiple angles:

1. **The Abortion Amendment (HJ1)** – Enshrining murder through birth
2. **The Marriage Amendment (HJ3)** – Redefining God's design and embedding gender ideology
3. **The Voting Rights Amendment (HJ2)** – Automatic restoration without discretion
4. **The Redistricting Amendment** – Partisan gerrymandering to seize congressional power
5. **The ICE Cooperation Reversal** – Endangering Virginians by shielding criminal illegal immigrants
6. **The Cumulative Impact** – Why these actions together spell disaster

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PART 1: The Abortion Amendment – Doom for the Unborn

What HJ1 Actually Does

House Joint Resolution 1 (Herring/Boysko) passed its second reference in the 2026 legislative session. This means:

- **Passed** in 2025 General Assembly
- **Passed** again in 2026 General Assembly
- **Next Stop:** November 2026 ballot for Virginia voters

If Virginia voters approve HJ1, the state constitution will be amended to include this language:

> *"That every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including the ability to make and carry out decisions relating to one's own prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, abortion care, miscarriage management, and fertility care. An individual's right to reproductive freedom shall not be, directly or indirectly, denied, burdened, or infringed upon unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means."*

The Deceptive Language

Notice the Orwellian term: "***reproductive freedom.***" This obscures what HJ1 actually does:

CURRENT VIRGINIA LAW:

- Requires **three physicians' approval** for third-trimester abortions
- Requires health risks to be "**substantially and irremediably**" harmful before allowing abortion
- Provides meaningful oversight and accountability

HJ1 CHANGES THIS TO:

- **ONE physician's opinion** is sufficient for third-trimester abortion
- Health risk standard changes to vague "**physical or mental health**" with no requirement of substantial or irremediable harm
- Anxiety, depression, financial stress—anything a single abortion provider deems "mental health" justification
- ONE doctor determines if the baby is "not viable" with zero oversight

Do you see what just happened?

Virginia went from requiring three independent medical opinions that continuing the pregnancy would cause substantial and irremediable harm… to allowing one abortion provider to end a viable baby's life based on subjective "mental health" concerns.

This is not compromise. This is abortion on demand through all nine months; a viable baby can be killed.

The Biblical Reality

Scripture is unequivocal about the sanctity of life:

> "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." (Psalm 139:13-14)

David declares that God personally designs each human being in the womb—not as random biological tissue, but as an intentional act of divine craftsmanship. The Hebrew word translated "knit together" (*sakak*) means "to weave" or "to cover protectively." God is actively forming each child with purpose and care.

Jeremiah 1:5 goes even further: *"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart."*

God's knowledge and purpose for each human being precedes even conception. This means abortion doesn't just end potential life—it destroys a person whom God has known and purposed from eternity.

And what does God say about the shedding of innocent blood? Proverbs 6:16-17: *"There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue,* ***hands that shed innocent blood****…"*

If there is any blood more innocent than that of an unborn child, Scripture doesn't tell us what it is.

The Practical Consequences

HJ1's vague language creates a cascade of devastating consequences:

1. Parental Consent Laws in Jeopardy

The amendment uses the term "individual"—not "adult" or "woman." Republicans in the General Assembly repeatedly asked why this language was chosen. The answer became clear: once the constitution says "every individual" has a fundamental right to abortion that cannot be "burdened," courts will strike down parental consent laws as unconstitutional burdens on minors' rights.

Current Virginia law requires minors to obtain notarized parental consent 24 hours before an abortion. HJ1 eliminates this protection.

2. Health and Safety Standards Eliminated

The language prohibiting anything that "burdens" reproductive freedom will be used to challenge basic health and safety regulations at abortion facilities. Cleanliness standards? Burden. Emergency transfer agreements? Burden. Qualified medical staff? Burden.

HJ1 turns Virginia into the Wild West of abortion provision.

3. Taxpayer-Funded Abortion

While the Hyde Amendment currently blocks federal Medicaid funding for most abortions, state constitutional amendments in other jurisdictions have been interpreted to require state Medicaid coverage. **Once abortion becomes a "fundamental right"** that cannot be "burdened," courts will rule that denying Medicaid coverage constitutes an unconstitutional burden.

Virginians will be forced to fund what God calls murder.

4. Virginia Becomes an Abortion Destination State

Look at the map. North Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky—all have significant abortion restrictions post-Dobbs. Virginia is already seeing an influx of out-of-state abortion patients.

If HJ1 passes, that flood becomes a tsunami. Women from across the South will travel to Virginia for third-trimester abortions that would be illegal in their home states.

More babies will die. And Virginia Christians will bear the moral weight of their silence.

The Stakes: Permanence

Here's what makes constitutional amendments uniquely dangerous: they're nearly impossible to reverse.

Regular laws can be repealed by a simple majority vote in the General Assembly. Constitutional amendments require:

- Passage by both chambers in two consecutive legislative sessions
- A House of Delegates election between the two passages
- Voter approval on the ballot

Even if Virginia elects pro-life majorities in the future, **even if the Supreme Court overturns all abortion precedents**, Virginia will still have constitutional protection for abortion through birth.

This is why Democrats are pushing so hard right now. They want to **lock in abortion permanently** while they have power—knowing that reversing a constitutional amendment is a multi-year, multi-election battle that may never succeed.

What God Requires of Us

Proverbs 24:11-12 speaks directly to this moment:

"Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter. If you say, 'But we knew nothing about this,' does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not repay everyone according to what they have done?"

We cannot claim ignorance. We cannot say we didn't know. The information is here. The threat is real. The question is: what will we do?

PART 2: The Marriage Amendment – Redefining God's Design

What HJ3 Actually Does

House Joint Resolution 3 (Sickles/Ebbin) would:

1. **Repeal** the 2006 Marshall-Newman Amendment (approved by 57% of Virginia voters) which defined marriage as "only a union between one man and one woman"

2. **Replace it** with language establishing: *"Marriage is one of the vital personal rights essential to the orderly pursuit of happiness. This Commonwealth and its political subdivisions shall not deny the issuance of a marriage license to two adult persons seeking a lawful marriage on the basis of the* ***sex, gender, or race*** *of such persons."*

The Trojan Horse: “Sex” vs. “Gender”

Most Virginians will read HJ3 and think: “This is just about same-sex marriage, which is already legal since Obergefell v. Hodges in 2015. Why does this matter?”

Here’s why it matters: Notice HJ3 uses BOTH “sex” AND “gender” as separate categories.

Why include both terms if they mean the same thing? Because in modern progressive ideology, they DON’T mean the same thing:

- **“Sex”** = biological reality (male/female)
- **“Gender”** = subjective self-identification (man/woman/nonbinary/etc.)

By separating these terms in Virginia’s Constitution, HJ3 creates a legal framework where Virginia cannot “discriminate” based on someone’s self-identified “gender”—even when it contradicts their biological sex.

This opens the door to:

- Men who identify as women accessing women’s bathrooms, locker rooms, and domestic violence shelters
- Biological males competing in women’s sports and taking girls’ scholarships
- Legal challenges to any sex-based distinction in Virginia law as “gender discrimination”
- Precedent for “gender identity” protections across all areas of Virginia law

The Family Foundation of Virginia warns: *“HJ9 would redefine marriage and divide the concept of ‘sex’ and ‘gender’ in the Constitution, paving the way for a right to biological boys to both enter the locker rooms of girls and take their spots on sports teams.”*

They’re not being hyperbolic. They’re reading the legal implications.

What Scripture Says About Marriage

God’s Word is crystal clear:

> “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply…’” (Genesis 1:27-28)

Marriage exists because God created humanity **male and female**—two distinct, complementary sexes designed for union. This binary is not a social construct. It's biological reality reflecting the image of God.

> "Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh." (Genesis 2:24)

Jesus Himself quoted this passage in Matthew 19:4-6, affirming God's design: *"Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them **male and female**, and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to **his wife**, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."*

Marriage is:

- **One man** (male)
- **One woman** (female)
- **One flesh** (covenant union)
- **For life** ("let not man separate")

This isn't Jeff Bayard's opinion. This isn't religious preference. This is God's revealed design from creation, before sin entered the world, affirmed by Jesus Christ Himself.

Ephesians 5:31-32 reveals why this matters so much: *"'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church."*

Marriage between a man and a woman is a living picture of Christ's relationship with His church. To redefine marriage is to distort the gospel itself.

The Obergefell Trap

Some Christians have been lulled into complacency: "The Supreme Court already decided this in 2015. Same-sex marriage is legal nationwide. What's the point of fighting a state constitutional amendment?"

Here's the point:

Supreme Court precedents can be overturned. Roe v. Wade stood for 49 years before Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization reversed it in 2022. Justice Clarence Thomas explicitly

stated in his Dobbs concurrence that the Court should reconsider Obergefell, Lawrence v. Texas, and Griswold v. Connecticut—all cases decided on similar substantive due process grounds.

If Obergefell falls:

- States with constitutional protections for same-sex marriage (like HJ3 would create) will maintain it
- States without such protections could return to their pre-Obergefell laws

HJ3 isn't about protecting what exists. It's about permanently locking in same-sex marriage—and embedding gender ideology—so that even if SCOTUS reverses course, Virginia can never return to God's design.

The 2006 Voter Mandate

In 2006, **57% of Virginia voters** approved the Marshall-Newman Amendment defining marriage as one man and one woman. This wasn't a close vote. This was a clear majority of Virginians affirming biblical marriage.

Now, without asking voters if they want to embed "gender identity" protections in the constitution, Democrats are erasing the people's will and replacing it with language that separates biological sex from gender identity.

This is not democracy. This is ideological colonization.

What This Means for Religious Liberty

HJ3 includes a clause allowing clergy to refuse to perform marriages. Democrats tout this as protecting religious freedom.

It protects nothing.

What about the baker who believes God designed marriage for one man and one woman? What about the florist? The photographer? The adoption agency? The Christian counselor? The business owner?

HJ3 says NOTHING about their rights. And we've seen what happens in states with similar amendments:

- **Colorado:** Jack Phillips, the baker in Masterpiece Cakeshop, faced years of litigation and harassment

- **Washington:** Barronelle Stutzman, a florist, was sued into bankruptcy for declining to provide flowers for a same-sex wedding
- **Multiple states:** Christian adoption agencies forced to close rather than place children with same-sex couples

This is coming to Virginia. And HJ3 provides zero protection.

PART 3: The Voting Rights Amendment – Automatic Restoration Without Discretion

What HJ2 Does

House Joint Resolution 2 (Bennett-Parker/Locke) would automatically restore voting rights to individuals convicted of felonies upon their release from incarceration, eliminating the current requirement that the governor individually restore rights.

The Constitutional Question

Currently, Virginia's Constitution states that individuals convicted of felonies lose their civil rights—including voting—unless restored by the governor. This follows the principle that certain serious crimes forfeit certain civil privileges until the person demonstrates rehabilitation.

Democratic governors (McAuliffe, Northam, now Spanberger) have restored rights to thousands of individuals. Republican Governor Youngkin significantly slowed this process, requiring individual petitions and reviews.

HJ2 removes all executive discretion. The moment someone completes their sentence—regardless of the crime, regardless of rehabilitation, regardless of restitution to victims—voting rights are automatically restored.

The Biblical Perspective on Justice

Scripture establishes clear principles about crime, punishment, and restoration:

On the seriousness of crime: *"Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his image."* (Genesis 9:6)

God established civil government with the authority to punish evil, including capital punishment for murder. This demonstrates that serious crimes have serious consequences that extend beyond mere rehabilitation.

On restoration: *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9)

God offers complete restoration through Christ. But notice the condition: confession (repentance). Restoration follows genuine repentance and transformation.

On the role of government: *"For he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer."* (Romans 13:4)

Government's role is to punish evil and reward good. This includes determining when someone who committed serious crimes has demonstrated sufficient change to restore full civil participation.

The Conservative Case Against Automatic Restoration

I want to steel-man the opposing view before addressing it.

Proponents of HJ2 argue:

1. **Completion of sentence means debt paid:** If someone has served their time, they have paid their debt to society and should have rights restored

2. **Discriminatory application:** The current system gives governors too much discretion, leading to racial and political disparities in who gets rights restored

3. **Reintegration:** Automatic restoration helps formerly incarcerated individuals reintegrate into society as full citizens

These are not trivial concerns. The current system IS subject to gubernatorial whim. There ARE racial disparities in our criminal justice system. Reintegration IS important.

However, HJ2's approach has serious problems:

1. Not all crimes are equal

Should the murderer who shows no remorse automatically get voting rights restored the day he's released? Should the serial rapist? The child predator? The person convicted of treason?

Automatic restoration makes no distinction between the reformed first-time offender and the unrepentant violent criminal.

2. Rehabilitation vs. punishment completion

Serving time is not the same as demonstrating rehabilitation. Someone can complete a sentence while remaining a danger to society and showing no evidence of change.

3. Victims' rights

Many victims and their families object to seeing their victimizers immediately restored to full civil privileges without any demonstration of restitution or remorse.

4. Constitutional design

The Framers intentionally gave governors pardon and restoration power to ensure individualized justice. Removing all discretion eliminates this important constitutional function.

A Better Approach

Virginia could create a **streamlined, transparent process** with clear criteria:

- Automatic restoration for non-violent felonies after sentence completion
- Petition process for violent felonies requiring demonstration of rehabilitation
- Published standards so the process is not arbitrary
- Expedited review to prevent unnecessary delays

This balances automatic restoration for less serious crimes with appropriate discretion for serious violent offenses.

But Democrats rejected this approach. They want automatic restoration across the board, with zero distinction between crimes or criminals.

PART 4: The Redistricting Amendment – Partisan Gerrymandering for Power

What This Amendment Does

This is the most cynical of the four amendments. Democrats want to allow the General Assembly to redraw Virginia's congressional districts **mid-decade**—something currently prohibited.

Why? Because Virginia currently has 6 Democrats and 5 Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives. Democrats believe they can redraw the maps to capture up to 4 more seats,

potentially giving them a 9-3 or even 10-1 advantage.

This isn't about fair representation. This is about naked power.

The Timing Tells the Story

In 2020, Virginia voters overwhelmingly approved a constitutional amendment creating the Virginia Redistricting Commission—a bipartisan body designed to end partisan gerrymandering.

The Commission drew maps in 2021 for the 2022 elections. These maps were supposed to last the entire decade.

But Democrats didn't like the results. So now, just 4 years later, they want to blow up the system Virginia voters created and let politicians draw their own districts again.

The Republican National Committee called this exactly what it is: *"This is just the most recent example of Democrats' multi-decade campaign to gerrymander in every state where they gain power. This is exactly why red states are fighting back to level the playing field after years of states like Illinois, New York, and California drawing their districts to disenfranchise Republicans."*

Why This Matters Nationally

The U.S. House has a narrow Republican majority: 218-215 (with vacancies). If Virginia Democrats successfully gerrymander 3-4 additional seats, they could flip control of the entire U.S. House of Representatives in 2026.

This affects every American, not just Virginians.

The Biblical Principle

Proverbs 11:1: *"A false balance is an abomination to the LORD, but a just weight is his delight."*

God hates dishonest scales—measures designed to cheat people out of what is rightfully theirs. Gerrymandering is exactly this: manipulating district boundaries to predetermine electoral outcomes regardless of actual voter preferences.

This violates the principle of representative government itself.

PART 5: The ICE Cooperation Reversal – Shielding Criminal Illegal Immigrants

What Spanberger Did

On her first day in office—January 17, 2026—Governor Spanberger signed Executive Order No. 10, rescinding former Governor Youngkin's Executive Order No. 47 (2025).

Youngkin's order: Required Virginia State Police to enter into 287(g) agreements with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), allowing state troopers to assist federal immigration enforcement

Spanberger's order: Rescinds this requirement, declaring that state and local law enforcement should NOT "divert their limited resources to enforce federal civil immigration laws"

What This Actually Means

Clarification: Spanberger's order does NOT automatically terminate the 32 existing 287(g) agreements in Virginia. However, it:

1. Removes the requirement that Virginia State Police participate
2. Signals to local jurisdictions that cooperation with ICE is discouraged
3. Gives Spanberger authority to terminate agreements at will

The Real-World Consequences

From the Youngkin administration's 287(g) program (begun in early 2025), **ICE detained over 6,200 people** in Virginia as of November 2025.

Many of these were individuals who had committed crimes in Virginia AFTER entering the country illegally. The 287(g) program allowed Virginia law enforcement to identify these individuals during routine interactions and turn them over to ICE for removal proceedings.

Now, that cooperation is ending.

Here's what this means in practice:

Scenario 1: Virginia State Police pull over a driver for speeding. The driver has no license and admits he's in the country illegally. He also has a prior conviction for domestic violence in another state.

- **Under Youngkin's policy:** VSP would notify ICE, who would place a detainer and take custody for removal proceedings
- **Under Spanberger's policy:** VSP gives him a ticket and sends him on his way

Scenario 2: Local sheriff's deputies arrest someone for breaking and entering. During booking, they discover he's an illegal immigrant with prior deportations and gang affiliations.

- **Under Youngkin's policy:** Sheriff notifies ICE, who places a detainer
- **Under Spanberger's policy:** Sheriff books him, he posts bail, and he's back on the street

Scenario 3: Woman calls 911 reporting domestic violence. When deputies arrive, the abuser flees. They later identify him as an illegal immigrant with multiple prior assaults.

- **Under Youngkin's policy:** If located, ICE is notified and can take custody
- **Under Spanberger's policy:** Local resources used for manhunt, but even if caught, no ICE notification

The Biblical Responsibility of Government

Romans 13:1-4 establishes government's God-ordained role:

> "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God… For he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for **he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer**."

Government exists to **punish evil** and **protect the innocent**. When government refuses to enforce immigration law—particularly against individuals who have committed additional crimes after entering illegally—it abdicates this God-given responsibility.

The "Compassion" Argument

Spanberger and her allies frame this as compassion: "Virginia is for lovers. We won't tear families apart."

Let me steel-man this argument: Many illegal immigrants came here seeking better lives for their families. They work hard, pay taxes, contribute to communities. Enforcing immigration law

against people who have been here for years, raised children here, built lives here—this does separate families and create real human suffering.

I acknowledge this reality. Immigration enforcement does create hard cases and genuine hardship.

But here's the problem with the "compassion" argument:

1. It ignores the rule of law

Every nation has borders. Every nation has immigration laws. Allowing people to violate those laws with impunity is not compassion—it's anarchy.

2. It creates perverse incentives

When illegal entry is rewarded with non-enforcement, MORE people attempt illegal entry. This creates MORE dangerous border crossings, MORE deaths in the desert, MORE human trafficking, and MORE strain on American communities.

3. It disrespects legal immigrants

Millions of people wait years—sometimes decades—to immigrate legally. They follow the rules, pay the fees, learn English, study for citizenship tests. Giving illegal immigrants a pass insults everyone who did it the right way.

4. It endangers Americans

THIS IS THE KEY POINT. Spanberger's policy doesn't just affect immigration enforcement—it specifically shields criminal illegal immigrants from consequences.

If someone enters illegally but commits no other crimes, they likely won't interact with state/local police. The 287(g) program primarily catches people who have ALREADY committed additional crimes in Virginia.

By ending cooperation with ICE, Spanberger is choosing to protect criminal illegal immigrants over Virginia citizens.

The Stakes: Public Safety

House Minority Leader Terry Kilgore (R-Scott County) responded immediately:

"This decision allows criminal illegal immigrants to remain in our communities and commit crimes over and over again by shielding them from cooperation with federal law enforcement. That is not

public safety. Virginians expect their governor to stand with law enforcement and put public safety first. This action does the opposite, and I strongly oppose it."

Senate Minority Leader Ryan McDougle (R-Hanover) added:

"She's moving to weaken law enforcement's ability to hold violent illegal criminals accountable."

They're not exaggerating.

When Virginia law enforcement can't notify ICE about criminal illegal immigrants, those individuals remain in Virginia communities. And history shows they often re-offend:

- The individual deported multiple times who returns and commits rape
- The gang member with previous violent convictions who commits murder
- The drunk driver with no license who kills a family in a car accident

These are not hypotheticals. These happen. And Spanberger's policy makes Virginia a safer haven for exactly these individuals.

The Federal vs. State Argument

Spanberger's order claims: "Federal authorities should enforce federal civil immigration laws—law enforcement in the Commonwealth should prioritize the safety and security of all residents in Virginia."

This is a red herring.

Nobody is asking Virginia State Police to patrol the border. Nobody is suggesting local sheriffs conduct immigration raids. The 287(g) program simply allows state/local law enforcement to NOTIFY federal authorities when they encounter criminal illegal immigrants during the course of their normal duties.

This takes approximately 5 minutes and often happens while the individual is already in custody. The "diversion of resources" argument is absurd.

What ACTUALLY diverts resources is:

- Re-arresting the same criminal illegal immigrant multiple times
- Investigating crimes committed by individuals who should have been deported
- Providing emergency services for victims of crimes that never should have happened

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PART 6: The Cumulative Impact – Why This Is a Perfect Storm

Now step back and look at what's happening in Virginia:

1. ABORTION THROUGH BIRTH – Enshrined in the constitution, nearly impossible to reverse

2. GENDER IDEOLOGY EMBEDDED – "Sex" and "gender" separated, opening floodgates for transgender policies

3. AUTOMATIC FELON VOTING – No discretion, no distinction between crimes

4. PARTISAN GERRYMANDERING – Democrats redrawing maps to seize congressional power

5. SANCTUARY STATE POLICIES – Shielding criminal illegal immigrants from federal law enforcement

This isn't random. This isn't coincidence. This is a coordinated agenda executed the moment Democrats gained full control.

And every single one of these policies violates biblical principles:

- HJ1 violates the sanctity of life (Genesis 1:27, Psalm 139)
- HJ3 violates God's design for marriage (Genesis 2:24, Matthew 19:4-6)
- The redistricting violates just weights and measures (Proverbs 11:1)
- The ICE policy violates government's duty to punish evil (Romans 13:4)

What Makes This Uniquely Dangerous

Three factors converge to make this moment uniquely perilous:

1. Constitutional Amendments = Permanence

Regular laws can be repealed. Constitutional amendments require:

- Passage in two consecutive legislative sessions
- A House election between passages
- Voter approval

Even when Virginia elects conservative majorities in the future, these amendments will remain. Reversing them would take YEARS and multiple election cycles.

2. Supermajority Control = No Checks

Democrats control:

- Governor's mansion
- House of Delegates (64-36)
- State Senate (21-19)

There is NO institutional check on their power. They can pass anything they want.

3. Ballot Timing = Strategic Advantage

All four amendments go to voters in November 2026—a midterm election when Democratic base turnout is typically strong and many conservatives stay home.

Democrats are not stupid. They chose this timing deliberately.

The Spiritual Reality

> Ephesians 6:12 reminds us: "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."

This is spiritual warfare.

The enemy seeks to:

- **Destroy life** (HJ1 – abortion)
- **Pervert design** (HJ3 – marriage/gender)
- **Undermine justice** (HJ2, redistricting, ICE)
- **Silence the church** (through all of the above)

Every one of these policies pushes Virginia further from God's truth and deeper into rebellion.

And where is the pulpit?

Where are the pastors? Where are the sermons on the sanctity of life, biblical marriage, God's design for government?

Nowhere.

The pulpit has failed. Again.

But the citizen does not have to fail.

PART 7: What Christians Must Do NOW

1. SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS

The House Privileges and Elections Committee is accepting public comments on all four constitutional amendments:

Submit here: https://hodspeak.house.virginia.gov/committees/H18/bill_feedback?ses=261

Sample Comment on HJ1 (Abortion):

"I am writing in strong opposition to HJ1. Virginia currently requires three physicians' approval for third-trimester abortions on fully-formed, viable babies, with health risks required to be 'substantially and irremediably' harmful. HJ1 reduces this to ONE physician's opinion and removes the 'substantially and irremediably' standard entirely, replacing it with vague 'mental health' justification. This means fully viable babies can be aborted based on anxiety, stress, or depression, with no meaningful oversight. As a Christian who believes every human being is created in God's image from conception (Genesis 1:27, Psalm 139:13-14), I cannot support enshrining the murder of innocent children in our constitution. Vote NO on HJ1."

Sample Comment on HJ3 (Marriage):

"I am writing in opposition to HJ3. By separating 'sex' and 'gender' in Virginia's Constitution, this amendment embeds gender ideology into our highest legal document. Once the Constitution says Virginia cannot 'discriminate' based on 'gender,' courts will use this language to require women's spaces to admit biological men, girls' sports to include biological males, and any policy recognizing biological sex will be challenged as unconstitutional. Additionally, God established marriage in Genesis 2:24 as the covenant union of one man and one woman, affirmed by Jesus in Matthew 19:4-6. Virginia voters approved this definition 57% to 43% in 2006. Vote NO on HJ3."

2. DEMAND YOUR PASTOR ADDRESS THIS FROM THE PULPIT

If your pastor has not preached on the sanctity of life, biblical marriage, or the church's responsibility to engage culture, **ask him why**.

Send him this article. Share it on social media. Tag your church.

The pulpit's silence is consent.

3. CONTACT YOUR STATE LEGISLATORS

Find your delegates and senators here: https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/

Call their offices. Email them. Show up at town halls.

Tell them:

- Vote NO on HJ1, HJ2, HJ3, and the redistricting amendment
- Oppose any legislation that shields criminal illegal immigrants
- Stand for life, biblical marriage, law and order, and fair elections

4. EDUCATE YOUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

Most Christians have no idea what's happening. They don't know:

- That HJ1 allows third-trimester abortion with one doctor's approval
- That HJ3 separates "sex" from "gender"
- That the ICE policy shields criminal illegal immigrants

TELL THEM.

- Share this article on Facebook, X (Twitter), email
- Print copies and hand them out at church
- Host a small group discussion on Christian civic engagement
- Organize a prayer meeting for Virginia

5. PREPARE FOR THE BALLOT FIGHT

If the amendments pass the General Assembly (which they will), the battle moves to November 2026.

We have 10 months to educate Virginia voters about what these amendments actually do.

This requires:

- Grassroots organizing in every county
- Churches mobilizing their congregations to vote
- Clear, compelling messaging that cuts through the "reproductive freedom" and "marriage equality" propaganda
- Massive turnout of conservative voters

We cannot win this without the church.

6. PRAY

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Specific Prayer Points:

- Pray for conviction to fall on Virginia legislators
- Pray for courage for pastors to speak truth
- Pray for Christians to wake up and engage
- Pray for the protection of unborn children
- Pray for God to defend His design for marriage
- Pray for Virginia's safety as ICE cooperation ends
- Pray for God to expose deception and shine light on truth
- Pray for God's will to be done in November 2026

Prayer is not a substitute for action. It is the foundation for effective action.

PART 8: The Hope That Grounds Us

This article has been heavy. The threats are real, the stakes are high, and the political landscape looks bleak.

But we do not place our hope in political outcomes.

> Psalm 2:1-4: "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, 'Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us.' **He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.**"

God is not wringing His hands over Virginia's political situation. He is not surprised by Abigail Spanberger's executive orders or the Democratic supermajority's constitutional amendments.

God is sovereign. He ordains the rise and fall of nations (Daniel 2:21). He establishes authorities and removes them (Romans 13:1). He works all things—even evil—for the good of those who love Him (Romans 8:28).

This does NOT mean we should be passive. God's sovereignty is the very reason we can fight with confidence, knowing that:

- Our faithfulness matters more than our success
- God can use our obedience even when we "lose."
- No policy can thwart God's eternal purposes
- Christ has already won the ultimate victory

> 2 Corinthians 4:8-9: "We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed."

And ultimately, we know how this story ends:

> Revelation 11:15: "Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.'"

Jesus is coming back. He will make all things right. Every abortion will be accounted for. Every perversion of His design will be judged. Every injustice will be rectified.

Until then, we are called to be faithful witnesses in a dark world.

> Matthew 5:13-16: "You are the salt of the earth… You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden… Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

This is our calling:

- Speak truth even when it costs us
- Defend the vulnerable even when it's unpopular
- Stand for righteousness even when we stand alone
- Trust God even when we can't see the path forward

The pulpit has failed. But you don't have to.

Resources

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Find Your Virginia Legislators

- **Who is My Legislature**

Pro-Life Organizations in Virginia

- **Virginia Society for Human Life**: (**LINK**)
- **Virginia for PreBorn Justice**: (**LINK**)

Family Policy Organizations

- **The Family Foundation of Virginia**: (**LINK**)

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Virginia SB359: When Doctors Become Executioners

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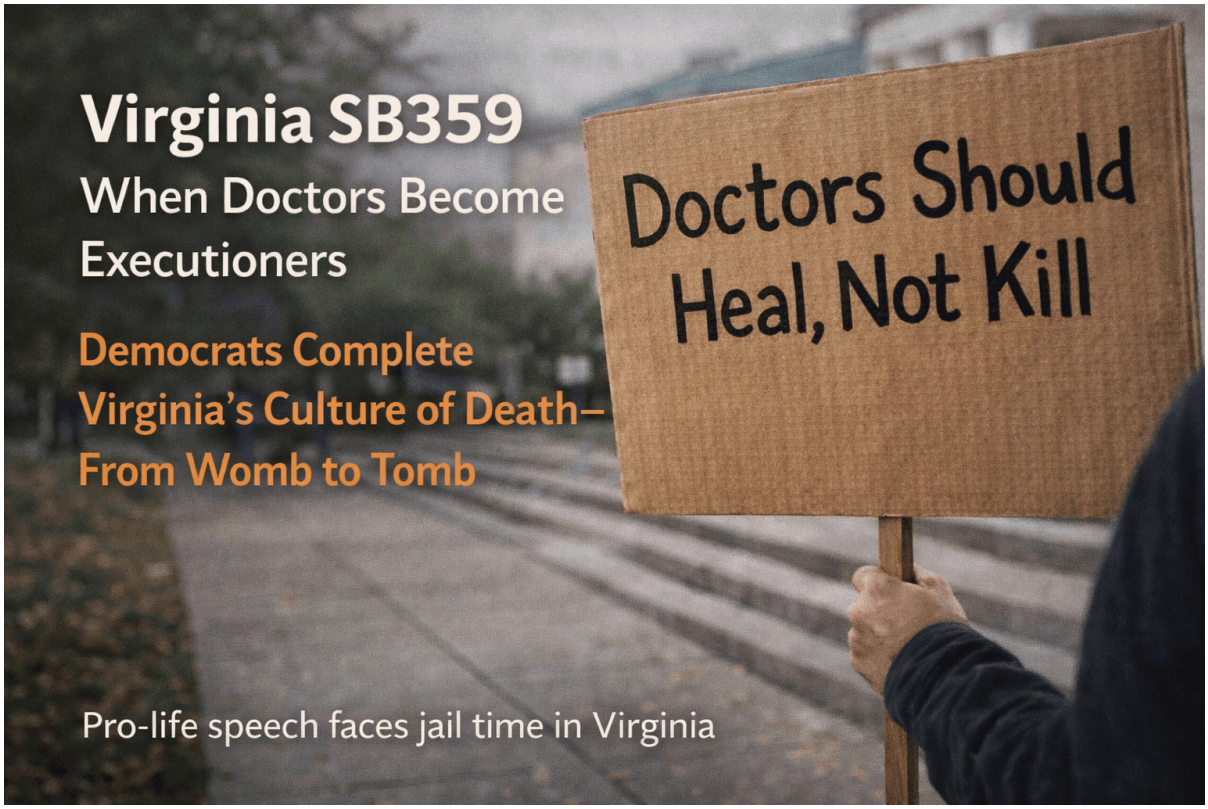

Democrats Complete Virginia's Culture of Death—From Womb to Tomb

In my recent article **Virginia's Perfect Storm: How One-Party Rule Threatens Life, Liberty, and Law Enforcement**, I warned that Democrats are building a coordinated system to enshrine abortion through birth (HJ1), eliminate biblical marriage (HJ3), and fundamentally reshape Virginia. Now they've added another piece to the death infrastructure: **Virginia Senate Bill 359** legalizes physician-assisted suicide.

The same senator who pushed HJ1's abortion-through-birth amendment through the Senate—Jennifer Boysko—now wants doctors to prescribe lethal drugs to kill patients at the end of life. Virginia SB359, euphemistically titled "Medical Aid in Dying," transforms physicians from healers into executioners.

This is not compassion. This is a coordinated assault on the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. And your pastor is probably silent about it.

What Virginia SB359 Actually Does

SB359 legalizes physician-assisted suicide for Virginia residents diagnosed with a "terminal disease" (defined as death within six months). Here's the process in plain English:

Step 1: Patient Must Have Advance Directive

Before requesting assisted suicide, the patient must have an advance directive stating their wish to use "medical aid in dying" if diagnosed with a terminal disease. This requirement primes patients to consider suicide as a healthcare option before they're even sick.

Step 2: Two Oral Requests (15 Days Apart)

Patient makes two oral requests to their doctor, separated by 15 days. However, if the doctor believes the patient will die within 15 days, this waiting period is waived. Translation: the sicker you are, the faster we kill you.

Step 3: Written Request with Witness

Patient submits a written request witnessed by someone who attests the decision is voluntary. The witness cannot be a relative, heir, or healthcare provider. But here's the problem: witnesses can't detect subtle coercion, financial pressure, or depression masquerading as "informed choice."

Step 4: Doctor Prescribes Lethal Drugs

If the doctor determines the patient is "mentally capable" and meets all requirements, they prescribe a lethal dose of medication. The patient must self-administer—no injections or IV infusions. Death typically occurs within three hours, though the bill admits "my death may take longer."

Step 5: Death Certificate Lists Underlying Disease, NOT Suicide

Here's where it gets Orwellian: the death certificate lists the underlying terminal disease as cause of death—NOT suicide. Virginia law will literally redefine reality, calling intentional self-killing something other than suicide.

But here's what makes this truly diabolical: SB359 doesn't exist in isolation.

The Complete Culture of Death Democrats Are Building

As I documented in **Virginia's Perfect Storm**, Democrats are systematically dismantling Virginia's respect for human life. SB359 completes the death infrastructure. Look at what Senator Jennifer Boysko has sponsored:

HJ1 (Constitutional Amendment): Abortion through birth with one doctor's approval. Kill life at its beginning.

SB359 (Physician-Assisted Suicide): Lethal prescriptions for "terminal" patients. Kill life at its end.

This is not coincidence. This is coordination. The same legislators pushing abortion on demand are now pushing euthanasia. They want the power to determine which lives are worth living—and which should be terminated.

Genesis 9:6 declares: *"Whoever sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his image."* God alone determines the beginning and end of life. Job 1:21: *"The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away."*

Democrats reject this. They claim the authority to kill babies in the womb and elderly patients in hospice. From womb to tomb, they've declared war on the image of God.

Now, let me address the elephant in the room: Why are pastors silent about this?

Dear Pastor: The Hippocratic Oath Is Being Destroyed and You're Silent

If you're a Virginia pastor and you haven't preached on the sanctity of life at its end, let me ask: Why not?

Your congregation includes elderly members who will face terminal diagnoses. They'll be told by their doctors—doctors who took an oath to *"do no harm"*—that suicide is now a "medical option." They'll feel like burdens to their families. They'll wonder if they *should* take the lethal prescription to spare their children the cost of care.

But are you equipping them to fight?

Scripture is clear: Exodus 20:13—*"You shall not murder."* Psalm 139:16—*"All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be."* God determines our lifespan. We don't get to decide when we die.

But here comes the counterargument, and we need to address it honestly:

"What about compassion? What about unbearable suffering? Shouldn't people have the right to die with dignity?"

Let me steel-man this argument: Terminal illness can involve excruciating pain. Watching a loved one suffer is agonizing. Many people genuinely believe assisted suicide is merciful—a way to end

pointless suffering and preserve dignity.

I acknowledge this emotional reality. End-of-life suffering is real.

But here's why the "compassion" argument fails:

First, modern palliative care can manage virtually all pain. Hospice exists precisely to provide comfort without killing. The answer to suffering is better pain management—not death. Oregon data shows most people who request assisted suicide cite loss of autonomy and dignity, NOT uncontrolled pain. This is about despair, not pain.

Second, "terminal within six months" is medically uncertain. Doctors regularly get prognoses wrong. Patients outlive terminal diagnoses all the time. SB359 will kill people who would have lived months or years longer.

Third, coercion is inevitable. Elderly patients feel like financial burdens. Family members pressure them subtly. Insurance companies have incentives to approve lethal drugs instead of expensive treatments. SB359's "safeguards" cannot prevent this.

Fourth, the slippery slope is real. Oregon started with "terminal illness." Now they're expanding to mental illness. Canada legalized assisted suicide in 2016. By 2022, 10,000+ people died by euthanasia—including people with depression, poverty, and disabilities. One woman chose death because she couldn't afford housing. This is where Virginia is headed.

Finally, doctors become killers. The Hippocratic Oath says "I will do no harm." For 2,000+ years, physicians have refused to participate in executions. SB359 transforms doctors from healers into executioners. Medicine loses its moral foundation.

As I wrote in my series on **The Pulpit Is Responsible**, pastoral silence is not neutrality. It's complicity. Your congregation needs to hear this truth before their doctors offer them lethal prescriptions.

Fortunately, there's still time to act. Here's what you can do right now.

What You Can Do RIGHT NOW

Here's the good news: SB359 was just prefiled on January 13, 2026. It's been referred to the Senate Education and Health Committee but hasn't been voted on yet. **This is a fight you can win if you engage NOW.**

First, contact your state senator immediately.

Find your senator: **https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/**

Call their office. Email them. Say this:

"I am your constituent and a Christian who believes every life is sacred from conception to natural death. SB359 legalizes physician-assisted suicide and violates the Hippocratic Oath. Doctors should heal, not kill. This law will lead to coercion of elderly and disabled Virginians who feel like burdens. It corrupts medicine and devalues human life. Vote NO on SB359."

Second, demand your pastor address this from the pulpit.

Email this article to your pastor. Ask him to preach on the sanctity of life at its end this Sunday. If he refuses, ask him why defending the elderly and terminally ill isn't worth his prophetic voice.

Third, mobilize your church.

Print copies of this article. Share it on social media. Host a prayer meeting focused on Virginia's legislative assault on life. Organize your small group to contact legislators together.

Fourth, prepare your family theologically.

Have conversations NOW with elderly parents and grandparents about end-of-life decisions. Make clear that suicide—even physician-assisted—violates Scripture. Commit to caring for them through terminal illness without pressuring them toward death. For Virginia resources on sanctity of life issues, see our comprehensive **Sanctity of Life articles**.

Finally, support hospice and palliative care ministries.

The answer to end-of-life suffering is not death—it's better care. Support Christian hospice organizations. Volunteer with end-of-life ministries. Demonstrate that the church offers a better way than assisted suicide.

But beyond tactics, understand the deeper reality: This is spiritual warfare.

This Is Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:12 reminds us: *"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."*

This isn't Democrats vs. Republicans. This is the enemy's coordinated effort to destroy the image of God—from conception to natural death. Satan hates human life because we bear God's image.

Every abortion, every assisted suicide, every attack on the sanctity of life is an assault on the Creator Himself.

Yet we serve the God who laughs at earthly rulers (Psalm 2:4), who works all things for the good of those who love Him (Romans 8:28), and whose kingdom will never end (Revelation 11:15).

You are not helpless. You are equipped by the Holy Spirit, grounded in Scripture, and called to this moment.

The question is not whether Virginia will embrace a culture of death. The question is whether you will stand for life when it does.

Pick up the phone. Email your senator. Confront your pastor. Mobilize your church.

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Virginia SB137: When Saving Babies Becomes a Crime

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Democrats Plow Pro-Life Christians Off Virginia's Sidewalks—Up to 12 Months in Jail

In my recent article **Virginia's Perfect Storm: How One-Party Rule Threatens Life, Liberty, and Law Enforcement**, I warned that Democrats are building a coordinated system to enshrine abortion through birth (HJ1), eliminate biblical marriage (HJ3), and fundamentally reshape Virginia. Now they've added the enforcement mechanism: **Virginia Senate Bill 137** makes it a *crime* to try to stop abortion.

Virginia SB137 just passed the Senate Courts of Justice Committee 8-7—all Democrats in favor, all Republicans opposed. When it becomes law, Virginia Christians will face criminal charges for obeying

Proverbs 31:8-9: *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves."*

This is not hype. **This is reality**. And you need to know what's happening—because your pastor probably hasn't told you.

What Virginia SB137 Actually Does

SB137 creates criminal penalties for "obstructing health care facility access." Here's what that means in plain English:

Class 1 Misdemeanor (up to 12 months jail, $2,500 fine): Anyone not authorized by the facility who "knowingly obstructs, detains, hinders, impedes, blocks, or delays" another person's entry to or exit from a health care facility.

Class 3 Misdemeanor (up to $500 fine): Approaching someone within 8 feet in public areas or sidewalks within a 40-foot radius of the facility entrance without consent, if the intent is to distribute materials, display signs, or engage in "oral protest, education, or counseling."

Let's be clear about what this means:

An 8-month pregnant woman walks toward an abortion clinic. You approach her within 8 feet to offer help, show an ultrasound, hand her a pamphlet, or quietly say "Please, we have resources"—and you face criminal charges.

The 8-foot "bubble zone" makes it *impossible* to engage in sidewalk counseling. You cannot approach. You cannot speak. You cannot hand literature.

Virginia's First Amendment streets become sterile killing zones where no voice of conscience is allowed.

But here's what makes this truly diabolical: SB137 doesn't exist in isolation.

The Complete System Democrats Are Building

As I documented in **Virginia's Perfect Storm**, SB137 completes the abortion-on-demand infrastructure. Democrats are building a comprehensive system where abortion is both constitutionally protected *and* those who try to stop it face criminal prosecution.

HJ1 (Constitutional Amendment): Enshrines abortion through birth with one doctor's approval based on vague "mental health" concerns. No parental consent. Taxpayer funded. Virginia becomes a destination state.

SB137 (Criminal Law): Criminalizes anyone trying to stop it. Sidewalk counselors, 40 Days for Life participants, pregnancy center volunteers—all face criminal charges for approaching women to

offer help.

This is a coordinated assault: the constitutional right to kill plus criminal penalties for trying to save. It's comprehensive, intentional, and brutally effective.

Now, let me address the elephant in the room: Where is the church?

Dear Pastor: Where Are You?

If you're a Virginia pastor and you haven't preached on HJ1 or SB137, let me ask you directly: Why not?

Your congregation sits in the pews right now wondering why you remain silent while their state enshrines **child sacrifice** and criminalizes those who try to stop it. They hear the bad news. They feel helpless.

But are you equipping them to fight?

This isn't political. This is Proverbs 31:8-9: *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute."* This is Psalm 139:13-14: *"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."* This is Exodus 23:7: *"Do not put an innocent person to death."*

When Scripture commands us to defend the innocent and Virginia law criminalizes doing so, your job is to **equip your people for civil disobedience rooted in biblical obedience.**

As I wrote in my series on **The Pulpit Is Responsible**, pastoral silence is not neutrality. It's complicity.

Fortunately, there's still time to act. Here's what you can do right now.

What You Can Do RIGHT NOW

Here's the good news: SB137 just passed committee. It hasn't passed the full Senate or the House yet. **This is a fight you can win if you engage NOW.**

First, contact your state senator immediately.

Find your senator by clicking **HERE**.

Call their office. Email them. Say this:

"I am your constituent and a Christian who believes every life is sacred. SB137 criminalizes peaceful, prayerful pro-life speech on public sidewalks. The 8-foot bubble zone makes it impossible to offer women alternatives to abortion. This violates the First Amendment and forces Christians to choose between obeying God or obeying the state. Vote NO on SB137."

Second, demand your pastor address this from the pulpit.

Email this article to your pastor. Ask him to preach on it this Sunday. If he refuses, ask him why defending the unborn isn't worth his prophetic voice.

Third, mobilize your church.

Print copies of this article. Share it on social media. Host a prayer meeting focused on Virginia's legislative session. Organize your small group to contact legislators together.

Fourth, support pregnancy centers and sidewalk counselors.

These ministries are on the frontlines. When SB137 passes, they face criminal prosecution for offering hope. Support them financially. Volunteer. Pray for them by name. For Virginia resources, see our comprehensive **Sanctity of Life articles**.

Finally, prepare for civil disobedience.

When SB137 becomes law, Virginia Christians will face a choice: obey God or obey the state. Acts 5:29 is clear: *"We must obey God rather than human beings."* Start thinking now about what faithful resistance looks like. Connect with legal defense organizations like Alliance Defending Freedom and Thomas More Society who defend pro-life speech.

But beyond tactics, understand the deeper reality: This is spiritual warfare.

This Is Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:12 reminds us: *"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."*

This isn't Democrats vs. Republicans. This is the enemy's coordinated effort to silence the church, destroy innocent life, and criminalize biblical obedience.

Yet we serve the God who laughs at earthly rulers (Psalm 2:4), who works all things for the good of those who love Him (Romans 8:28), and whose kingdom will never end (Revelation 11:15).

You are not helpless. You are equipped by the Holy Spirit, grounded in Scripture, and called to this moment.

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The Citizen Is Responsible: Virginia's HJ1 Abortion Amendment Demands Your Voice TODAY

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Current Virginia law requires **three physicians' approval for third-trimester abortions. HJ1 will reduce that to a single physician and remove the "substantially and irremediably" language from the health risk criteria.**

This means more babies—fully formed, viable babies—will be killed in the womb during the final three months of pregnancy.

URGENT ACTION REQUIRED: Submit your public comment HERE opposing HJ1 before the House Privileges and Elections Committee votes.

A Warning to Virginia Christians, Church Ministers, Elders, Deacons, Sunday School Teachers, and Parents:

The Bible teaches us in Proverbs 24:11-12: *"Deliver those who are drawn toward death, and hold back those stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, 'Surely we did not know this,' does not He who weighs the hearts consider it?"*

As believers, we must be seekers of truth and defenders of life, especially when innocent children hang in the balance.

The reality is that Virginia's abortion lobby is moving NOW to enshrine unrestricted abortion in the state constitution through HJ1—the so-called "Reproductive Freedom Amendment." This is no longer about political maneuvering—it's about the systematic destruction of life being codified as a "constitutional right."

And where is the church? Where are the pastors? Where is the groundswell of Christians that should be flooding the Virginia General Assembly with opposition?

Silence. Deafening, cowardly silence.

The Language of Death Wrapped in "Freedom"

Let's be clear about what HJ1 actually does. The pro-abortion lobby has chosen the term "reproductive freedom" with diabolical precision. It's Orwellian doublespeak designed to obscure the brutal reality: **this amendment enshrines the killing of unborn children as a fundamental right**.

"Reproductive freedom" sounds compassionate. It sounds like autonomy and choice. But Scripture calls us to "take every thought captive to obey Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5). When we do that—when we apply critical thinking rooted in God's Word—the deception crumbles.

"Reproductive freedom" means:

- Abortion through all nine months of pregnancy
- Elimination of the current requirement for **three physicians' approval** for third-trimester abortions—reducing it to just **ONE doctor's opinion**
- Removal of the "substantially and irremediably" standard—currently required to prove serious health risk—replaced with vague "mental health" justification
- A single physician can declare a fully-formed baby "not viable" with no oversight
- Removal of parental consent laws
- Stripping health and safety standards from abortion facilities
- Opening the door to taxpayer-funded abortion

This isn't healthcare. This isn't freedom. This is the shedding of innocent blood (Proverbs 6:16-17), and God hates it.

What Scripture Says About the Unborn

God's Word is crystal clear on the sanctity of life in the womb:

"You created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." (Psalm 139:13-14)

The womb is God's personal art studio. He fashions every human being with intentionality, purpose, and love. Before conception, He has plans for each life (Jeremiah 29:11). Before formation in the womb, He knows us (Jeremiah 1:5).

Every human being is created in the image of God (Genesis 1:27) and has intrinsic—not relative—value. Children in the womb are not "potential" life. They are not clumps of cells. They are not "products of conception." **They are image-bearers of the Almighty God**, and we are commanded to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves (Proverbs 31:8-9).

Yet HJ1 treats these precious children as disposable obstacles to "reproductive freedom."

The Second Reference: Why This Moment Matters

HJ1 is in its "second reference"—meaning it already passed the Virginia General Assembly in 2025. Under Virginia law, constitutional amendments must pass both chambers in two consecutive sessions (with an election in between) before going to voters.

The 2025 House elections resulted in Democrats expanding their majority to 64-36. If HJ1 passes again in the 2026 session—**which is happening RIGHT NOW**—it will go on the ballot in November 2026 for voters to decide.

This is the LAST legislative barrier before Virginia voters face a choice between life and death.

And where are Virginia's Christians? Where are the pastors preaching on this from the pulpit? Where is the outcry?

Charles Finney's Warning Still Echoes

In our **Pulpit is Responsible series**, we've highlighted Charles Finney's prophetic warning:

"If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the public press lacks moral discernment, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the world loses its interest in Christianity, the pulpit is responsible for it. If Satan

rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it."

Brothers and sisters, if Virginia enshrines abortion as a constitutional right, THE PULPIT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE.

Not the politicians. Not the abortion lobby. Not the media.

The pulpit—because it chose comfort over courage, popularity over truth, silence over prophetic witness.

The Deception of "Moderate" Abortion

Some Christians have been deceived into thinking Virginia already has "reasonable" abortion laws and that HJ1 just "protects the status quo." This is a lie.

Current Virginia law:

- Requires **three physicians' approval** for third-trimester abortions
- Requires the health risk to be "substantially and irremediably" harmful
- Provides meaningful oversight before ending a viable baby's life

HJ1:

- Reduces oversight to **ONE physician's opinion**
- Removes "substantially and irremediably" standard entirely
- Allows abortion when doctor determines it's "medically indicated" for mother's "physical or mental health"
- Allows abortion when ONE doctor deems the baby "not viable"

Do you see the loopholes? *"Mental health"* is subjective and all-encompassing. A woman claiming anxiety, depression, or even financial stress could qualify. *"Not viable"* is left to one abortion provider's judgment. And all of this happens with **no second or third opinion required**.

This isn't compromise. This is carte blanche for abortion on demand through all nine months—for fully formed babies who could survive outside the womb.

What You Must Do NOW

1. Submit Your Public Comment

The House Privileges and Elections Committee is accepting public testimony on HJ1 **RIGHT NOW**. **Click here to submit your written comment**.

Sample Comment:

"I am writing in opposition to HJ1. This amendment is extreme and would reduce third-trimester oversight from three physicians to just one, while removing the 'substantially and irremediably' health standard. This means fully-formed, viable babies could be aborted based on vague 'mental health' claims with no meaningful oversight. The amendment contains vague language that would allow parental consent laws to be removed and prevent health and safety standards from being enforced at abortion facilities. It could even enable taxpayer-funded abortion. Vote NO on HJ1. Stand up for preborn Virginians and stand for a Virginia beyond abortion!"

2. Demand Your Pastor Address This from the Pulpit

If your pastor has not addressed HJ1, ask him why. Respectfully but firmly insist that the church cannot remain silent while children are slaughtered. Share this article with him. Send him to our **Pulpit is Responsible series**.

3. Contact Your State Delegates and Senators

Find your legislators **here** and call their offices. Tell them to vote NO on HJ1. Be polite, be firm, be persistent.

4. Pray

Pray for conviction to fall on the Virginia General Assembly. Pray for the hearts of mothers considering abortion. Pray for courage for pastors to preach truth. Pray for God to raise up a generation of Christians who will not tolerate the shedding of innocent blood.

5. Share This Article

The most powerful weapon against darkness is light. Share this widely. Post it on social media. Email it to your church. Text it to your family.

No More Excuses

For decades, Virginia Christians have sat on the sidelines while evil advanced. We've outsourced our civic duty to politicians who betray us. We've trusted pastors who are more concerned with seeker-friendly sermons than prophetic truth.

No more.

God has given us this moment. He has placed you in Virginia "for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14). The question is: will you act, or will you remain silent and bear the guilt of innocent blood?

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy." (Proverbs 31:8-9)

The unborn cannot speak. But you can.

The pulpit has failed. But you don't have to.

Submit your comment NOW. Speak for those who have no voice. God is watching.

Resources

- **Submit Public Comment**: https://hodspeak.house.virginia.gov/committees/H18/bill_feedback?ses=261
- **Find Your Legislators**: https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/
- **Virginia Society for Human Life**: https://www.vshl.org/
- **Virginia for PreBorn Justice**: info@virginiaforprebornjustice.com
- **Pulpit is Responsible Series**: https://vachristian.org/tag/pulpit-is-responsible/

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Trump's pro-life report card after year one includes some passing, some failing grades

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IVF support, willingness to compromise on the Hyde Amendment and approval of generic abortion pills are among the concerns that pro-lifers in the administration must address.

(**LifeSiteNews**) — The first year of the second Trump administration has been a mixed bag for the pro-life movement.

The "cons" side of the chart has been significant. Trump has **consistently pushed for IVF**, pitching a range of policies and urging the Republican Party to "own" the issue. He has **advocated compromise on the Hyde Amendment**, which bans the use of tax dollars for abortion and has saved millions of lives. Worst of all, his administration **has approved a generic new abortion pill** that will "normalize" pill abortions even further and make it increasingly accessible even as the percentage of such abortions exceeds 60% of the U.S. total.

All of this must be called out by pro-lifers, and the political arm of the movement must fight these policies. They have been doing so, and there is **evidence that pro-life lobbying** made Trump's IVF policies significantly less damaging than they might have been.

We should also not be surprised. As I have written in this **space** many times, Donald Trump is a pragmatic, pro-choice politician who has stacked his administration with many pro-life figures and sees the pro-life movement as a political ally without sharing many of our principles. Trump made this **crystal clear** during the 2024 election, when he **removed** the pro-life plank from the

GOP platform, **advocated** against six-week abortion bans, and emphasized his support for the abortion pill.

Kamala Harris, on the other hand, was anything but pragmatic. She **visited** an abortion clinic while serving as vice president, **put abortionists on stage** during her campaign, and made abortion central to her pitch to voters. A mobile abortion clinic was even set up outside the Democratic National Convention. Harris saw pro-lifers as the enemy and, if elected, would have aggressively pursued both the prosecution of pro-lifers and the expansion of the American abortion regime.

A **report** from the abortion activist outfit the Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR), on the other hand, highlights the "pros" side of the Trump administration's first year. CRR **claims** that "the Trump administration has further decimated abortion access during his first year back in office," including:

- The pardoning of pro-life activists convicted of violating the FACE Act.
- Implementing "**a new policy** that would prevent veterans on VA health insurance from having abortions even in cases of rape, incest, or severe health risks."
- "Forcing clinics to close or reduce services nationwide by **taking away their Medicaid funding**. About **50 Planned Parenthood health centers have since closed**."
- Launching "an FDA investigation into the abortion pill, which could make it much harder to access."
- Calling "birth control an "abortifacient" in order to "destroy millions of dollars in contraception headed for African countries," which CRR claims could lead to over "1.5 million unintended pregnancies."

"Too many people wrongly believe that President Trump is done attacking abortion access, and that overturning Roe v. Wade was his endgame," **said** Nancy Northup, president & CEO of the Center for Reproductive Rights. "But in his first year back in office, the Trump administration is not 'leaving it to the states' to decide abortion policy but wielding federal power to go after abortion access even in states where abortion is legal."

"The result has already been a reduction of abortion clinics in the U.S. and the looming fear that the FDA will soon gut access to abortion pills, which have been a lifeline in post-Roe America," Northup continued. "This report should be a wake-up call to Americans that the threat to further limit access to abortion throughout the nation is real and must be met with vigorous opposition."

In short, many of Trump's pro-life appointees are working hard, where they can, to limit the scope of America's abortion regime — and they are doing so within an administration led by a president who is a fair-weather friend to the pro-life movement at best. At the 2024 March for Life, mere weeks after the inauguration, GOP Speaker of the House Mike Johnson, Senate Majority Leader

John Thune, and Vice President JD Vance all showed up to express their support for the movement. The pro-life movement still has powerful political allies, and in a post-Roe America and a fractious and divided MAGA, that is essential.

Johnson: Tax Dollars ‘Will Never Be Used to Pay for Abortion. Period. Full Stop. End of Sentence.’

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Suzanne Bowdey | **The Washington Stand**

They’ve only been in session a week, but it’s already been a rocky new year for Republican leaders. Despite a **big win on appropriations** that brings Congress one step closer to avoiding a government shutdown, virtually everything has been overshadowed by the stormy clouds of the health care debate. First, President Trump dropped an atomic bomb on his party with his sudden “**flexibility**” on taxpayer-funded abortion. Then, 17 members of House Speaker Mike Johnson’s (R-La.) majority decided to become the **first Republicans ever** to vote for the expensive failure known as Obamacare. But as the speaker knows better than anyone: since when has the GOP made anything easy?

Not in his tenure, to be sure. The last handful of days have been head-scratchers, he admits. Partnering with Democrats to prop up a program that has been a complete and utter disaster points to the intra-party dysfunction Johnson is dealing with. It was a “disappointing outcome night,” he admitted to Family Research Council President Tony Perkins on Saturday’s “**This Week on Capitol Hill**,” but “not entirely surprising,” he was quick to add.

Both parties are frantic to bring health care costs down in an election year, he acknowledged. Maybe the swing-state Republicans thought it would help to seem supportive of extending the tax credits. But that doesn’t change the fact that this entire situation is a crisis of the Democrats’

making. The whole idea of subsidies — pouring money into a sinking Obamacare ship — was the Left's idea. It "was a Democrat creation , and one that they set the expiration date on."

The Republican Party, Johnson reminded people, "has never, ever played any role whatsoever in what I think is the monstrosity of Obamacare. The people who designed Obamacare in the Obama administration, this is more than 15 years ago now, designed it to implode. They were the architects of it the advocates of single-payer . They want the government to run everything, every aspect of our lives. And that includes health care," he warned. "But we know by experience and by the facts and the evidence that every time this is tried around the world, it turns into a disaster."

Conservatives don't want that, the leader insisted. "We want individual freedom in the marketplace. We want choice in the marketplace. We want high-quality care at lower cost. And Obamacare has provided exactly the opposite. The premiums are up in some categories by over 80%. So, adding additional subsidies, throwing more money at a bad program is a terrible policy idea," the Louisianan argued. "… What we're trying to do is the opposite. We want to reform that system to make it affordable again. And simply adding more subsidies to insurance companies drives premiums up even further and exacerbates the problem."

So it was all the more puzzling that 17 moderate Republicans crossed the aisle to support an unpopular boondoggle on what is essentially a dead-end messaging bill. "I was disappointed that we had small number of Republicans who joined on with the Democrats," Johnson admitted. But the reality is, "It was a show vote. It's not a lawmaking exercise. That exact measure has already failed in the Senate. So I think it will be over after this."

As for the more serious problem, Trump's sudden openness to taxpayer-funded abortion, Johnson cautioned, "I wouldn't read too much into what he said. That was off the . He was sort of riffing when he was with us, and he talks about a lot of ideas in terms of negotiations. The president is a dealmaker, as you know, and he desperately wants to bring down the cost of health care. And we do as well. And there are impediments to doing some of this. We obviously are the party of life. We are a nation that has to defend the sanctity of human life. And we will continue that as a theme."

Johnson was quick to point to Trump's record as "the most pro-life president in the modern era" to reassure voters who are questioning his shakiness on Hyde. But he also recognizes that even a whiff of compromise on taxpayer-funded abortion would be a betrayal of the highest order. "… I made a statement after the conference, and I've stated it many times since. … We are going to defend the sanctity of life, and the protections are sacrosanct here. And in layman's terms, what it means is taxpayer funding will never be authorized to pay for abortion. Period. Full stop, end of sentence. And that's never going to change here."

As for the 230-196 "show vote," as the speaker called it, most people recognize Thursday's outcome as a messaging moment. " more of a symbolic and political victory than a substantive one," The Washington Times reiterated.

Rep. Andy Harris (R-Md.) stressed that same point to Perkins on Thursday's "**Washington Watch**." "The Senate's not going to take it up because they already tried to take up the identical measure before the holiday. And it failed. … So I'm sure John Thune is not going to waste Senate time on bringing up the exact same measure that failed once in the Senate. … I think this is going nowhere," especially, he underscored, without a fireproof wall against taxpayer-funded abortion.

"Every party is going to give a little bit. But the Democrats, again, adhering to an extremist position, which is insisting on public funding for Obamacare subsidies even though they cover abortion," Harris added. "I mean, the bottom line is it's just a non-starter. … ithout Hyde amendments, it's just not going anywhere."

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The Unborn in the Crosshairs: How Christian Silence Is Clearing the Way in Virginia

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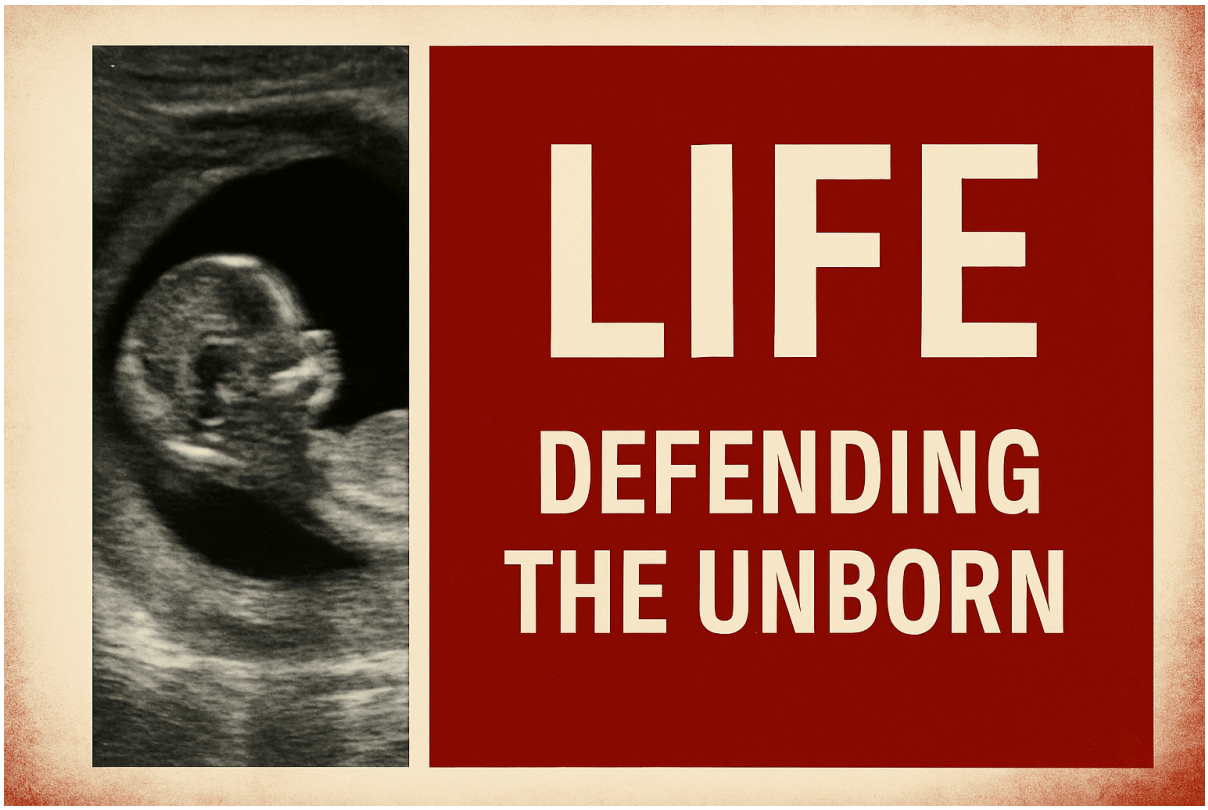

The unborn in Virginia are now in the crosshairs.

With new political leadership and a General Assembly openly committed to expanding abortion, there is no longer any ambiguity about what lies ahead. If the Church remains passive, the result will not be confusion—it will be carnage.

Thousands of unborn children will die, not because Christians were unaware, but because too many chose silence, delay, or comfort over obedience. Scripture has a name for that: **the sin of omission**.

Dr. Michael Huffman, Executive Director of the Virginia Assembly of Independent Baptists, has requested that the following letter be published *verbatim*. We are honoring that request because this is not speculation. It is a firsthand account of how life-and-death decisions are being handled by those who now hold power in Richmond.

Read this letter with sober eyes. What happens next will determine whether the blood of the unborn cries out against the Church—or whether the Church finally stands.

Here is the letter from

Dr. Michael Huffman
Executive Director

A Revealing Encounter: My Interview with Delegate-Elect Jessica Anderson on Abortion Rights in Virginia

In November 2025, Jessica Anderson, a Democrat and community advocate, narrowly defeated Republican incumbent Amanda Batten to become Delegate-elect for Virginia's 71st House District, encompassing parts of Williamsburg, James City County, and New Kent County. Anderson campaigned heavily on protecting reproductive rights, supporting a proposed constitutional amendment to enshrine abortion access in the state constitutional measure that would put the decision to voters via referendum in 2026 if advanced by the legislature. As someone deeply concerned about the biblical, moral and ethical implications of unrestricted abortion policies, I sought an interview with Anderson to discuss her views on a key resolution tied to this amendment.

The conversation quickly exposed significant inconsistencies and evasions in Anderson's positions, raising serious questions about her preparedness to legislate on such a profound issue.

First, it became evident that Anderson had not thoroughly read or engaged with the text of the reproductive rights resolution she champions. When pressed on specific language, particularly provisions that could broadly expand abortion access without clear limits, she appeared unfamiliar with details, offering vague responses about "protecting freedoms" rather than addressing the resolution's implications directly. This is troubling for a delegate-elect who has made reproductive rights a cornerstone of her platform, pledging to vote yes on advancing the amendment to referendum. If she hasn't closely examined the resolution's wording, how can voters trust her to represent their interests thoughtfully in Richmond?

A central point of contention arose when discussing abortion as a form of birth control. Anderson firmly denied that women use abortion in this way, insisting it is a rare, deeply considered medical decision driven by complex circumstances. Yet, public reports from her own campaign reveal a different story: As a college student, Anderson experienced birth control failure and chose abortion, crediting the procedure with enabling her to build the family she later desired. This personal experience aligns precisely with using abortion as backup contraception after primary methods fail—a scenario many women face and one that contradicts her blanket denial. Her dismissal of this reality not only undermines her credibility but ignores the broader data showing repeat abortions often linked to contraceptive inconsistencies or non-use.

The interview grew tense when I described the abortion procedure in detail, outlining the medical steps involved in common methods like dilation and evacuation. Anderson became uncomfortable eventually attempting to redirect the conversation. This reaction is telling: A staunch advocate for expansive abortion rights, who supports policies potentially allowing procedures up to later stages, seemed unable to confront the graphic reality of what she endorses. If describing the procedure causes discomfort, it begs the question—why push for policies that normalize it without acknowledging its gravity?

Perhaps most revealing were Anderson's refusals to answer direct hypotheticals that test the limits of her "reproductive freedom" stance. When asked whether a woman should have the right to an abortion solely because she prefers a boy over a girl (sex-selective abortion), she declined to respond, offering no clear condemnation or support. Sex selection, while rare in the U.S., raises profound ethical issues about discrimination and the devaluation of life based on characteristics like sex. Her silence here avoids grappling with whether unrestricted rights could enable such practices.

Similarly, when questioned about religious violations embedded in the resolution's language—specifically, how broad protections might force faith-based institutions or individuals to participate in or fund procedures against their conscience—she again would not engage, sidestepping the issue entirely. Virginia's diverse population includes many whose religious

beliefs view abortion as morally wrong; ignoring potential conscience protections dismisses these valid concerns.

Anderson's performance in this interview highlights a broader pattern in extreme pro-abortion advocacy: strong rhetoric about "rights" and "freedom," but reluctance to confront uncomfortable truths, ethical edge cases, or personal inconsistencies. As Delegate-elect, she will soon vote on measures with life-altering consequences. Virginians deserve leaders who have read the fine print, acknowledge real-world applications (including their own histories), and answer tough questions head-on—not ones who evade when the discussion gets difficult.

This encounter left me convinced that Anderson's positions prioritize ideology over nuanced understanding, potentially at the expense of ethical safeguards and religious liberties. As the fight over Virginia's reproductive rights amendment continues, voters in the 71st District—and across the Commonwealth—should demand more transparency and accountability from those shaping these laws.

The Virginia Assembly of Independent Baptists is hard at work at our state Capital to ensure your religious freedom. We would love to come to your Church and energize you and the congregation for righteousness with the laws that are passed. To schedule a meeting, please call 804-960-4015 and we will get you on our schedule. If you have any questions, please call me at 804-960-4014 or email me at **director@vaib.org**.

Yours for the Master,

Dr. Michael Huffman

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The Pulpit Is Responsible: Why You've Never Heard a Sermon on IVF

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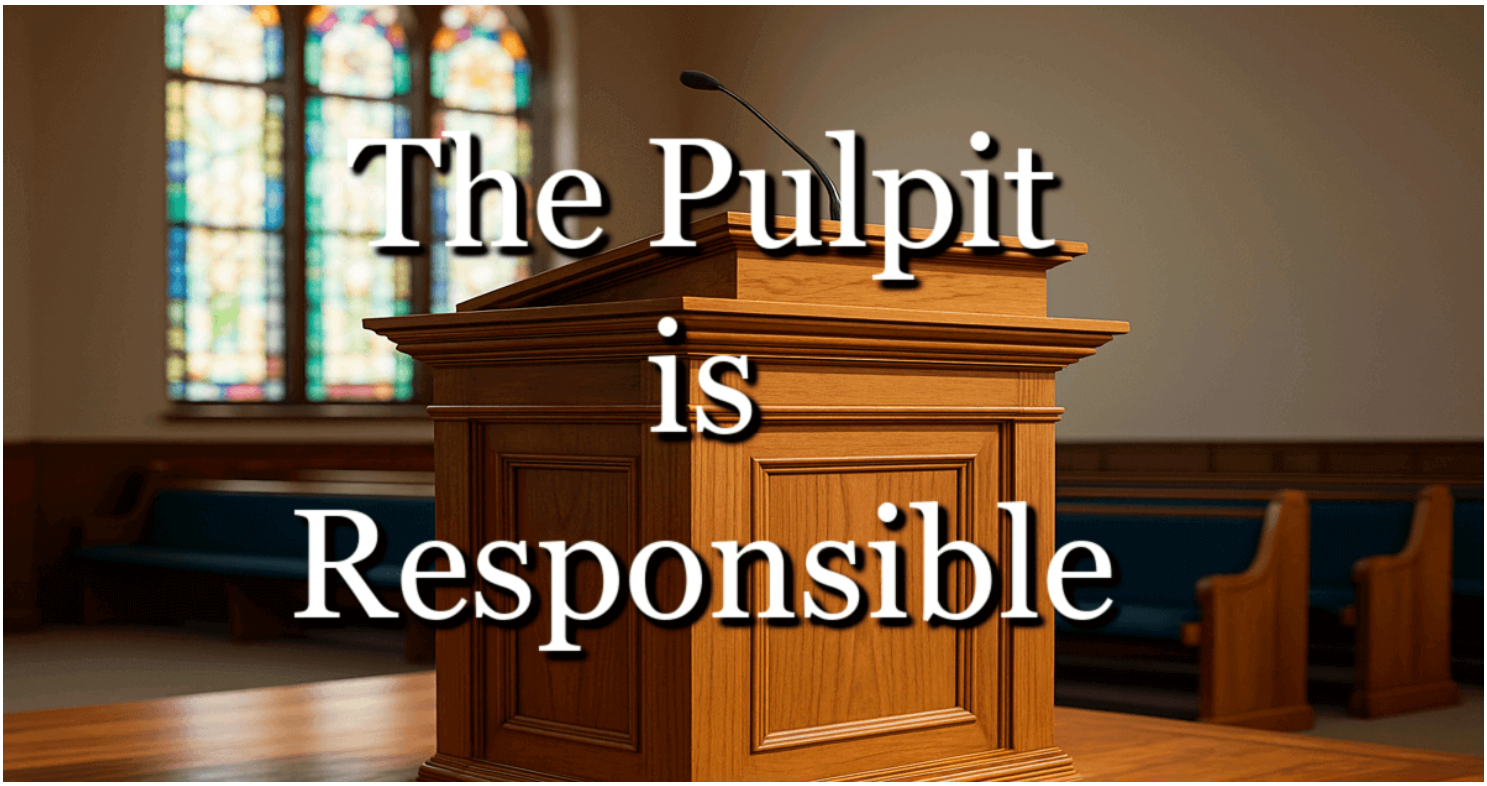

Most pastors never preach on IVF. That silence is devastating to life, families, and the church's witness. Here's why—and what you must do now.

You're Not Imagining It: The Pulpit Has Been Silent

When was the last time you heard a sermon on in vitro fertilization?

If you're like most pro-life Christians, the answer is **never**. You've heard powerful preaching against abortion. You've been taught that life begins at conception. You know the church's position on the sanctity of human life.

But IVF? Crickets.

> I don't think I've ever heard a pastor preach against IVF from the pulpit. Ever. Not once.

This isn't isolated. It's nearly universal. In all my years of faithful church attendance, listening to biblical teaching on life issues, I cannot recall a single sermon addressing IVF. Not one message explaining what it is, how it works, or why it matters. Not one prophetic word naming the destruction happening in fertility clinics across America.

And the silence is costly.

The Hidden Catastrophe Your Pastor Hasn't Told You About

While the pulpit has remained silent, the IVF industry has been destroying human life at a staggering scale.

Consider these numbers from **2023 SART data**:

- **9 million embryos created through IVF in the United States**
- **Only 95,860 babies born — a 2.5% success rate**
- **Approximately 1.9 million embryos destroyed during testing or screening**
- **Another 1.7 million frozen, discarded, donated to research, or abandoned**

That means **roughly 3.7 million embryos were destroyed or indefinitely frozen in a single year** — **nearly four times the number of lives lost to abortion** in 2023.

Since IVF was introduced in 1978, an estimated 270 million embryos have been destroyed globally.

Let that sink in. While we've marched for life, lobbied against abortion, and proclaimed every life sacred, the fertility industry has quietly created and destroyed more human embryos than abortion clinics — and most Christians have no idea.

Why? Because the pulpit has been silent.

Why Pastoral Silence on IVF Is Devastating

Pastoral silence on IVF is not neutral. It actively harms in four critical ways:

1. It Breeds Moral Confusion

Without biblical teaching, most Christians assume IVF is a blessing. They celebrate babies born without asking what happened to the other embryos. They don't know that for every IVF baby born, approximately 40 embryos were created — and 39 were destroyed, frozen, or abandoned.

When the pulpit doesn't teach, *the culture does*.

And the culture says IVF is beautiful, hopeful, life-giving. The culture never mentions destroyed embryos. The culture never asks whether we have the right to manufacture life outside marriage.

So God's people — untaught and unwarned — follow the culture into practices that violate the principles they claim to uphold.

2. It Weakens the Pro-Life Witness

You cannot defend life at conception while supporting a practice that destroys life after fertilization. You cannot march against abortion while remaining silent about an industry that creates and discards more embryos annually than abortion clinics destroy.

The inconsistency is glaring. The world sees it.

When the church defends the unborn in the womb but says nothing about the unborn in the freezer, our witness loses credibility. Our message becomes hollow. We look like hypocrites who care more about politics than principle.

If we truly believe life begins at fertilization, we must defend every fertilized life — whether in a womb or in a lab.

3. It Abandons Hurting Families

Many couples in your church have turned to IVF. Some did so out of desperation. Others out of ignorance, never hearing that IVF involves embryo destruction. Still others believed they were doing something blessed by God because it resulted in a baby.

But without biblical teaching, these families remain in the dark. They don't know embryos were discarded. They don't know their fertility doctor created more lives than were implanted. They don't know frozen embryos still exist in storage.

Because the pulpit has been silent, they have no framework for understanding what happened. They carry confusion. Some carry shame. Some carry unspoken grief over discarded embryos. But they have nowhere to bring these burdens because the church has never addressed the issue.

Silence doesn't protect hurting families. It abandons them.

4. It Cedes Moral Authority to the Culture

If pastors won't speak on IVF, doctors and policymakers will. And they already are.

Right now, **laws are being written to expand IVF access**. Tax dollars are funding embryo-destructive procedures. **State supreme courts like Alabama have ruled that frozen embryos are children**. State legislatures are debating whether IVF clinics can be held liable for destroying embryos..

And the church? Silent.

God gave the church — not the state, not the scientists — the responsibility to speak truth. When we don't, we surrender moral authority. We shouldn't be surprised when the world makes decisions without us.

The Pulpit Is Responsible

We've said it before at the Virginia Christian Alliance: **the pulpit is responsible**.

> 1 Corinthians 14:8 — If the trumpet does not sound a clear call, who will get ready for battle?

Pastors have been given the responsibility to teach the whole counsel of God. Not just the comfortable parts. Not just the popular parts. All of it.

Right now, on one of the most critical life issues of our time, the trumpet is silent.

But You Are Not Powerless

Here's the truth most Christians don't realize: You have more influence than you think.

Your pastor will preach on IVF when:

- Congregation members ask about it
- The elder board requests it
- People share testimonies needing pastoral guidance
- The issue becomes unavoidable

Pastors respond to their sheep. And you are their sheep.

The question is: Will you use your voice?

Here's What You Can Do THIS WEEK

Don't just read and move on. Don't just feel convicted and do nothing. Don't assume someone else will fix this.

You can be the catalyst for change in your church. Here are four concrete actions:

Action 1: Send Your Pastor This Email

Copy, paste, personalize, and send THIS WEEK:

> **Subject: Request for Biblical Teaching on IVF**
>
> Dear Pastor ,
>
> I've been learning about in vitro fertilization, and I realize I've never heard biblical teaching on this from our pulpit.
>
> I recently learned that in 2023, approximately 3.9 million embryos were created through IVF in the United States, but only 95,860 babies were born — meaning roughly 3.7 million embryos were destroyed, frozen, or abandoned. That's nearly four times the number of lives lost to abortion in the same year.
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> As someone who believes life begins at fertilization, I'm struggling to understand how to think biblically about this. I know many couples in our church have faced infertility, and some may have pursued or considered IVF. I think we need clarity.
>
> Would you consider addressing this in a sermon or teaching series? I believe our congregation needs biblical guidance on this critical life issue.
>
> Thank you for faithfully shepherding us. I'm grateful for your ministry.
>
> In Christ,

Action 2-4: Additional Steps

2. Have a face-to-face conversation with your pastor
3. Bring it to your elder board
4. Start the conversation in your small group

(See full article for detailed guidance on each action)

ACTION CHECKLIST

- Send the email to your pastor THIS WEEK
- Schedule a face-to-face meeting if appropriate
- Submit a request to your elder board
- Bring it up in your small group or Bible study
- Share this article with fellow pro-life believers
- Pray for your pastor to have courage and clarity

Don't just read. ACT.

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IVF and Pro-Life Christians: Why It's Destroying Human Life Right Now

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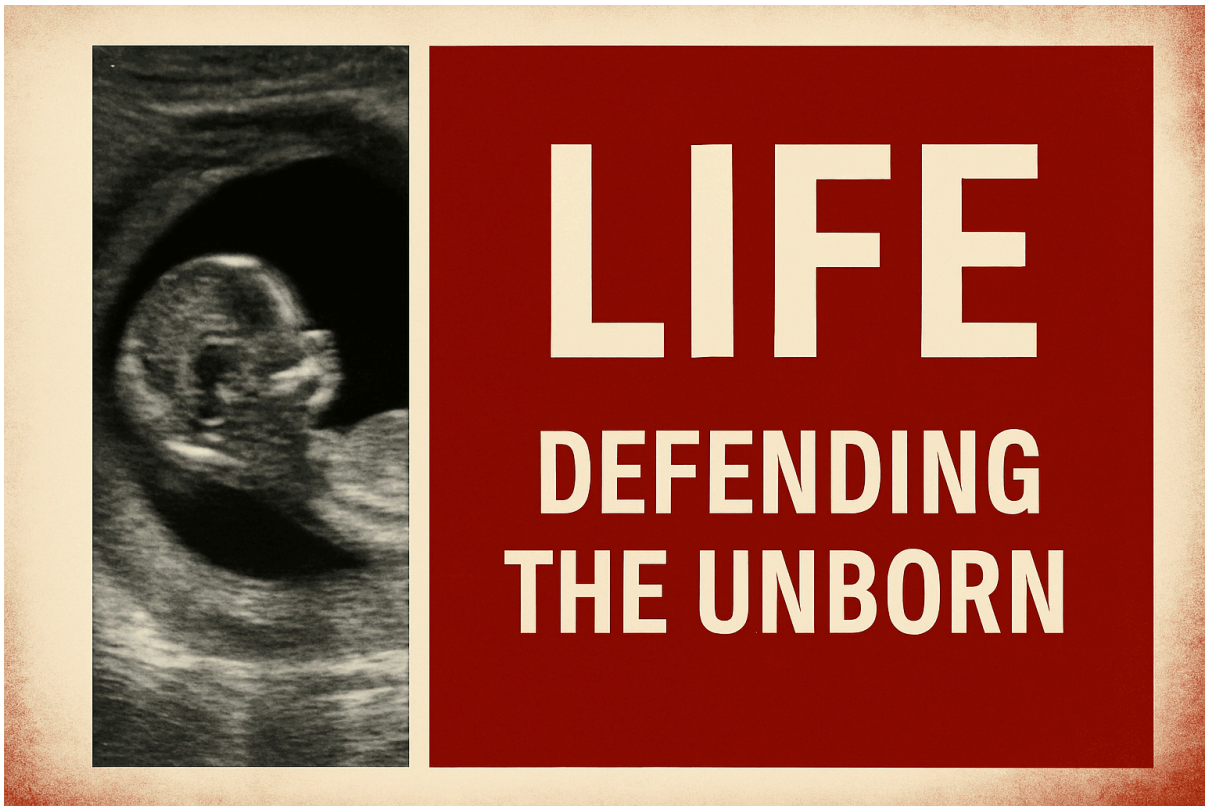

Mike Johnson blocked IVF in the 2025 NDAA. Pro-life Christians must stay alert as embryo-destructive IVF policies spread nationwide.

A Quiet Victory for Life in the National Defense Authorization Act

On December 10, the U.S. House passed the 2025 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). Buried inside the 3,000-page bill was a critical victory for pro-life Christians: expanded in vitro fertilization (IVF) coverage for military families was removed.

House Speaker Mike Johnson worked behind the scenes to ensure the NDAA did not become a taxpayer-funded gateway to routine embryo destruction. IVF was previously included, but Johnson and his allies stripped it out before the final vote. (**source**)

This marks the second consecutive year Speaker Johnson has stood against bipartisan pressure to expand federally funded IVF access. While mainstream media framed his position as anti-family, the real issue concerns preserving the sanctity of human life from fertilization.

One pro-life advocate explained: This is not a war on fertility. It is a defense of innocent life created in God's image.

The NDAA victory demonstrates that Christian conviction can still shape national policy under immense political pressure. Yet this single victory, however significant, reveals a larger battlefield most pro-life Christians have not yet recognized.

Why IVF Is the Hidden Destroyer of Human Life

While pro-life Christians have spent decades fighting surgical and chemical abortions, IVF has quietly become one of the most prolific destroyers of human life, operating under the radar, masked by sympathetic stories and medical jargon.

Consider this: the fertility industry creates and destroys more embryos annually than abortion clinics. Yet where is the pro-life outcry? Where is the sustained Christian response?

The problem lies in five fundamental practices:

Mass Creation and Destruction of Embryos

Standard IVF procedures create multiple embryos in a laboratory. These embryos are screened for quality, selected for implantation, then discarded, frozen indefinitely, or destroyed.

Each one is a human life, genetically complete and biologically distinct from fertilization. If pro-life Christians affirm that life begins at conception, and we do, then these are unborn children, treated as disposable.

Jeremiah 1:5 – Before I formed you in the womb I knew you

Commodifying Children

IVF treats life as a product: embryos are evaluated like merchandise, clients choose the best one, and leftovers are discarded, sold, or stored. This violates the dignity of every human being created in God's image, a core pro-life principle.

Genesis 1:27 – So God created man in his own image

Bypassing God's Design for Marriage

IVF removes procreation from the covenant of marriage. Through sperm or egg donors, surrogates, and solo parents, children are deliberately separated from either a father or a mother,

undermining God's family design.

Genesis 2:24 – The two shall become one flesh

Reawakening Eugenics

Modern IVF clinics offer embryo screening and genetic testing to help parents select traits such as sex, eye color, and intelligence potential. This is not healing the sick, it is weeding out the unwanted, a sanitized return to eugenics that pro-life Christians must reject.

Proverbs 24:11 – Rescue those being led away to death

Confusion Within the Pro-Life Movement

Some conservatives and even self-identified pro-life leaders support IVF access, perhaps not realizing that IVF routinely destroys human life. Scripture makes no exception for embryos created in clinics.

Exodus 20:13 – You shall not murder

If we say life begins at fertilization, we must defend every fertilized life.

Where the IVF Industry Is Headed Next

Even as pro-life Christians celebrate the NDAA victory, the broader fight around IVF is intensifying. IVF has become a moral fault line stretching across politics, law, and tech-driven family redefinition.

Three trends demand your attention:

IVF Access Expanding Elsewhere

While military IVF coverage was blocked, federal employees, Members of Congress, and civilians in states like New York and Illinois enjoy increasingly expansive IVF access, often paid by your tax dollars or mandated by law. Employers like Amazon, Google, and Meta provide IVF, egg freezing, and surrogacy benefits as recruitment tools, transforming fertility into a consumer benefit rather than a moral responsibility.

Designer Babies and Eugenics Resurface

The Wall Street Journal recently profiled wealthy Chinese elites using surrogacy and IVF in the U.S. to create dozens of American-born children. Companies now offer embryo screening services that allow parents to select for intelligence, height, or gender. This is eugenics with a human face, and it is accelerating.

Pro-life Christians have long opposed eugenics. The IVF industry is bringing it back under a medical veneer.

Embryos Are Still Being Destroyed

Standard IVF procedures create multiple embryos in labs, only to discard, freeze, or use the extras for experimentation. Every discarded embryo represents a life made in the image of God, discarded as medical waste.

Psalm 139:13 – You created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb

Why This Victory Matters for Pro-Life Christians

Speaker Johnson's leadership to strip IVF from the NDAA is a rare pro-life policy win in an era where cultural and political elites relentlessly push to redefine family, reproduction, and the value of life.

Yet the battle continues. IVF is still offered broadly to federal workers. IVF mandates are growing at the state level. Global fertility tourism is booming. Ethical lines are disappearing in favor of choice.

The **Virginia Christian Alliance** affirms two biblical truths that IVF routinely violates:

1. life begins at fertilization, whether destroyed in abortion clinics or fertility labs.
2. Children are meant to be conceived in marriage, not through contracts, clinics, and technology.

If pro-life Christians retreat, the vacuum will be filled with policies that institutionalize embryo destruction and deconstruct God's design for family.

The question is not whether Christians care about life. The question is whether we will act on that conviction with the same urgency we bring to other pro-life issues.

What You Can Do Right Now

This is not the time for passivity. Here are four concrete steps every pro-life Christian can take:

1. **Give Thanks and Pray**

Thank God for this NDAA victory. **Pray for Speaker Johnson** and congressional leaders who defend life under intense political pressure. Ask God to grant them wisdom and courage for the battles ahead.

2. **Educate Your Church**

Most Christians do not understand that IVF routinely destroys human life. Share this article with your pastor, small group, or Sunday school class. Start conversations. The silence around IVF in pro-life circles must end.

3. **Contact Your Representatives**

Call or email your senators and representatives. Thank those who opposed IVF funding in the NDAA. Urge them to resist future attempts to expand taxpayer-funded embryo destruction. Be specific. Be persistent.

4. **Support Pro-Life Ministries**

Organizations like **Virginia Christian Alliance** speak biblical truth when it is costly. Support ministries that refuse to compromise on the sanctity of life from fertilization forward.

Final Word: Life Is Not Ours to Manufacture

The embryo is not a pre-human. It is a human being. If we truly believe that, we must resist policies and technologies that treat life as raw material.

Proverbs 31:8 – Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves

Speaker Johnson stood firm when it mattered. So must pro-life Christians everywhere. The next battle is already forming. Will you be ready?

Because life, all life, matters to God. From fertilization forward.

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When Life Begins Matters: Why Christians Must Oppose IVF Expansion in Military Healthcare

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The Battle Over TRICARE Reveals Whether Pro-Lifers Truly Believe Life Starts at Conception

By Jeff Bayard, Virginia Christian Alliance

A quiet battle is unfolding in Washington that will test whether the pro-life movement truly means what it says about when life begins. Speaker Mike Johnson stands nearly alone against bipartisan pressure to expand in vitro fertilization (IVF) coverage in military healthcare—and the outcome will reveal whether Christians are willing to defend the unborn even when it's politically inconvenient.

Dr. Albert Mohler, in a recent episode of *The Briefing*, brought this critical issue to light, noting that "sometimes there are issues with really big worldview significance that don't get a lot of national attention, and they should." This is precisely one of those moments. What's happening

with TRICARE military healthcare demands the attention of every Christian who claims to believe that life begins at conception.

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The TRICARE Controversy: More Than Meets the Eye

The debate centers on TRICARE, the healthcare program covering millions of U.S. military personnel and their families. Representatives Sarah Jacobs and Senator Tammy Duckworth are pushing for blanket IVF coverage with no restrictions—a move Speaker Johnson courageously blocked last year and is fighting again now. But this isn't simply about healthcare benefits. It's about whether we will subsidize the creation and destruction of human life with taxpayer dollars.

Under the Biden administration's March 2024 expansion, TRICARE already opened IVF eligibility to unmarried service members and those requiring donated eggs or sperm. The proposed expansion would go further still, removing virtually all restrictions and creating a system where anyone—married or single, heterosexual or same-sex couples, even individual service members wanting a child alone—could access IVF at taxpayer expense.

The cost would be astronomical. But the moral cost is infinitely higher.

The Inconvenient Truth About IVF

Here's what many Christians don't understand: the standard IVF procedure creates multiple embryos in a laboratory. Doctors screen these embryos for "quality," selecting some for implantation while discarding or freezing the rest. This isn't hypothetical—it's routine practice.

Each embryo is a human life. If we believe life begins at fertilization—not at implantation, heartbeat, or viability—then IVF as commonly practiced involves destroying human beings created in God's image.

Psalm 139:13-14 declares, "You created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." God's creative work begins at conception. The womb is His "personal art studio," where He designs every human being with intention and purpose.

The Sanctity of Life Meets Biblical Sexuality

The IVF debate exposes the intersection of two foundational Christian principles: the sanctity of human life and God's design for sexuality and procreation. Both are under assault in this proposal.

First, the **sanctity of life**. Genesis 1:27 tells us that God created mankind in His own image. This isn't merely about physical resemblance—it's about intrinsic value. Every human being, from the moment of conception, bears the imago Dei. When we create human embryos only to discard those deemed imperfect or unnecessary, we play God with devastating consequences. We declare that some lives are worth preserving while others are expendable raw material for achieving our desires.

Second, God's design for procreation. From the beginning, God established that children should come from the marital union of husband and wife. Genesis 2:24 describes marriage: "A man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh." The next chapter immediately follows with Eve conceiving and bearing children. This is not coincidental—it's God's design.

IVF fundamentally separates procreation from the conjugal act of marriage. It takes the creation of life out of the intimate union God designed and places it in a laboratory. And the proposed TRICARE expansion goes even further, extending this technology to unmarried individuals and same-sex couples, completely severing the connection between marriage, sexual union, and the creation of children.

Three Moral Collapses in One Policy

As Dr. Al Mohler recently explained on *The Briefing*, this expansion represents multiple levels of moral collapse occurring simultaneously. Mohler warns that "we're looking at multiple levels of moral collapse. It's a subversion of marriage, it's a subversion of sexual morality and it's a subversion of the sanctity of human life."

First, it subverts marriage. By making IVF available to anyone regardless of marital status, we communicate that children need not come from a married mother and father. We pretend that a child's need for both a mom and a dad is negotiable, subordinate to adult desires.

Second, it subverts sexual morality. God designed sexual intimacy for marriage and linked it inherently to procreation. IVF divorces these two realities, suggesting that we can separate sex

from babies and babies from sex according to our preferences rather than God's design.

Third, it subverts the sanctity of human life. By creating human embryos as commodities to be screened, selected, and discarded, we reduce children from gifts from God to products of technology—evaluated for quality and disposed of when they don't meet our standards.

Why This Matters Beyond the Military

This isn't just about military healthcare. Federal policy sets standards that spread elsewhere. If taxpayers must fund unrestricted IVF, that principle will expand. If we accept IVF for anyone wanting a child—regardless of marital status or medical necessity—we normalize routinely destroying human life.

This also tests whether pro-life Christians maintain consistent convictions. It's easy to oppose abortion when the issue clearly involves taking a life. It's harder when destruction happens in a laboratory, wrapped in sympathetic narratives of couples desperate for children. But consistency demands protecting human life from its earliest moments, even when created outside the womb.

Standing with Speaker Johnson

Speaker Mike Johnson faces enormous pressure from both parties, his own caucus, and potentially the White House. President Trump has expressed support for making IVF widely available—a heartfelt concern that overlooks the moral catastrophe of how IVF operates.

Al Mohler rightly observes that Speaker Johnson "is already in a very difficult position, just because of the small margin that Republicans have in the House and all kinds of political pressures from within the Republicans themselves." Yet Johnson continues to stand firm. Mohler adds that "those on the other side are going at him full bore," attempting to pressure both the Republican Party and the White House into forcing the speaker to back down.

Johnson understands what's at stake. Once blanket IVF coverage is offered, there's no logical stopping point. Marriage becomes irrelevant. Embryonic destruction becomes routine. And Christians become complicit through tax dollars in practices violating the sanctity of life they claim to uphold.

The Path Forward

Christians must do three things immediately:

First, contact your representatives. Tell them you oppose expanding IVF coverage in TRICARE. Make clear that you support Speaker Johnson's position and that this issue matters to you as a voter.

Second, educate your church and community. Most Christians don't understand how IVF works or why it poses such profound moral problems. Share this information. Start conversations. Don't let this issue disappear in the year-end legislative chaos.

Third, examine your own consistency. Do you truly believe life begins at conception? If so, are you willing to stand by that conviction even when it's inconvenient or when it means telling well-meaning couples that the path they've chosen involves the destruction of human life?

The Stakes Could Not Be Higher

Proverbs 31:8-9 commands us: "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy."

Embryonic human beings cannot speak for themselves. They cannot defend their right to life. They cannot protest their classification as excess or defective. That means we must speak for them. We must defend them. We must not allow their destruction to become normalized through government policy.

This is one of those moments when the pro-life movement will either stand firm on its foundational principles or reveal that those principles were negotiable all along. When we say life begins at conception, we cannot mean "except for embryos created through IVF." When we say every human life has dignity and value, we cannot mean "except for those deemed surplus to reproductive needs."

The culture is moving away from us on this issue. The political pressure is intense. The path of least resistance would be to stay silent or to compromise. But that's precisely why we must speak now—because silence is surrender, and surrender is unthinkable when human lives hang in the balance.

Speaker Johnson is standing. Will we stand with him?

The Virginia Christian Alliance promotes biblical values in today's world, including the sanctity of human life from conception and God's design for marriage and sexuality. We call Christians to engage these critical issues with biblical conviction and courage. Learn more at vachristian.org.

‘States’ Rights’ on Legal Abortion Is Still Abortion on Demand

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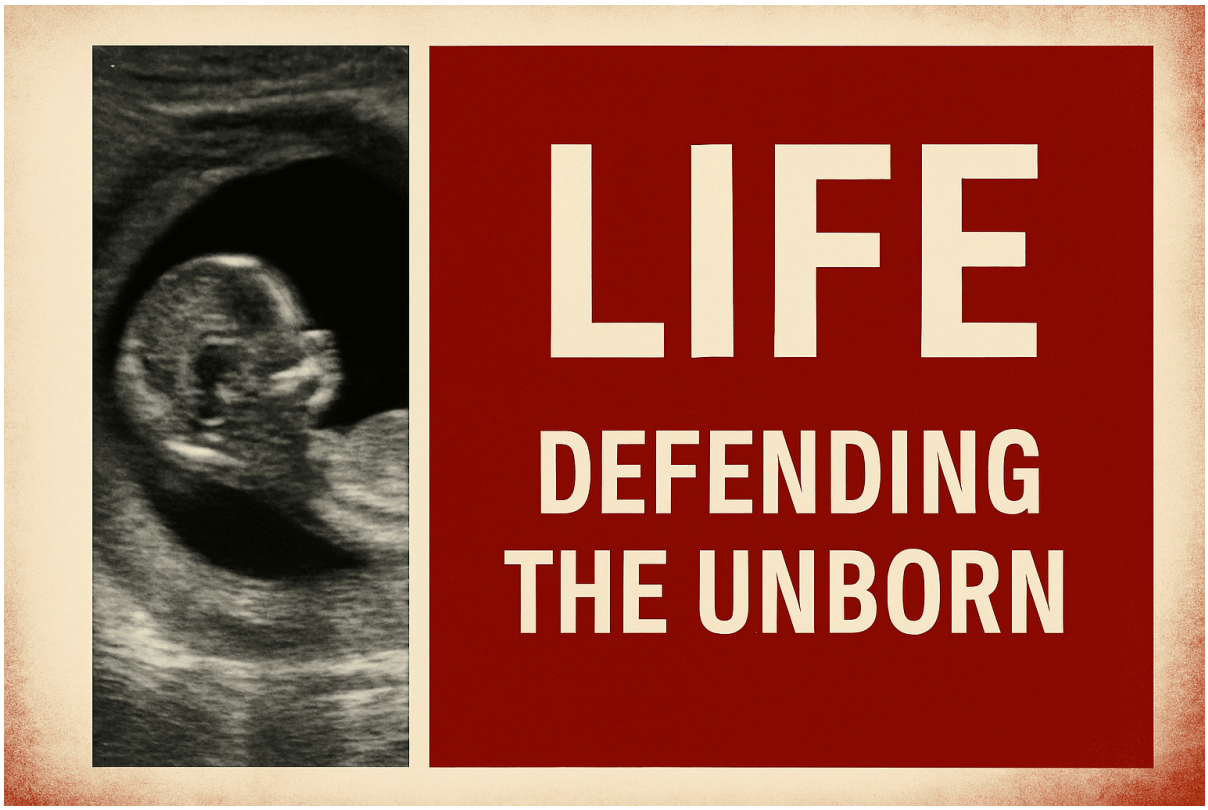

*For over 15 years, the Virginia Christian Alliance has defended the **Sanctity of Life** and exposed threats the culture ignores. This repost from The Washington Stand shows why “states’ rights” cannot stop abortion on demand—especially as abortion pills cross borders and undermine pro-life laws. Jeff Bayard, VCA has also **reported**, these same pills are not only killing the unborn but **contaminating America’s water systems**, a hidden public health crisis our agencies refuse to study . We urge readers to follow **The Washington Stand’s** reporting as this national life-and-death battle escalates.*

Chuck Donovan and Bob Marshall | Washington Stand

The Supreme Court’s 2022 Dobbs v. Jackson decision is popularly understood to have reversed the infamous 1973 ruling in Roe v. Wade, leaving states free once again to decide the legality of abortion. In early 2024, nearly two years after Dobbs, as he launched his third campaign for the presidency, Donald Trump **noted**, “My view is now that we have abortion where everybody wanted it from a legal standpoint, the states will determine by vote or legislation or perhaps both, and whatever they decide must be the law of the land — in this case, the law of the state.”

By implication (ratified afterward in a diluted national Republican platform adopted by a **closed process** in July 2024), the aftermath of Dobbs would be a patchwork of laws in the states regarding abortion, with no significant federal role. The history of state legal action on the issue both pre-Roe in 1973 and afterward showed that freely enacted state laws would range from radically permissive, as in New York and California, to protective (to the extent permitted by the Court's rulings) as in, for example, Utah and Louisiana.

One abortion proponent, Planned Parenthood Action of New Hampshire, predicted immediately after the Dobbs decision in 2022, "**Up to 26 states in the country are certain or likely to ban abortion**" A current **analysis** by Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America shows that 21 states have so far stepped up to protect unborn human life, while 29 states and the District of Columbia have few or no protections in place.

The question arises: in the fall of 2025, are the states truly free to protect children from death by abortion even within their own borders where they have clear authority to prohibit abortions? Let's examine several features of the current legal landscape.

Shield Laws

The first phenomenon to note is that abortion practice has largely shifted to chemical/medical procedures — with such drugs being shipped by mail or private common carrier to women or girls seeking abortion who live in states that have outlawed abortion.

For example, the **Associated Press** reported in June that, "Every month, thousands of women thwart abortion bans in their home states by turning to telehealth clinics willing to prescribe pregnancy-ending drugs online and ship them anywhere in the country…" By the mechanism of **shield laws**, which install an array of protections for abortion pill prescribers from criminal, civil, or professional penalties for violating the abortion laws of pro-life states, nearly two dozen states are actively enabling the continuation of abortion in states that had enacted statutes permissible under Dobbs.

These statutes and, in some cases, executive orders have prompted pro-life states to seek legal recourse to protect their residents from abortion by mail. **Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton** (R) filed a civil suit in New York last December against a New York doctor who unlawfully provided a Texas resident "with abortion-inducing drugs that ended the life of an unborn child and resulted in serious complications for the mother, who then required medical intervention. … Additionally," the suit stated, "no physician may treat patients or prescribe Texas residents medicine through telehealth services unless the doctor holds a valid Texas medical license." Paxton sought to collect $113,000 awarded by a Texas court from the New York "abortion" MD.

But New York Attorney General Letitia James (D) **intervened** in September to block Paxton "from filing papers" to collect the judgment, asserting that the doctor had "provided safe, legal

telehealth abortion care." James noted that, "I am stepping in … against this blatant overreach. … Texas has no authority in New York, and no power to impose its cruel abortion ban here. Our shield law exists to protect New Yorkers from out-of-state extremists"

If James's position is upheld, doctors, nurse practitioners, or others authorized to prescribe abortion pills act largely with legal and professional impunity when they authorize the distribution of abortion drugs in states that prohibit or restrict abortion. The following jurisdictions prohibit investigative assistance for out-of-state inquiries relating to the provision of abortion pills: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington.

According to an **October 2025 analysis** by the Guttmacher Institute, the following states prohibit law enforcement agencies from assisting federal officials: California, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maine, Rhode Island, and Washington.

Thomas Jipping, a senior legal fellow in the Meese Center at the Heritage Foundation, points out that abortion shield laws improperly interfere with the status and legal treatment of medical care. Jipping **writes:** "The Constitution requires each state to give 'Full Faith and Credit' to the 'judicial proceedings of every other State.' Cooperation between states, in fact, has been the norm for more than two centuries."

Jipping elaborates: "Abortion shield laws are intended to prevent states from enforcing pro-life laws. … Normalizing interstate conflict and retaliation not only raises constitutional questions but may have a negative impact far beyond the abortion context."

Elsewhere, Jipping observes: "Abortion shield laws undermine traditional medical practice, which has long considered the location of medical care to be that of the patient, not the doctor. The pro-life cause requires not only passing laws that protect the unborn but also being able to enforce those laws."

Jipping also points out that the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), comprising 70 state medical/osteopathic boards in the United States and territories, has delineated the necessary professional conditions and qualifications for the delivery and administration of telemedicine in the United States and territories:

> "A physician must be licensed, or appropriately authorized, by the medical board of the state where the patient is located. The practice of medicine occurs where the patient is located at the time that telemedicine technologies are used. Physicians who diagnose, treat, or prescribe using online service sites are engaging in the practice medicine and must possess appropriate licensure in all jurisdictions where their patients receive care."

Expecting interstate cooperation, especially on potentially criminal matters, has been the norm for relations between states. Denying such cooperation is the novelty. Abortionists who disguise or protect their role behind shield laws operate in a constitutional "pretend-land." They betray their lack of confidence in the medical and legal professionalism of their actions to promote and participate in abortions among women and girls they have not personally examined and who may not, in fact, be the party requesting the drugs. Under a new law signed by Governor Gavin Newsom (D), medical personnel can even prescribe and mail these drugs **anonymously**.

The reality of abortion pill prescriptions across state lines and even international borders calls into question whether abortion can be meaningfully limited anywhere in the United States under Dobbs without some federal legal action. On this topic, the record of the Trump administration has been decidedly mixed and looks increasingly unsustainable.

While President Trump has made states' rights the centerpiece of his pro-life policies, he has not abandoned his support for the Hyde Amendment and other federal restrictions on taxpayer-funded abortion dollars. He has also continued to encourage support for restrictions on abortion at the United Nations and in other international contexts, like his **renewed endorsement** of the Geneva Consensus Declaration, which opposes the creation of any international right to abortion.

To date, however, neither the Trump Justice Department nor the U.S. Postal Service has made use of every federal law or agency that could limit or prohibit particular abortion practices that undermine President Trump's states' rights enforcement policies and principles.

The Comstock Act

Chief among these is the Comstock Act, first passed in 1873, which imposed bans on pornography/obscenity, contraceptive birth control, and abortion in interstate commerce or through the mails. Abortionists sometimes refer to Comstock as the "Zombie" law, ostensibly from its falling into disuse.

However, the legislative history of the variations and permutations of the Comstock Act is ignored by abortion practitioners who rarely tell the whole story of their "trade." **Americans United for Life's legislative history** convincingly shows that, for example:

> "fter Congress passed the 'Comstock Act' in 1873, it amended or (re)codified the law ten times. … This legislative history indicates that Congress did not view the mail-order abortion rules as obsolete since the recodified criminal code kept them. Thus, the 'Comstock Act' has transformed into 18 U.S.C. § 1461, and Congress last amended it in 1994. This is not an obsolete law."

This background doesn't faze abortion partisans. Susan Buttenweiser, **writing** for the Women's Media Center last April, overstates the case first by fantasizing that the Comstock Act "is rarely used and is considered unenforceable." But she fails to mention that from 1973 through mid-2022, the Supreme Court effectively suspended enforcement of the Comstock Act with its decision in Roe v. Wade. Furthermore, Buttenweiser's dismissal of Comstock as unenforceable is emphatically denied later in her own article by abortion supporter and researcher Dr. Ushma Upadhyay, professor at the University of California, San Francisco, who said the Comstock Act "is available now for to implement if they want to."

The real reason abortion supporters are terrified by Comstock is that President Trump's Justice Department does not have to ask Congress to change one word of the Comstock statute to implement significant limits on abortion nationwide. As Annalies Winny **wrote** last year for the Bloomberg School of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University:

> "The Comstock Act … was never repealed and … could be resuscitated and enforced… Interpreted literally, 'it could essentially shut down abortion nationwide,' explains **Joanne Rosen**, JD, MA, a practice professor in **Health Policy and Management** and an expert in reproductive law.
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> "… The ban on the mailing of things designed to produce abortion is still in the Comstock Act."

States that have acted to limit abortion ground their statutes in concern for the sanctity of human life, but that concern certainly encompasses interest in protecting the well-being of women. The advent of chemical abortion and the continuous relaxation of health standards for its administration have both increased the risk to women and reduced accountability in the health profession for the harms these drugs can inflict. Those harms are now increased by the campaigns for remote, cross-border distribution of the drugs, the FDA's decisions to drop the requirement for in-person medical visits, use of mifepristone later in pregnancy, and the absence of tracking of abortion complications that is now a feature of federal and state law.

A recent Facebook post by a young pro-life woman recounts her experience purchasing abortion pills online. She wanted to learn what the response would be from abortion pill suppliers to her supposed "request" for pills. In her contact with the suppliers, she told them that she lived in

Idaho (a protective pro-life state) and was "three months pregnant," which some of her respondents interpreted as 12-14 weeks, that is, beyond the time limit at which the mifepristone/misoprostol regimen is deemed safe to use by the FDA. The replies the young woman received were dismissive of concerns about safety, the appearance of the developing child at that stage, or disposal of the remains, with one **supplier saying**, "You can just throw it away on a pad or flush it down the toilet."

The United States, due to its radical abortion policies in major states and the federal system, has long had substandard abortion reporting laws and weak implementation. Chemical abortion has only aggravated these conditions. The FDA has occasionally been candid about this lack of safety monitoring. In May 2006, David W. Boyer, then FDA assistant commissioner, wrote to the chairman of the House Government Reform Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources Subcommittee, Rep. Mark E. Souder, regarding the unsoundness of the FDA's general system for reporting adverse events (AERS): "FDA cannot establish the true frequency of adverse events in the population with AERS data. The inability to calculate the true frequency makes it hard to establish the magnitude of a safety problem, and it makes comparisons of risks across similar drugs difficult."

The GRC subcommittee concluded:

> "… There is no true enforcement mechanism, either by Danco or the FDA, for ensuring that doctors report all adverse events, and there is little incentive on the part of the prescribing physician to do so. …
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> "Moreover, emergency room personnel and medical professionals who do not prescribe RU-486, but who may likely treat the infected or hemorrhaging patient, or provide surgical intervention, have no obligation whatsoever to report adverse events for RU-486, even assuming that the healthcare worker is aware the patient took the RU-486 drug regimen."

Dr. Richard Hausknecht, then Danco Laboratories' Medical Director, responded to questions from the GRC subcommittee and criticized the FDA's ability to capture abortion pill adverse effects:

> "… Because there is no requirement for physicians or other healthcare providers to report 'all adverse events' to Danco or to FDA, the information that Danco receives … does not necessarily include information about all adverse events.
>
> "… As a separate matter, neither Danco nor any other pharmaceutical company can ensure that every adverse event is reported to it or FDA, and they are not required to do so…"

In this era of explosive growth in the percentage of abortions carried out by drugs, there is scant evidence that reporting has improved. The FDA itself abandoned mandatory reporting of AERS for the abortion regimen in 2016, requiring that only fatalities be reported. Furthermore, abortion practitioners and vendors commonly urge women to lie if they go to an emergency room for treatment of complications. According to The Washington Post on May 10, 2022, Franz Theard, one of the most prolific abortionists in the U.S., **admitted** to the paper that he instructs women "to go to your favorite hospital and blame the cramps on — tell them you're having a miscarriage. … Just don't tell them about the pill. I recommend that you don't. They'll treat you like you killed Jesus or something."

States with shield laws or administrative policies barring interstate cooperation are actually commandeering those states from being able to enforce their laws protecting women and children from abortion. Under this unique special pleading for the abortion industry, there are two classes of states. The theory that states are free to choose their own policies regarding abortion is a complete nullity. The Declaration of Independence states, "Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." In the abortion context, the Dobbs ruling returned legislative authority over abortion to Congress as well as to the states. Medically, the removal of abortion from the doctor's office makes the Trump administration's preferred policy approach obsolete, unless there is some federal corrective action by relevant public agencies.

Pro-life states will **continue to litigate** to protect their ability to legislate effectively on this issue. But it is increasingly clear, given more than one million abortions per year and significant loss of human life even in states that have limited the abortion trade, that federal action must come via the Comstock Act and, ultimately, an FDA that already has the power to both regulate and remove abortion pills from the market. Louisiana's recent lawsuit against the FDA dramatically illustrates the challenge. In 2024, new data show, Louisiana reported 7,510 mail-order abortions, more than the total number of in-clinic abortions reported in the state in both 2020 (7,473) and 2021 (7,444). Some of the mail-order pills involved Louisiana women being given the drug without their knowledge or under coercion from a boyfriend.

Louisiana Attorney General Liz Murrill (R) described the situation perfectly:

> "Out-of-state abortion drug peddlers are violating the criminal laws of Louisiana and other states across the country that choose life. They aren't providing healthcare, they're drug dealers. Louisiana's new lawsuit seeks to hold the FDA accountable for unlawfully removing its original safeguard that ensured women receive an in-person office visit to check for life-threatening conditions, such as ectopic pregnancy, before taking high-risk abortion drugs. The FDA's reckless actions also opened wide the door for women to suffer reproductive coercion and assault. We are simply asking the FDA to restore this basic safety standard for women's health."

For the U.S. Department of Justice and the Postal Service not to enforce the relevant provisions of the Comstock Act against misnamed pro-abortion "shield" states is to perpetuate a radical and sweeping anti-constitutional inequality among the several states. Orwell's quip about rule by the new class of pigs applies here: all states are equal but "some are more equal than others." It lies in direct contradiction to President Trump's understanding that "tates will determine by vote or legislation or perhaps both, and whatever they decide must be the law of the land — in this case, the law of the state."

This cannot come to pass unless the federal courts (or, better, the Trump administration's Justice Department and Postal Service) act to enforce our laws. And soon.

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The New Fight for the Sanctity of Life: Why a Federal Abortion Mandate Demands a Biblical Response

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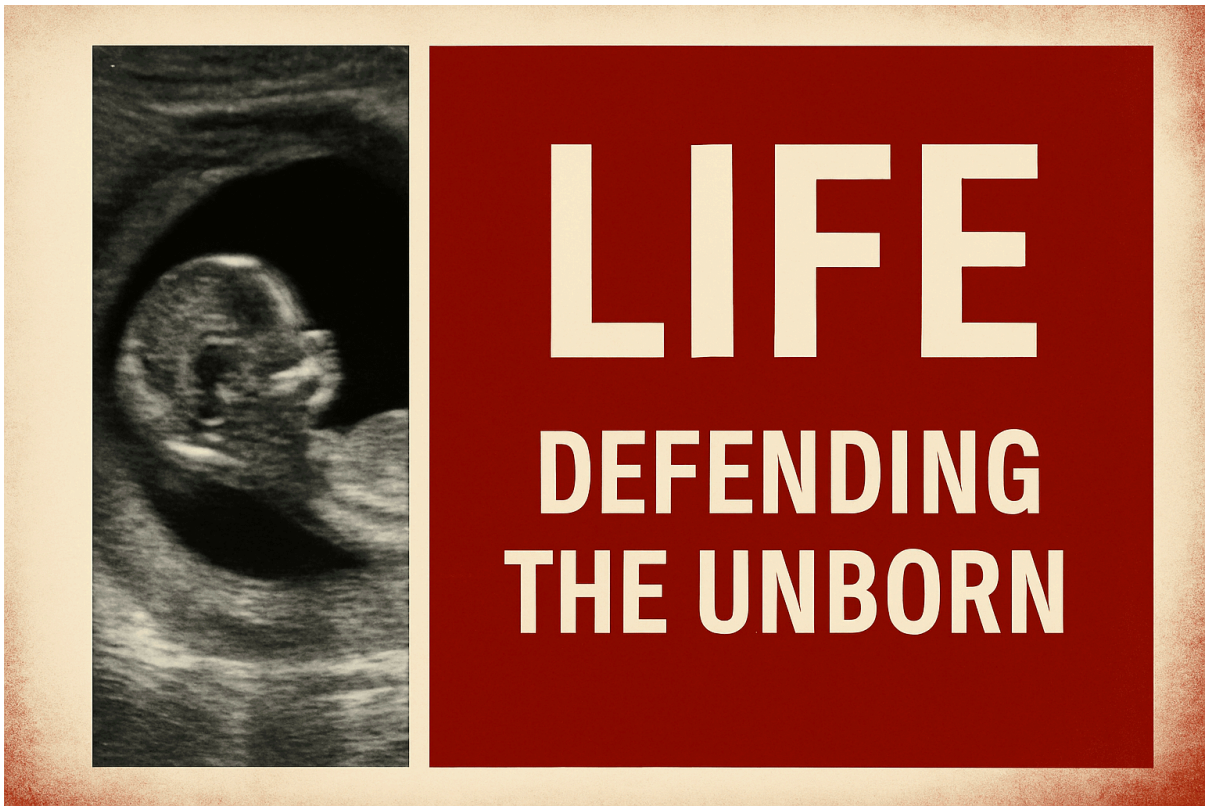

The national debate over abortion has entered a new and dangerous phase. In recent days, the *New York Times Editorial Board* openly urged Congress to pass sweeping legislation that would restore nationwide abortion rights — and even exceed the framework of *Roe v. Wade* and *Casey*. This push includes unrestricted access to abortion pills, the repeal of the Comstock Act, publicly funded abortion, and the integration of abortion into "mainstream medicine."

For Christians who believe the **Sanctity of Life** begins at conception, this represents a seismic shift. What the Supreme Court returned to the states in *Dobbs*, the cultural Left now seeks to recapture at the federal level. And the strategy is intentional: redefine abortion as healthcare, expand access through medication abortion, and position pro-life states as obstacles to "reproductive freedom."

This worldview collision requires clear thinking and biblical conviction. To help Christians understand the scope of the argument, **Dr. Albert Mohler** addressed the issue head-on in the November 13, 2025 edition of *The Briefing*. His first segment focuses exclusively on abortion — warning of a moral revolution accelerating before our eyes.

Watch: Dr. Albert Mohler Explains the New National Argument for Abortion

(The Briefing — November 13, 2025)

Thursday, November 13, 2025
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A Moral Argument Christians Cannot Ignore

Dr. Mohler highlights a new rhetorical strategy: pro-abortion advocates are no longer merely defending abortion as a “necessary evil” or a “tragic choice.” Instead, they’re calling for a permanent federal guarantee — a national standard ensuring access in all 50 states. This would override state protections for unborn children and eliminate meaningful restrictions on abortion pills and telehealth abortions.

This is not accidental. It is not subtle.

It is an open call to reshape the legal landscape of the United States according to a worldview that rejects the biblical truth that every life is made in the image of God (Genesis 1:27).

Returning to Scripture’s Witness on Life

The Virginia Christian Alliance (VCA) has long upheld the biblical doctrine of the Sanctity of Life. From Genesis to Revelation, Scripture affirms that human life begins at conception, is crafted intentionally by God, and must be protected. Psalm 139:13–14 describes the womb as the place where God Himself knits every human being together. The early church echoed this clarity, condemning abortion and infanticide as direct assaults on God’s creation.

In light of today’s accelerating moral revolution, Christians must recover this clarity again. A culture that dismisses the value of unborn life will inevitably dismiss the value of all human life — the elderly, the disabled, and the inconvenient.

Why the Church Must Not Be Silent

The coming debate over federalized abortion access will not remain theoretical. It will shape public policy, influence elections, and test the resolve of believers. Churches cannot retreat. Pastors cannot remain silent. Families and citizens must prepare to defend life with biblical conviction and compassionate clarity.

Silence is not neutrality. Silence is surrender.

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Conclusion: The Moment Demands Courage

As lawmakers, cultural elites, and media institutions push for a national abortion mandate, Christians are called to speak with courage, conviction, and compassion. We must defend every human life — born and unborn — as a sacred gift from God.

The Sanctity of Life is not simply a political issue.

- It is a theological issue.
- It is a Gospel issue.
- It is a call to faithfulness.

Now is the time for Christians to stand firm, speak truth, and protect the smallest among us.

Most Churchgoers No Longer Pro-Life: A Wake-Up Call for the American Church

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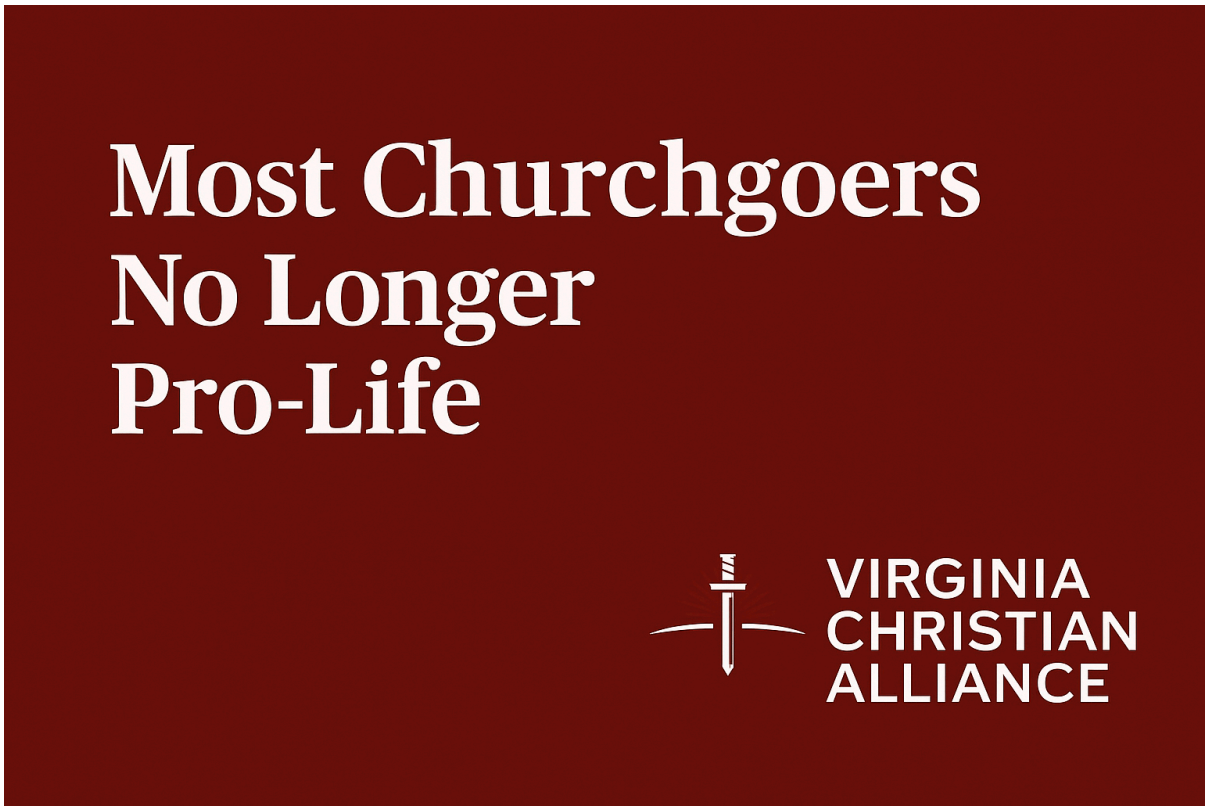

By Jeff Bayard, Virginia Christian Alliance

*When culture **catechizes** louder than the Church, even God's people forget who gives life.*

There was a time when the Church in America spoke with one voice on the sanctity of life. From the smallest country chapel to the largest suburban campus, the message was clear: every human life—born and unborn—is sacred, created in the image of God.

But according to a recent **Family Research Council survey**, those convictions are fading. The findings reveal a shift so dramatic it should stop every pastor, elder, and believer in their tracks.

The Survey That Should Shake the Pews

A new study conducted by the **Family Research Council** in partnership with researcher **George Barna** shows that the percentage of *regular churchgoers* who identify as pro-life has plummeted—from **63% in 2023** to just **43% in 2025**. (**download the pdf here**)

In that same time, those identifying as *pro-choice* have climbed from **22% to 35%**. The data represent believers who attend church at least once a month—65% of them weekly.

That's not a poll of the unchurched. It's a snapshot of the faithful.

Watch the Interview

Watch: Todd Starnes speaks with **David Closson**, Director of the *Center for Biblical Worldview* at the **Family Research Council**, about the decline in pro-life conviction among churchgoers and what it reveals about discipleship in America's pulpits.

Survey: Most Churchgoers No Longer Pro-Life
https://youtube.com/watch?v=jnJ9k-yEd44

Closson warns tha[redacted]our churches,” especially Millennials and Gen Z. In other words, when the Church grows quiet, the culture fills the silence.

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(Video: “Most Churchgoers No Longer Pro-Life” – Todd Starnes Show, featuring David Closson, Family Research Council)

The result: A generation of believers who love Jesus but are unsure when life begins—or whether defending it is still part of the Gospel’s call.

What God Says About Life

Long before surveys and polls, God spoke plainly:

> *“So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”* — **Genesis 1:27**
>
> *“You knit me together in my mother’s womb.”* — **Psalm 139:13**

Life begins in the mind and will of God. It is not a human right granted by government—it is a divine reality declared by the Creator.

To be *pro-life* is not a political label. It is a confession of faith. It is saying, “I believe what God says about Himself and about us.”

The Culture of Death Creeps into the Church

When believers stop hearing about life from their pastors, they start learning about it from the world. Closson noted that just **44% of churchgoers** heard a sermon or teaching on abortion in the last year—even in the wake of Roe v. Wade being overturned.

That statistic tells a heartbreaking story. The culture was loud. The NBA and NFL issued statements. Politicians and celebrities took sides. But many pulpits stayed silent.

And in that silence, the next generation learned to see abortion not as sin, but as a “personal issue.” They learned to see life as *optional* instead of *sacred*.

This is the discipleship crisis Closson describes—a Church losing its moral vocabulary because it fears controversy more than compromise.

The Gospel of Life

The **sanctity of life** is not a "social issue." It is the Gospel made visible.

When Jesus declared, *"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly"* (John 10:10), He wasn't just promising heaven. He was revealing His heart for all human existence.

Every child formed in the womb, every elderly soul gasping for breath, every life the world deems "unwanted"—Christ has already declared wanted, loved, and redeemable.

To defend life is to proclaim that *Christ still reigns over creation.*

What Christians Must Do

David Closson doesn't scold pastors; he diagnoses the problem. "There is a hunger," he says. "**God's people are hungry for what God's Word says on these issues**."

His appeal is simple: *teach to the test.*

That means sermons that recover biblical clarity.

Discipleship that trains the next generation to discern truth from cultural counterfeit.

Churches that speak with both conviction and compassion to the post-abortive woman, the confused teen, and the fearful couple considering IVF.

The problem is not that people don't want truth—it's that they aren't hearing it consistently.

And when they do hear it, they respond. Closson noted that the majority of regular churchgoers *want* more worldview training on life, sexuality, and biblical morality. The field is ready. The shepherds must lead.

Hope and a Watchman's Warning

This isn't the time to despair. It's the time to *speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves* (Proverbs 31:8–9).

A watchman doesn't sound the trumpet to condemn the city—but to save it. The tears come because he loves the people inside the walls.

So let the Church rise again with tears of compassion and a voice of truth. Let our pulpits recover the courage to declare that *life is sacred because God is holy*. Let pastors teach the Word boldly and believers defend life graciously.

Because silence is not compassion. And indifference is not mercy.

To love our neighbor as ourselves begins in the womb.

Resources & Links

- **Family Research Council — Center for Biblical Worldview**
- **Todd Starnes Show — "Most Churchgoers No Longer Pro-Life" Interview: Watch on YouTube »**
- **Virginia Christian Alliance — Sanctity of Life**
- **Scripture References:** Genesis 1:27; Psalm 139:13–16; John 10:10; Proverbs 31:8–9

"Write like a watchman warning the city, but with tears for those inside the walls."

For the Glory of God and the Defense of Life.

— Jeff Bayard

Abortion Pills Contaminate Water: Hidden Health Crisis

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Morning Brief: Life & Family

Chemical Abortions Are Poisoning America's Water Supply: What Christians Must Know

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The Virginia Christian Alliance continues our Morning Brief: Life & Family series, examining cultural issues through a Christian worldview. Today we address a hidden consequence of chemical abortions that threatens public health, violates biblical principles of life and stewardship, and demands immediate action from Christians and policymakers alike. This report draws heavily from excellent investigative journalism by **The Washington Stand**, a trusted source for Christians seeking news coverage grounded in biblical values. We encourage readers to follow The Washington Stand's ongoing coverage of life and religious liberty issues.

An Unseen Crisis Flowing Through American Homes

When the Food and Drug Administration approved the abortion pill mifepristone in 2000, officials predicted minimal environmental impact. They conducted no follow-up studies. The assessment contained a fatal flaw: It completely ignored what happens after women ingest the drug and deliver their dead babies into home toilets.

Twenty-five years later, the consequences of that oversight are emerging. Chemical abortions now account for nearly 70% of all abortions in America—approximately 700,000 annually. Each one flushes human remains and pharmaceutical residue directly into municipal water systems. The scale is staggering: Students for Life estimates between 40 to 60 tons of fetal tissue enters America's water supply every year.

Yet the FDA and Environmental Protection Agency have conducted virtually no research on the public health implications. As Liberty Counsel Action's recent investigation reveals, we're bathing in and drinking water contaminated with abortion drug metabolites and human remains—and nobody in government wants to study whether this matters.

Christians must understand what's happening, why it violates both biblical principles and public health standards, and what we can do to demand accountability.

How Chemical Abortions Work (And Why Water Gets Contaminated)

To grasp the scope of this crisis, we must first understand the chemical abortion process. Unlike surgical abortions performed in clinics, chemical abortions occur at home using two drugs: mifepristone and misoprostol.

Mifepristone blocks progesterone, a hormone essential for maintaining pregnancy. Without progesterone, the developing baby dies and the uterine lining breaks down. Twenty-four to forty-eight hours later, the woman takes misoprostol, which causes contractions that expel the dead baby from her womb.

Here's the critical point: Abortion providers instruct women to deliver their babies into their home toilets. The tiny bodies—along with placental tissue, blood, and other biological material—are flushed directly into municipal sewer systems. No medical waste protocols. No proper disposal. Just flush and forget.

Meanwhile, the mother's body breaks down mifepristone into metabolites—small biochemical molecules that eventually leave her body through urine. These metabolites also enter the water system. Unlike organic compounds that decompose naturally, mifepristone is a synthetic drug

with a half-life, meaning it remains biochemically active even after passing through the human body.

Standard water treatment plants were never designed to filter pharmaceutical compounds or human tissue. Consequently, microscopic doses of mifepristone and biological material from aborted babies flow through America's water supply largely unfiltered and unstudied.

The Biblical Case: Life, Stewardship, and the Sanctity of God's Creation

Scripture provides clear guidance on three principles this crisis violates: the sanctity of human life, our responsibility as stewards of creation, and the proper treatment of the dead.

The Sanctity of Human Life

Psalm 139:13-16 declares: "For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them."

God forms each human being with intentionality and purpose. Chemical abortions don't merely end lives—they treat the bodies of image-bearers as sewage to be flushed away. This represents a profound devaluation of human dignity that extends even to how we dispose of the dead.

Throughout Scripture, proper burial and treatment of human remains matters deeply. When Abraham's wife Sarah died, he purchased a burial plot (Genesis 23). When Jesus died, Joseph of Arimathea provided his own tomb (Matthew 27:57-60). Even in cases of execution or war, God's law required burial before nightfall (Deuteronomy 21:23).

Flushing babies' bodies into sewers violates this biblical principle of honoring the dead, even in death. It treats human beings—made in God's image—as biological waste no different from excrement.

Stewardship of Creation

Genesis 1:28 commands: "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

God gave humanity dominion over creation, but dominion means stewardship, not exploitation. We're called to care for the earth God made, ensuring its resources remain clean and life-

sustaining for future generations.

Deliberately contaminating water supplies with pharmaceutical waste and human remains represents a failure of biblical stewardship. **Proverbs 12:10 teaches:** "Whoever is righteous has regard for the life of his beast, but the mercy of the wicked is cruel." If we're called to care even for animals, how much more should we protect the basic necessities of human life—clean water, air, and soil?

The abortion industry's current practice violates creation stewardship at the most fundamental level. It prioritizes convenience over environmental responsibility and profit over public health.

The Principle of Hidden Sin Exposed

Luke 8:17 warns: "For nothing is hidden that will not be made manifest, nor is anything secret that will not be known and come to light." The abortion industry has operated for decades under the assumption that what happens in private—whether in clinics or homes—bears no public consequence.

God's design for creation, however, includes natural consequences. You cannot flush 60 tons of human tissue and synthetic hormones into the water supply annually without impact. The hidden pollution is now coming to light, forcing a reckoning with the true cost of chemical abortions.

The Public Health Threat: Infertility, Endocrine Disruption, and Unknown Risks

Beyond the biblical concerns, measurable public health threats are emerging. Mifepristone functions as an endocrine disruptor—a substance that interferes with the body's hormone system. Specifically, it blocks progesterone, which is essential not only for maintaining pregnancy but for regulating the entire female reproductive cycle.

Consider the timeline: Chemical abortions became widely available in 2000. Since then, infertility rates have skyrocketed. Today, one in six individuals struggles with infertility—a dramatic increase from previous generations. While correlation doesn't prove causation, the connection demands serious investigation.

As John Stemberger, president of Liberty Counsel Action, explained recently, "There micro doses of mifepristone that we're bathing in or drinking, which is not being removed at all by normal water treatment plants. It could be affecting miscarriages, could be affecting the infertility rate, and actually there just a lot of questions we don't even know because the EPA is not studying this."

The FDA's recent approval of generic mifepristone will likely increase both the volume of abortions and the concentration of contamination in water supplies. Yet federal agencies refuse to conduct basic research on public health impacts.

Why the silence? Stemberger identifies the core issue: "Whenever you touch abortion, the rules are always different." Medical waste protocols that apply to hospitals don't apply to abortion providers. Environmental assessments required for other drugs weren't conducted for mifepristone. The abortion industry operates under different standards than every other healthcare sector.

Government Failure: When Ideology Trumps Science and Safety

The federal government's refusal to study mifepristone's environmental impact represents a stunning abdication of responsibility. Consider the contrast:

For other pharmaceutical contaminants, the EPA conducts extensive research. Antibiotics, antidepressants, and hormones from birth control pills all face scrutiny for their environmental effects. Studies examine how these compounds affect aquatic life, whether they contaminate drinking water, and what health risks they pose.

For mifepristone, nothing. The 1996 environmental assessment that led to FDA approval in 2000 didn't even consider that fetal remains would enter water systems. No updates have occurred despite chemical abortions increasing from a small fraction of procedures to 70% of all abortions. The exponential growth in contamination receives zero federal attention.

In May 2024, eleven members of Congress, including then-Senator Marco Rubio (now Secretary of State), wrote to EPA Administrator Michael Regan demanding studies on mifepristone's environmental impact. They noted that "the full impact of mifepristone has never been sufficiently studied" and called for research on how "placental tissue, fetal remains, and active metabolites" affect water quality.

The EPA's response? Silence.

This failure extends beyond negligence into willful blindness. As Stemberger observed, if any hospital dumped biohazard waste into toilets "as a matter of course," it would spark national outrage. Yet 700,000 women annually flush human remains and pharmaceutical waste directly into sewers, and regulatory agencies look the other way.

The reason is clear: Abortion is politically sacrosanct. Admitting that chemical abortions contaminate water supplies would require either stricter regulations on abortion providers or

honest acknowledgment that ending innocent life carries environmental costs society shouldn't bear. Neither option appeals to abortion advocates, so the contamination continues unexamined.

A Glimmer of Hope: The Trump Administration's Opportunity

Despite decades of federal inaction, recent developments offer cautious optimism. Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s Make America Healthy Again initiative announced that the EPA would study pharmaceutical contamination in water supplies.

This represents a genuine opportunity for Christians and pro-life advocates to demand inclusion of mifepristone in those studies. President Trump himself, in multiple speeches, emphasized his commitment to "crystal clear drinking water" for Americans. As Stemberger noted, "You can't have crystal clear drinking water if you have contamination from chemical abortions in the water supply."

The incoming administration has both the authority and the stated commitment to address this issue. Unlike previous EPA administrators who avoided the abortion question, officials in Trump's second term have shown willingness to confront uncomfortable truths about the abortion industry.

Moreover, this issue transcends typical pro-life/pro-choice divisions. Regardless of one's position on abortion legality, surely Americans of all viewpoints can agree that municipal water supplies shouldn't contain unfiltered pharmaceutical waste and human remains. This is a public health and environmental issue that demands nonpartisan attention.

Christians must seize this moment to advocate loudly for the studies that should have been conducted 25 years ago.

What Christians Must Do Now

This crisis demands action at multiple levels—spiritual, political, and practical. Here's how believers can respond:

1. Pray for Exposure and Accountability

Ephesians 5:11 commands: "Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them." Pray that God would bring this hidden contamination fully into the light. Pray for courage among scientists and government officials to conduct honest research regardless of political pressure. Pray for the Trump administration to follow through on commitments to clean water.

Specifically, pray:

- For EPA officials to prioritize mifepristone studies
- For congressional leaders to maintain pressure for accountability
- For journalists to investigate and report this story
- For the abortion industry's deception to be fully exposed
- For hearts to be changed as people recognize the full cost of chemical abortions

2. Contact the Trump Administration

The administration has signaled openness to studying pharmaceutical contamination. Christians must ensure abortion drugs are included. Contact:

EPA Administrator (Once Confirmed)
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460
Email: https://www.epa.gov/home/forms/contact-epa

HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20201
Phone: (202) 619-0257

Sample message:
"I urge you to include mifepristone in EPA studies of pharmaceutical water contamination. Chemical abortions account for 70% of U.S. abortions, flushing an estimated 60 tons of fetal remains and drug metabolites into water systems annually. No federal research exists on public health impacts despite rising infertility rates. Americans deserve clean water and honest environmental assessment."

3. Support Organizations Investigating This Issue

Liberty Counsel Action has produced groundbreaking research on this topic. Students for Life has documented the scale of biological waste entering water systems. These organizations need financial support to continue investigating and publicizing what federal agencies ignore.

Consider supporting:

- Liberty Counsel Action: https://lcaction.org
- Students for Life: https://studentsforlife.org
- Alliance Defending Freedom (legal advocacy): https://adflegal.org

4. Educate Your Church and Community

Most Christians—and most Americans—have no idea this contamination exists. Share this article. Discuss it in small groups. Raise the issue with church leadership. Help people understand that chemical abortions carry environmental and public health costs that extend far beyond the individual woman.

Present this as both a pro-life issue AND an environmental justice issue. Clean water is a basic human right. Contaminating water supplies to facilitate abortions violates that right for everyone downstream.

5. Advocate for Proper Medical Waste Protocols

Even if abortion remains legal, there's no justification for treating human remains and pharmaceutical waste as sewage. Contact state legislators and demand that abortion providers follow the same medical waste disposal protocols required of hospitals and clinics.

Find your state legislators: https://www.congress.gov/state-legislature-websites

6. Consider Your Own Water Source

For those concerned about mifepristone contamination, consider:

- Home water filtration systems (reverse osmosis can remove many pharmaceutical compounds)
- Well water testing (private wells may avoid municipal contamination)
- Bottled water from verified clean sources

While this doesn't solve the systemic problem, it provides practical protection for your family while working toward broader solutions.

Conclusion: When Hidden Sin Comes to Light

The contamination of America's water supply with abortion drug residue and fetal remains represents a convergence of several biblical violations: the devaluation of human life, the failure of creation stewardship, and the inevitable exposure of hidden sin.

For 25 years, the abortion industry assured Americans that chemical abortions were safe, private, and environmentally neutral. Those assurances are proving false. What happens in the privacy of someone's home doesn't stay private when 700,000 women annually flush the results into shared water systems.

God designed creation with built-in accountability. **Numbers 32:23 warns:** "Be sure your sin will find you out." The abortion industry's convenient disposal method is finding them out through contaminated water, unexplained infertility spikes, and growing public health concerns that can no longer be ignored.

As Christians, we must respond with both truth and compassion. The truth is that chemical abortions impose environmental and health costs on everyone, not just those who choose them. Compassion means offering better alternatives—supporting crisis pregnancy centers, advocating for life-affirming healthcare, and helping women see abortion as neither necessary nor consequence-free.

We also must demand that our government fulfill its most basic responsibility: protecting public health and ensuring clean water. The Trump administration has an opportunity to conduct research that should have been completed decades ago. Christians must use our voices to ensure that opportunity isn't wasted.

Psalm 24:1 reminds us: "The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell in it." We're stewards, not owners. We're accountable to God for how we treat His creation and His image-bearers. Chemical abortions that poison water supplies fail both responsibilities.

The path forward is clear: Expose the hidden contamination. Demand honest research. Support proper waste disposal protocols. Pray for hearts to change as the true cost of abortion becomes undeniable. And trust that God, in His timing, brings all hidden things to light.

"For nothing is hidden that will not be made manifest, nor is anything secret that will not be known and come to light." (Luke 8:17)

Resources

Primary Research:

- **Liberty Counsel Action Report: Abortion in Our Water** – Full investigation of mifepristone contamination
- **Congressional Letter to EPA** – Senators Rubio, Brecheen demand studies

News Coverage:

- **Washington Stand: Abortion Drug Contamination Concerns** – Detailed reporting on the issue

- **Washington Watch Interview with John Stemberger** – Liberty Counsel Action president explains findings

Take Action:

- **Contact EPA** – Demand mifepristone studies
- **Contact HHS** – Support Make America Healthy Again including water testing
- **Find Your State Legislators** – Advocate for proper medical waste protocols

Scripture for Further Study:

- Psalm 139:13-16 (Life begins in the womb)
- Genesis 1:28 (Stewardship of creation)
- Luke 8:17 (Hidden sin exposed)
- Ephesians 5:11 (Expose works of darkness)
- Numbers 32:23 (Sin finds you out)

Related VCA Articles:

- **Sanctity of Life Resources**
- **Morning Brief: Life & Family Series**

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Appeals Court Victory: A Constitutional and Moral Stand Against Funding Planned Parenthood

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When a federal appellate court recently upheld Congress's decision to defund Planned Parenthood from Medicaid funding, the ruling carried weight far beyond courtroom procedure. It was not just a legal correction—it was a moral and constitutional affirmation.

As Joshua Arnold reported in *The Washington Stand*, Congress passed an appropriations bill that prohibited federal Medicaid funding from going to any organization that "provides for abortions." Planned Parenthood, which committed over **402,000 abortions in 2024** while pocketing **$792 million in taxpayer funds**, immediately sued. A lower court judge blocked Congress's will through sweeping injunctions. But on appeal, even a panel of Biden-appointed judges concluded the obvious: Congress controls the purse, not the courts.

This is no small matter. At stake is both the **sanctity of human life** and the **integrity of the U.S. Constitution**.

Taxpayer Money and the "Culture of Death"

For decades, Planned Parenthood has profited from abortion while receiving billions in federal funding. This is the very embodiment of what Virginia Christian Alliance calls the "culture of death" —a system that normalizes abortion, discards embryonic children, and treats life as disposable. Scripture is clear: *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves"* (Proverbs 31:8). Yet Planned Parenthood silences the voiceless, not only by killing unborn children but by demanding the public pay for it.

When Congress chose to stop taxpayer money from underwriting this industry of death, it was acting squarely within both moral and constitutional authority. Taxation should never force Americans to fund practices many recognize as murder in the womb.

The Constitutional Bearing

Arnold notes the clarity of the appeals court's decision: Congress appropriates; the executive executes; the judiciary adjudicates. The district court's attempt to override Congress's power of the purse was judicial activism at its worst. But the First Circuit's panel restored the balance.

This is a constitutional victory as much as a pro-life one. When courts invent reasons to funnel taxpayer money to Planned Parenthood, they trample both the rule of law and the will of the people's representatives. When appellate judges, despite partisan appointments, side with constitutional order, it reminds us: sometimes, the system still works.

Life Is Not Negotiable

The sanctity of life pillar of VCA insists that every embryo, every unborn child, bears God's image and has intrinsic worth. Planned Parenthood's business model is built on denying that truth. As Dr. Al Mohler has warned, whenever life is abstracted—whether in abortion or in practices like IVF where "excess" embryos are discarded—the result is a dangerous devaluing of human beings.

A Call to Perseverance

This court ruling is a reminder: victories can still be won for life, even in hostile cultural and judicial environments. But it is also a call to perseverance. Planned Parenthood and its allies will not stop litigating or lobbying to restore their taxpayer spigot. Christians must remain vigilant—praying, voting, and advocating until every child in the womb is protected by law and cherished by culture.

In the end, this is not just about budgets or court opinions. It is about whether America will continue subsidizing a culture that kills its children, or whether we will reclaim our constitutional order and biblical calling to defend life.

Spanberger Loses Ground as Abortion Firestorm Shakes Up Virginia Governor's Race

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Suzanne Bowdey | **The Washington Stand**

If you thought record **unpopularity** would force Democrats to rethink their strategies, you thought wrong. Never has a party been so doggedly determined to repeat past mistakes as this one. While the DNC plows forward with resolutions affirming DEI – the deader-than-a-doornail crusade of the Left – their candidates seem intent on flirting with other political disasters, ignoring what Americans of all stripes have told them on everything from extreme gender ideology to late-term abortion. And if they aren't careful, the Virginia governor's race could be another difficult lesson unlearned.

It's been four years since voters stunned the nation by handing the keys of a purple Commonwealth to Virginia Republican Glenn Youngkin, thanks in large part to a tone-deaf campaign by the Democrats' carpet-bagging candidate. With 12 words, Terry McAuliffe sealed his fate — alienating voters at the height of public school curriculum wars. "I don't think parents should be telling schools what they should teach," he **barked** during a debate. It was a sentence that cost him the election.

Now, the party's next hope at recapturing the governor's mansion — House Democrat Abigail Spanberger — seems to have graduated from the McAuliffe School of Fatal Political Messaging, marginalizing moms and dads during a Fairfax County firestorm that's made national headlines. At the heart of the controversy is **a bombshell story** that one of America's largest school districts arranged secret, taxpayer-funded abortions for at least two pregnant students without informing parents.

In the days after Walter Curt released **recordings and handwritten notes** backing up the claims, Youngkin ordered a full criminal investigation — raising the profile of the case and making it a sudden topic in the off-year governor's race.

Asked on live television whether she believes parents should be contacted about their minor daughter's abortion, Spanberger danced around the issue, refusing to side with moms and dads as the ultimate decision-makers of their children. Instead, she leaned into the party's radical talking points, arguing, "I think it is important that we have a constitutional guarantee of access to abortion." Spanberger took the opportunity to prop up the extreme constitutional amendment Democrats are advocating to legalize the kind of late-term abortion Americans reject, before adding, almost as an afterthought, "The question of abortion is a very politically charged one."

As her response fanned out across the state, the response was one of shocked dismay. "Abigail Spanberger dodged — offering a non-answer that left the state's parental-consent statute twisting in the wind," an angry Curt **posted** on X. "Her silence lands just as Fairfax County reels from allegations that school officials bankrolled secret abortions for underage girls, a scandal echoing the parental-rights revolt that propelled Glenn Youngkin to victory in 2021. Spanberger's evasiveness hands Lt. Gov Winsome Sears, fresh off a Trump endorsement, the same winning playbook: Make the race a referendum on whether moms and dads get a say in life-and-death decisions for their daughters. If the Democrat can't say 'parents must be told,' Virginians will supply the answer for her — at the ballot box."

The GOP candidate, current Lt. Governor Winsome Sears, was quick to blast the Fairfax County leadership. It's "abhorrent," she insisted that the school "provided minors with access to abortion services without any parental knowledge or consent." Unlike her opponent, Sears has thrown her full support behind pro-life policy and pledged to **strengthen parental consent laws** so no mother or father is ever blindsided by a secret procedure on their child.

In a fit of damage control, Spanberger finally commented on the investigation, trying to repair any blowback at her apparent lack of sympathy for parents. "Your underage daughter can't get an aspirin without your permission — yet a Virginia school may have taken a young girl for an abortion, in secret, using YOUR tax dollars," she said on X. "If true, it's monstrous, and there will be consequences."

But is it too little too late? The race, which was polling comfortably for Democrats, has tightened of late. According to last week's survey, Spanberger leads Earle-Sears **46% to 39%**, with another 14% of voters undecided. As recently as late spring, Spanberger's lead was almost 20 points.

The Washington Times's Seth McLaughlin **wonders** if the "tremors" Fairfax County's controversy is sending through the Virginia governor's race could be Spanberger's undoing. "Now, the investigation is hanging over the off-year governor's race, which is heralded as a bellwether for the national political climate and has historically been tough on the sitting president's party."

McLaughlin talked to John Fredericks, who co-chaired Donald Trump's Virginia campaign. "Let me give you a baseball analogy. This could turn seeing-eye single into a dead red 400-foot, bases-loaded, Grand Slam."

It certainly doesn't help that more of the Democrat's far-Left stances are starting to come to light. Along with her dismissive position on parental consent — even going so far as to **vote against** the Parents' Bill of Rights — Spanberger has also picked up the radioactive mantle of gender ideology, supporting biological men in girls' sports, transgender restrooms and locker rooms in K-12 schools, and lobbying to let teachers and counselors hide gender transitions from parents — despite **overwhelming bipartisan opposition**.

"We continue to have this demonstrated, consistent behavior of ignoring parents," Youngkin **shook his head**. "We have been fighting this for the last three and a half years." His lieutenant governor agrees, reiterating that "what is happening in our schools right now is just wrong. It is dangerous. It is insane, and it has to stop." She paused before saying, "Here's the truth. There are two sexes, boys and girls, and for generations who understood this, that they deserve their own sports teams, their own locker rooms, their own bathrooms. That's not discrimination. It's common sense."

Spanberger's political baggage also includes an outrageous agenda to force doctors to perform abortions or facilitate assisted suicides against their conscience or deeply-held beliefs. "I oppose the ability of religious institutions to put their religious-based ideas on individuals and their health care choices and options," Spanberger **has declared**. "I do not believe that people should have the option to allow their own personal belief to dictate the type of medical care that they are providing their patients."

Of course, when it comes to defending her wildly out-of-step agenda, Spanberger declined. When CNN approached both women about a late-September debate, only Earle-Sears accepted. "It's proof that she's terrified of facing voters in an unscripted setting," the lieutenant governor's campaign staff **told** Fox News. "In 2022, she infamously pulled out at the last minute. Now she's running from CNN, one of the friendliest stages she could ask for. If she's too afraid to show up there," Press Secretary Peyton Vogel pointed out, "what's she hiding from? She can either step on that stage with Winsome Earle-Sears and defend her record or admit to Virginians that she can't."

In the meantime, the skepticism about Spanberger only grows. Not only has she announced plans to declare Virginia a "**sanctuary state**" for illegal immigrants, but she is shockingly **anti-gun**, putting her at odds with a large population of Old Dominion voters.

"These are not the positions of a 'common-sense soccer mom,'" Sarah Katherine Sisk **warns**. That fact isn't lost on FRC Action Director Matt Carpenter, who told The Washington Stand, "Politicians spend months and millions of dollars to build public personas to reassure voters they're moderate and independent from some of the more unsavory elements in their party base. The risk in such a strategy comes when the candidate is actually planning on governing in line with those radical elements within their party base, when the facade cracks, even for a second, all that work to cultivate a certain public persona can vanish, leaving voters confused and frustrated."

This, he insists, "seems to be what's happening to Spanberger in the final weeks of the race to be Virginia's next governor, with her dodging basic questions about parental rights and abortion. Voters hate being misled," Carpenter cautioned, "and I can only assume many Virginia voters are starting to wonder to what extent Spanberger is misleading them on her plans for the Commonwealth."

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The Pulpit Is Responsible – Eugenics Is Back, and Your Silence Is Deadly

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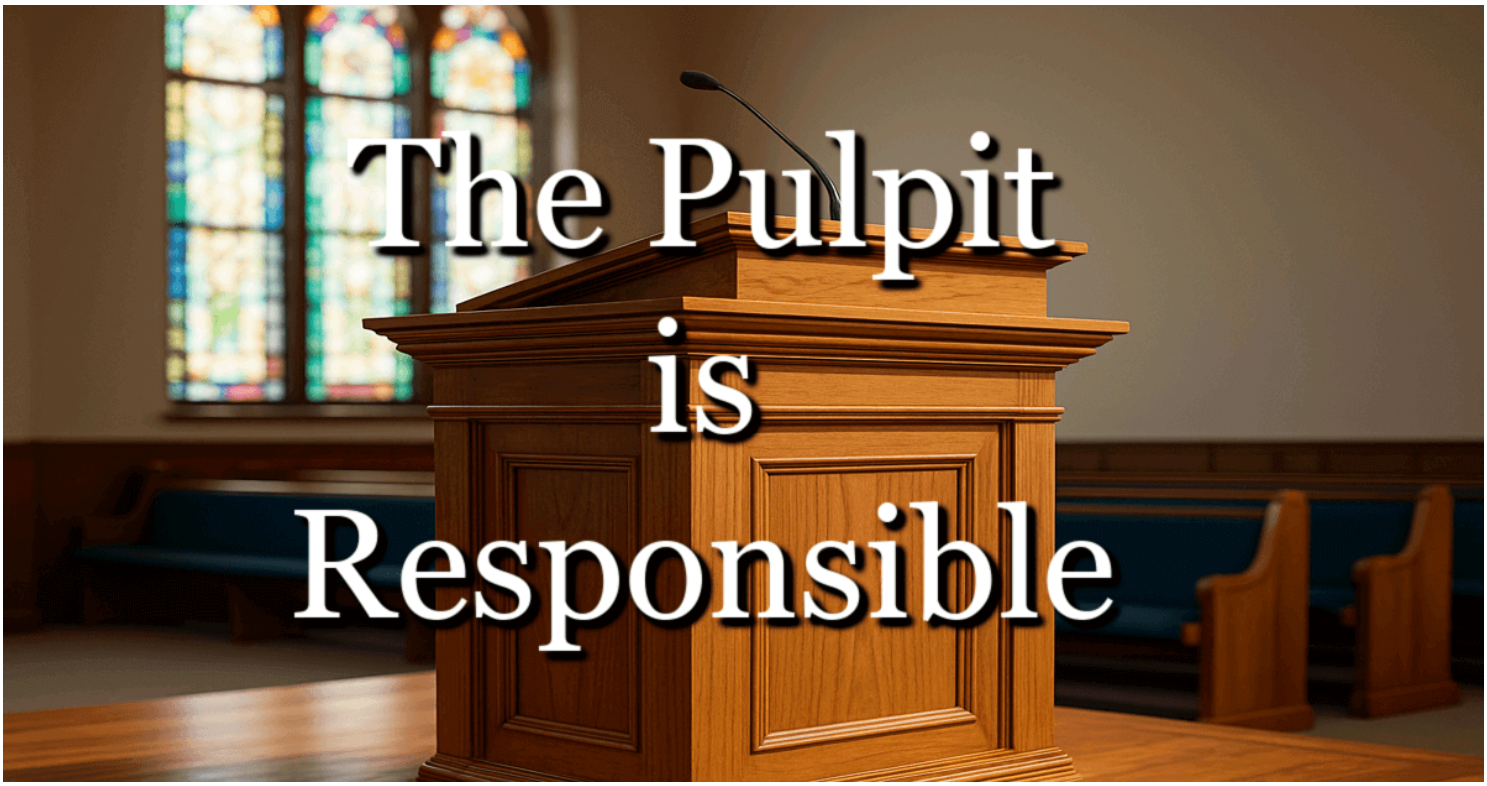

Blog Series: The Pulpit Is Responsible – Post #2, by Jeff Bayard, a message to the Pastors of Virginia: ***Defend Every Child***

> "If immorality prevails in the land, the fault is ours in a great degree. If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it."
>
> **— Charles G. Finney, 1873**

In 1873, Charles Finney named the crisis plainly: when a nation's conscience decays, the **pulpit is responsible**. When the church goes quiet, darkness advances. **Today we face the same test** around *eugenics and the sanctity of life*. Designer-baby marketing, embryo scoring, and "genetic optimization" all parade as progress. However, these trends reveal something deeper: a **seared public conscience**.**PLEASE LISTEN TO ALBERT MOHLER BELOW:**

The Making of ‘Super Babies’ (10:06) Some of the Eugenics Horrors of the 20th Century are Coming to Life in Silicon Valley

- Inside Silicon Valley’s Growing Obsession With Having Smarter Babies The Wall Street Journal (Zusha Elinson)
- Thursday, May 1, 2025 The Briefing (R. Albert Mohler, Jr.)

Monday, August 18, 2025
https://youtube.com/watch?v=hvl_Tdkxnhg

Silicon Valley's "Super Babies" Market Is Real

The new marketplace promises "smarter" children through embryo selection. Companies sell polygenic scores for IQ and disease risk. Parents are urged to rank embryos and implant the "best."

This is the language of optimization, not the language of love. It treats sons and daughters as projects to be engineered, not persons to be received. Meanwhile, embryos deemed "less fit" are frozen or discarded.

Bottom line: a well-funded industry is normalizing the idea that **human beings can be graded and thrown away**. That is the culture of death in a lab coat.

Why This Is Eugenics Reborn (Whatever They Call It)

The vocabulary has changed—*polygenic scores, risk reduction, optimization*. The sin has not. Historic eugenics sought a "master race" by eliminating the "unfit." Consumer eugenics discards embryonic lives that don't meet preferred trait profiles. **Same pride. Same dehumanization. New packaging.**

Children are gifts—never products. Parents receive; they do not manufacture.

The Divine Creation Order (Genesis 1)

God has already told us what humans are and how life is to be received:

- *"So God created man in his own image… male and female he created them."* (**Genesis 1:27**)
- *"And God blessed them. And God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply…'"* (**Genesis 1:28**)

Marriage, male and female, fruitfulness—these are **gifts** within God's design. **Dominion** in Genesis 1 authorizes stewardship of creation; it does **not** authorize sorting children by genetic desirability. As Dr. Al Mohler rightly summarizes: there is **nothing in Genesis 1** that grants us the right to **engineer or rank our offspring** by traits. Doing so steps outside creation order and into rebellion.

Therefore, Christians must name embryo scoring and discard for what it is: an assault on the Creator's design and the image of God in the smallest neighbors.

Conscience in Scripture: From Good to Seared

Good/Clean conscience. Aligned with God's law; seeks integrity (Acts 24:16; 1 Tim 1:5).

Weak conscience. Easily swayed and confused (1 Cor 8:7–12).

Defiled/Evil conscience. Stained by sin; judgment inverted (Titus 1:15; Heb 10:22).

Seared conscience. Desensitized by repeated resistance (1 Tim 4:2).

Pastoral implication: when pulpits neglect God's law, consciences slide down this slope. Preach the **law** to awaken; preach **Christ** to cleanse.

Romans 1:28–32 and the Seared *Public* Conscience

Romans 1 traces a cultural spiral: suppress the truth → God **gives them over** to a **debased mind** → sins multiply → society **approves** those who practice them (v.32).

That last step explains our moment. Institutions do not merely **do** evil; they **approve** and **market** it. "Genetic optimization" sounds humane. In reality, it approves the sorting and disposal of human beings. This is what happens when a **public conscience** grows seared.

Pastors must name this dynamic from the pulpit. Otherwise, believers inhale the world's air and call it oxygen.

The Science Isn't There (And the Ethics Are Worse)

Even advocates admit limits: complex traits like intelligence involve thousands of variants plus environment. Predicted gains are small and uncertain. Trade-offs may ride along.

The ethics are not small. Ranking embryos by scorecards teaches families—and children—what makes a life "valuable." That lie will not stay in the lab. It will reappear in classrooms, boardrooms, and laws.

When marketing outruns truth, only a formed conscience can resist. That is why the pulpit must teach, warn, and re-form the moral imagination of God's people.

The Pulpit's Responsibility: Watchmen Must Warn

Ezekiel 33:7–9 calls pastors *watchmen*. If we see danger and fail to warn, the blood is on our hands. This is not "politics." This is **sanctity of life**—creation, dignity, and neighbor-love applied to the newest frontier.

Preach the Law to Awaken Conscience

God's law is the mirror that reveals sin. Use it to unmask euphemisms—*"optimization," "choice," "progress."* Without the law, people will not feel conviction; with it, their conscience can wake.

Preach Christ to Cleanse Conscience

Do not stop at conviction. Hold forth the cross and the cleansing blood (Hebrews 9–10). Couples suffering infertility need comfort, truth, and better paths. Grace empowers obedience.

Form the Church to Resist the Age

Catechize on life and family. Teach how a conscience is trained (or dulled). Encourage practical steps of integrity at home, in clinics, and in the voting booth. The church must be a **contrast society**.

Shepherding Your People Through IVF and Genetic Hype

Pastoral counsel matters. Couples often meet the sales pitch before they meet biblical wisdom. Meet them first.

First, **honor their sorrow**. Infertility is real suffering. Weep with those who weep. Then open Scripture and explain God's design for life and procreation.

Second, **give ethical clarity**. Creating "extra" embryos and discarding siblings is not morally neutral. Small promised gains cannot justify certain destruction of life.

Third, **provide community**. Surround families with prayer, practical help, and testimonies. Offer vetted medical counsel that seeks to honor life at every step.

Finally, **curate trusted resources**. Point to solid Christian analysis (e.g., Mohler's *Briefing*), and host Q&A nights so people can process with Scripture open and consciences engaged.

Conclusion: Speak Now

Eugenics is back—and it is fashionable. The terminology is new; the rebellion is old. **The pulpit is responsible.** Therefore, preach the **creation order** of Genesis 1, preach the **law** to awaken consciences, and preach **Christ** to cleanse them. Defend the smallest neighbors. Form a people who can say *no* to sleek lies and *yes* to the Lord of Life.

Because silence, now as then, is deadly.

REFERENCE: THE GOSPEL TRUTH and THE COMPLETE WORKS OF CHARLES FINNEY

- **THE DECAY OF CONSCIENCE: THE PULPIT IS RESPONSIBLE**
- **ALL Finney resources on this Website are from the Original Documents: UnEdited and UnAbridged**

Albert Mohler:

- **Albert Mohler Daily Briefing**

Va. High School Faces Investigation over Alleged Secret Abortion Arrangements for Minors

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Sarah Holliday | **The Washington Stand**

In what has become a chilling unearthing, Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) in Virginia has launched an investigation into Centreville High School for accusations of arranging and funding students' abortions back in 2021. The news, first **revealed** by the W.C. Dispatch Substack, has sparked outrage among parents, pro-life advocates, and concerned citizens, raising serious questions about parental rights and school overreach.

According to **reporting** from local news outlet WJLA, one of the two girls involved was only 17 years old. The report went into further detail:

"One girl underwent the procedure at 17; the other, five months pregnant and pleading to keep her baby, bolted from the clinic after social worker Carolina Díaz allegedly told her she 'had no choice.' Principal Chad Lehman, the girls insist, knew — and taxpayers footed the bill. … A handwritten statement from the first student, translated for clarity, lays out how Díaz scheduled the appointment, paid the clinic's fees, and swore her to secrecy.

“That alone would be enough to raise the hair on the back of a patriotic taxpayer’s neck, but there is more.?A second Centreville minor, five months pregnant and wavering, was allegedly told by the same social worker that she ‘had no other choice.’?The girl, terrified, ultimately bolted from the clinic rather than go through with the procedure.?She later confided in her teacher, Mrs.?Zenaida?Perez, who allowed her name to be used on the record and provided The W.C. Dispatch a recording of the family confirming that no one at the school had ever informed them of the intent to terminate their daughter’s pregnancy.?I have reviewed the audio in full and verified its content, it’s heartbreaking.”

FCPS claims it had no prior knowledge of these actions but has launched an immediate investigation. Superintendent Michelle Reid addressed the allegations in a letter, stating, “I want to stress that at no time, would the situation as described in these allegations be acceptable in Fairfax County Public Schools.”

Notably, Virginia state **law** requires parental consent and notification for minors seeking abortions. Additionally, the school in question has a **policy** that states “every effort shall be made to encourage and support students suspecting pregnancy to discuss their concerns with their parents or guardians.” And while the policy does not require staff to tell parents, it does say that “in no case shall personnel commit themselves to maintain such information confidentially, keeping it from parents, guardians, or appropriate school authorities.”

Several pro-life groups have responded to the allegations against Centreville High School. 40 Days for Life **wrote** on X, “A Fairfax high school secretly arranged and paid for student abortions — without telling parents. This isn’t ‘healthcare.’ It’s state-funded child exploitation. Every official involved must be held accountable.” Concerned Women for America **described** the situation as “an absolutely outrageous affront to parental rights.”

The initial Substack itself concluded as follows: “Parents across Virginia must now stare that question in the eye — and demand answers — because unless swift accountability follows, an unmarked door in Fairfax will stand as a grim reminder that parental rights, the backbone of any free republic, can be pushed to the curb with a sly smile and a deadbolt.”

Mary Szoch, director of Family Research Council’s Center for Human Dignity, described the events as a tragedy for the students, a violation of parental rights, and a grave overstep by the school. “Public schools cannot and should not take the place of parents,” she told The Washington Stand. “When a teenager finds out she is pregnant, her parents should know so that they can be there to provide loving support for both her and their grandchild who is growing in her womb.”

Szoch continued, “Schools not informing parents, and worse, paying for the killing of a teenager’s unborn child is horrific. The school officials who did this should be held accountable. Schools cannot take the place of parents, and when they try to, children get hurt. In this case, a teenager

will now live with the pain and regret that follows an abortion, and the world will never know her unborn baby." She concluded, "Let's pray for these moms to know God's healing mercy and love."

SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

Two Frontline Battles in One News Cycle: Why Christians Must Stand for Life and God's Design

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After you read our short summary, please watch **Dr. Albert Mohler**'s analysis of today's two biggest cultural battles—the sanctity of unborn life and the defense of God's design for male and female. His Daily Briefing breaks down these issues with unmatched clarity, grounding them in biblical truth and the urgency of the cultural moment.

Two Battles, One News Cycle: Why Christians Cannot Retreat

Sometimes the headlines reveal just how relentless the cultural struggle really is. In a single day's news cycle, two massive issues landed squarely on the frontlines of the moral and spiritual battle: the sanctity of unborn life and the defense of God's design for male and female. Both are playing out at the highest levels of government, and both remind us that these are not temporary skirmishes. They are enduring conflicts that will not disappear in our lifetime.

First, the Trump administration announced it will reverse a Biden-era rule that allowed the Veterans Administration to perform abortions in most circumstances. This change is more than a procedural tweak—it's a direct confrontation over whether our federal government will be complicit in the destruction of unborn children. The stakes could not be higher: life or death for

the most vulnerable among us, and whether the law will acknowledge the humanity of the child from the moment of conception. Elections matter, not just for who holds office, but for the policies those leaders appoint and enforce.

Second, on the same day, several Democrat-led states filed suit to block a federal ban on pediatric "gender-transition" procedures in facilities that receive federal funds. This policy, announced early in President Trump's second term, aims to protect minors from the irreversible damage of puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and surgical mutilation. The Cass Report in the United Kingdom has already exposed the dangers of these practices, yet some states are fighting for the right to subject children and teenagers to them in the name of ideology. This is nothing less than a collision between the truth of God's creation—male and female He created them—and a worldview that insists gender is self-defined and malleable.

These two stories are not isolated controversies; they are symptoms of the same deeper rebellion against God's authority and design. In both cases, the moral clarity of Scripture cuts through the political fog: every human life is made in the image of God, and every person is created male or female according to His purpose. Our culture will continue to resist these truths, and political power will be used either to protect them or to undermine them.

For Christians, the takeaway is unmistakable: we cannot grow weary or assume these debates will fade away. The abortion fight has raged for over fifty years since *Roe v. Wade*, and the sexual revolution shows no signs of retreat. As long as these issues remain contested in our courts, legislatures, and culture, the church must remain steadfast—speaking truth, voting conviction, and discipling the next generation in the Word of God.

The headlines may change tomorrow, but the calling remains the same today: contend for life, uphold God's design, and refuse to yield ground in the face of cultural pressure. These are not just political issues—they are gospel issues. And until the Lord calls us home, our place is on the field, standing firm in truth and love.

Call to Action:

If you want to stay informed and biblically equipped on these critical issues, listen to today's episode of Dr. Albert Mohler's *The Briefing*. His daily analysis connects breaking news to the Christian worldview with clarity and conviction—something no one else does as effectively. Start with **today's episode here**, and then subscribe so you can begin each day ready to think, pray, and act with gospel-shaped wisdom.

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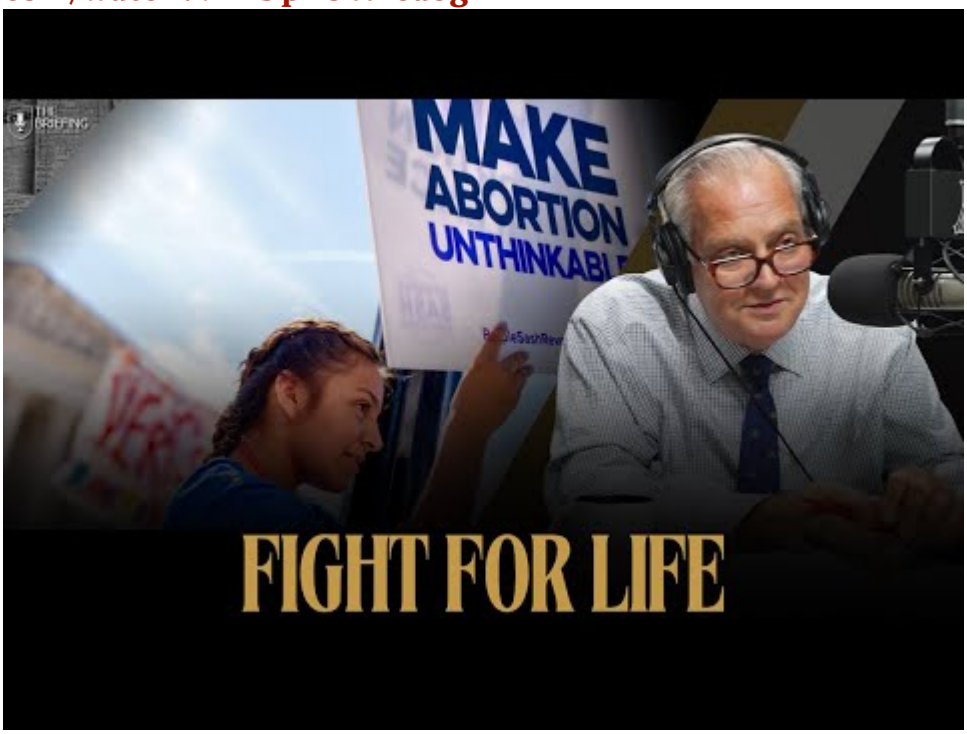

Why Abortion Is a Legal Lie – Not Just a Moral One

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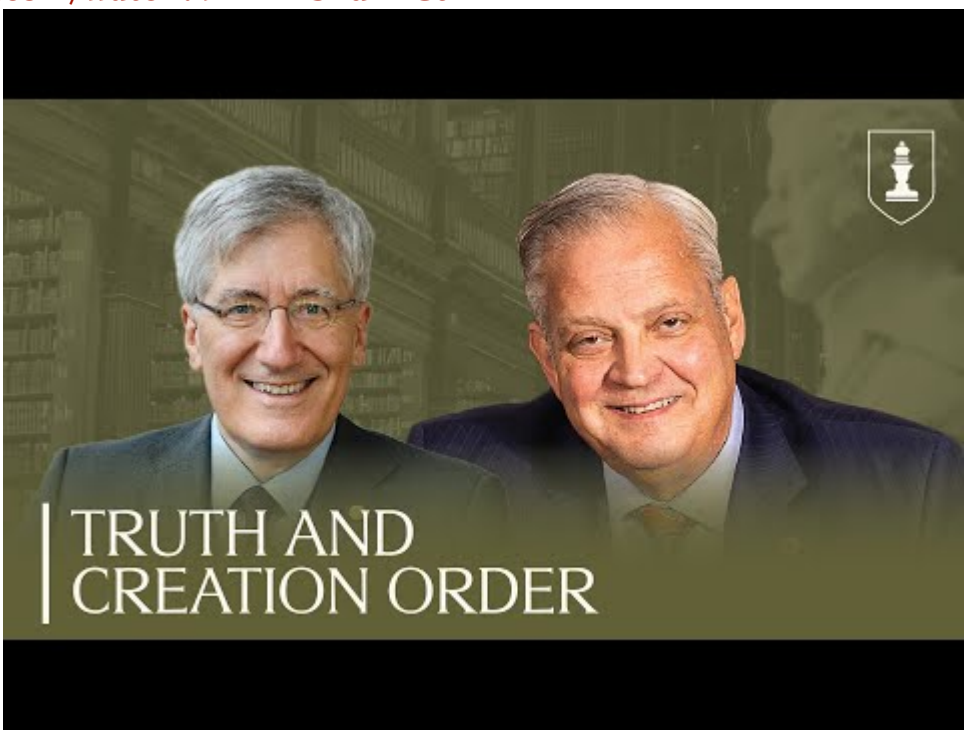
The conversation every Christian should hear—about law, truth, and the humanity of the unborn

Dr. Al Mohler recently hosted Princeton professor and legal philosopher Dr. Robert P. George for a conversation that every serious Christian—and every confused skeptic—should hear. Together they expose not only the moral horror of abortion, but the *legal lies* that allowed it to become "law of the land."

Watch the full interview here:

Truth and Creation Order — A Conversation with Professor Robert P. George
https://youtube.com/watch?v=hklPbkuB1C0



Hey, reader—let's be honest:
When conversations go deeper, as in the wonderful one above, you may hear words not commonly used in everyday life. But that doesn't mean one pronounces the word and continues reading. No Sir! These words and their definitions are critically important for our own understanding, so we can convey that to others. This helps us all to *see clearly* in a world that thrives on confusion. Here are a few words I wasn't very schooled in—but I'm learning, and you can too:

- **Ontology** – What something *is* at its core. (A baby in the womb isn't "potential life"—it *is* a human being.)
- **Natural Law** – Moral truth built into creation, discoverable by reason, not just revelation.
- **Hylomorphism** – The belief that we are a unity of body and soul, not just spirits "trapped" in bodies.
- **Jurisprudence** – The study of law and how it relates to justice and morality.
- **Creation Order** – God's intended design for life, family, and moral reality.

Why Abortion Is a Legal Lie

> **"Roe v. Wade wasn't just bad morality. It was bad history, bad science, and dishonest law."**

Here's what Dr. George lays out—clearly, calmly, and convincingly:

- **Roe relied on discredited legal claims** from pro-abortion activists, especially false claims that abortion was a "common-law right."

- **Justice Harry Blackmun distorted history** despite knowing better from his time as counsel to the Mayo Clinic.

- **Evidence that the unborn were considered "persons" under the law** was ignored, even though it was widely available at the time.

- **The 14th Amendment, properly understood, protects all persons, including the unborn.** George and others make the constitutional case that abortion should never have been left to the states.

This isn't theory—it's a legal fact. The abortion regime was not just morally wrong. It was legally fabricated. And Christians need to know the difference.

We Are Not Just Souls with Bodies

Dr. George explains one of the foundational errors behind both abortion and gender ideology: the mistaken belief that *we are our minds*, and our bodies are just containers. But biblically—and philosophically—we are body *and* soul, not a ghost in a machine.

> **"The denial of the body is the foundation for denying unborn life, for transgender confusion, and for redefining marriage."**

If we don't get human nature right, we won't get human rights right.

Why Christians Must Stay Rooted in Words That Matter

With smartphones, endless scrolling, and short attention spans, we risk trading wisdom for noise. But God's people are called to something higher: to love the Lord with all our *mind*—not just our emotions.

This conversation stretches you—but that's the point. It invites us to deepen our convictions and become more persuasive in our arguments.

> "You know this to be true. I want to help you understand *why* it's true." – Dr. Robert P. George

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- **Thinking in Public** – Conversations with today's leading Christian thinkers

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Life, Liberty, and the Womb: The Myth of Reproductive Rights

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Rescue Those Being Led Away to Death

From the Beginning, VCA Has Taken a Stand for Life

Long before Roe v. Wade was overturned, the Virginia Christian Alliance stood firm on the truth that every human life—born or unborn—is sacred. We've opposed abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, and any practice that treats embryos as disposable. Rooted in biblical conviction, not politics, we've equipped the Church and exposed the lies behind "choice" and "reproductive rights."

This moment in Virginia demands clarity and conviction. Proverbs 24:11 commands it:

> "Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter." — Proverbs 24:11

Few lies are as deadly or deeply entrenched as the one cloaked in the phrase "reproductive rights." What sounds like empowerment is, in truth, the legalized destruction of unborn life. And here in Virginia, those rights are not under threat—they are being celebrated and expanded by a political class determined to silence the unborn forever.

Under the banner of choice and compassion, the **Democratic Party of Virginia** (DPVA) has worked hand in hand with abortion giants like **Planned Parenthood Advocates of Virginia** to ensure wide access to abortion, particularly in the earlier stages of pregnancy. These policies are not moderate; they reflect a worldview that separates liberty from morality and healthcare from humanity.

A Coordinated Assault on Life

Virginia has become one of the most permissive abortion destinations in the Southeast. In 2023, the state legislature repealed or blocked key protections for unborn children, such as mandatory ultrasounds and informed consent protocols. While parental consent for minors remains law, other pro-life measures—including efforts to safeguard infants born alive after failed abortions—have repeatedly failed in committee.

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Virginia, heavily funded and politically connected, now operates with legal immunity and moral impunity. The **Guttmacher Institute** confirms that Virginia remains a magnet for out-of-state abortions, especially post-Roe.

The deception runs deep: these acts of violence are marketed as "health care," while those who stand for life are framed as extremists. **Equality Virginia** and the **Virginia ACLU** echo the same talking points, tying abortion access to civil rights, autonomy, and even economic justice. But this is not justice. It is child sacrifice in the clothing of liberation.

The Biblical Response: God Knows Every Life

"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." — Psalm 139:13-14

God does not treat the unborn as potential life—He declares them precious from the moment of conception. The womb is His workshop of purpose, not a battleground for personal autonomy. When a society sacrifices its children, it invites judgment.

Jesus welcomed the little ones. He never separated dignity from dependence. Every heartbeat matters, because every soul bears God's image.

What Christians Must Do

Now is the time to break the silence. Abortion is not a political issue—it is a spiritual crisis that demands our clarity, compassion, and courage.

- Educate Yourself: Understand how abortion policy is shaped in Virginia. Familiarize yourself with the roles of organizations like Planned Parenthood and the DPVA.
- Vote with Discernment: Support candidates who uphold the sanctity of life from conception to natural death.
- Support Pregnancy Resource Centers: Give, volunteer, or partner with ministries that offer real alternatives to abortion.
- Speak the Truth in Love: Don't avoid the hard conversations. Lives hang in the balance.
- Pray for Repentance: Both personal and national. Only the Spirit of God can convict hearts and turn policy toward righteousness.

Final Warning, Final Hope

A nation that legalizes the killing of its most vulnerable cannot call itself just. But the hope of the gospel still speaks:

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven…" — 2 Chronicles 7:14

We are not powerless. We are the redeemed of the Lord. Let us act, speak, and stand for life—not with bitterness, but with the fierce compassion of Christ.

The myth of reproductive rights ends where truth begins: at the cross, where every life finds its worth.

VCA: Consistent, Biblical, and Unflinching

The Virginia Christian Alliance continues to stand for life. Through education and advocacy, we expose abortion's darkness and defend the unborn. Our mission remains: to uphold truth, protect the vulnerable, and proclaim life through the gospel without compromise.

Learn more about our position and resources here: https://vachristian.org/category/sanctity-of-life/

Sanctity of Life Update: Supreme Court Victory, Dobbs Anniversary Divide, and a Call to Action in Richmond

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> "Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." — Amos 5:24

As the nation marked the third anniversary of the landmark Dobbs v. Jackson decision, the battle over life has only intensified. While many celebrated restored protections for the unborn, others mourned and protested. At the same time, the Supreme Court handed down a major ruling affirming states' rights to defund Planned Parenthood. Now, Virginians are called to stand for life at the June 28 rally in Richmond.

A Victory at the High Court: SCOTUS Upholds State's Right to Defund Planned Parenthood

On June 26, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6–3 in Medina v. Planned Parenthood South Atlantic that South Carolina can exclude Planned Parenthood from its Medicaid program.

Read the full report here: **Daily Signal – Supreme Court Rules Major Abortion Case**

Dobbs Anniversary Reveals a Nation Still Divided Over Life

On the Dobbs decision's anniversary, Democrat leaders condemned the ruling as 'un-American,' while pro-life leaders praised the correction of Roe v. Wade. Speaker Mike Johnson and Senator John Thune offered strong statements affirming life.

Full article available here: **Daily Signal – Democrats Mourn Dobbs**

The Washington Stand Warns: The Fight Is Far From Over

At The Washington Stand, ongoing coverage confirms the abortion industry is not backing down. Planned Parenthood remains active in Virginia and continues to receive taxpayer funding.

Follow ongoing coverage here: **The Washington Stand – Abortion News**

CALL TO ACTION: Join Us in Richmond – Saturday, June 28

Virginia Christian Alliance calls on all believers to gather for a peaceful pro-life demonstration at Planned Parenthood in Richmond.

Location: 201 N. Hamilton Street, Richmond, VA 23221

Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Register or learn more at: **Live Action Rally Registration**

Let's Finish This

The legal tide is turning. But we must show up. Join the Richmond rally this Saturday to make your voice heard for the unborn.

> “Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy.” — Proverbs 31:9

Defund Planned Parenthood: Join the Richmond Rally June 28 to End Taxpayer-Funded Atrocity

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"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute." — Proverbs 31:8

On Saturday, June 28, 2025, pro-life Americans will rise up across the nation for a day of peaceful protest and public witness. More than 100 cities—including Richmond, Virginia—will host a coordinated rally at local Planned Parenthood locations. Our unified goal: to demand Congress defund America's largest abortion chain and to expose its ongoing abuse of the unborn and the vulnerable.

Richmond Rally Details

WHEN: Saturday, June 28, 2025 | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

WHERE: Near West End Health Center of Richmond
201 N Hamilton Street, Richmond, VA 23221

YOU Can Help Defund Planned Parenthood RIGHT NOW
https://youtube.com/watch?v=C6moP_M9JzU

Why We Rally: Truth Must Be Told

Planned Parenthood receives nearly $800 million in taxpayer dollars annually. In return, they:

- Kill over 1,000 preborn babies each day through abortion.
- Fast-track minors into irreversible cross-sex hormone therapy.
- Bypass parents and push graphic sex education into schools.
- Aid and abet abusers and traffickers by covering up crimes.

This is not healthcare—it's federally funded abuse. The U.S. Senate is preparing to vote on legislation that could finally defund this organization. Your voice matters now more than ever.

A Biblical Mandate to Defend Life

At **Virginia Christian Alliance**, we believe life is sacred. God created each one of us in His image (Genesis 1:27). Psalm 139 declares that God knit us together in the womb. Each life is fearfully and wonderfully made.

We are commanded to rescue those being led away to death (Proverbs 24:11). We must reject the culture of death gripping our nation. Though Roe v. Wade is overturned, Planned Parenthood still profits from killing the unborn.

What You Can Do

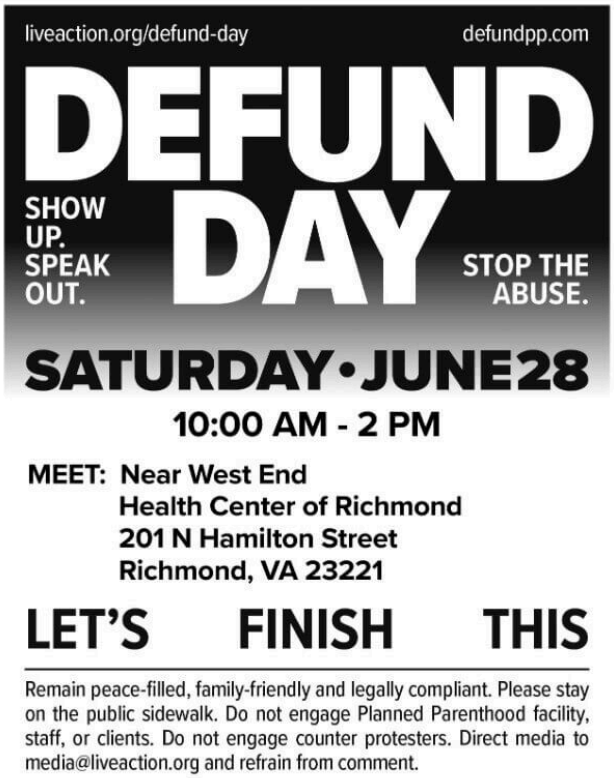
1. Attend the Richmond rally. Show up, pray, and stand peacefully for life.
2. Bring others. Invite your church, family, and friends.
3. Promote the event online. Use #DefundPlannedParenthood and tag @LiveActionOrg.
4. Call your elected officials.
   Urge them to vote YES to defund Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood kills 1,000+ babies a day and gives transgender drugs to
   minors—and your tax dollars fund it. Tell the Senate: Stop the funding. Stop the abuse.
   Contact them now: **DefundPP.com**
5. Join the rally: **https://www.liveaction.org/defund-day/**

Let's Finish This

We've never been this close to ending public funding of abortion and child sterilization. Let June 28 be the day our witness breaks through. Let's deliver a bold, biblical message:

We will not be silent while innocent blood is shed.

“Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.” — Psalm 82:4



The Blood Cries Out: Why the Democrats Are Unyielding on Abortion

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Jacqueline Andrews | **The Washington Stand**

In 2 Kings 3, a desperate king of Moab offers his son as a burnt sacrifice to secure victory in battle. Scripture tells us, *"There came great wrath against Israel,"* and despite God's promised victory, the Israelites withdrew. One man's sacrifice of innocent blood altered the course of battle — even against the will of God.

This ancient account reveals a profound spiritual reality: shedding innocent blood carries weight in the spirit realm. It can unleash power — but also wrath.

Fast forward to America today, and you'll find a modern altar where innocent blood is still shed. We call it abortion.

For the Democratic Party, abortion is no longer just a policy — it's a sacrament.

It is upheld with religious zealotry and protected with ruthless discipline. The cultural and political power it generates is too valuable for them to give up.

Just ask former Illinois **Congressman Dan Lipinski**, a pro-life Democrat who was primaried and defeated in 2020 with full backing from abortion industry giants like EMILY's List. Or Texas **Rep. Henry Cuellar**, nearly ousted for opposing abortion, who received little help from his own party. In 2021, in New Jersey, the Morristown Democratic Committee stripped **Aaron Oliver** of his chairmanship due to his anti-abortion views, demonstrating the local-level enforcement of the party's pro-abortion orthodoxy. ?Tennessee **Rep. John DeBerry Jr.** was kicked off the Democratic ballot for voting pro-life. And **Senator Mike McDonnell** in Nebraska was censored by his local party for the same reason.

This isn't just politics — it's spiritual. A party that once tolerated pro-life diversity now demands absolute loyalty to abortion.

I've witnessed it firsthand. In 2017, I spent the whole General Assembly session lobbying all 140 members in both chambers to sponsor the **Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act,** a compassionate bill to protect unborn children capable of feeling pain. I couldn't find a single Democrat to support it — not even those who claimed to be devout Christians. Some privately acknowledged it was right to protect pain-capable children in the womb but declined support, for fear of retaliation from party leadership.

Their silence was bought. Their convictions surrendered.

Abortion, we're told, is about freedom. Empowerment. But look closer: the women must offer their unborn children willingly, even demand it, and the men must stand by in Ahab fashion, emasculated and silenced, while others misuse and abuse the women they impregnate by abandoning them and their child. The bottom line is that an adult has willingly sacrificed their innocent offspring in exchange for perceived convenience. We have institutions entrenched in our society with the mission of deceiving and pressuring women into the mold of repeat customers from the onset of puberty in our public education systems. Our culture trains them to believe that success demands this type of sacrifice. Some celebrities and politicians openly credit their abortion for their success. This is not liberation — it's liturgy.

Like Moab's king, we're sacrificing what *could be* for perceived temporary relief. But we forget: God's wrath is not emotional — it is defined as the event of His just judgment. And Scripture is clear: God *hates* hands that shed innocent blood (Proverbs 6). Abel's blood cried out from the ground (Genesis 4). The blood of millions of unborn American children cries out still.

So what must we do?

First, this is not to condemn anyone who has had or participated in an abortion decision. It is to point us all to redemption. When we open up to receive the truth, it has the power to set us free from the deception that blinded us and heal us. Jesus's blood *speaks a better word* (Hebrews 12:24) over us than any human sacrifice. *God is faithful and just to forgive all our sins* and cleanse us when we confess them (1 John 1:9). You are not disqualified from redemption and restoration.

But we must also act. We must repent of our ways and adopt new ways.

In America's representative form of government, "We the people" are accountable to God and to one another. If we continue to vote for those who defend the unjust "right" to shed innocent blood, then we are not merely observers of God's wrath — we are participants.

The word "wrath" used in 2 Kings 3 first appears in the Bible in Numbers 1:53: *"But the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no* ***wrath*** *upon the congregation of the children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of testimony." (Emphasis mine.)*

Christ's followers are called to be New Testament Levites. We are called to protect the testimony of God — not with silence, but with confession. *"They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony"* (Revelation 12:11). I submit to my reader that the only blood sacrifice sufficient to absorb the wrath directed at us for being willing accomplices to this long injustice is the Blood of Jesus. His Blood alone overcomes all others and is the only atonement acceptable to stay God's wrath. It is our only plea against the accuser when he rightfully accuses us for our blood-stained hands.

We must speak the truth about abortion (confession), and change our ways (repent), and thus refuse to support any party platform or candidate that champions legal abortion or remains silent in fear and compromise.

This is not about partisanship — it's about repentance. And *We the People*, through every single ballot cast in every election, have a choice as to whose blood will define and speak for us as a nation.

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SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

GOP's House Divided over Defunding Planned Parenthood

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Joshua Arnold | The Washington Stand

Pro-life forces in Congress have a once-in-a-decade **opportunity** to defund Planned Parenthood, but the road ahead is far from easy. Before scaling an avalanche of media disapproval, then hurdling a potentially adverse ruling by the Senate parliamentarian, pro-lifers must first navigate the measure between the forbidding cliffs that are constraining the GOP's historically narrow House majority. House moderates are making that last task extremely difficult.

The simmering tension boiled over "in a Tuesday evening closed door meeting between Speaker Mike Johnson , House Majority Leader Steve Scalise , and some moderate Republicans," NOTUS **reported**. However, neither Johnson nor other members present were willing to discuss what happened in the meeting with them.

Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-Pa.) **said** beforehand that he planned to raise the issue in the meeting, arguing that "we need simplicity in this bill." According to NOTUS's anonymous sources, Reps. Mike Lawler (R-N.Y.) and Jen Kiggans (R-Va.) were also among the members opposed to cutting

Planned Parenthood funding through reconciliation. Kiggans's office vehemently **contested** the report, calling it "false."

Johnson has publicly **promised** that the reconciliation bill "is going to redirect funds away from 'big abortion.'" This is consistent with President Trump's stated goal of returning abortion policy back to the states.

Getting the federal government out of the business of setting abortion policy is hard to do while the federal government continues to subsidize the nation's largest abortion supplier. In 2023 (the latest report available), the Government Accountability Office **calculated** that, in the three-year span from 2019-2021, Planned Parenthood affiliates received approximately $1.8 billion from the federal government, through HHS grants, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP payments, Paycheck Protection Program loans, and even USAID.

Yet the effort to excise "big abortion's" slush fund stands in danger of faltering over intra-party squabbles. This is an appropriate time for President Trump to step in and unite the GOP, **argued** National Review's Dan McLaughlin.

"There's a time and place in partisan politics for a big-tent approach to letting legislators vote their consciences or their districts (which are often not the same things), and there's a time and place for demanding that people stand with the party's principles and priorities," he argued.

"Even for those Republicans who don't care all that much about the moral issues, the group is for all intents and purposes an arm of the Democratic Party," McLaughlin added. "Trump's second term should send a message that Democratic and progressive groups no longer have a permanent entitlement to taxpayer financing that is immune to the outcomes of elections."

This point of partisan expediency should resonate with the policies pursued by the second Trump administration so far. Defunding Planned Parenthood is no different than cancelling DEI grants, pulling university funding over blatant anti-Semitism, or shutting the spigots of USAID to leftist NGOs. The point is that left-wing organizations have enjoyed unfair advantages for decades, and they should be de-subsidized.

At least one moderate Republican understands this. Rep. Don Bacon (R-Neb.) **said** he is "not opposed" to defunding Planned Parenthood through reconciliation. "A lot of people in my district don't like money going to organizations that do abortion — taxpayer money," he said.

"Planned Parenthood is a massive abortion provider," Bacon added. "They also are very political, so, giving them taxpayer money, and then they turn around and attack us."

If this argument persuades one moderate Republican, it stands a chance of persuading others.

Amid this debate, newly released **audio** from Live Action reminds America that Planned Parenthood is evil not only for perpetrating the mass destruction of unborn lives but also for its predatory provision of gender transition procedures to minors.

In the recording, a Live Action investigator posed as a 16-year-old girl seeking a testosterone prescription. The investigator called multiple Planned Parenthood facilities in Minnesota and New York. Multiple facilities said they would prescribe cross-sex hormones to a minor. Multiple facilities were willing to schedule virtual appointments. Multiple facilities said they required no documentation that the presumed minor had attended therapy. Multiple facilities were willing to write a prescription for cross-sex hormones on the very same day as their first visit with the minor.

This is the very opposite of good medical practice. Planned Parenthood is willing to prescribe extreme physical interventions with irreversible effects for a psychological condition. They are willing to do so without physically examining the patient, without monitoring the patient over a period of time, and without even attempting therapy to construct a holistic picture of the patient's condition. They are even willing to do these things to minors.

This second evil is one that the Trump administration has moved aggressively to counter. Thankfully, President Trump has issued an executive order defining "man" and "woman" in biological terms. Executive departments from HHS to DOD to Agriculture have acted to implement this executive order throughout the federal government.

Purging federal funding from an organization that actively promotes and profits from transgender ideology is simply the next step on a trail the Trump administration has already blazed.

President Trump has shown that this is one fight from which he will not back down. His administration has successfully **fought activist judges** to re-implement his military transgender policy. It has **tackled** states like Maine for allowing men to compete in women's sports. The next item of business is for the Trump administration to lean on members of his own party in Congress, so that the federal government no longer has to subsidize an organization that actively pushes a transgender ideology on children.

The Washington Stand

What Catherine Austin Fitts Revealed to Tucker Carlson: Deep State Secrets, Underground Bases, and the Battle for Control

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As Christians, we are commanded to “test all things; hold fast what is good” (1 Thessalonians 5:21) and to approach bold claims with the discernment of Bereans, who examined the Scriptures daily to see if what they were told was true (Acts 17:11). In an age of deception and secrecy, this is more critical than ever. The interview between Tucker Carlson and Catherine Austin Fitts invites exactly that kind of examination.

Carlson offers space for a guest with both government experience and financial expertise to lay out a series of claims — some documented, others speculative — about the global financial system, secret military infrastructure, and elite planning that reaches into areas like underground networks and even space. Whether one accepts every conclusion or not, the scope and seriousness of the discussion demand our attention.

We encourage you to watch the full interview on YouTube and follow Tucker Carlson’s growing body of independent journalism, then weigh the claims carefully in light of Scripture, evidence,

and prayerful consideration.

0:00 Introduction Tucker Carlson opens his riveting conversation with Catherine Austin Fitts by declaring it one of the most enlightening interviews he's ever done…

Catherine Fitts: Power Grids, Bankers vs. the West, Secret Underground Bases, and Extinction Events
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What Catherine Austin Fitts Revealed to Tucker Carlson

0:00 Introduction
Tucker Carlson opens his riveting conversation with Catherine Austin Fitts by declaring it one of the most enlightening interviews he's ever done. Fitts, a former Assistant Secretary of Housing and a long-time financial investigator, brings decades of insight into how global systems of finance, governance, and secrecy interact to control national destinies. She doesn't offer mere speculation — her claims are grounded in exhaustive documentation, decades of research, and first-hand government experience.

1:11 The Attempts to Control the World's Currency
Fitts argues that the central banking cartel has systematically engineered global crises to consolidate control over money and governance. The goal? Establish a centralized digital currency and replace cash. She points to the 2008 financial crisis and COVID-19 as major accelerants. She explains how these events allowed the elite to bypass public debate, implement control systems, and push society toward a cashless surveillance economy.

12:09 The Two Things That Lead to Inflation
Here, Fitts breaks down what drives inflation. She says it's not simply about supply and demand or interest rates. She outlines how inflation is weaponized: (1) by increasing the money supply while hiding monetary inflation through off-book funding, and (2) by manipulating essential goods markets (like energy and food) via geopolitical strategies. This gives central banks and their partners enormous leverage over populations.

16:17 Central Bankers vs. the West
Tucker and Fitts explore the idea that central banks — operating transnationally — are at odds with Western democratic ideals. Fitts sees these institutions as hostile to sovereignty and freedom. She says central banks are now engaged in a war against the people, especially those in the West, as they try to dissolve national borders and install global control mechanisms, such as social credit systems and digital IDs.

25:01 What You Should Know About the Bank of International Settlements
Fitts calls the Bank of International Settlements (BIS) in Basel, Switzerland, "the central bank of central banks." She describes it as operating above the law, immune to national oversight, and a key hub in executing the globalist agenda. According to her, the BIS is central to designing systems of financial control that affect every citizen on earth, often without their knowledge.

29:48 The Banker's Plan to Conquer Space
One of the more provocative segments, Fitts outlines a bizarre but fascinating theory: central bankers want to conquer space to escape accountability on Earth. Space, in her view, becomes a financial frontier where global elites can hide assets, develop untouchable technology, and even experiment with off-world governance structures. She argues that enormous resources have already been allocated to this end under the guise of defense and exploration.

32:27 Are We Approaching an Extinction Event?
Fitts claims that elite planning has moved from climate change to extinction-level event scenarios. She doesn't name a specific catastrophe, but emphasizes the scale and urgency with which elites are preparing. The proof, she says, is in the trillions of dollars spent on covert infrastructure, private security, and the creation of secluded havens. This sets the stage for what she describes next.

35:57 Secret Underground Bases All Across the US
This is the heart of the interview. Fitts claims that as much as $21 trillion has gone missing from government accounts — much of it unaccounted for through HUD and the Department of Defense. She believes this money funded at least 170 Deep Underground Military Bases (DUMBs) across the U.S. and beneath oceans. These bases are said to be connected by high-speed rail systems, powered by secret energy sources, and built to withstand massive disasters.

44:49 The Government's Secret Energy Sources
Fitts suggests that classified breakthroughs in energy technology — possibly zero-point or cold fusion — are already in use. These undisclosed sources could revolutionize public energy use, but remain hidden to maintain economic monopolies and secrecy surrounding DUMBs. Tucker supports the plausibility by referencing people he knows who've worked on secret White House exit infrastructure.

56:42 Who Are the Masterminds Behind the Central Banks?
Fitts is careful not to name names, but she emphasizes that the masterminds are unelected, largely unknown figures who operate through institutions like BIS, the IMF, and private banking families. She compares the global financial system to organized crime, with a structure so opaque that most people can't even trace who profits from massive shifts in power and wealth.

58:26 The Real Reason American Universities Are Failing
Fitts claims the university system has been intentionally hollowed out. Once training grounds for free thinkers and civic leaders, they now function as indoctrination centers for centralized control ideologies. Their failure to teach critical thinking is not accidental — it's strategic. Tucker adds that American academia is designed to eliminate dissent and punish curiosity.

1:06:25 The Global Depopulation Plan
This topic flows from earlier ones: if the elite are planning for catastrophe, they are also planning for population control. Fitts points to digital ID systems, medical mandates, and engineered food and water shortages as evidence. The goal isn't just survival of the elite, but control of whoever remains.

1:13:20 The Housing Crisis
Fitts connects the housing crisis to financial warfare. She argues that private equity giants, often backed by government money, are buying up residential property and making home ownership unattainable for average citizens. This is part of a broader plan to move people into "smart cities" where every action is tracked and controlled.

1:24:40 How to Stay Joyful in Dark Times
Despite the heavy themes, Fitts offers hope. She encourages people to unplug from centralized systems, build local economies, grow food, and invest in community. Joy, she says, is a form of resistance. She sees a spiritual war underway and urges people to stay grounded in truth, faith, and fellowship.

1:25:37 The Missing $21 Trillion
Returning to a foundational theme, Fitts reminds viewers that the missing trillions are not a mystery — they are misallocated with intent. The lack of accountability in both military and housing departments suggests collusion at the highest levels. She implores Americans to demand forensic audits and transparency, especially since this hidden money is likely what funds the infrastructure of elite survival.

1:30:30 America's Debt Is a Symptom of Something Much Bigger
The ballooning national debt is not just an economic issue, Fitts says — it's evidence of a captured government. The debt is used as a control mechanism, driving dependency on central banks, forcing tax increases, and justifying austerity. It's a strategy to hollow out the nation from within.

1:39:36 Global Money Laundering
In the final thematic segment, Fitts asserts that much of what is called “foreign aid” or “defense contracting” is simply money laundering. Vast sums disappear through opaque international deals, with elites skimming profits and channeling funds back into their shadow projects.

1:45:06 Where Can People Learn More About This?
Fitts directs people to her website, The Solari Report (home.solari.com), and specifically to MissingMoney.Solari.com for documentation on the unaccounted $21 trillion. She also recommends books and resources like those by Richard Sauder, which explore the reality of underground infrastructure.

Conclusion
This interview wasn’t merely a deep dive into economics or government policy. It was a revelation. Catherine Austin Fitts connects the dots across finance, infrastructure, secrecy, and spiritual resilience. Whether every claim is fully provable or not, her thesis deserves serious scrutiny. She invites all Americans to wake up, investigate, and prepare — not just materially, but spiritually.

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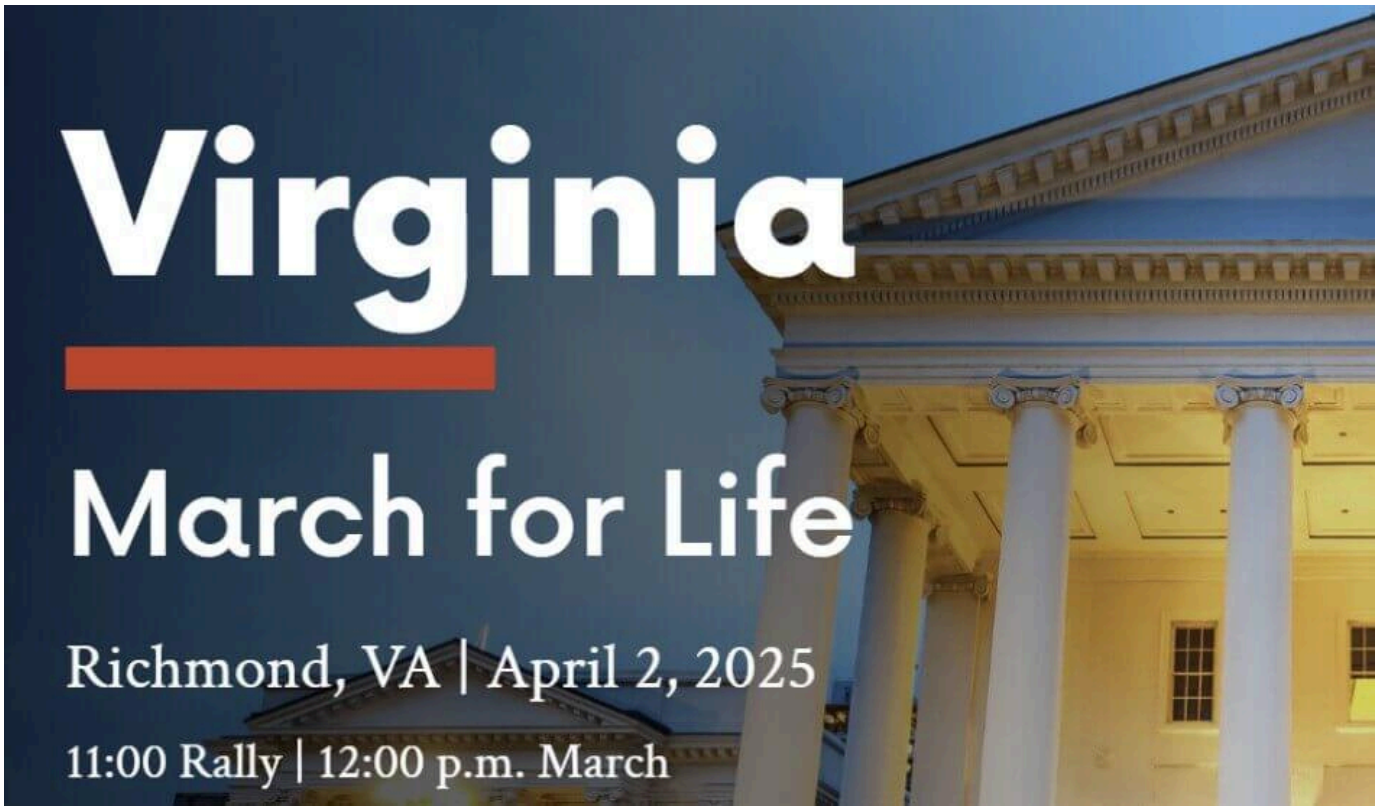

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Virgil Walker on IVF: A Bold Biblical Call to Reject It

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In February 2025, we published a response to President Trump's Executive Order titled "**Christians Must Rethink IVF: The Ethical and Biblical Concerns**." That article called Christians to look beyond the promises of access and affordability and instead examine the IVF ethical concerns through the lens of God's Word, not cultural pressure or convenience. In this follow-up, we examine the IVF ethical concerns raised by **Virgil Walker** of G3 Ministries. Virgil Walker of **G3 Ministries** powerfully affirms this biblical foundation in his latest video and article, "**Challenging the Ethical Complexities of In Vitro Fertilization (IVF)**." As the Vice President of Ministry Relations at G3 and co-host of the **Just Thinking podcast**, Walker approaches the topic with pastoral wisdom, theological clarity, and a deep concern for the **sanctity of human life.**

> "Roughly half of all created embryos do not result in a live birth, highlighting the ethical dilemma of what happens to the unused embryos." – Virgil Walker

Walker's article challenges the silence within Christian and pro-life communities when it comes to IVF. While we speak rightly and boldly against abortion, he observes, many remain quiet about

IVF—despite its direct link to embryo destruction, genetic selection, and commodification of life.

He reminds us that:

- Life begins at conception—every embryo is a human made in God's image.
- IVF often results in excess embryos, many of which are discarded, frozen indefinitely, or donated for research.
- Couples are rarely given full informed consent about the fate of "unselected" embryos.
- IVF is increasingly used by single individuals and same-sex couples, deviating further from God's design for the family.

> "Christians must carefully discern and seek Godly wisdom on such intricate issues." – Virgil Walker

Reframing the IVF Ethical Concerns for Christians

In our original article, we at the Virginia Christian Alliance raised grave ethical and theological concerns with IVF, especially its commodification of life and detachment from God's design. Virgil Walker goes further, calling for Christians to completely reject the use of IVF based on the sanctity of life from conception and the sovereignty of God over reproduction.

This strong stance challenges us to examine not only IVF's outcomes but also the entire structure and intent behind the procedure.

IVF Also Comes with Medical Risks

While the ethical issues are paramount, Virgil also references the physical toll IVF can take on women and babies:

- Hormonal side effects (e.g., Ovarian Hyperstimulation Syndrome)
- Higher risk of preterm birth
- Increased likelihood of low birth weight
- Greater financial burden from repeated cycles
- Emotional trauma related to unused or discarded embryos

These are not minor risks—they are further reminders that even the medical side of IVF carries significant costs.

What This Means for the Church

Walker's call is clear: We must speak up. The church can no longer avoid this conversation because it's painful or controversial. IVF presents profound ethical questions about whether our reproductive desires should override God's design and sovereignty.

As we reflect on IVF ethical concerns, we are grateful for voices like Virgil Walker, who bring compassion, conviction, and clarity to issues where silence has prevailed for too long.

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Media Gaslights Parents on Measles: The Truth Behind 'First Death Since 2015

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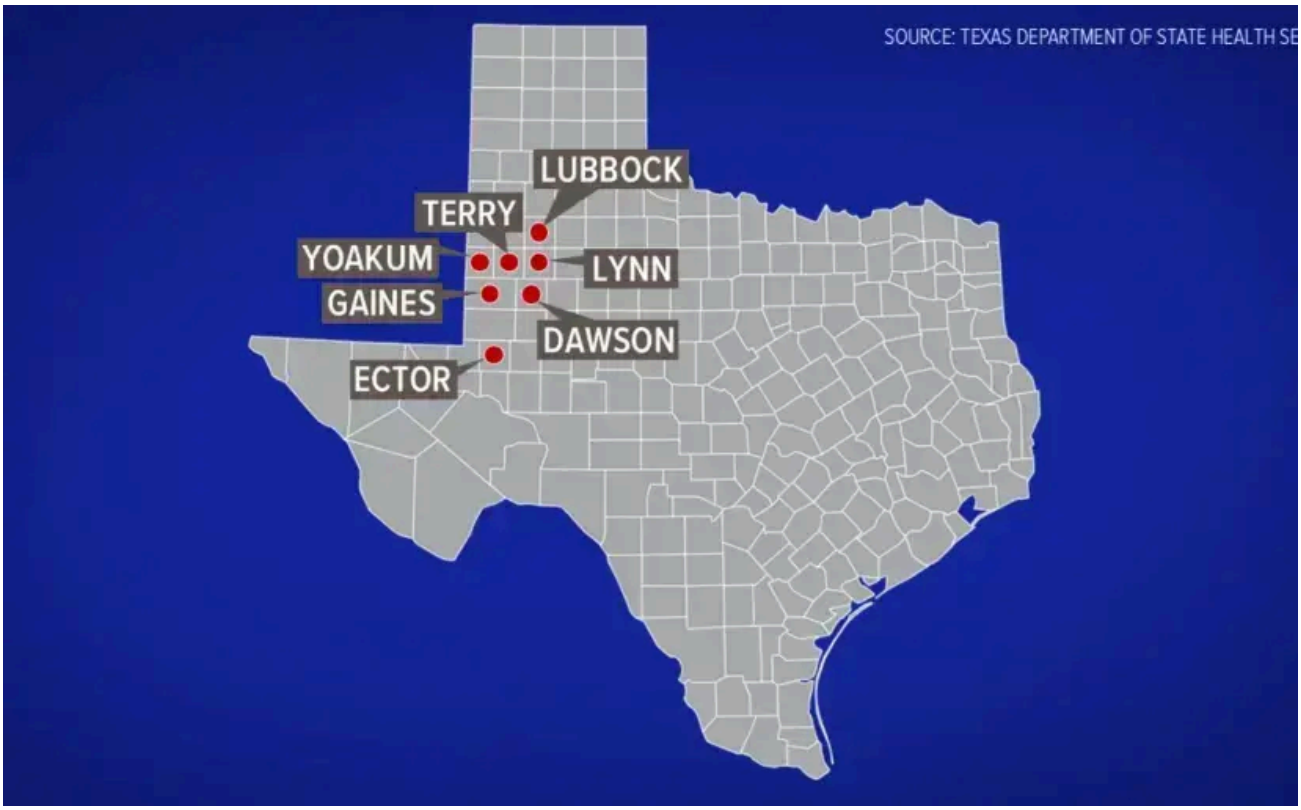
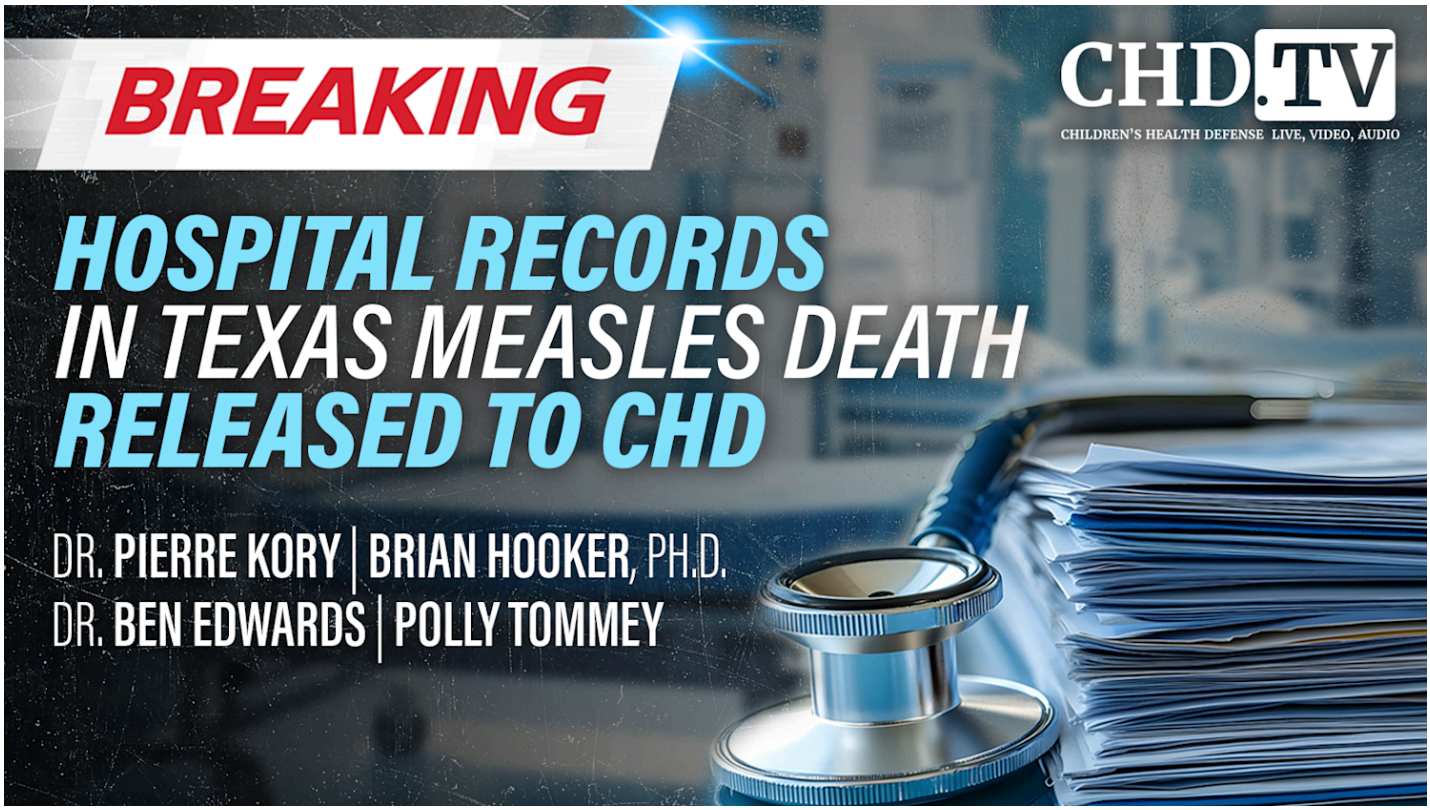


Lying corporate media continues to gaslight American parents on measles outbreak: Here's the truth about America's 'first measles death' since 2015

A **video report** was just released by Children's Health Defense exposing the corrupt mainstream corporate media, which loudly and repeatedly announced that a 6-year-old child died in Texas recently of measles.

Due to new information, we now know that this report was patently false. The child did not die of measles. The child died from medical malpractice. Let's unpack the facts, which belie the propaganda we've heard on the television, radio and social media.



Let's start by saying these reports recklessly spread panic and fear throughout the mostly rural West Texas community that includes nine counties in and around Lubbock. The rampant media fearmongering was used to get more kids vaccinated who didn't need to be vaccinated.

Media reports **like this one** from the local NBC affiliate spread like wildfire and caused parents anxiety far beyond Lubbock, Texas. The CDC was also guilty of spreading the disinformation, as it colluded with the media outlets to report **"the first measles death in the country since 2015**," according to NBC's false report.

Key points from the Children's Health Defense findings included the following list compiled by medical researcher Steve Kirsch and posted to his **Substack**:

1. The parents authorized release of the medical records to CHD.
2. The 6-year-old child was recovering from the measles (and was out of danger from dying from the measles), but developed pneumonia.
3. The hospital gave the child the WRONG antibiotic combination (deviating from the standard of care).
4. The child got worse.
5. The doctors should have tried the correct antibiotic at that point, but did nothing.
6. The test results on the culture revealed the type of infection and the doctor ordered the correct medication, but it was ordered to be started 10 hours later (instead of immediately).
7. The correct medication was started after it was too late to stop the infection.
8. Note: the community of Lubbock, Texas, avoids vaccines due to too many vaccine adverse events in the community. Apparently, the gaslighting ("this is normal") is not working in this

community.

Kirsch noted:

"The mainstream media lied to you creating a panic and questioning RFK's measured response. Do you think any of them will apologize for getting it wrong? In your dreams, maybe. I'd be absolutely amazed if there were any apologies for getting it wrong and falsely alarming people.I'd be further amazed if any of them correct the story. **Mainstream media should be telling parents to follow the science and do NOT vaccinate your kids."**

Kirsch pointed out there have been 10 studies in the peer-reviewed literature now comparing fully vaxxed and fully unvaxxed kids. **The fully unvaxxed kids do better on every single health measure**. The mainstream media does not want you to know any of this because it would make them look foolish and corrupt for all the untruths they've been feeding the American public for decades about vaccines.

The truth is, kids have been getting measles for hundreds of years. Outbreaks come and go. The overwhelming majority of cases do not end in death or permanent injury. Vaccines were never the cure-all for measles that they were promoted to be by the lying American media in collusion with a corrupt American government and medical establishment.

I hope every media outlet that reported the lie about a Texas girl dying from measles gets sued into oblivion.

Biblical and Constitutional Reasons to Defund Planned Parenthood

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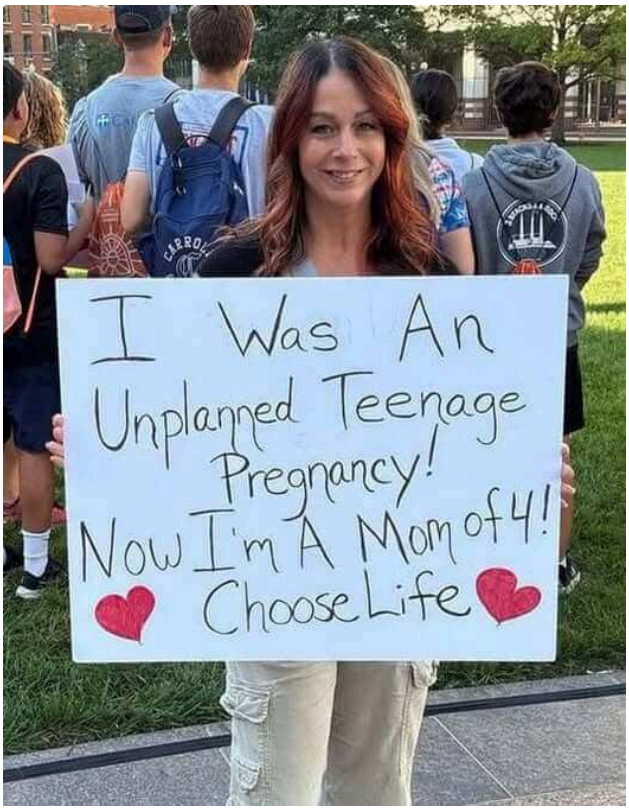

Introduction

Defunding Planned Parenthood is both a moral and constitutional imperative. From a **biblical perspective**, Scripture affirms the sanctity of human life, declaring that every child is created in God's image and has a divine purpose. Abortion is a direct violation of God's command to protect innocent life.

Constitutionally, taxpayer funding of abortion contradicts the 14th Amendment's guarantee of the right to life and violates religious freedoms by forcing citizens to subsidize a practice many find morally abhorrent. This argument explores both the biblical and constitutional justifications for ending government funding of Planned Parenthood and redirecting resources toward life-affirming healthcare.

Biblical Reasons

1. **Sanctity of Life** – The Bible consistently upholds the value of human life from conception. Psalm 139:13-14 states, *"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made."* This affirms that life begins in the womb and is divinely ordained, making abortion a moral offense against God.

2. **God as the Giver of Life** – Acts 17:25 says, *"He himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything."* God alone has the authority over life and death, making the act of abortion an affront to His divine sovereignty.

3. **Prohibition of Murder** – Exodus 20:13 explicitly commands, *"You shall not murder."* The destruction of innocent life, including unborn children, violates this commandment.

4. **Defending the Innocent** – Proverbs 31:8-9 urges believers to *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute."* The unborn are the most vulnerable, and Christians are called to defend them.

5. **God's Purpose for Every Life** – Jeremiah 1:5 declares, *"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born, I set you apart."* Every child has a purpose designed by God, and abortion prevents that divine plan from unfolding.

6. **Condemnation of Child Sacrifice** – In the Old Testament, child sacrifice was condemned as an abomination (Leviticus 18:21). The modern abortion industry parallels this, where the unborn are sacrificed on the altar of convenience, financial stability, or personal preference Promoting the Sanctity ....

Constitutional Reasons

1. **Right to Life (14th Amendment)** – The 14th Amendment states, *"nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law."* While Planned Parenthood argues that abortion is a constitutional right, the preborn child's right to life is explicitly protected under this amendment.

2. **No Constitutional Right to Abortion** – The U.S. Constitution does not grant a right to abortion. The *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* (2022) ruling overturned *Roe v. Wade*, affirming that abortion laws should be determined by states, not mandated federally.

3. **Misuse of Federal Funds** – Planned Parenthood receives hundreds of millions in taxpayer dollars annually, yet they primarily operate as the nation's largest abortion provider. The Hyde Amendment prohibits federal funding for abortions, yet Planned Parenthood still indirectly benefits from public funds.

4. **Violations of Religious Freedom** – Many taxpayers object to their money funding abortions based on religious convictions. The First Amendment protects against the government forcing citizens to subsidize actions that violate their religious beliefs.

5. **Lack of Equal Protection (5th & 14th Amendments)** – The unborn are denied equal protection under the law, violating the principle that all persons are to be protected under the Constitution.

6. **Fraudulent Practices and Illegal Activities** – Investigations have exposed Planned Parenthood's involvement in the illegal sale of fetal body parts, violations of medical consent laws, and failure to report sexual abuse. Funding an organization engaged in such practices is a misuse of taxpayer dollars and violates legal and ethical standards.

7. **States' Rights (10th Amendment)** – Since abortion is now a state matter, federal funds should not be used to promote abortion services nationwide, which contradicts state laws protecting life.

Conclusion

Biblically, defunding **Planned Parenthood** aligns with the Christian duty to protect the sanctity of life. Constitutionally, continued taxpayer funding violates the rights of the unborn, religious freedoms, and proper use of federal funds. The pro-life movement calls for redirecting these funds toward comprehensive healthcare that supports life rather than destroys it.

The Legal Lethality of Late-Term Abortions

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Chuck Donovan | **The Washington Stand**

Media Bias in Abortion Coverage

Any story about media coverage of abortion in the United States is ultimately an act of frustration. Name the last time a media representative, particularly in the cable universe, showed a baby delivered at 22 weeks of gestation. Or the last time they noted the recent data that nearly 36% of babies born at 22 weeks will survive and 82% will do so at 25 weeks (reports of even better save rates are emerging). How many media outlets share information and stories about the growing range of conditions that are amenable to treatment and can be cured inside the womb, illustrating the separate personhood and "patienthood" of these little ones? Images and accounts like these should be commonplace today, but on 24-hour-a-day networks like CNN and MSNBC they are nowhere to be seen.

Late-Term Abortions Are Not Medically Necessary

It is not just images that are missing. The mainstream media goes out of its way to obscure the reality that abortions done after 22 weeks are never medically necessary to save a mother's life.

Separations of the mother and the human being in her womb can be done by vaginal delivery or emergency c-section, under conditions which maximize the chances of survival of both. In fact, this highlights the ugly truth that abortion advocates want to hide: late-term abortions are done for the primary purpose, and by methods designed, to ensure that the baby does not survive the separation but rather dies in the process. The point of an abortion done after 22 weeks is clearly the death of the human being in utero.

The Exploitation of the Baby's Remains

What the media also omit is that abortion clinics sell the bodies of these tiny human beings for research, often to local universities. Disregard the fact that the utility of these organs underscores the humanity of the one from whom they were harvested. One university's federal **grant application** maintained that its source clinic minimizes "warm ischemic time" for the collection of the bodies of well-developed unborn children. That means that the baby is alive until the body parts are collected, because ischemic time commences at the time of death. These truths about late-term abortion have not been found fit to print or broadcast.

Media Denial and Misinformation

Instead, major media generally overlook such facts. Some do so by going one step further and denying that late-term abortion occurs — oddly enough, in some cases, denying they occur while citing statistics that report the actual numbers of such abortions. Occasionally, the media will tour facilities doing these procedures, attempting to salve their own and perhaps their viewers' consciences by **categorizing these abortions** as "rare" or involving extreme risks to maternal health. In these reports, of course, babies may be discussed but do not appear, an exception to the media's general willingness to depict graphic violence in the world. The vanishing right to live has been varnished over with the vanishing right to be seen.

The Expansion of All-Term Abortion Facilities

All this aside, there is no denying the accumulating proof that taking the lives of children up to the moment of birth continues to expand in the United States. Generally, states with all-term abortion laws are the primary sites for such expansion. Consider the new facility dubbed the Valley Abortion Group in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Its name is plain (no other services are provided to garland its offerings) and its website is straightforward: "We provide abortion care in all stages of pregnancy," it reads. The VAG is proud of its rather unique philosophy, which proclaims:

> "VAG clinic is the first Queer and BIPOC-led abortion clinic in the country. We are located on traditional, unceded Tiwa territory, also known asAlbuquerque, New Mexico. Our patient care follows an anti-racist and survivor-centered model. We believe in empowering patients by prioritizing their rights, safety, well-being, needs, and wishes. We welcome and support patients from other states and countries."

Cultural Exploitation in the Pro-Abortion Movement

The site offers help with travel arrangements, funding the abortion (which may take up to three or four days and is without doubt an expensive and harrowing experience), "spiritual services," and grief support. There are no babies depicted on the site. Tiwa is another name for the Tigua group of Pueblo Indians whose ancient land is situated in this part of New Mexico. The allusion by the abortion group is deceptive, since opposition to abortion among Native Americans is typically strong, as a 2020 **essay** by Elizabeth Terrill in the Navajo Times recounted. A member of the Osage tribe, Terrill wrote, "By our culture we know the importance of our children. Our children are our future, and our children are the heart and soul of our families, clans, and tribes." Exploiting tribal heritage to justify the claims of a new abortion enterprise merely adds a cultural crime to the human injury.

Legalization and Expansion of Late-Term Abortion

New Mexico, with the highest abortion rate in the nation, is not the only locale for open embrace of legal abortion until birth. As a **January 2025 report** by Tessa Cox and Dr. Ingrid Skop from the Charlotte Lozier Institute summarizes it, nine states and the District of Columbia have adopted policies that establish no limit on how late in pregnancy an abortion can be carried out. Several other states have approved state constitutional amendments that permit abortions until the end of pregnancy, with the only limit the practical one of a limited number of abortionists willing in some states to commit these gruesome acts.

Legislative Efforts to Enshrine Unlimited Abortion

Meanwhile, bills are being introduced in other states to further cement absolute abortion allowance, often with taxpayer dollars. In Washington State, the majority Democrats have **introduced a measure** to add abortion on demand, already largely legal throughout pregnancy, to the state constitution. **Senate Joint Resolution 8204** is barely a full page. It says that "the state shall not deny or interfere with an individual's reproductive freedom decisions, which includes the individual's fundamental right to choose to have an abortion" The language is sweeping. "Interference," broadly construed, would seem to rule out parental consent, spousal notice, and informed consent. "Individual" would appear to override any protections for minor

children. There is no mention of the stage of pregnancy. The bill now has 28 sponsors, all Democrats in the Washington Senate, and the support of former Democratic Governor Jay Inslee. If approved, the amendment would be put to popular vote in the next general election.

Meanwhile, in Virginia, the General Assembly has completed 2025 action on a proposed **constitutional amendment** to protect unlimited abortion in the commonwealth. SJ 247, subtitled a "fundamental right to reproductive freedom," contains similar language to the Washington State proposal but faces a steeper challenge to inclusion in the state constitution. It asserts "hat every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including the ability to make and carry out decisions relating to one's own prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, abortion care, miscarriage management, and fertility care."

It goes on to allow the state to regulate abortion only on the deferential terms the U.S. Supreme Court has established as the doctrine of strict scrutiny: "An individual's right to reproductive freedom shall not be, directly or indirectly, denied, burdened, or infringed upon unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means." The amendment proceeds to create its own definition of strict scrutiny that would doom nearly any limit that does not focus on the health of the woman (that suspect term is not used) seeking an abortion. The proposal must pass the general assembly again before it can be placed on the ballot in 2026.

Rising Late-Term Abortion Numbers

Late-term abortions already occur in Virginia and Washington state. In 2022, the most recent year for which data is available, Virginia **tallied** 16,722 abortions, an increase of 4% from the previous year. For abortions at 21 weeks of pregnancy or later, the abortion count rose in 2022 by 118%, from 103 to 225. Washington **reported** a 24% increase in abortions to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control from 2021 to 2022.

Like Virginia, Washington also saw a large increase in late-term abortion (at or after 21 weeks of gestation), rising 60% from 329 abortions to 525 abortions. For perspective, there were 5,151 children **killed or wounded** by firearms in 2024, a terrible toll. In 2023, some 9,300 unborn children were slain at 21 weeks of gestation or later. **Guttmacher Institute** labels only one of these datapoints as "rare."

The Democratic Party's Radical Abortion Agenda

Two insights are straightforward. Late-term abortions are legal for elective reasons in much of the United States, and the Democratic Party is their prime advocate. The 2024 national Democratic Party Platform **endorses** not a single limit on abortion but pledges in turn to expand it and to repeal the Hyde Amendment limiting taxpayer funding for it. The party's proposal for universal

health insurance in the form of **Medicare for All**, as Senator Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) envisions it, would make every abortion and sex change procedure in the United States taxpayer-funded.

Republican Response and the Need for Federal Action

But what of the Republicans? Within recent memory, party leaders **debated fiercely** with reporters who claimed, absurdly, that late-term abortions were not a concern in the United States. But it is clearer than ever that they are a concern, and there is no prospect of protecting these children in nearly half the states without a federal law on their side. The votes may not be sufficient in Congress to adopt such protections now, but with strong **majority public support** for limits, the final tally may be closer than some think.

The debate might even prompt the media to show some of the little faces and hands whose fate we are talking about.

SOURCE: THE WASHINGTON STAND

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Criminalizing Pro-life Counselors & Other Bad Bills Gov. Youngkin MUST Veto

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We encourage all readers to watch the latest video from the Family Foundation of Virginia, which exposes the radical pro-abortion and anti-religious liberty bills currently awaiting Governor Youngkin's decision. We are grateful for their dedication in calling attention to these issues and standing for life, family, and parental rights in Virginia. Their work is essential in pushing back against policies that threaten the unborn and restrict religious freedoms. Please take the time to support their efforts by sharing their message and taking action.

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This week, Candi & Todd bring you the final review from the Virginia General Assembly session. Plus, hear more about bills we're urging Gov. Youngkin to act on. Check out the full session update for information on bills: **https://static1.squarespace.com/stati...**

Virginia's General Assembly Pushes Extreme Abortion & Anti-Life Bills – What You Can Do

The Virginia General Assembly has passed radical pro-abortion and anti-religious liberty legislation, including a FACE Act-style bill that criminalizes peaceful pro-life counselors outside abortion clinics. These bills are now on Governor Glenn Youngkin's desk, and we must act now to urge him to veto them.

📢 **Deadline: March 24, 2024 – The governor has until this date to sign, amend, or veto these bills.**

🚨 The FACE Act: Criminalizing Prayer & Pro-Life Speech

📜 **Bill: SB 716 | Patron: Sen. Scott Surovell (D-Fairfax)**

- **What it does:** Creates an **8-ft "bubble zone"** around abortion clinics, making it illegal to peacefully offer **pro-life counseling, prayer, or literature** to women considering abortion.
- **Why it's dangerous:** This bill **targets religious free speech** while failing to address the real violence—attacks on pregnancy resource centers by radical pro-abortion activists.
- 🚨 **Urgent Call to Action: Ask Governor Youngkin to veto SB 716** and uphold the First Amendment right to religious expression.

📜 **Constitutional Call-Out:**

- **1st Amendment:** Protects free speech and religious liberty. This bill **criminalizes peaceful pro-life advocacy** while allowing pro-abortion extremists to act freely.
- **14th Amendment – Equal Protection:** Pro-life counselors face restrictions that pro-abortion activists do not.

🩸 Radical Abortion Amendment – Enshrining Unlimited Abortion in the Virginia Constitution

📜 **Bill: SJR 11 & HJR 1 | Patrons: Sen. Jennifer Boysko (D) & Del. Charniele Herring (D)**

- **What it does:** Begins the process of amending the Virginia Constitution to **guarantee abortion-on-demand at any stage of pregnancy**—even beyond birth.
- **Why it's dangerous:** This amendment could **eliminate all abortion regulations, including parental consent laws and health standards for abortion clinics**.
- 🚨 **Urgent Call to Action: Oppose SJR 11 & HJR 1 – Encourage the General Assembly to reject these measures in 2025 before they go to a ballot vote.**

📜 **Constitutional Call-Out:**

- **10th Amendment – States' Rights vs. Federal Overreach:** Virginia's pro-abortion lawmakers are attempting to override legislative authority and **permanently entrench abortion without accountability**.
- **14th Amendment – Right to Life:** The Constitution protects the **right to life**—a right which should apply to the unborn, who are human beings created in the image of God (Psalm 139:13-14).

💊 The Right to "Contraception" Bill – A Trojan Horse for Abortion Drugs

📜 **Bill: HB 819 | Patron: Del. Cia Price (D)**

- **What it does:** Expands the legal **right to "contraception"** but **includes abortifacient drugs** (which cause early-stage abortions).
- **Why it's dangerous:** Forces pro-life employers and religious organizations to **fund or provide access to abortion-inducing drugs**.
- 🚨 **Urgent Call to Action: Ask Governor Youngkin to veto HB 819 to protect religious freedom and the right to life.**

📜 **Constitutional Call-Out:**

- **1st Amendment – Religious Freedom:** This bill could **force Christian businesses and organizations to violate their conscience** by providing abortion-related drugs.

🏛️ Government Overreach into Parental Rights

📜 **Bill: SB 430 | Patron: Sen. Jennifer Boysko (D)**

- **What it does: Allows telehealth services for minors on school grounds** without parental consent.
- **Why it's dangerous:** This could include **gender transition counseling and abortion referrals**, stripping parents of their rights to make medical decisions for their children.
- 🚨 **Urgent Call to Action: Ask Governor Youngkin to veto SB 430 and protect parental rights.**

📜 **Constitutional Call-Out:**

- **1st & 14th Amendments – Parental Rights & Due Process:** The Supreme Court has recognized that parents have a **fundamental right** to **direct the upbringing of their children** (*Troxel v. Granville*, 2000).

🛡️ Victory! Bills That Were Defeated

Thankfully, **several dangerous bills were stopped**, proving that **Christian advocacy and prayer make a difference**: ✅ **SB 1031 (Homeschooling Restrictions) – Defeated!** Would have restricted homeschooling freedoms.

✅ **Assisted Suicide – Defeated!** No bill introduced this session, showing pro-life values still have influence.

✅ **Neighborhood Slot Machines – Defeated!** Preventing gambling expansion in our communities.

✅ **Fairfax Casino Expansion – Defeated!** Even **liberal lawmakers opposed this due to its local harm.**

📜 **Constitutional Call-Out:**

- **10th Amendment – Limited Government:** These defeats show that citizens can resist **government overreach into personal and religious freedoms**.

📢 What You Can Do – Take Action Today

✅ **Contact Governor Youngkin Today!**

- Go to the **Family Foundation's Governor's Action Page**: **familyfoundation.org**

- **Ask him to veto** SB 716, HB 819, and SB 430.
- **Encourage him to support parental rights bills**.

✅ **Share This With Others!**

- **Post this article on social media** and **embed the Family Foundation's YouTube video** to spread awareness.
- **Encourage your church and family** to pray and take action.

✅ **Pray for Virginia's Future!**

- Pray that **Governor Youngkin will stand for life**.
- Pray that **radical pro-abortion efforts will fail**.
- Pray that **Christian voices will be bold in defending the sanctity of life**.

📅 **DEADLINE: MARCH 24 – MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!**

Conclusion: Why This Matters for Christians

As followers of Christ, we are commanded to **speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves** (Proverbs 31:8-9). The unborn **are created in God's image** and deserve the **right to life** (Jeremiah 1:5).

We must **stand against the "culture of death" that promotes abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide**. **Now is the time to act!**

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What is the Value of Human Life?

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It Depends on Who You Ask

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- *When the Lord your God brings you into the land you are entering to possess and drives out before you many nations—the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites, seven nations larger and stronger than you and when the Lord your God has delivered them over to you and you have defeated them, then you must destroy them totally. Make no treaty with them, and show them no mercy.* —Deuteronomy 7:1-2

Hamas and other terrorist organizations continue to add to what **Winston Churchill** once called the "dark, lamentable catalogue of human crime."

The October 7 attack on the Nova music festival grounds in southern Israel left a horrific scene—like something from hell. Bodies were strewn everywhere, leaving blood-spattered walls and cribs, and charred human remains.

Among these disturbing images, one particularly haunting photograph showed **Shiri Bibas** desperately holding her two young sons. She was abducted by the Palestinian Mujahideen Brigades along with her children: nine-month-old Kfir and four-year-old Ariel. Her husband

Yarden was taken hostage separately by Hamas, and that same day, murdered her parents on the spot.

Yarden was freed during the recent cease-fire agreement. While many feared the worst for Shiri and the children, the reality proved even more horrific than anticipated. Hamas displayed the Bibas family coffins to cheering crowds in Gaza. Though Hamas had claimed they died in an Israeli airstrike, Israeli forensic analysis revealed the children were killed by their captors' bare hands and then mutilated in a sickening attempt to blame Israel for their deaths.

It is simply unimaginable for most decent human beings to even describe such humans as these without comparing them to monsters. Their animus is borne from the darkest domain of hell.

The deliberate murder of an infant represents a level of cruelty that defies comprehension

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Yet Hamas, even now, remains a legitimate political force in the world. Odd, considering they have been designated a terrorist group since October 8, 1997. *Palestinians have dehumanized themselves through Hamas.*

Who is Hamas, and where did they come from?

Hamas, an acronym for "*Harakat al-Muqawama al-Islamiya*," which translates as Islamic Resistance Movement. It is a Palestinian **Islamist** organization founded in 1987 during the First Intifada.

In its early years, Hamas gained support through social welfare programs, including schools, clinics, and charitable organizations. Concurrently, it developed a military wing, the *Izz ad-Din al-Qassam* Brigades, responsible for armed resistance against Israel. Throughout the 1990s and early 2000s, Hamas conducted suicide bombings targeting Israeli civilians and military personnel.

Hamas's control of Gaza led to multiple orchestrated conflicts with Israel, including rocket attacks and tunnel operations. Such provocations have been met with appropriate Israeli military responses.

In The West, a confederation of university students, left-wing Democrats, and of course, the corporate news media, continue to portray Hamas, and the Palestinian people who chose them to lead them, as "victims" of Zionist hegemony.

Rep. Ilhan Omar

As recently as January 22, 2025, Rep. **Ilhan Omar**, (D MN) alongside Senator **Mazie Hirono**, (D HI) reintroduced the Neighbors Not Enemies Act. This legislation seeks to repeal the Alien Enemies Act of 1798, a statute from the Alien and Sedition Acts that has historically targeted immigrants under the guise of national security. Terrorists can never be our neighbors.

- *"It is unlawful for a person in the United States or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to knowingly provide "material support or resources" to a designated FTO. (The term "material support or resources" is defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2339A(b)(1) as " any property, tangible or intangible, or service, including currency or monetary instruments or financial securities, financial services, lodging, training, expert advice or assistance, safe houses, false documentation or identification, communications equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives, personnel (1 or more individuals who maybe or include oneself), and transportation, except medicine or religious materials." 18 U.S.C. § 2339A(b)(2) provides that for these purposes "the term 'training' means instruction or teaching designed to impart a specific skill, as opposed to general knowledge." 18 U.S.C. § 2339A(b)(3) further provides that for these purposes the term 'expert advice or assistance' means advice or assistance derived from scientific, technical or other specialized knowledge.''*

For decades western leaders have tried to create a two-state solution for Israel and Palestine. It's never worked because it never can—as long as monsters are invited to negotiate. For the first time in decades, it's now possible we have leadership willing and able to address the near intractable Gaza situation with a very different approach.

The response to Hamas, along with all their kin and kith in the Middle East, will necessitate a dramatic solution: resettlement of the Palestinians in another part of the region. But will it work? For now, we can only wait and see what emerges from President Trump's concept. If we are honest, we must think about it—at the very least—as humane.

For those who have not surrendered to depravity and blood-lust, how would we give such people who have, any measure of legitimacy at all? And, if such a people ascribe no worth to the Jews, what is *their* worth to anyone else? The question then becomes, "Isn't all human life valuable?"

From an ethical and philosophical standpoint, tradition holds that human life has inherent, immeasurable value – not because of what humans do or produce, but simply because they exist.

From the Jewish and Christian tradition, human life is viewed as sacred because humans are created in the divine image of God. They have souls. This perspective inevitably

assigns *infinite* value to each person. What is the price of that? More than humans can ever pay on their own.

The facts are unescapable: of the 76 Designated Foreign Terrorist Organizations, before February 20 of 2025—when eight Mexican and South American gangs were added—only five of the remaining 64 are *not* Islamist or Islamic groups.

Of all of the issues facing this administration, from a biblical worldview, the Gaza Strip may well be the most pressing—if not urgent. This tiny strip of land is home to a people who have declared human life has no value—including, arguably, their own. For them, life is no more than a mindless, soulless existence—animated by a hatred that is fully focused on annihilating the Jews.

They are born, live, propagate, and instill in their offspring the perpetuation of this hatred. I am struggling to think it will simply dissipate by a change in location. But I can still pray that it might. This is not a regional conflict since we can say that the entire world is, and will be affected. Often as not they are enabling the Palestinians by repeating the same empty nostrums and rhetoric without end.

But my bigger concern is how this blazing hatred, like an epidemic, is spreading to The West to our own people—our own children—by attaching itself to the body politic under the rubric of wokism, leftism, or what-ever-you-want-to-call-it ism.

This inexplicable alliance can only be explained from the perspective of one commonality: the hatred of God.

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Christians Must Rethink IVF: The Ethical and Biblical Concerns

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In a world where technology increasingly encroaches on God's design, we must ask a hard question:

Christian, What is the True Cost of In Vitro Fertilization?

Recently, an executive order titled "**Expanding Access to In Vitro Fertilization**" was issued by President Trump on February 18, 2025, aiming to ease regulatory burdens and reduce the cost of IVF for American families. While the order promises increased access and affordability for couples struggling with infertility, the **Virginia Christian Alliance (VCA)** warns that Christians must be fully informed and look deeper into what is behind the scenes of the **IVF industry**. This industry profits from the commodification of life and, in many cases, its destruction.

IVF has evolved beyond its original intent to help infertile married couples and has expanded to serve singles, same-sex couples, and those simply desiring a child outside of the **traditional family** unit. This reality calls for deep biblical reflection and prayer before considering **IVF**.

We invite our readers to watch and reflect on the **Living Waters YouTube Channel** video exposing these concerns:

Christians, You Must Know THIS About IVF's Dark Secret | @MarkSpence
https://youtube.com/watch?v=RpWdAmh2cm4

The Build-A-Baby Business Versus God's Design

Mark Spence of Living Waters Ministries exposes IVF as a "**build-a-baby**" process—an industry where sperm and eggs are collected, combined, and used to create embryos. Yet, the dark secret lies in what happens to the surplus embryos. These extra-human lives—often graded, selectively reduced, frozen indefinitely, or discarded—are treated as disposable commodities. This transactional approach starkly contrasts with the Bible's depiction of procreation as a sacred, divinely ordained process between a husband and wife.

While Trump's executive order seeks to make IVF more accessible by lowering costs and reducing regulatory hurdles, the **VCA** contends that such policies inadvertently endorse a practice that devalues life. For Christians, every embryo is a unique creation, made in God's image, and its disposal or commercialization runs counter to the "God first" principle that must govern all ethical decisions.

God's Blueprint for Life and the Natural Miracle

The Bible tells the stories of barren women like Sarah (Genesis 21:1-3) and Hannah (1 Samuel 1:20), whose miraculous pregnancies underscore that life is not a human-manufactured product but a sovereign gift from God. When God intervenes, life is established according to His will, not human technological prowess. True parenthood emerges from the intimate, **God-ordained** union of a man and a woman—a process that reflects God's own creative work.

By contrast, IVF abstracts the sacred act of creation. By reducing conception to a laboratory procedure, it strips away the divine mystery and sanctity that should accompany the creation of

life. The **commodification** of embryos—where surplus embryos are either discarded or marketed—stands as a stark reminder that modern reproductive technologies, bolstered by governmental policy, risk undermining God's perfect design.

VCA's Strong Opposition to the Expansion of IVF

The Virginia Christian Alliance firmly opposes the broadening of IVF availability as outlined in the executive order. We acknowledge the deep longing of many couples to have children, but IVF has been co-opted by individuals and groups outside God's intended design for family. In recent years, it has expanded beyond helping infertile couples, now being used by single men and women, as well as homosexual and lesbian couples who seek children outside of the biblical model of marriage. Children deserve to be raised by both their mother and father in a God-ordained family structure.

Our opposition is based on the following convictions:

- **Life Is Sacred**: Life begins at conception, and every embryo is a divine creation deserving of protection. No government policy should sanction practices that treat potential life as a disposable resource.
- **God's Sovereignty Over Life**: The Bible affirms that fertility is a miracle orchestrated by God. Trusting in human technological solutions for conception undermines God's authority as the Creator of life.
- **Moral and Ethical Implications**: By easing regulations and lowering costs for IVF, the government risks endorsing a practice that commodifies human life and divorces the miracle of conception from its God-ordained context.
- **The Expansion of IVF Beyond Infertile Couples**: IVF has increasingly been used by single individuals and same-sex couples—groups for whom IVF was never originally intended. The reality that children are being created outside of God's design for marriage further highlights the moral consequences of normalizing IVF.

Trump's executive order, while well-intentioned in addressing infertility challenges, inadvertently prioritizes technological convenience over the sacred nature of life. For Christian couples who hold a "God first" worldview, embracing IVF in its current form represents a compromise—a concession to secular ethics that runs counter to the timeless biblical truth that life is a sacred gift.

In Conclusion

Mark Spence's message, combined with the recent executive order, presents Christians with a critical challenge:

How do we reconcile the desire to help struggling couples with infertility while upholding the sanctity of life?

The dark secret behind IVF remains unchanged—when human life is reduced to a series of lab procedures and commodified in the process, it departs from God's natural order.

As believers, we must stand firm in our conviction that true parenthood and the miracle of life are gifts from God, not products manufactured in a lab. Let us prioritize God's blueprint for life over policies that risk diluting the divine sanctity of creation. In doing so, we remain true to our "God first" commitment and honor every human life's sacredness from conception.

A Brief Retrospective on Efforts to Transform America to a New Social Order

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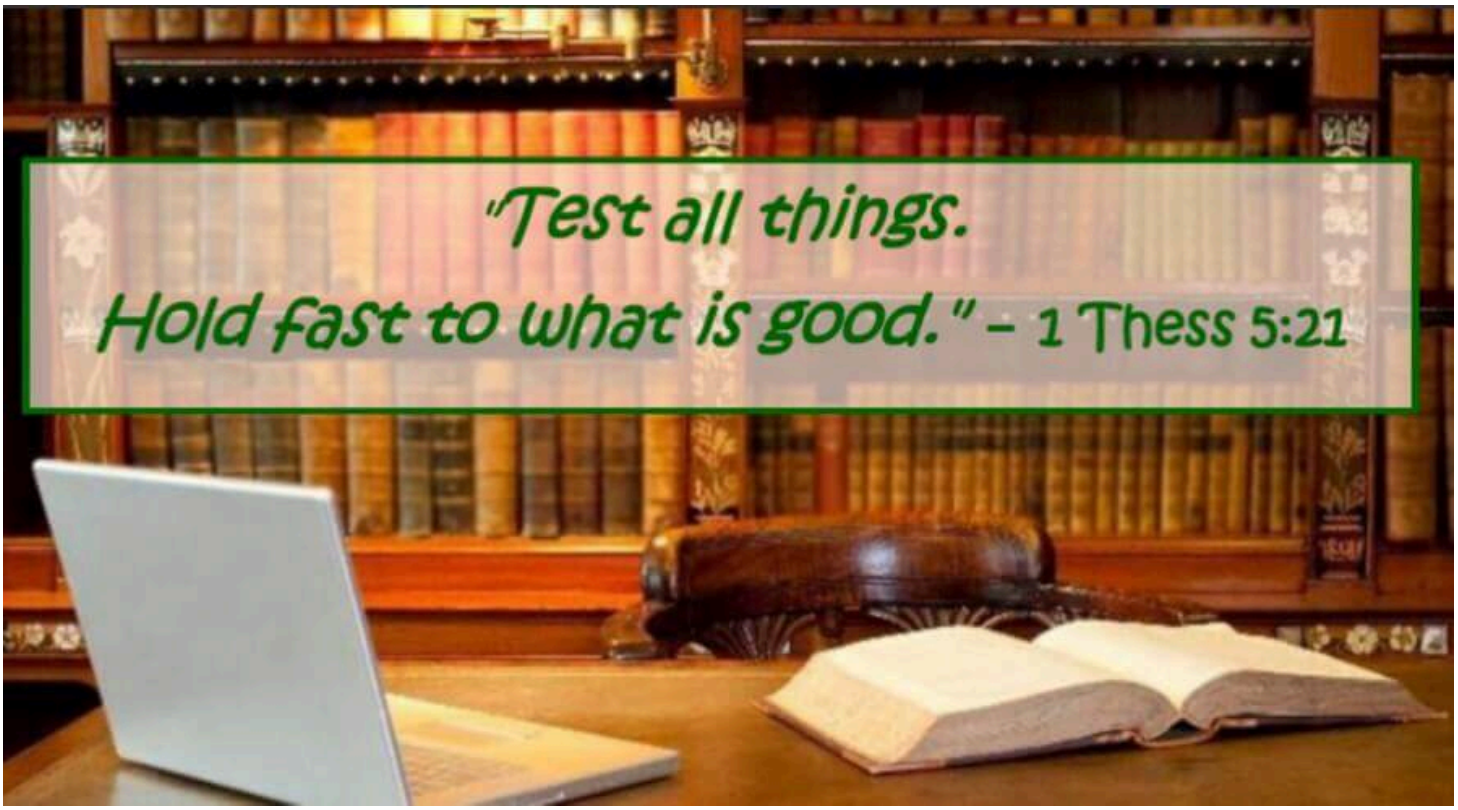

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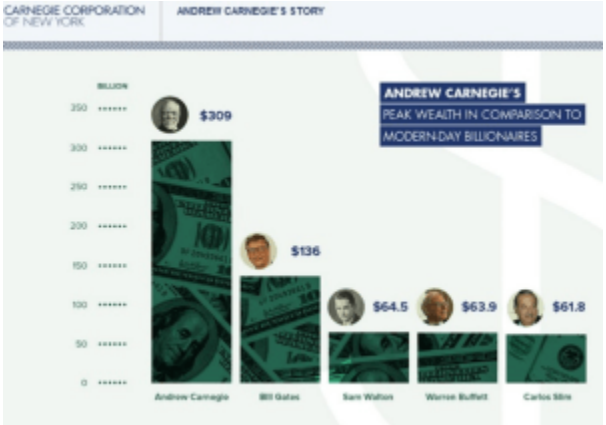
As **this series** is illustrating, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is a leading funder of globalist and United Nation's education goals. But it's not the only one. History can sometimes help us see more clearly what is happening today. Before continuing the series, hopefully, this brief retrospective will offer some helpful insights.

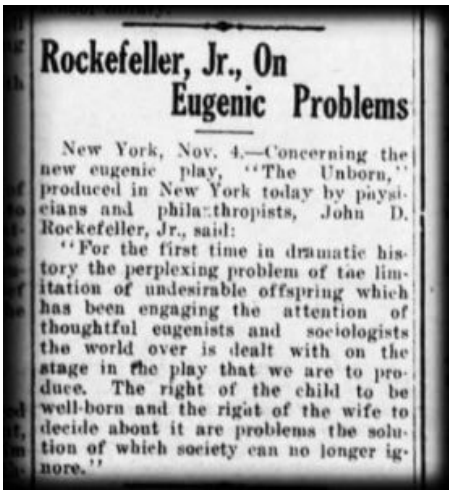
Industrialist Andrew Carnegie (1835-1919) was the wealthiest man in the world when he retired from steel manufacturing in 1901. His **wealth** greatly surpassed that of today's billionaires.

Carnegie established 21 nonprofit organizations **worldwide**, including the richest, oldest and most powerful foundation in the country, **Carnegie Corporation of New York in 1911**. It dedicated in perpetuity his remaining fortune to **education** – decades of **spending** on education reform, creating a new model of teacher education and certification, standards, and "social-emotional learning" (SEL) – and **international peace**.



While Carnegie supported many worthwhile causes, the preponderance of **grants** from Carnegie Corporation since his death have gone to liberal-progressive and globalist causes, **recognized** as socialism and undermining American society.

Shortly after his retirement, his Carnegie Institute had already established the **eugenics** lab at Cold Spring Harbor in 1904, which merged with the Eugenics Record Office in 1910 to become Carnegie Institute's Department of Genetics. Their scientists were deeply involved with founding Germany's fascist eugenicists, along with the **Rockefeller Foundation**, which had been established in 1913 "to advance social change." Rockefeller funded Josef Mengele's program before he went to Auschwitz, the **Kaiser Wilhelm Institute** and **hundreds of German eugenic institutions and researchers** in the 1920s and 1930s. Rockefeller and Carnegie were joined by many of America's elite, scientists and universities, including presidents of Harvard and Stanford.



Rockefeller, Jr., On Eugenic Problems

New York, Nov. 4.—Concerning the new eugenic play, "The Unborn," produced in New York today by physicians and philanthropists, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., said:

"For the first time in dramatic history the perplexing problem of the limitation of undesirable offspring which has been engaging the attention of thoughtful eugenists and sociologists the world over is dealt with on the stage in the play that we are to produce. The right of the child to be well-born and the right of the wife to decide about it are problems the solution of which society can no longer ignore."

John Rockefeller, III, **founded the Population Council** in 1952 as a **eugenics program** to reduce the world's population. It may be most known for bringing RU-486 (the **abortion pill**) to America and, with additional $14 million in funding from the **Packard Foundation**, getting FDA approval.

Another key strategy (and **false doctrine**) they created was to blame human activity for destroying the environment and causing global warming and catastrophic climate change. Rockefeller formed nearly a thousand **climate change activist organizations**, alone, including co-founding the World Bank and United Nations. Carnegie Corporation has also provided funding to the UN **from its beginning**, along with its sister organization, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, earmarked for UN support.

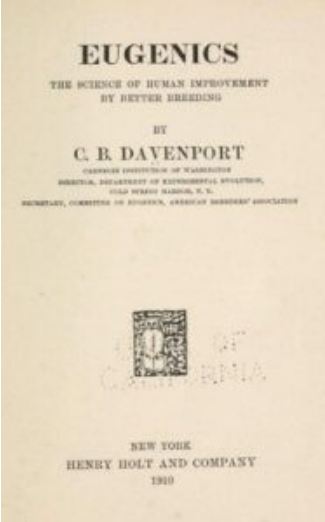
The Population Council's current **strategic plan** continues to align with UN's global sustainable goals, including abortion, gender equity, climate change, and empowering young people. Wealthy **globalist partners** joined the movement and help fund UN agendas, including Bill & Melinda Gates, George Soros' Open Society Institutes, Warren Buffett, Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, Ford Foundation, William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, Kaiser Foundation, Kellogg Foundation, John D and Catherine T MacArthur foundation, David & Lucile Packard Foundation, Schwab Charitable Fund, Vanguard Charitable, Microsoft, UN Population

Fund (UNFPA), World Health Organization, USAID, and countless more. As of 2023, the **MacArthur Foundation**, alone, had granted the Population Council over $19 million.

But nearly a third of Population Council's **$67.8 million** annual **revenue** (latest figures 2021-2022) comes from the U.S. government.

These **globalist oligarchs** have broadened their marketing beyond climate change to anything that can expand their wealth and power. None of which grew from sound science or Biblical ethics, and all hold the whispers of eugenics. Thus, similarly made-up social and public health "crises" – surrounding everything from "**critical race theory**" (CRT) and gender identity, to chronic diseases of aging populations, to depression and mental illness, to pandemics, and more – have money and power functions.

We are **reminded again** that to see the truth, it has never been more important to question everything, practice discernment and apply the scientific method, and test *everything* against Biblical teachings.


EUGENICS

THE SCIENCE OF HUMAN IMPROVEMENT BY BETTER BREEDING

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It wasn't until 2020 that Carnegie **finally acknowledged** its role in eugenics and **driving** "decades of brutal and unconscionable actions by governments." It pledged its ongoing commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion to dismantle systemic racism and social ills. But eugenics scholar, **Edwin Black**, called them out, noting that the attraction of eugenics *is* racism. Rather than reflect on the science and root causes of their work, they simply made the same vague confession of racism that every American institution indulges in today, **noted** William A. Schhambrais, Senior Fellow at Hudson Institute.

Carnegie's Science Institute had **rebuked** spending money on charity instead of devoting its future work to studying genes and annihilating the "torrent of defective and degenerate protoplasm" in order to "redeem mankind." They have never apologized or repented of this work against humanity in the name of population control.

Garland E. Allen, a eugenics historian and social justice activist, **explained** that *eugenics continues to be the basis of governmental population policies, especially directed to Third World countries*. "Today, for example," he wrote, "***the USAID, a branch of the State Department, devotes a significant portion of its budget to its Population Office.***"

USAID's Population and Reproductive Health page has been taken down, pending President Trump's order for review, so my former links bring up only this:

However, these facts were still easy to verify for you.

* Kaiser Family Foundation, a left-wing **organization** that also publishes "**Kaiser Health News**," released a **report** on February 7th explaining that most of our **$8.5 billion** in federal global health funding goes through USAID, including 99% of what's spent on "reproductive health."

* Population Matters, a globalist population activist organization, has long been a worldwide leading voice for **abortion** and reproductive rights. On February 10th, it criticized President Trump for freezing USAID funds, **noting** that ***USAID is the world's largest donor of family planning assistance (abortion)***, with the U.S. government spending **$607.5 million** for its global reproductive programs in 2023.

* The website of Guttmacher Institute, the world's leading abortion industry policy lobbying organization, confirmed those figures. It **added** that USAID plays a critical role in reproductive health to more than 150 countries and territories, and collaborates closely with the UN Population Fund (UNFPA), which the U.S. government also funds, **$32.5 million** in 2023.

Globalists' population control efforts continue through UN's radical climate change and sustainable development goals. But the eugenics aspects of their doctrine often isn't recognized, especially by young people who are led into their religion of worship to Mother Earth.

Population Matters, however, doesn't hide their population control efforts. They are even illustrated in their newest mission entitled "**All Populations Matter**," to eliminate the value of human life. Their goal is to shape morals towards the belief that the planet, the air, sun, waters, all plants, animals and fish were not provided by a loving God for man's benefit and that humans were not created in God's image. They believe that humans hold no special value. Instead, they preach that humans and human population growth are threatening the world.

"God blessed them and said to them: 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and every creature that crawls upon the earth.'" – **Genesis 1:28**

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Shattering the Silence: A Biblical Response to Governor Youngkin's Fight Against Human Trafficking

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Human trafficking is one of the greatest evils of our time—a direct assault on the image of God in humanity and the **sanctity of life**. Every human life is sacred, created by God with inherent worth and dignity (Genesis 1:27). The wickedness of those who traffic and exploit others for profit stands in direct opposition to God's justice and righteousness.

Governor Glenn Youngkin, alongside Lieutenant Governor Winsome Earle-Sears and Attorney General Jason Miyares, has taken a bold stance against this modern-day slavery through *Operation Silence Shattered*. (**see Press Release**) This initiative aims to protect the vulnerable, bring traffickers to justice, and equip communities to combat this heinous crime. As Christians, we must support such efforts, for Scripture commands us to "open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute" (Proverbs 31:8-9).

The Evil of Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is not just a political issue—it is a **moral and spiritual battle**. The Bible is clear about God's hatred for oppression and injustice:

- **Exodus 22:21-23** – "Do not mistreat or oppress a foreigner, for you were foreigners in Egypt. Do not take advantage of the widow or the fatherless."
- **Micah 6:8** – "He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

- **Isaiah 1:17** – "Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause."

Human traffickers prey on the vulnerable, turning God's image-bearers into commodities. Their actions mirror the deeds of those whom Jesus condemned: *"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers"* (Matthew 23:14). The Lord will not ignore such wickedness.

Virginia's Bold Stand Against Trafficking

Under Governor Youngkin's leadership, **Operation Silence Shattered** is making significant strides:

- **Over 3,700 individuals educated** on human trafficking prevention.
- **21 arrests made** involving traffickers and sex buyers.
- **12 victims rescued and offered services**.
- **136 ongoing investigations** into human trafficking cases.
- **47 additional victims identified and supported**.

These numbers are not just statistics—they represent **real people**, image-bearers of God, who have been delivered from the grasp of wicked men. Just as Jesus declared in Luke 4:18: *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed."*

The Role of the Church

While the government plays a role in fighting human trafficking, the **Church** is called to be a beacon of light in this darkness. We must be like the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), refusing to walk past victims in their suffering. Here's how we can engage:

1. **Pray for the End of Human Trafficking** – Prayer is our greatest weapon. Pray for victims, law enforcement, and leaders taking a stand against trafficking (Ephesians 6:12).
2. **Educate and Protect** – Teach our children and communities about the warning signs of trafficking. Proverbs 4:7 says, "The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom, and whatever you get, get insight."

3. **Support Survivors** – Ministries like **Latisha's House, Operation Light Shine, and New Creation VA** are actively restoring hope to survivors. As believers, we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ.

4. **Advocate for Justice** – Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves (Proverbs 31:8-9). Engage in legislative efforts to strengthen protections for victims and prosecute traffickers.

A Call to Action

We cannot afford to be silent. Human trafficking is not just a **social problem**, it is a **spiritual war** against the sanctity of life. As Governor Youngkin rightly stated, *"Together, we will continue making a difference, empowering survivors, and building a future free from the darkness of human trafficking."*

Let us, as followers of Christ, join this fight—through prayer, action, and unwavering commitment to justice. As Jesus said, *"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me"* (Matthew 25:40).

May the Lord bring freedom to the captives, justice to the wicked, and healing to the brokenhearted.

‘A Great Honor’: Trump Keeps Promise to Pardon 23 Pro-Life Advocates

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Ben Johnson | The Washington Stand

President Donald Trump has kept his campaign promise to pardon nearly two dozen peaceful pro-life advocates prosecuted by the Biden-Harris administration.

The 47th president signed a pardon for 23 pro-life advocates, many of them elderly and still incarcerated, whom the Biden administration’s Justice Department threatened with up to 11 years in prison for carrying out nonviolent protests against abortion or infanticide.

“Twenty-three people were prosecuted. They should not have been prosecuted. Many of them are elderly people. They should not have been prosecuted,” **said** President Trump, who called their imprisonment “ridiculous.”

“This is a great honor to sign this,” said Trump, holding up the signed document on Thursday afternoon. “They’ll be very happy.”

Then-candidate Trump **promised** to reverse the Biden administration's pro-abortion prosecutions — apparently for the first time — at the 2023 Pray Vote Stand Summit, organized by Family Research Council Action. "To reverse these cruel travesties of justice, tonight I'm announcing that the moment I win the election, I will appoint a special task force to rapidly review the cases of every political prisoner who's been unjustly persecuted by the Biden administration … so that I can study the situation very quickly and sign their pardons or commutations on day one," vowed the past-and-future president. "Never again will the federal government be used to target religious believers."

Under the Biden-Harris administration, America had turned into "a banana republic" or "a Third World country," where justice depends on the political views of the accused, Trump told the cheering crowd at PVSS 2023. "The radical Left is coming after all of us, because they know that our allegiance is not to them; our allegiance is to our country and to our Creator."

After the 2022 Supreme Court decision overturning Roe v. Wade, the Biden administration launched into an aggressive prosecution of right-to-life advocates under the 1994 **Federal Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act**, as well as the **Ku Klux Klan Act of 1871**, a move legal experts said is unprecedented.

"Today is a new day for the pardoned pro-life advocates who have suffered FBI raids, federal prosecutions, and severe punishment for peacefully and courageously witnessing for life. We thank President Trump for keeping his promise to these pro-life mothers, fathers, grandparents, pastors, and priests," Peter Breen, executive vice president and head of litigation at the Thomas More Society told The Washington Stand. "What happened to these peaceful pro-life individuals must never happen again. We urge Congress to act swiftly in repealing the FACE Act to make sure that the Justice Department can never again weaponize this law to target peaceful pro-lifers with severe charges."

The Thomas More Society **formally petitioned** for President Trump to take mercy on 21 of the 23 pardon recipients: Joan Bell, Coleman Boyd, Joel Curry, Jonathan Darnel, Eva Edl, Chester Gallagher, William Goodman, Dennis Green, Lauren Handy, Paulette Harlow, John Hinshaw, Heather Idoni, Jean Marshall, Fr. Fidelis Moscinski, Justin Phillips, Paul Place, Paul Vaughn, Bevelyn Beatty Williams, Calvin Zastrow, Eva Zastrow, and James Zastrow.

The **other two** pardoned pro-life advocates, **Herb Geraghty** of Pennsylvania and Jay Smith of New York, took part in the 2020 D.C. protest. Smith entered a **guilty plea** in exchange for a 10-month sentence.

"It's happening, and I NEVER doubted!" **exclaimed** Bevelyn Williams' husband, Rickey. After the pardon, a friend of Bevelyn Williams **revealed** that Mr. Williams "just called me and the sheer joy and relief in his voice over the pardon just given for his amazing wife Bevelyn Beatty Williams, was heartwarming."

Their convictions stem from at least five separate prosecutions, some predating the Biden administration:

1. Bevelyn Beatty Williams held a pro-life "rescue" at Planned Parenthood's "**Manhattan Health Center**" on June 19 and 20, 2020. Judge Jennifer Rochon, a **Biden appointee** in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, sentenced the 33-year-old **Catholic** mother of **a toddler** to **41 months** (3.5 years) in prison after the DOJ alleged Williams "pressed her body against the door of the Health Center's patient entrance and refused to move," allegedly hurting a pro-abortion individual's hand in the process as the individual tried to force the door open. "As a result of the blockade, medical staff was delayed in treating at least a dozen patients," noted the Biden administration's Justice Department.
2. Seven **evangelical Christians** had **protested** at the **Northland Family Planning Clinic** in the Detroit suburb of Sterling Heights on August 27, 2020. "he defendants sat or stood in front of the entrances to the clinic so that patients and employees could not enter," **explained** Biden's DOJ. Although convicted, the defendants still had pending issues before the court last November when Judge Matthew Leitman, an **Obama appointee**, **paused** the trial.
3. Ten pro-life advocates protested reports that late-term babies, possibly even full-term, were being aborted by Cesar Santangelo at the Washington Surgi-Center. Among other actions, they sang "**Let There be Peace**" during the October 22, 2020, protest. Advocates would find the corpses of **five viable babies** marked as medical waste at the center. Five members of the **Progressive Anti-Abortion Uprising**— Handy, Hinshaw, Idoni, Geraghty, and Goodman — were **convicted** in August 2023 of violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act. U.S. District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly, a **Clinton appointee** who has handed down numerous pro-abortion opinions, **ruled** the defendants must remain in prison until the sentencing hearing.
4. Four Christians **sang hymns** inside Nashville's Carafem Health Center Clinic on March 5, 2021. U.S. District Judge Jeffery S. "Chip" Frensley, who was **elected** as a magistrate judge by U.S. district judges during **the Obama administration**, deliberated less than an hour before **convicting** U.S. District Judge Aleta Trauger — a **Clinton appointee** who previously ruled the Tennessee state constitutional amendment protecting natural marriage "will soon become a footnote in the annals of American history" — reportedly **sentenced** Gallagher to 16 months in prison and **gave** other defendants between six months and three years of supervised release. Frensley **sentenced** 89-year-old Edl to three years of probation.
5. Fidelis Moscinski, a Franciscan friar, locked the entrances to the Planned Parenthood abortion business in the Long Island city of **Hempstead** on July 7, 2022. After police cut off the locks, Fr. Fidelis laid down in front of the entrance — much as protesters laid down in front of President Lyndon Johnson's limousine **in the 1960s**. The Biden-Harris administration charged the monk, whose **birth name** is Christopher, even as local **New Jersey**prosecutors **dropped charges** against the mendicant for conducting his "Red Rose Rescues," when he would enter abortion facilities and give mothers red roses. New York

> Judge Steven Tiscione, an **Obama appointee**, sentenced him the maximum sentence of **six months** in prison. "My actions … were done because Planned Parenthood as an organization is in the business of killing," the monk **told** the magistrate.

At least 10 of the 23 **reportedly** remain in prison: Joan Bell (who was sentenced to 27 months in jail), Jonathan Darnell (34 months), Herb Geraghty (27 months), Lauren Handy (57 months), Paulette Harlow (24 months), John Hinshaw (21 months), Heather Idoni (24 months), Jean Marshall (24 months), Bevelyn Williams (41 months), and Calvin Zastrow (6 months).

Joan Bell's husband, Chris, told Laura Ingraham of Fox News Thursday night that "Joan's actions that day, going into this late-term abortionist's in Washington, D.C., with nine other people, was to really prevent women from having a lifelong scar that they will never forget."

"The pro-life movement is about helping, not about hurting," he said.

The nation's pro-life leaders praised President Trump for giving these advocates legal relief. "We thank President Trump for immediately delivering on his promise to free pro-life protesters who were targeted and imprisoned by Biden's Department of Justice," SBA Pro-Life America President Marjorie Dannenfelser told TWS. "Pro-life moms, grandmothers, and even Eva Edl, a communist prison camp survivor, were thrown in jail for peacefully protesting abortion. As if that were not enough, aggressive sentences were handed down, like five years for Lauren Handy who sought to expose evidence of late-term and potentially illegal abortions in the nation's capital."

"Praise God!" **said** Ryan Bomberger, founder of The Radiance Center.

The "American Family Association (AFA) has been calling and preparing for the pardon of these 20-plus pro-lifers over the past several months in preparation for President Donald Trump being sworn in," American Family Association CEO Walker Wildman **told** American Family News.

The pardons undo some of the jurisprudence of the Biden administration, which sought to assist the abortion industry after the overturn of Roe v. Wade, said Republican lawmakers. "At the behest of progressive activists, the Biden administration blatantly weaponized the power of federal law enforcement against peaceful pro-life advocates because their beliefs conflicted with President Biden's radical abortion agenda," Rep. Chris Smith (R-N.J.), co-chair of the Congressional Pro-Life Caucus, told TWS. "I am grateful that President Trump has restored justice, ending an ugly era of discrimination against peaceful, often times prayerful pro-life dissenters."

Senator Josh Hawley (R-Mo.) **told** "Washington Watch" Wednesday that these defendants "were singled out" by "the most anti-Christian administration in our country's history" to be "terrorized using lawfare to make a point, to try to silence all the rest of us."

“These heroic peaceful pro-lifers were treated shamefully by Biden’s DOJ, with many of them branded felons and losing many rights that we take for granted as American citizens. Today, their precious freedom is restored. What happened to them can never be erased, but today’s pardons are a huge step towards restoring justice,” agreed Steve Crampton, senior counsel at the Thomas More Society, in an email to TWS.“Thank you to President Trump and his team for righting these grievous wrongs of the previous administration.”

On the Senate floor Thursday, Senator Hawley called the prosecutions “a grotesque assault on the principles of this country,” with its long history of nonviolent protest.

For the Biden-Harris administration to target peaceful right-to-life advocates as radical abortion ideologues literally firebombed pro-life pregnancy resource centers was “particularly grotesque,” **said** Hawley. America also saw **436 church attacks** with zero FACE Act prosecutions in 2023, noted the senator’s wife, constitutional attorney Erin Hawley, during a congressional hearing, citing a **report** from Family Research Council scholar Arielle Del Turco.

“The Biden-Harris administration practiced viewpoint discrimination in their prosecutions, going after people not for what they did, but what they thought while doing it,” Students for Life Action President Kristan Hawkins told TWS.

Many called for the repeal of the 1994 FACE Act, a Clinton-era bill to protect a “constitutional right” that the 2022 Dobbs decision ruled never existed.

Rep. Chip Roy (R-Texas) told TWS the pardons represent “a tremendous step towards righting the wrongs done under Biden, but Congress must also take the step to repeal the FACE act to ensure it can never again be weaponized by a future administration. That’s why last Congress I introduced legislation to repeal it with my friend, Senator Mike Lee” of Utah.

Roy noted that “97% of FACE Act prosecutions between the years of 1994-2024 were initiated against pro-life Americans; it is laughable to argue that the law hasn’t been weaponized. Let’s put **H.R. 589** on the president’s desk and end this once and for all.”

With Thursday’s pardon, “President Trump has rightly restored equal protection of the law by pardoning the peaceful pro-life advocates, including Eva Edl, an 89-year-old Soviet concentration camp survivor who sat in her wheelchair at the entrance to an abortion facility. Eva faced a sentence of up to 11 years in federal prison along with hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines just for singing and praying from her wheelchair,” Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Counsel Erin Hawley told TWS. “The president’s pardon is a crucial first step in returning the Department of Justice to the rule of law.”

“President Trump has consistently taken a strong stance that weaponizing the government to go after pro-life advocates and other ideological opponents is wrong,” Dannenfelser told TWS.

“There is no question these prosecutions were political. Even ex-FBI Director Chris Wray **admits** the overwhelming majority of abortion-related threats and violence since Dobbs is directed at pro-life Americans — not done by them. We look forward to the end of Biden’s anti-life discrimination under **Attorney General Pam Bondi**.”

“The corrupt era of Joe Biden and his weaponized Department of Justice (DOJ) has ended, and peaceful, pro-life Americans rest easier knowing that their free speech rights are safer today. However, the work is far from over. Congress should eliminate the FACE Act, and debar and defund Planned Parenthood,to end the prejudice in the law against pro-life Americans and for abortion,” Hawkins told TWS.

“While there are still many things on the pro-life movement’s to-do list for Trump and Vice President Vance to consider, this act of solidarity with the pro-life community gives us hope.”

SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

How Woke Politicians Exacerbated the LA Fires

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The following video by Kaizen Asiedu, *How Woke Politicians Exacerbated the LA Fires,* exposes the complex system's failures and how mismanagement and misallocation of resources contributed to the massive wildfires in LA. Asiedu articulates how DEI (diversity, equity and inclusion) has siphoned vital resources. Please hear what he has to say, and if so, move forward and find out what your local government is doing with DEI. DEI does not focus on efficacy. DEI doesn't focus on hiring the best-qualified personnel for the job. First responders should always be the best when it comes to saving lives regardless of gender, skin color, etc.

You can follow Kaizen on X **https://x.com/thatsKAIZEN**

How The LA Fires Were Exacerbated By Woke Politicians
https://youtube.com/watch?v=Febg8Ff0jnA

Reject Va Democrats ‘Reproductive Freedom’ Amendment

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Bob Marshall | **Roanoke Times**

Democrats in the 2025 Virginia General Assembly are pushing HJR 1, a “Reproductive Freedom Constitutional Amendment,” (RFA) which provides that, “… every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom … relating to one’s own prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, abortion care, miscarriage management, and fertility care.”

These “reproductive” rights apply to “individuals” with no age minimum, so they necessarily include young teenage girls and boys.

When spelled out, the specified reproduction rights include surgical/drug induced sterilization, sex/gender changes, surrogate pregnancy, creating and destroying live embryo stage humans, gene-editing, and cloning now illegal under state law (VA Code, 32.1-12,21-22).

That results in boys and girls under 18 being able to exercise “reproductive freedom,” to access birth control, abortion, sterilization, sex changes and more without parental notice or consent. Therefore, the Democrat’s RFA necessarily abolishes the age of sexual consent.

Virginia's criminal sexual trafficking laws protecting minors from predatory adults will be unenforceable because minors would have the legal capacity to "consent" to such sexual behavior. Any pornographic pictures, films, sexual devices, etc., legally available to adults will be legally available to seventh graders!

Laws prohibiting prostitution would be unconstitutional restraints on "reproductive freedom" because individuals, including minors, would have a fundamental right to sexual relations of any type under the Democrats RFA.

Likewise, parents would have no ability to sue Planned Parenthood or adult sexual predators including school counselors securing sex changes for minor students behind parents backs because the RFA states, "The Commonwealth shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against any individual for aiding or assisting another individual in exercising such other individual's right to reproductive freedom with such other individual's voluntary consent."

Secondly, claiming that abortion is safe (for women) is a successful though false marketing claim used to keep abortion legal which derives from severe limits on collecting and identifying abortion complications.

Neither the U.S. Centers for Disease Control nor Virginia developed a comprehensive abortion complication reporting system to identify more than a miniscule portion of abortion complications occurring during an abortion.

This makes it impossible to link induced abortion with any adverse maternal mortality or problems with delivery.

The CDC and Virginia covered up abortion complications. In 1990, I and a George Washington Medical School faculty member surveyed Virginia doctors who might have treated women in 1989 for abortion complications known at the time of the abortion. We found 230 complications for 33,200 abortions, or 676% more complications than CDC/Virginia officials reported in a similar time period.

Planned Parenthood went to court to oppose abortion complication reporting laws: 1976 Danforth v. Missouri, 1992 Planned Parenthood v. Casey, 2005, South Dakota Planned Parenthood … v. Mike Rounds, Governor, 2018, Planned Parenthood v. Wasden (Idaho), 2018, Whole Women's Health Clinic v. Rokita.

Women lie about their abortions. PP's journal notes, "Underreporting of abortions is a persistent problem … irrespective of the research design or study population. … underreporting appears to be ubiquitous … ." (Richard Udry, Family Planning Perspectives, Sept./Oct. 1996, 228-23.) Eight other federally paid for surveys show between 41% and 71% of women lie about their abortion.

Women who lie about their abortions don’t report any complications and they cannot be very happy about their “reproductive” freedom.

As a General Assembly member I asked Virginia’s Medicaid director to cost match similar groups of Medicaid women — 325 who had their children vs. 325 who had abortions.

For the period from 1989-94, “The women with legally induced abortions had 532 claims for subsequent health interventions. The women with normal deliveries had 307 claims … for subsequent health interventions. … reimbursements for … women with abortions was $123,800 and for … women with normal deliveries was $66,900.”

Reject Democrats Reproductive anarchy Amendment HJR 1!

Supreme Court Set to Consider Medicaid Coverage for Abortion

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Sarah Parshall Perry | **The Daily Signal**

A case just taken up **by the U.S. Supreme Court**—Kerr v. Planned Parenthood—might just be the sleeper hit of the October 2024 term.

At issue is public funding for abortion, something that pro-life states have been keen to limit for some time. The justices will consider the following question: Do Medicaid recipients have the right to sue—known as "standing"—over a state's decision to bar Medicaid funds from going to abortion providers like Planned Parenthood?

If the court's answer to that question is no—effectively providing states a way to limit public funding for abortion—it would put a significant dent in **taxpayer funding for Planned Parenthood**. In 2022-2023 alone, the abortion giant cleared almost $700 million, with most payments, a result of Medicaid reimbursements.

Planned Parenthood affiliates provide medical services to low-income individuals through state Medicaid programs. In 2018, South Carolina Gov. Henry McMaster ordered the state's Department

of Health and Human Services to bar abortion clinics from participating in the Medicaid program, explaining that the "payment of taxpayer funds to abortion clinics, for any purpose, results in the subsidy of abortion and the denial of the right to life."

However, South Carolina's Health and Human Services Department informed Planned Parenthood that the agency could receive the funding again if it stopped providing abortions.

The Planned Parenthood affiliate and one of its patients thereafter sued under 42 U.S.C. § 1983—a statute that gives an individual the right to sue state government employees and others acting "under color of state law" for civil rights violations. Both Planned Parenthood and its patient invoked the "any qualified provider" provision of **the Medicaid Act**, which states: "any individual eligible for medical assistance … may obtain such assistance from any institution" that is "qualified to perform the … services required."

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit held that this provision does confer a privately enforceable right under Section 1983, and that Planned Parenthood was, according to the terms of the Medicaid Act, a "qualified provider."

The Director of the **South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services** disagreed and appealed to the Supreme Court, arguing in its petition for review that in finding a private right of action under the Medicaid Act, federal courts "have wrongly subjected states to private lawsuits Congress never intended."

The state has also stressed that the Medicaid Act does not define "qualified" providers but does specify that states retain broad authority to exclude providers "for any reason for which the Secretary could exclude the individual or entity from participation in" the Medicare program, "n addition to any other authority" states retain to exclude providers.

South Carolina argues that with 70 million Americans receiving Medicaid benefits and tens of thousands of healthcare providers participating in the program, the case at issue presents a question "of great national importance."

Oral arguments in Kerr v. Planned Parenthood will likely be scheduled for some time in March or April 2025.

In addition to Medicaid funding for abortion, the Supreme Court already has on its docket cases involving pornography regulation and the First Amendment, religious liberty and state tax exemptions for religious organizations, the constitutionality of so-called "ghost gun bans," the constitutionality of state bans on **so-called gender-affirming care** for minors, and climate change initiatives.

Looks like another blockbuster year at the Supreme Court.

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436 Church Attacks in 2023, Zero Prosecutions under the FACE Act, Notes House Hearing

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Ben Johnson | **The Washington Stand**

The Biden-Harris administration did not prosecute a single one of the hundreds of attacks against churches that took place last year under a 1994 law designed to protect houses of worship, a congressional hearing established on Wednesday, citing research from Family Research Council. Even as violence and vandalism against churches and pro-life centers skyrocketed over the last two years, 92% of Biden administration cases using that law targeted pro-life advocates.

Those facts emerged Wednesday during a House Judiciary **hearing** about the implementation of the **Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act**, signed by President Bill Clinton in 1994. The FACE Act explicitly punishes anyone who "intentionally damages or destroys the property of a place of religious worship" in **18 U.S. Code §248(a)(3)**, imposing a $10,000 fine and a jail sentence of up to six months for a first conviction. Each subsequent conviction can add $25,000 in fines and up to 18 months in prison for nonviolent protests, or up to 10 years if the defendant is convicted of causing any bodily injury.

"Since the start of the Biden-Harris administration until May 2024, the DOJ had brought a total of 24 FACE Act prosecutions against 55 defendants, with only two of these cases concerning attacks

on pregnancy resource centers. To this day, the FACE Act has never been used in defense of a church since it was passed in 1994," **said** the subcommittee chairman Rep. Chip Roy (R-Texas). In all, 50 of the 55 defendants were pro-life, and the department obtained 34 convictions, according to data from the Biden Justice Department.

"Statues of Lady Justice show her wearing a blindfold, because it is not supposed to matter who is being judged, what they believe, or who they voted for. Unfortunately, over the last four years, the Biden-Harris administration has weaponized this act disproportionately targeting pro-life Americans for FACE Act violations while simultaneously failing to protect pregnancy resource facilities, despite being the target of growing violence," said Roy.

'Those Who Hate Wisdom Love Death'

Although the law putatively covers churches, it has never been used to protect America's first freedom as churches come increasingly under attack after the May 2022 leak of the Dobbs decision, which overturned Roe v. Wade.

"The Family Research Council identified 436 attacks on churches just in 2023," testified Erin Hawley, senior counsel and vice president at the Alliance Defending Freedom. "Last year, Arielle Del Turco with the Family Research Council reported to this committee over 400 incidents of hostile acts directed at churches … including hundreds of acts of vandalism, dozens of arson attacks, and incidents involving guns or bomb threats."

"There have been zero — zero — prosecutions under the FACE Act for that violence," noted Hawley.

"Those who hate wisdom love death," said Rep. Harriet Hageman (R-Wyo.), paraphrasing **Proverbs 8:36**. "And I think that's what we're dealing with here."

Technically, the report — "Hostility Against Churches Is on the Rise in the United States | Analyzing Incidents from 2018-2023" by Del Turco — **documented 436 church attacks** during the first 11 months of 2023, a whopping **800% increase** over six years.

FRC also **documented** 67 acts of violence or vandalism against pro-life pregnancy centers between the Dobbs decision leak and May 2023, 39 assaults against pro-life churches by October 2022, and 24 attacks on pro-life organizations by January 2023. Hawley cited some specific attacks:

- On June 7, 2022, CompassCare's office in Buffalo, New York, was firebombed and tagged with spray paint reading, "Jane was here."
- On June 10, 2022, the Gresham Pregnancy Resource Center in Gresham, Oregon was burned.

- On June 25, 2022, Life Choices Free Pregnancy Services in Longmont, Colorado, was firebombed and spraypainted with the message, "if abortions aren't safe, neither are you."

Hawley cited numerous other hostile acts against pro-life women's centers in her unabridged, **written testimony**.

Pregnancy resource centers make a "strange target," since they're giving away diapers and baby formula for free, noted Rep. Kevin Kiley (R-Calif.).

'I Became a Slave to Ideological Tyrants': Pro-Life Advocate Remembers

At the hearing, Hawley and her fellow witnesses detailed ways "the Biden administration has weaponized the Act to target pro-life individuals," said Hawley. "The Biden DOJ has upped the ante, placing pro-life Americans in as much jeopardy as possible." Steve Crampton, senior counsel at the Thomas More Society, noted that the Biden administration has invoked the **Ku Klux Klan Act of 1871** "for the first time in our nation's history" to accuse pro-life advocates of engaging in a "conspiracy against rights."

The act increases the jail sentence for a nonviolent first violation from six months to more than 10 years in prison.

One of the people facing the barrel of a federal gun was pro-life advocate Paul Vaughn, arrested in 2022 for a pro-life demonstration in Tennessee. After Rep. Mary Gay Scanlon (D-Pa.) invoked Project 2025, Vaughn replied, "I would like to tell you about the DOJ's Project 2022. It happened on October 5, 2022, at approximately 7:15 in the morning, when my house was assaulted, my wife and children were terrorized, and I was kidnapped at gun point by four armed men."

"Lethal force was abused to abridge my God-given and constitutionally secured rights. At the moment of being placed in handcuffs, I became a slave to ideological tyrants, either the ones holding the weapons or the ones they obeyed," remembered a traumatized Vaughn. "The process is the punishment."

"Government has been weaponized against We the People," said Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), citing the similar arrest of pro-life advocate Mark Houck by heavily armed federal agents in front of his wife and seven children.

Reps. Scanlon and Jerrold Nadler (D-N.Y.) held that the disparate enforcement of the law came about because pro-life advocates violate it more often. Yet one study found pro-life centers were **22 times** more likely to be attacked than abortion facilities.

Despite that evidence, President Joe Biden **formed** the Reproductive Rights Task Force, led by Associate Attorney General Vanita Gupta, in July 2022 to combat state pro-life protections and

prosecute sidewalk counselors. "DOJ **continues** to robustly enforce the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act," **boasted** a "fact sheet" from the White House Task Force on Reproductive Healthcare Access. Biden's attorney general, Merrick Garland, **stated** last December that the entire department is "working to ensure that prosecutors across the country are equipped to bring FACE Act cases. And we have emphasized that Civil Rights Division attorneys are always available for consultation and technical assistance."

Targeting peaceful pro-life Christians singing hymns in the lobby of an abortion facility seems unusual "in an atmosphere where we're told police officers should deescalate" for violent criminals, noted outgoing Rep. Dan Bishop (R-N.C.). "That must stop, and I guarantee you they will stop in the next administration."

"I can assure you, we will have justice back in America on January 20," agreed Rep. Wesley Hunt (R-Texas).

When pro-abortion domestic terrorists are prosecuted, they tend to get lighter sentences than required by law. Judge William Conley, an **Obama appointee**, **sentenced** the man who confessed to firebombing the Wisconsin Family Action in May 2022, Hridindu Sankar Roychowdhury, to 7.5 years rather than the 20-year maximum sentence **allowed** by federal law.

"While we expect the incoming administration to end this horrific practice of the DOJ, that is not good enough. The American people deserve to know that their rights are not going to be abused no matter which administration is in power," said Roy.

Roy: Repeal the FACE Act

Roy **introduced** the FACE Act Repeal Act of 2023 (**H.R. 5577**), which would apply to any FACE Act prosecution underway at the time of its passage, last September. The legislation currently has **47 cosponsors**, including Reps. Jim Banks (R-Ind.), Chris Smith (R-N.J.), Thomas Massie (R-Ky.), Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-Ga.), and Greg Steube (R-Fla.).

Crampton noted that, since Roe v. Wade has been repealed, the FACE Act guards a non-existent right. "There is therefore no federal constitutional right to abortion, and the very reason for FACE's existence no longer exists. Under the well-established doctrine of *cessante ratione legis, cessat ipsa lex*, 'when the reason for a law ceases, the law itself ceases,'" he testified.

"Today's hearing on the FACE Act should highlight how it has been repeatedly weaponized by corrupt bureaucrats and officials against peaceful pro-life advocates. The committee should call on their colleagues to abolish this federal law if it will continue to be unevenly applied by pro-abortion radicals in government to punish peaceful pro-life activists while attacks on pregnancy centers and churches continue unabated," said Tommy Valentine, director of the Catholic Accountability Project at CatholicVote, in a statement emailed to The Washington Stand. "We

hope that under President Trump's watch, true impartiality and justice will be restored to our governing agencies, and the exploitation of governmental power which we have seen run rampant under the Biden administration will no longer be tolerated."

Democrats Try to Tie Pro-Life Republicans to Violence

Democrats on the committee accused Republicans of stoking violence against abortionists by repealing the 1994 law.

"The motivation here is very clear: In repealing the FACE Act, they would invite every anti-abortion extremist to use violence, threats, intimidation, to block access to abortion nationwide," said Scanlon. "They knowingly enable dangerous and hostile rhetoric … and ultimately, that makes them complicit in the consequences of those actions."

"Anti-abortion extremists continue to use violence, threats, and disruption to curb access to abortion, so Republicans want to repeal the law that protects … from these ongoing threats," claimed Nadler.

But the Thomas More Society holds that the act is unconstitutional and must be overturned on the grounds of sound jurisprudence.

'Promises Made, Promises Kept'

Roy said the next administration "must act to reverse these wrongful imprisonments, reuniting families who have been collateral damage of this administration. The Trump administration should consider pardoning and commuting" the sentences of those wrongfully targeted.

President-elect Donald Trump has promised to pardon peaceful pro-life advocates and other "political prisoners" who have been convicted of FACE Act violations or similarly trumped-up federal charges. "I will appoint a special task force to rapidly review the cases of every political prisoner who's been unjustly persecuted by the Biden administration … so that I can study the situation very quickly and sign their pardons or commutations on day one," **promised** President Trump, who then sought the Republican presidential nomination, in his address to the 2023 Pray Vote Stand Summit. "Never again will the federal government be used to target religious believers."

"I will govern by a simple motto: **Promises made, promises kept**," said Trump in his 2024 victory speech.

"Unequal application of the law is not truly law; it is tyranny imposed on those didn't have the power by those who do have it. That's contrary to everything we believe as Americans," said Roy.

The Democratic administration's history of unequal prosecution and protection highlights the need for "permanent and fundamental reforms at the Department of Justice."

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Time for Justice for Pro-Life Prisoners and the DC 5

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Jamie Dangers | **The Daily Signal**

Can you imagine being thrown in jail for peacefully protesting the deaths of babies in the womb? Well, you don't have to, because it has happened.

Today, **the Left**'s weaponization of a federal law called the FACE Act has led to exactly that, unjustly persecuting pro-life advocates who are its ideological opponents.

But finally, after years of this form of persecution from the **Biden-Harris administration**, a much-needed airing will occur this week.

A House subcommittee's **hearing** Wednesday on the FACE Act will seek to get to the bottom of President Joe Biden's weaponizing of the government against pro-life advocates and expose how they were harmed.

One of the most egregious examples of the Justice Department's unjust application of **the FACE Act** happened right in our nation's capital just a few years ago.

In March 2022, members of the group Progressive Anti-Abortion Uprising, or PAAU, discovered the tortured remains of five **fully formed babies** now known as "the D.C. Five." Their bodies and

wounds indicated they likely were victims of illegal partial-birth or born-alive abortions.

Lauren Handy and other PAAU activists notified the authorities of the bodies found at the Washington Surgi-Clinic in Northwest D.C. and called for an investigation into the likely federal crimes that led to their deaths. Instead, **the FBI** arrested Handy for a protest she had engaged in a year before.

Handy ultimately was sentenced to 57 months in federal prison and three years of probation for her nonviolent violation of the FACE Act.

In a recent **op-ed** in the Washington Examiner, fellow PAAU activist Terrisa Bukovinac highlighted an appalling injustice: While Handy sits behind bars, Washington Surgi-Clinic abortionist Cesare Santangelo and other pro-abortion radicals remain untouched.

Bukovinac wrote:

> Lauren is now in a Tallahassee prison. She's serving a nearly five-year sentence not for recovering these babies' remains but for violating FACE at the clinic that produced those remains. Meanwhile, the bodies of the victims languish years later at the Washington medical examiner's office, still **awaiting** an autopsy, an investigation, and justice.

Pro-life advocates named the five aborted babies to give them dignity: Ángel, Christopher X, Harriet, Holly, and Phoenix. These five children would be toddlers right now, playing and exploring the world around them. Instead, their bodies remain in a morgue awaiting justice that the Biden-Harris administration denied.

Despite repeated requests from members of Congress and the public, no autopsies or investigations have occurred. Handy is still behind prison bars along with many **other pro-life advocates** sentenced under the FACE Act.

I am thankful that members **of Congress** are calling out the Biden-Harris administration for targeting pro-life Americans and reviewing the unjust application of the FACE Act.

President Bill Clinton signed the FACE Act into law over 30 years ago. Supposedly, it was enacted to protect abortion facilities, places of worship, and pregnancy centers from threats, violence, and vandalism.

Thirty years later, however, the FACE Act has become little more than a tool for the Biden-Harris administration's FBI and Justice Department to employ against political enemies—specifically pro-life advocates.

Since May 2022, the FBI and DOJ have ignored over 500 violent attacks involving firebombings, vandalism, and explicit threats against Catholic churches and pro-life organizations across America.

Each of these violent attacks clearly and horrifically violated the FACE Act. FBI Director Chris Wray admitted that **the overwhelming majority** of violent, abortion-related threats since the Supreme Court's Dobbs ruling target pro-life entities.

Yet instead of prosecuting those responsible, including the infamous group Jane's Revenge, the FBI ruthlessly targeted pro-life activists for peacefully protesting at abortion facilities.

For example, Wray's FBI arrested innocent pro-life advocate and Catholic father Mark Houck at his home at **gunpoint**, traumatizing his family, for allegedly violating the FACE Act. The bureau then subjected Houck to a lengthy and costly trial it hoped would lead to his imprisonment before he ultimately was acquitted on all charges.

Houck isn't an anomaly. The Justice Department and FBI have wielded the FACE Act a total of 130 times against nonviolent pro-life advocates, often pushing for **unreasonably heavy sentences**—even for elderly individuals such as Russian death camp survivor **Eva Edl**.

Comparatively, the FACE Act has been used to defend Catholic churches and pregnancy centers only five times, even though these places are **22 times more likely** to be attacked than abortion facilities.

Thankfully, with Donald Trump's upcoming second inauguration, hope remains that justice isn't far off for the D.C. Five and pro-life advocates who fight to protect unborn children from barbaric, late-term abortions.

Americans must not forget that the U.S. government weaponized the law against nonviolent political enemies. They must not forget that the government targeted and imprisoned peaceful pro-life advocates while violent domestic extremists walk free to this day.

Most importantly, Americans should know that we expect action over outrage. It's long past time to address the injustice of the FACE Act and seek justice for the five babies who were likely victims of federal crimes.

The House Judiciary subcommittee's hearing Wednesday is a great place to start. Americans can look forward to the incoming Trump administration and a Justice Department that will prioritize justice over politics.

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Making American Medicine Pro-Life Again

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Chuck Donovan | The Washington Stand

Time magazine has made newly elected President Donald Trump its 2024 Person of the Year. It's next to impossible to argue with the choice of a figure who has changed the course of American politics, launched a grassroots movement, endured federal and state prosecutions from his political opponents, and survived two assassination attempts that nearly took his life. In this same year, he has been extraordinarily open to the media, and he was again with editors and writers at Time, who spent more than an hour with the man who will be inaugurated for a second time in just a few weeks.

The interview covered a wide array of domestic and foreign policy themes, and it allowed more insight into Trump's plans for the most common form of abortion, the two-pill regimen of mifepristone and misoprostol. The **latest figures** from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, released on Thanksgiving Day as has become the custom, show that abortion by pill increased 4% from 2021 to 2022 and by 129% over the decade 2013-2022. Numbers from the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute for 2023 peg the percentage of abortions-by-pill even **higher**, at more than 63% nationally.

Questioned about his intentions, where both he and Vice President-elect J.D. Vance have promised no limit on "access" to abortion polls, the president-elect left only the slimmest opening for review of the abortion drug. When Time asked, "Will you vow that your FDA will not do anything to limit access to medication abortion or abortion pills?" Trump replied at first, "Well, we're going to take a look at all of that. That's why I'm here. We're going to take a look at all of that." Pressed by the interviewer for a bottom line on blocking the pill, however, he went on and said:

> "Look, I've stated it very clearly, and I just stated it again very clearly. I think it would be highly unlikely. I can't imagine, but we're looking at everything. But highly unlikely. I guess I could say probably as close to ruling it out as possible, but I don't want to. I don't want to do anything now. I want to do it at some point. There will be a time in the future where people are going to know everything about subjects like that, which are very complex subjects for people, because you have other people that … feel strongly both ways, really strongly both ways, and those are the things that are dividing up the country. But you know my stand from a very long, hard thing, and I think it's highly unlikely that I ever change that. Is it 100% unlikely that I change or that I stay—"

The interviewer then pressed even harder and the president-elect's last rejoinder regarding whether he would ensure FDA does not "strip access" was emphatic: "That would be my commitment. Yeah, it's always been my commitment."

The window for action on abortion drugs clearly seems narrow, but of course, the president is not the only actor in the drama, substantial though his political influence may be.
Only **intervention** by then-President Bill Clinton secured the transfer of patent rights from the French company Roussel-Uclaf in the 1990s, allowing the Clinton Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to ram through an earlier version of the drug regimen known as RU-486 before the end of Clinton's second term.

What other factors might influence the FDA to abandon incuriosity and take a deeper look at the impact of chemical abortion today? In truth, there are many, beginning with the relaxation of medical standards for its administration to women, the lack of comprehensive data on the drugs' sequelae under changing conditions of use, and the manner of distribution of the drug that accommodates criminal activity and violations of the family home and parents' rights.

Throughout his four years in office, President Biden loosened health requirements for prescription of the abortion pill, most importantly exploiting the COVID epidemic to end the FDA's requirement for a woman to be seen by a certified prescriber in person before obtaining the drugs. In the last days of his administration, Barack Obama had acted similarly and extended the gestational age at which the drug could be lawfully dispensed from 49 days to 70 days (10 weeks)

after the first day of the woman's previous menstrual period (Planned Parenthood has its own **77-day limit**, not approved by the FDA). **Interest** in potentially using these **later in pregnancy** continues.

Efforts by the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists and **other groups** to check or reverse these changes continued through the Trump and Biden administrations with little success.

Meanwhile, evidence beginning with overseas **studies** and followed by fresh examinations of Medicaid claims data continued to show that chemical abortion, including at higher gestational ages, sends disproportionate numbers of women to emergency rooms (ERs) for treatment. A **landmark study** by the Charlotte Lozier Institute (CLI) in the peer-reviewed journal Health Services Research and Managerial Epidemiology documented these increases in November 2021, sparking a politically motivated decision by the journal publisher to retract the study and two others at the behest of an abortion activist in Georgia. CLI has filed **suit** over the retractions but at the same time has renewed its research initiative by publishing a new peer-reviewed paper documenting the acuity of the ER visits due to chemical abortion.

The **new paper** appeared in September 2024 in the International Journal of Epidemiology and Public Health Research. The authors of the paper took on the most salient criticism of the retracted papers, which was not leveled at the original paper's findings of elevated emergency room visits but at the question of the severity of the medical conditions that led women to the ERs. Apart from its dismissal of women's evident concerns about their well-being post-medical abortions, the criticism merely pointed to an additional question the Lozier authors deemed worthy of investigation.

The outcome: women's ER visits post-chemical abortion were more than twice as likely to involve a "severe or critical acuity code" than visits made by women who were not pregnant during a comparable time frame. Moreover, visits after starting a chemical abortion were significantly more likely than for visits by women who had either had a surgical abortion or live birth.

The FDA has more than sufficient grounds — and indeed has a positive public health obligation — to examine the impact of its decisions to move to chemical abortions later in pregnancy, without an initial medical visit with a prescribing doctor, and with no requirement on treating personnel to report any injury to the woman beyond a fatal outcome. Taken in combination, the FDA's decision, driven by White House ideology under the Obama and Biden presidencies, is a vast experiment on women's health with no plan to collect data and monitor the impact on a host of potential adverse outcomes. All of this leaves aside the poignant questions about the impact on women's health of being the agent and the witness to the abortion of her child at home, nor the impact on the child whose mere existence is said to be the cause for intervention with drugs.

The COVID-era justification for dispensing with in-person administration of abortion pills has of course vanished. Physicians have **pointed out** time and again the critical knowledge this single act by presidential order has suppressed on the risks to which women are subject, including failure to detect a dangerous ectopic pregnancy or address Rh sensitivity that may endanger a woman or a child in a future pregnancy. An FDA decision to reverse the COVID policy by no means amounts to a ban on the drug, as welcome as that would be, but it would improve a margin of safety that until recently was viewed as the standard of care.

Other dimensions of abortion pills are ripe for reconsideration. The ability to order the drugs online, from various types of merchants and websites, has made it possible for them to be obtained by sex traffickers and malevolent boyfriends determined to destroy the baby. Here, as elsewhere, data is sparse but making these drugs a mail-order proposition and not a medically supervised event has led to a number of appalling cases across the nation and around the world, as **here**, **here**, and **here**.

Congress in the meantime need not be supine regarding the most prevalent tool of abortion in the United States. It can urge and or fund a new FDA review of the data regarding the impact of chemical abortion. It can strengthen the nation's laws with respect to the mailing of abortion pills across state lines. Imagine being a parent and discovering, after the fact, that your minor daughter has been shipped abortion drugs by an online contact in the United States or overseas. She consumes them in your family home and bleeds for nine to 16 days, or worse, and you are in the dark. Imagine that she orders them for her friends or another family member without your knowledge, and she has been told by the mailer not to disclose the drugs she has taken.

Congress can strengthen the recourse families have against such an invasion of the home or abuse of a minor. Finally, Congress or the FDA could ensure that women receive accurate information on abortion pill reversal, a process that is used in **other contexts** to prevent miscarriage and that has led to the saving of more than **6,000 babies** from chemical abortion.

The evidence shows that chemical abortion presents many threats to the well-being of women and girls. The policy of recent Democratic administrations has been to expand it at all costs and to render tracking of its impact on women's mental and physical health all but impossible. The incoming Trump administration should immediately reverse this incurious posture and begin to address the policy flaws that put both mothers and babies at risk. By all accounts, the Trump team will not do so. But this should only spur pro-life members of Congress and pro-life groups to demand action. What else are we here for?

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Prayer and Repentance at the Bell Tower in Richmond, Thursday December 12 at 12 PM

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Please help us bring attention to this crisis!

America's Black Robe Regiment is leading one hour of Prayer and Repentance at the Bell Tower in Richmond on Thursday December 12 beginning at 12:00 PM. We are calling pastors across the Commonwealth to join us for this crucial event, as there are now 23 abortion centers in our state, double the number that existed prior to the overturning of Roe v. Wade, quickly making Virginia the Abortion Capital of the South!

Click this link and see below to see details about this event.

Please join America's Black Robe Regiment's one hour prayer vigil at the Bell Tower by the Virginia State Capitol.

- Dec. 12 at 12:00 PM (12/12 @ 12)

- 101 N. 9th St. Richmond, VA
- Purpose: a time of repentance for the Silence of the Church on the sin of abortion in the state of Virginia. *Remember silence is consent!*

URGENT: this is an urgent call for the Church to pray.

On January 8, when the General Assembly convenes, a vote will be taken on an extreme abortion amendment. How did the state that gave us so many Founding Fathers who fought for Life and Liberty reach this state of deprivation?

FURTHERMORE: Salem, Virigina is now one of two locations on earth, where a woman can receive a free chemical abortion if she agrees to allow a satanic ritual to be performed over her!!

THERE is HOPE if we humble ourselves and repent: two Special Elections will be held on Jan. 7, 2025, to fill two vacant Virginia Senate seats. This is an opportunity to flip the Senate Red and stop the pro-abortion amendment.

If you cannot attend the Prayer Vigil in Richmond, would you please go to your nearest local abortion center and pray simultaneously from 12-1:00 PM. Please send me an email if you plan to do this so that we can publicize your effort.

Below is a majority of the abortion centers now in Virginia.

Whole Woman's Health of Alexandria
4.5(229) · Abortion clinic
Alexandria, VA

Falls Church Healthcare Center
No reviews · Women's health clinic
Falls Church, VA

Alexandria Women's Health Clinic
4.3(50) · Abortion clinic
Alexandria, VA

Whole Woman's Health of Charlottesville
No reviews · Abortion clinic

Charlottesville, VA

Virginia Women's Wellness
No reviews · Women's health clinic
Virginia Beach, VA

Whole Woman's Health of Petersburg
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Petersburg, VA

Bristol Women's Health
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Bristol, VA

Planned Parenthood – Carol Whitehill Moses Center
No reviews · Reproductive health clinic
Washington, DC

A Capital Women's Health Clinic
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Richmond, VA

A Tidewater Women's & LGBT Primary Care
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Norfolk, VA

A Woman's Choice of Danville
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Danville, VA

Roanoke Medical Center for Women
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Roanoke, VA

Seven Hills Family Medicine
No reviews · Family practice physician
Richmond, VA

Richmond Medical Center For Women
No reviews · Women's health clinic

Richmond, VA

Planned Parenthood – Charlottesville Health Center
3.4 (45) · Abortion clinic
Charlottesville, VA

Peninsula Medical Center for Women
No reviews · Abortion clinic
Newport News, VA

Planned Parenthood – Richmond, Church Hill Health Center
No reviews · Reproductive health clinic
Richmond, VA

Church of Satan abortion center
Salem, VA

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How Did We Get Here? Margaret Sangor, Nazis and Eugenics: 1916 Project: Full Movie

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TAGS: EUGENICS

Margaret Sanger and the eugenics movement laid the groundwork for a culture that devalues life. But as Seth Gruber poignantly states in the film:

"When the Church stands up, Satan sits down."

How did our society arrive at this point where life is so devalued? And when did the worldview of today become that of eugenics? Josh Schwartz and Ken Mikle interview Seth Gruber for some answers. The full movie is embedded at the end of this piece.

Olive Tree Ministries' Ken Mickle interviews Seth Gruber, CEO and founder of the White Rose Resistance.

In a world increasingly defined by cultural chaos and moral relativism, many are asking a profound question: "How did we get here?" This question is at the heart of *The 1916 Project*, a groundbreaking book and full-length documentary by Seth Gruber, CEO and founder of the White Rose Resistance.

How Did We Get Here?

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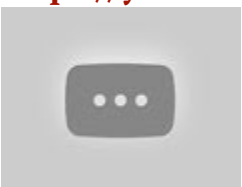

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This project is not just another piece of historical reflection; it's a compelling exposé of the roots of today's culture of death. It uncovers the historical and ideological connections between Margaret Sanger, the Nazis, and the pervasive influence of eugenics.

For those in the pro-life community, The 1916 Project is essential viewing and reading to understand the battle we face today and how to confront it effectively.

Margaret Sanger: The Mother of Planned Parenthood and Eugenics

Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood, is often heralded as a feminist icon and champion of women's rights. However, the *1916 Project* reveals the dark truth about her ideology and legacy. Sanger was a devout eugenicist who sought to control the population of those she deemed "unfit."

Her vision extended far beyond mere birth control; she advocated for forced sterilization and segregation camps and even proposed introducing sterilizing agents into urban water supplies to curb the reproduction of the poor and marginalized. This chilling legacy of population control remains deeply embedded in Planned Parenthood's operations today.

In the documentary, Seth Gruber connects the dots between Sanger's eugenic ideas and Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. The film exposes how Sanger's board members and ideological allies openly supported Nazi policies, including forced sterilization and the pursuit of racial purity. These disturbing historical truths have been buried for decades, but they indict not only Sanger but also the broader liberal establishment that continues to embrace her ideas.

The Links Between Eugenics and Today's Cultural Chaos

Eugenics is more than a historical atrocity—it's a worldview that still influences our society. Gruber argues that the culture of death, rooted in eugenics, has evolved into the ideologies that normalize abortion, transgender surgeries on children, and the commodification of human life.

The *1916 Project* shines a light on how Planned Parenthood has become the largest provider of abortion, pornographic sex education, and puberty blockers for gender-confused youth. These issues aren't isolated—they stem from the same dehumanizing worldview that Sanger championed over a century ago.

Why Every Pro-Life Advocate Needs to Watch *The 1916 Project*

The full-length movie *The 1916 Project* is more than a documentary; it's a wake-up call. Gruber methodically exposes the connections between Sanger's eugenics, the Nazi regime, and the progressive ideologies that dominate today's culture. This film is a resource for equipping Christians and pro-life advocates to stand firm in the fight for life and truth.

Here's what you'll gain by watching:

1. **A Clear Understanding of the Past:** The film uncovers the hidden history of eugenics and its influence on modern society.
2. **Tools to Confront Today's Challenges**: Learn how the culture of death operates and how to combat it with biblical truth.
3. **Inspiration to Take Action**: The documentary is a rallying cry for Christians to rise up and fight for the sanctity of life.

How to Watch the Film and Get the Book

The full movie is available for streaming on X (formerly Twitter) for a limited time. Churches and community groups can also host screenings, providing an excellent opportunity to educate and mobilize others in the fight for life.

The accompanying book, *The 1916 Project*, is an invaluable resource. It features a detailed timeline, historical evidence, and a compelling narrative that connects the dots between past atrocities and present-day moral confusion.

To watch the film or purchase the book, visit **The 1916 Project website.**

A Call to Action: Confronting the Culture of Death

As the pro-life movement continues its fight for the dignity of every human being, **The 1916 Project** serves as both a resource and a challenge. It reminds us that the battle for life is deeply rooted in a spiritual and ideological war that stretches back decades.

Margaret Sanger and the eugenics movement laid the groundwork for a culture that devalues life. But as Seth Gruber poignantly states in the film, "**When the Church stands up, Satan sits dow**n."

Now is the time for the blood-bought Bride of Christ to stand firm, proclaim truth, and be a light in the darkness. Equip yourself with the knowledge and courage to confront the lies of eugenics,

abortion, and cultural death by engaging with *The 1916 Project*. Together, we can reclaim a culture of life.

Take the Next Step: Watch the movie, read the book, and share this message with your church and community. Let's work together to stand against the tide of darkness and fight for the sanctity of life.

> Watch The 1916 Project on X today. Join the resistance. Tear down the culture of death.
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Key Issues in Virginia: Abortion Amendment, Parental Rights, and More

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In the latest episode of *Speak Up! Virginia*, the **Virginia Family Foundation** delves into critical issues affecting life, family, and freedom in the Commonwealth. This week's discussion highlights the extremist abortion amendment, parental rights, and efforts to redefine marriage in Virginia's Constitution.

Watch the Full Episode:

Media Freak-Out over Trump Picks + Dems Fast Track Extremist Abortion Amendment
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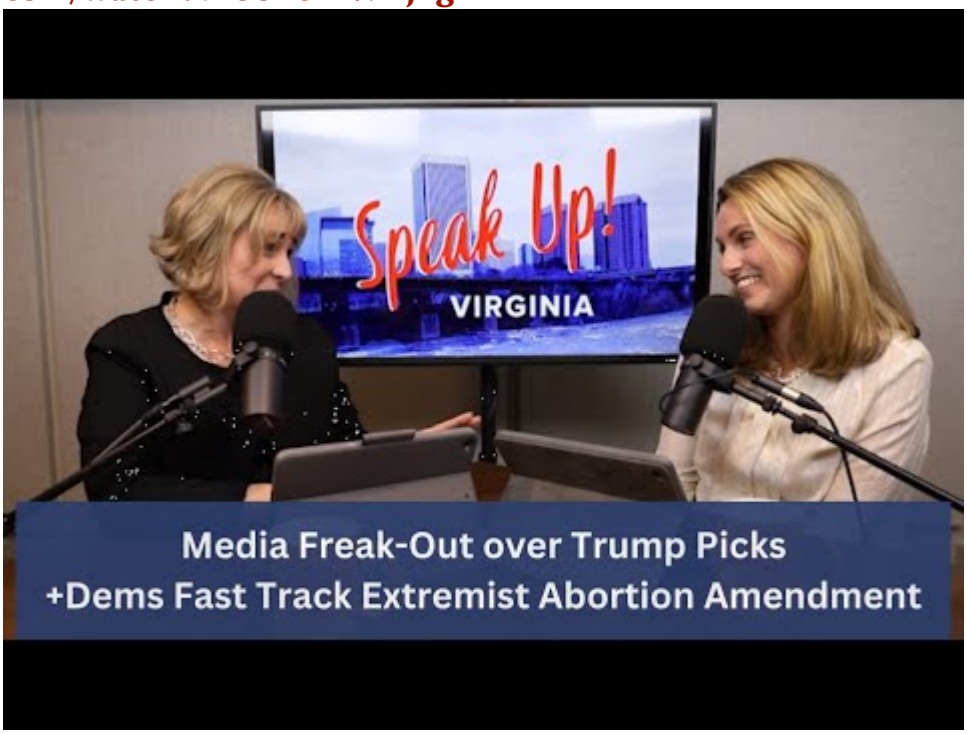

> *Media Freak-Out over Trump Picks + Dems Fast Track Extremist Abortion Amendment*

Let's break down the key issues discussed in the episode:

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1. The Extremist Abortion Amendment

Virginia's Democratic legislators are fast-tracking a proposed constitutional amendment to enshrine abortion rights as a "fundamental right." Known as House Joint Resolution 1 (HJ1), this measure could radically transform Virginia law, making abortion untouchable by future regulations.

Key Concerns:

- **Parental Rights Undermined**: The amendment's broad language guarantees rights to "individuals," including minors. This could strip away parental involvement in decisions about abortion, contraception, or gender transition procedures.
- **No Room for Restrictions**: Elevating abortion to a "fundamental right" makes it nearly impossible to regulate, even in cases involving health and safety.
- **Impact on Pro-Life Protections**: Existing parental consent laws, safety regulations, and data collection requirements could be nullified.

This amendment doesn't just "restore Roe"; it introduces vague, extreme language that threatens both women and children.

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2. Parental Rights at Risk

The proposed language could erode parental authority in unprecedented ways. By defining reproductive rights broadly, the amendment undermines parents' ability to guide their children in critical health decisions.

What You Need to Know:

- Parents could lose oversight over minors seeking abortions, sterilizations, or gender transition treatments.
- The amendment's use of "individuals" instead of "adults" opens the door for minors to act without parental consent.
- It poses a direct threat to existing parental consent laws in Virginia.

3. The Attack on Marriage

Lawmakers are also proposing changes to constitutional language defining marriage as between one man and one woman. Replacing this with broad, undefined terms could have far-reaching implications.

Implications:

- Legal challenges involving polygamy and other non-traditional arrangements may arise.
- Redefining marriage weakens its foundational role in supporting stable families and communities.

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4. How Virginians Can Take Action

The Family Foundation encourages all Virginians to get involved in these critical issues. Here's how you can make a difference:

What You Can Do:

- **Stay Informed**: Follow updates from trusted sources like the Virginia Family Foundation.
- **Attend the Virginia March for Life**: Mark your calendar for April 2, 2025, and join thousands at the state Capitol to stand for life and family values. In 2025, the VA March for Life and VA Pro Life Day will take place on two separate dates! The 2025 **VA Pro Life Day** will take place on January 29 and **Virginia March for Life** will take place on April 2, 2025! The rally will begin at 11:00 a.m. and the March will immediately following at 12:00 p.m. We want pro-lifers in Virginia to attend both events, so please be sure to spread the word!

- **Contact Your Legislators**: Call or email your representatives to express opposition to the abortion amendment and support for parental rights.

Why This Matters

The sanctity of life, parental rights, and traditional marriage are cornerstones of a thriving society. The decisions made in Virginia's General Assembly will have lasting impacts on families and communities. By staying informed and speaking up, you can help preserve these foundational values for future generations.

Share the Message

If this resonates with you, share the ***Speak Up! Virginia*** video and this article with friends, family, and your church. Together, we can ensure that life and family values are defended across the Commonwealth.

Here Are Donald Trump's 'Promises Made' on Transgenderism and Abortion

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Ben Johnson | The Washington Stand

As once-and-future President Donald J. Trump strode to the podium to deliver his victory speech after **winning** the 2024 presidential election, he made his exuberant followers a solemn vow: "I will govern by a simple motto: Promises made, promises kept." President Trump, who made greater efforts to keep his campaign pledges as the 45th president than perhaps any modern president in decades, has vowed to protect children from irreversible surgeries, uproot extreme transgender ideology from government, enshrine parental rights, and end the weaponization of government against Christians and pro-life advocates.

Here are some of President-Elect Donald Trump's most important 2024 campaign promises on transgender issues, abortion, and education.

President Donald Trump's 2024 Promises on Transgender Ideology

The Biden-Harris administration's advocacy of extreme transgender ideology did more to return the 45th president to office than any other issue. The Democratic polling firm Blueprint found that swing voters said the **top reason** they voted against the Democratic candidate in 2024 is that "Kamala Harris is focused more on cultural issues like transgender issues rather than helping the

middle class." And Republicans spent **$65 million** on ads highlighting the Democratic Party's transgender extremism in three months.

But long before the election, President Trump had vowed to reel in the radicalism of the Obama-Biden-Harris administrations.

"Probably number one on my list … I will sign a law prohibiting child sexual mutilation — think of it, sexual *mutilation* — in all 50 states," President Trump **promised** during his speech to the 2023 Pray Vote Stand Summit. He denounced governors like Minnesota's Tim Walz (D) and California's Gavin Newsom (D) for signing "**depraved new laws** that strip parents of parental rights and that encourage minors to be transported across state lines for sexual mutilation. … We will prosecute those involved in this sick California scheme for violating federal laws against kidnapping, sex trafficking, child abuse, and the deprivation of their civil rights."

President Trump has long recognized the overreach, and political value, of extreme gender ideology. No later than February 2023, President Trump included a robust, 11-point plan to end gender "madness" in his "**Agenda47**" blueprint for his next administration. Trump posted these pledges on the Trump-Vance campaign **website** and articulated these points in a **video** posted on Rumble on February 1, 2023.

"Here's my plan to stop the chemical, physical, and emotional mutilation of our children," said the president.

1. "On day one, I will revoke Joe Biden's cruel policies on so-called 'gender-affirming care," which Trump called "ridiculous." As he did at the Pray Vote Stand Summit, he promised to oppose "a process that includes giving kids puberty blockers, mutating their physical appearance, and ultimately performing surgery on minor children."

2. "I will sign a new executive order instructing every federal agency to cease all programs that promote the concept of sex and gender transition at any age," he said.

3. "I will then ask Congress to permanently stop federal taxpayer dollars from being used to promote or pay for these procedures and pass a law prohibiting child sexual mutilation in all 50 states," he said, forecasting, "It'll go very quickly."

4. "I will declare that any hospital or health care provider that participates in the chemical or physical mutilation of minor youth will no longer meet federal health and safety standards for Medicaid and Medicare and will be terminated from the program immediately." For instance, Boston Children's Hospital received **$1.4 million** from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) of Massachusetts for inflicting "gender transition

services" between January 2015 and May 2023. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) also **awarded**a **$3.3 million grant** to build a website targeting young people in other states who identify as transgender.

5. "Furthermore, I will support the creation of a private right of action for victims to sue doctors who have unforgivably performed these procedures on minor children," said Trump. Within one week, two former victims of the transgender industry — **Chloe Cole** and **Camille Kiefel** — sued the doctors who misdiagnosed their mental illness as gender dysphoria and recommended surgical amputations.

6. "The Department of Justice will investigate Big Pharma and the big hospital networks to determine whether they have deliberately covered up horrific long-term side effects of sex transitions in order to get rich at the expense of vulnerable patients — in this case, very vulnerable," promised the 45th president. Economic considerations undeniably play a role in Dr. Shayne Taylor **convinced**Nashville's Vanderbilt University to begin carrying out transgender surgeries, because "they require a lot of follow-ups. They require a lot of time, and they make money —they make money for the hospital."

7. "We will also investigate whether Big Pharma or others have illegally marketed hormones and puberty blockers, which are in no way licensed or approved for this use," said Trump about the off-label, experimental uses of drugs intended to temporarily suspend precocious puberty only until it could safely begin.

8. "My Department of Education will inform states and school districts that if any teacher or school official suggests to a child that they could be trapped in the wrong body, they will be faced with severe consequences, including potential civil rights violations for sex discrimination and the elimination of federal funding," he said.

9. "As part of our new credentialing body for teachers, we will promote positive education about the nuclear family, the roles of mothers and fathers, and celebrating rather than erasing the things that make men and women different and unique," said President Trump.

10. "I will ask Congress to pass a bill establishing that the only genders recognized by the United States government are male and female, and they are assigned at birth. The bill will also make clear that Title IX prohibits men from participating in women's sports," said the president-elect. The injustice of having female athletes like Riley Gaines lose scholarships, prizes, or other opportunities to middling male athletes drove voters toward the Trump-Vance ticket, polls show.

11. “And we will protect the rights of parents from being forced to allow their minor child to assume a gender which is new and an identity without the parent’s consent,” Trump vowed. When one mother’s former lesbian partner began to teach her four-year-old son about extreme gender ideology, she said the boy’s preschool sent her “**edicts by email**,” with no consideration that he, or she, may not be fully committed to his social transition.

“No serious country should be telling its children that they were born in the wrong gender,” said President Trump.” Under my leadership, this madness will end.”

President Donald Trump’s 2024 Promises on Abortion

Although the Trump 2024 presidential campaign retreated to a less committed policy on protecting the unborn, the Trump-Vance ticket promised to end the weaponization of the federal government against pro-life advocates and left the door open to some additional pro-life measures.

After the 2022 Dobbs decision, the Biden-Harris administration stood by as Jane’s Revenge attacked pro-life women’s resource centers and churches. It then established a federal task force to prosecute peaceful — often elderly — pro-life sidewalk counselors on flimsy charges that they violated the 1994 **Federal Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act**.

“To reverse these cruel travesties of justice, tonight I’m announcing that the moment I win the election, I will appoint a special task force to rapidly review the cases of every political prisoner who’s been unjustly persecuted by the Biden administration … so that I can study the situation very quickly and sign their pardons or commutations on day one,” President Trump **told** the 2023 Pray Vote Stand Summit. “Never again will the federal government be used to target religious believers.”

As president in 2017, President Trump strengthened pro-life policies that protected U.S. taxpayer funds from underwriting abortion around the world. He later enacted regulations preventing those who receive Title X funding from advocating abortion — which led Planned Parenthood to withdraw from the federal family planning program rather than give up abortion advocacy. The administration appears amenable to reenacting these measures. “On the question of defunding Planned Parenthood, look, I mean, our view is we don’t think that taxpayers should fund late-term abortions. That has been a consistent view of the Trump campaign the first time around. It will remain a consistent view,” **said** Vice President-Elect J.D. Vance last month.

Vance also personally distinguished between a “national abortion ban” and a “**minimum national standard**,” such as a bill to protect unborn babies from abortion after 15 weeks — although Trump has not registered his support for the measure.

President Trump kept his promise after he became the first candidate to release a list of potential Supreme Court justices' names during the 2016 election. After seeing the hand of God deliver him from two assassination attempts, President Trump has found a divine purpose in carrying out his campaign promises. If he keeps these promises, which won the Republican Party eight out of 10 white evangelical voters and more than nine out of 10 pro-life votes, he will go far toward his goal to make America great again.

Stand Up for Virginia: A Faith-Inspired Call to Action

NOVEMBER 13, 2024
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Hear Lt. Gov. Winsome Sears's inspiring words as Candi and Todd discuss Trump's stunning victory and the future of our movement.

Christians: Speak Up and Shape the Future of Virginia

Virginia stands at a crossroads after recent elections. While change is in the air nationally, our state faces unique challenges with its current legislative makeup. The moment calls for people of faith to engage thoughtfully and purposefully in shaping Virginia's future.

Lieutenant Governor Winsome Sears recently shared a compelling vision on *Speak Up Virginia* about faith-based civic engagement. Her message emphasized how faith-informed voices can help build stronger communities and ensure all Virginians are represented in policy discussions.

'Let Us Make Darkness Tremble': Special Message from Lt. Gov. Winsome Sears

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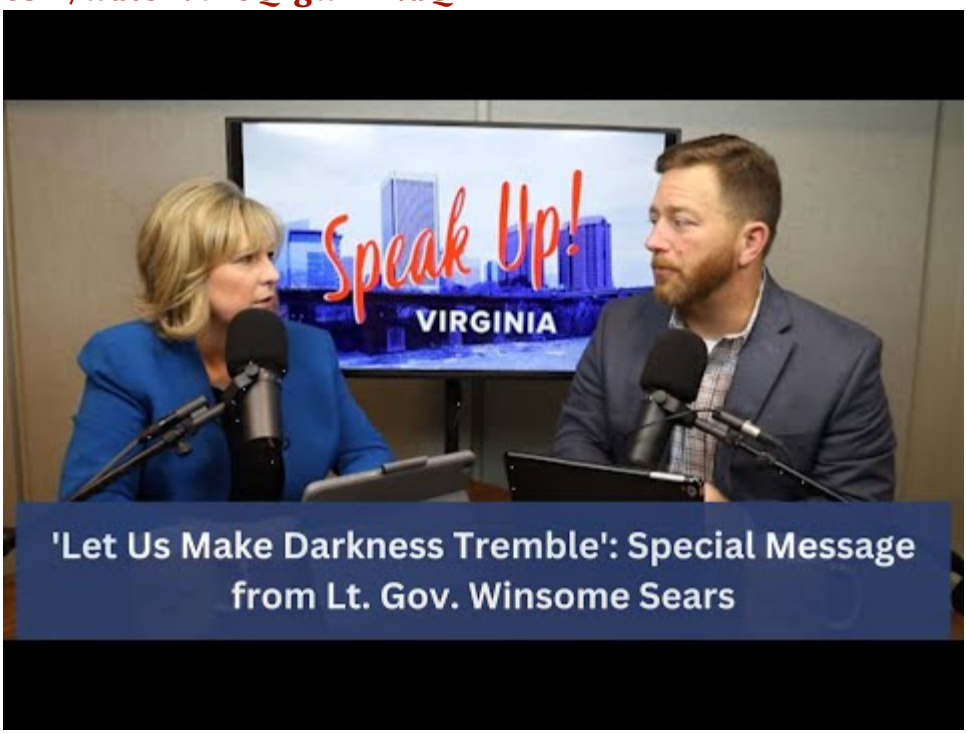

Building Momentum Together

Recent elections have shown that voters care deeply about their communities' direction. Yet there's untapped potential in our democracy – many citizens, including people of faith, remain on the sidelines. As Lieutenant Governor Sears noted, "Politicians can't read, but they can count." Every voice matters in the democratic process.

A Call to Thoughtful Action

Drawing from Psalm 133:1, Lieutenant Governor Sears emphasized how unified, purposeful engagement can create positive change. She highlighted several key areas where citizen involvement makes a difference:

- Educational policy and parental involvement
- Family support initiatives
- Community well-being
- Civic participation

Practical Steps Forward

The upcoming General Assembly session offers concrete opportunities for engagement. Consider:

- Reaching out to your representatives
- Attending local government meetings
- Staying informed about legislation affecting your community
- Participating in constructive dialogue about Virginia's future

Stay Engaged and Informed

The Family Foundation offers resources to help citizens stay connected with legislative developments. Visit familyfoundation.org for updates and opportunities to engage in Virginia's civic life.

Together, we can help build a Virginia that honors its diverse communities while upholding values that strengthen families and neighborhoods. Let's work together to create positive change through thoughtful civic engagement.

Standing for Life: Pro-Life Students Mocked by Kamala Harris for Declaring “Jesus as Lord”

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Video includes first-hand testimony from the pro-life students at the Harris rally.

In a recent rally, Vice President Kamala Harris mocked and dismissed pro-life students who were brave enough to speak out for the unborn, proclaiming that “Jesus is Lord” in the face of an audience that largely supported abortion. These students, mocked and escorted out of the event, were not simply protesting a political policy but were standing up for life—a cause that millions of Christians around the world passionately defend; that of the unborn innocent life that has no voice of their own.

'DOING GOD'S WORK': Pro-life students allegedly mocked, thrown out of Harris rally
https://youtube.com/watch?v=gTyuVKJG0hY

The sanctity of life is at the very core of the Christian faith. Psalm 139:13-16 tells us that God knits each of us together in the womb, and Jeremiah 1:5 reminds us that He knows us before we are even born. For us, this is not a mere political issue but a matter of obedience to God's Word, which affirms the value of every human life, from conception to natural death.

The students who boldly proclaimed Christ's name were doing the work of God, advocating for the voiceless and the most innocent among us—the unborn. They were met with ridicule and derision from a leader who supports policies that destroy life. But as Christians, we are not surprised when the world mocks us. Jesus Himself said, "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first" (John 15:18).

Abortion, as one of the students rightly said, is indeed "a sacrament of Satan." It stands in direct opposition to everything that is good, true, and holy. While the world may dismiss or ridicule the stance for life, we as Christians know that we are defending the defenseless and honoring the image of God in every human being. Harris's dismissive comments—telling them they were at the "wrong rally"—reveal the deep divide in this nation on the issue of life.

But we will not be silenced. As millions of Christians across this country continue to stand for the unborn, we do so with the knowledge that we are truly doing God's work. In a culture that celebrates death, we choose life. And just as Jesus was mocked, so too will we be. But as we endure, we are reminded of Jesus' words in Matthew 5:11-12: "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven."

Let us press on, defending the sanctity of life, knowing that our work is not in vain, for we are standing on the side of truth, life, and the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

DAILY UPDATE Community Resilience During Hurricane Helene: Lessons in Self-Reliance and Local Preparedness

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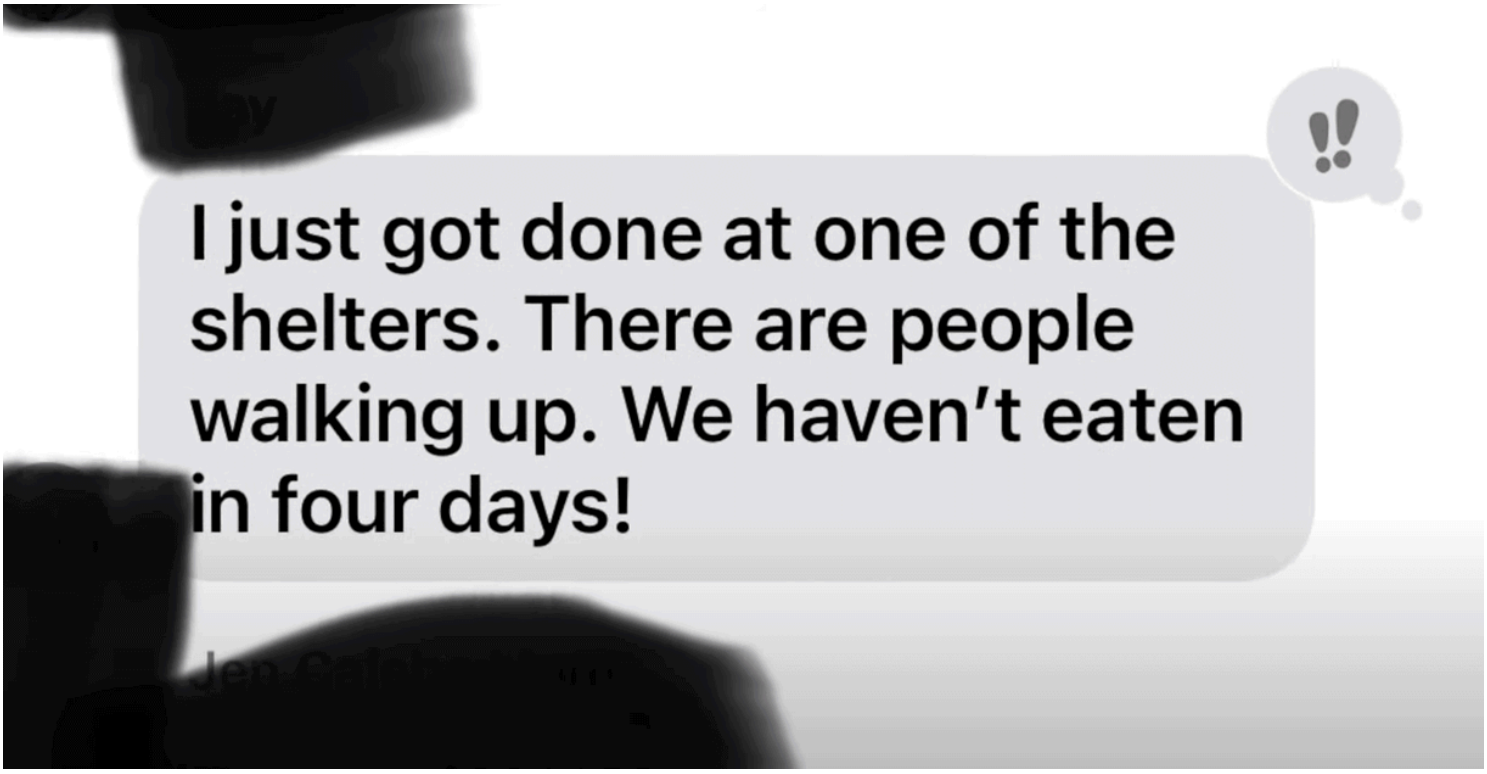

CHECK BACK DAILY FOR VIDEO "ONSITE" UPDATES AND EYE-WITNESS REPORTS ADDED TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS

In the wake of Hurricane Helene, the affected communities in Western North Carolina experienced unprecedented devastation. This blog post highlights the resilience of the people caught in the storm's path through their stories, reflecting a poignant narrative of survival, community strength, and the pressing need for improved disaster response strategies.

The Immediate Aftermath: A Local's Perspective

Christy Thrift, a resident and guide from NC Outdoor Adventures, recounts the terrifying experience during and after Hurricane Helene swept through her community. As the river near her home swelled to catastrophic levels, the lack of early and effective response from emergency services left the locals to fend for themselves.

Hurricane Helene Survivor - "They marked over 100 possible bodies in a six mile stretch of river"
https://youtube.com/watch?v=ag-hb45J6MQ

“We were down here for about three days with no outside help,” Christy explains, standing near the remnants of what used to be a neighborhood. “It was all neighborhood folks and neighbors that got us out. We dug out the road ourselves, got insulin to those who needed it, and tried to evacuate as many as we could.”

The community’s self-reliance during those critical first days was a testament to their resilience. Using shovels and sheer will, they managed to clear pathways, share scarce resources, and provide makeshift rafts for evacuation. But the emotional toll was heavy, especially as they discovered that not everyone could be saved. “Lenny’s house, it was just gone,” Christy recalls, her voice breaking. “We watched his house float away.”

The Power of Community in Crisis

Another resident, who runs the Aeroponic Tower Channel on YouTube, shared her experience on the ninth day post-Hurricane Helene. Despite personal losses, she focused on aiding her community by distributing food and supplies and sharing updates through her channel. She highlighted how local efforts filled the gaps left by overwhelmed official responses.

UPDATE: Hurricane Helene Western North Carolina Day 7 and 8.
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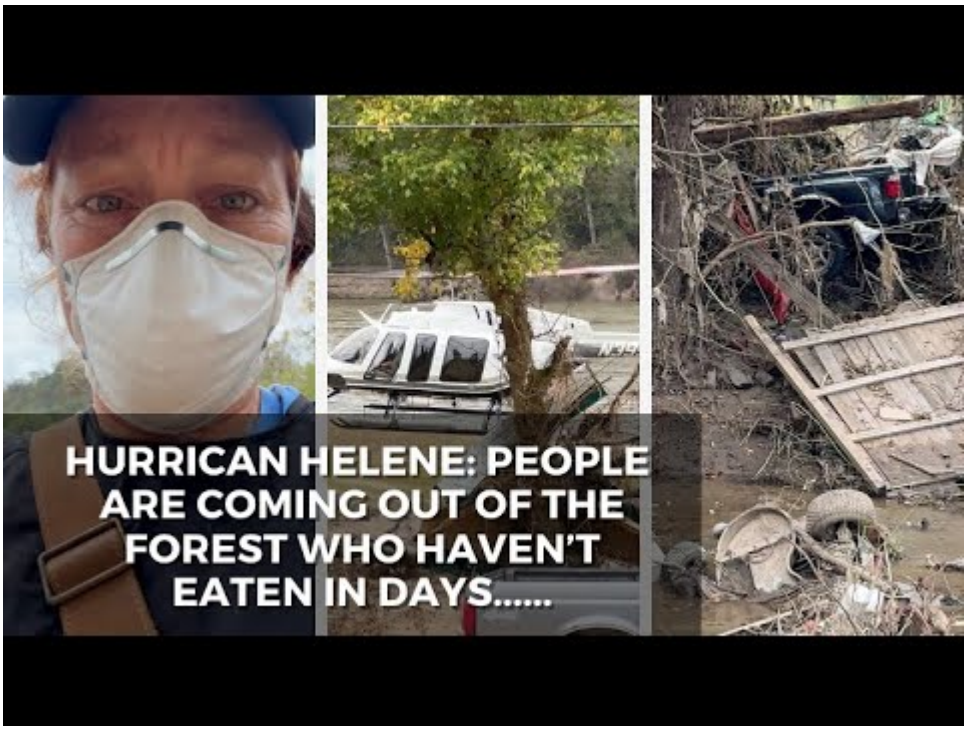

"We've become resource-heavy since day seven, with resources rolling in, but not everyone can get to them," she explains. The logistical nightmare of destroyed roads and bridges meant that some residents were cut off from essential supplies. In response, locals with ATVs and knowledge of the terrain became lifelines, delivering food, water, and medical supplies to those trapped in remote areas.

Her story underlines a critical lesson: in the absence of immediate external help, the infrastructure of community and neighborly support is indispensable. "It's truly unbelievable," she says, describing how crop planes began to fly over, dropping supplies into hard-to-reach areas —a makeshift but vital solution until more structured help could arrive.

Lessons Learned and a Call for Better Preparedness

The experiences shared by these residents not only underscore the immediate human impacts of such disasters but also highlight significant deficiencies in disaster preparedness and response. Both stories reflect a larger narrative of communities repeatedly left to manage independently due to slow or inadequate governmental response.

From these harrowing experiences, a common theme emerges: the imperative for communities to establish local disaster preparedness plans that include training, resource allocation, and robust communication strategies that do not rely solely on traditional systems, which can fail during severe disasters.

A Strong Message: Self-Reliance Over Dependence

As we recount the resilience shown by these communities, it becomes evident that waiting for government aid like FEMA in the immediate aftermath of a disaster may not always be feasible. These stories serve as a stark reminder that self-reliance and community-driven initiatives often provide the first line of support when disasters strike. This reality should not diminish the role of national support systems, but rather underscore the vital importance of local preparedness and immediate action.

Conclusion: Moving Forward with Resilience

Hurricane Helene brought devastation, but from its wake rose stories of incredible community strength and resilience. These narratives should serve as both a reminder of the vulnerabilities that exist and a call to action for all stakeholders—local governments, organizations, and individuals—to invest in comprehensive disaster preparedness and community resilience programs. Only through proactive planning and strengthening local capacities can communities hope to mitigate the impacts of future disasters and protect the most vulnerable among us.

As we reflect on the stories from Hurricane Helene, let us commit to not only remembering the names and faces of those who stood strong amid the chaos but also to ensuring that their experiences lead to actionable change in disaster readiness and response strategies. Let the lessons of Helene inspire us to cultivate a culture of self-sufficiency and community collaboration, where the wait for external help becomes an exception, not the rule.

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Bikes and Beards, the channel of SRK Cycles. It’s about a group of Christian guys who ditched their dreaded 9-to-5 jobs to pursue a life they genuinely love, combining their passion for motorcycles with a dedication to work-life balance. They’re on a mission to shake up the motorcycle industry, proving that it’s possible to follow your dreams while juggling the demands of work and family.

We Went to Asheville, NC to Help, and It’s Worse – Much Worse

In this episode, we travel to Asheville, NC to provide aid to communities devastated by Hurricane Helene. The situation is dire—isolated towns with no power or communication, people without

basic necessities, and a daunting network of damaged roads making rescue efforts nearly impossible. We share our experiences working alongside volunteers like Jimmy from Jimmy's World and Seth from Burn Peak, attempting to reach those in need, and the obstacles we faced in delivering supplies. From hijacked trucks to unexpected roadblocks, it's a story of resilience, teamwork, and faith in the midst of a crisis.

We went to Asheville, NC to Help, and its WORSE , much worse
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Helene Day#5

Consequences of the ‘Suicide Pod’: Death, Arrests, and the Need for a Reminder of Makes Life Worth Living

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Sarah Holliday | The Washington Stand

It turns out, quite tragically, that 2023 saw the **highest** number of suicide deaths ever recorded within the U.S. since the 1940s. Over 50,000 Americans took their own lives last year alone. Just **one year prior**, at least 1.6 million Americans attempted suicide, 3.8 million planned to, and 13.2 million “seriously” considered it. And this does not take into account all the people who chose not to report their woes.

We talk about suicide as a terribly sad and irreversible decision, and that’s because it is. It’s hard to stomach the number of people in America — in the world — who feel so beyond help that the only option they believe they have is to end it all. Surely, many of these individuals make the decision through streams of tears and gasping breaths, in a mental state that has them screaming at themselves: *I just can’t do it anymore!*

Now, considering how painful it is to reckon with that harsh reality, it remains undoubtedly sickening that there are people who choose the "suicide business," making a profit off encouraging vulnerable people to end their lives. Exit International (EI), founded by Philip Nitschke, is a leading organization in this field of assisted suicide.And in partnership with The Last Resort (LR), the "portable suicide pod" is the latest means of killing to enter their market.

In June, the suicide pod, otherwise known as Sarco, was **gearing up** to have its first victim. Presented as a "beautiful" way of dying, Sarco only required 10 minutes, $20 dollars, and a push of a button from the inside to then replace the oxygen within the pod with nitrogen, leading to death by hypoxia. Nitschke and the two organizations **claimed** they "saw no legal obstacle to its use" — particularly in Switzerland, "where the law generally allows assisted suicide if the person commits the lethal act themselves."

However, they were wrong.

After just one use, in which "a 64-year-old U.S. woman … became the first person to use a 'suicide pod' to end her life," multiple **arrests** were made. Apparently, despite the Sarco squad thinking there were "no legal obstacles" hindering them, Swiss officials exposed the fact that the pod has yet to be "approved for use." Additionally, Health Minister Elisabeth Baume-Schneider had noted that "the capsule would not be legal."

She explained how Sarco "does not fulfill the demands of the product safety law, and as such, must not be brought into circulation." Neither, she added, is "the corresponding use of nitrogen … compatible with the article on purpose in the chemicals law." And notably, the folks from EI and LR were given even more warning than this.

According to the New York Post, "the Swiss newspaper, Blick, obtained a letter from Public Prosecutor Peter Sticher warning that operators of the Sarco pod could face 'serious consequences.'" Sticher put it this way: "There is no reliable information about the method of killing. completely unclear who has control over mechanical process during the dying process." And yet, it would seem none of those warnings were enough to put a hold on Sarco's debut. The unnamed woman died in the 3D-printed chamber Monday afternoon, and by Tuesday, "Cops in northern Switzerland **announced** … that 'several people' were taken into custody in connection to the death."

Currently, there is little additional information regarding the arrests and the opened "**investigation** on suspicion of incitement and accessory to suicide." But even with the information at hand, there are three prominent themes: death, arrests, and a needed reminder of what makes life worth living.

First, a woman died. The 64-year-old woman was described to have suffered from "severe immune compromise" — according to the group that put her in the pod. LR Co-President Florian Willet

said her death was “peaceful, fast, and dignified.” Nitschke also expressed in a statement through EI that he was “pleased that the Sarco had performed exactly as it had been designed.” And considering Willet and Nitschke got the conclusions they wanted, are we supposed to feel bad for the photographer who “wanted to take pictures of the use of the Sarco” but was arrested in doing so?

Taking life should not be done so flippantly. A woman who was once a little girl, who likely had hopes and dreams, died in this metal capsule. “If you want to die, press this button,” are the last words she ever heard. No, I don’t know the details of her condition. Nor do I know her family history or how many friends she had. However, what I do know is that she was a human being created in the image of God, and no one but God has the right over the timing of her death. Her loss should be mourned, because she is now gone, and a group of terribly misguided doctors are grinning over their personal success.

Second, people were arrested. To answer my own question: No, I do not feel bad for them. People were arrested for moving forward with something they knew was not approved, deemed illegal, and not compatible with safety laws. They moved forward because they were obsessed with some kind of a dystopian vision in which, according to their own **website**, they could “(Re)Design Death.”

Borrowing from their own language, this group moved forward despite the inevitable ramifications, because they wanted to pave the way to make death more “exciting.” From their perspective, death should “suggest a sense of occasion,” such as traveling “to a ‘new destination.’” It’s one thing, though still not justified, to gear the suicide market towards elderly, physically impaired people. But a closer look at Nitschke and his companions prove that they will market their “product” to anyone, including younger, **physical healthy** individuals.

People were arrested, perhaps only for strictly legal reasons, but I hope their stint in custody may be a time in which the church prays for the Lord to open their hearts and minds. May they understand that each life is precious and made in the image of God, and it’s not our place to make a profit or a business out of encouraging untimely deaths — whether you’re unborn or nearing 100.

This situation should also serve as a reminder of what makes life worth living. Money, dream homes and cars, promotions at work, traveling to new countries, or any other material and fading aspect of this temporary life is not what gives us the strength to live. We’re painfully aware of this every time money runs out, the housing market is too expensive, we lose our job, or deal with any daily affliction. But because our hope and joy are not found in these things, it’s instances in which suicide pods and illegal activity are flooding the headlines that we see the need to remember where they *are* found.

Jesus Christ is our only hope in life *and* death. He is the One who conquered the world and promised eternity for those who believe. He is the immovable Lord of all, who offers rest, peace, hope, joy, love, and true life to all who come to Him. Romans 11:36 proclaims, "For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever!" Do you see? This life is about *Him*. And you know what's beautiful? To Him be the glory, and because our God is a perfect and loving Father, His glory also happens to be for *our good*.

If you are in Christ, I beg you not to contemplate suicide. I beg you to encourage those around you to choose life — including unbelievers, who need this truth just as much as we do. Because, ultimately, Christ is on the throne, He has won the battle, and our lives are rooted in Him and His promises. We never have reason to give up hope because Christ is our eternal hope, and He has called us for a purpose. We never have reason to say we can't take any more of this life because Christ has promised to carry us through the fire. We don't have to contemplate death, because Christ has already given us abundant life now and forevermore.

Consider this prayer from an anonymous writer:

> "O Lord, I bless Thee that the issue of the battle between Thyself and Satan has never been uncertain, and will end in victory." But "heal me of any wounds received in the Great Conflict; if I have gathered defilement, if my faith has suffered damage, if my hope is less than bright, if my love is not fervent, if some creature-comfort occupies my heart, if my soul sinks under pressure of the fight. O Thou whose every promise is balm, every touch life, draw near to Thy weary warrior, refresh me, that I may rise again to wage the strife, and never tire until my enemy is trodden down."
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> "Give me such fellowship with Thee that I may defy Satan, unbelief, the flesh, the world, with the light that comes not from a creature, and which a creature cannot mar. Give me a draught of the eternal fountain that lieth in Thy immutable, everlasting love and decree. Then shall my hand never weaken, my feet never stumble, my sword never rests, my shield never rust, my helmet never shatter, my breastplate never fall, as my strength rests in the power of Thy might."

If you are tempted to give up or are tired of the weight of the world, I would encourage you to pray that prayer for yourself. Pray it every day if you must. Let it be your constant reminder of what — or Who, I should say — makes life worth living.

SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

Kamala Harris: ‘My Values’ Say Pro-Life Laws Are ‘Immoral’

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Ben Johnson | The Washington Stand

Vice President Kamala Harris promised a presidency that “brings values” that demean pro-life laws protecting unborn children as “immoral,” while endorsing a national abortion expansion during a poorly moderated debate with former President Donald Trump. Trump, meanwhile, seemed to scuttle reports that he would veto any and all national pro-life laws that reach his desk as president.

The two presidential hopefuls faced off at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia on Tuesday night in a 90-minute debate remembered more for the words of its moderators than its participants. David Muir and Linsey Davis of ABC News repeatedly contradicted Trump while allowing Harris to get by with **numerous lies and falsehoods** uncorrected. Although the rules called for the candidates’ microphones to be muted between questions, both candidates repeatedly spoke out of turn. In all, Trump spoke for 42 minutes, while Harris talked for 37 minutes.

Although Trump debated President Joe Biden on June 27 — a performance so discrediting that Biden bowed out of the presidential race on July 21 and coronated Harris as his hand-picked successor — he and Harris never debated before. Harris awkwardly introduced herself by name at the beginning of the debate.

Abortion came up early in the debate, as Harris defended the death-inflicting procedure as compatible with her morals and insisted the death of innocents does not violate any religion. Harris claimed, after the 2022 Dobbs decision, "now in over 20 states there are Trump abortion bans which make it criminal for a doctor or nurse to provide health care" — by which she meant bans on taking the life of an innocent person through abortion. She blasted those which do not allow abortionists to kill an innocent child conceived in rape, who did nothing to deserve the death penalty.

"That is immoral," Harris pontificated.

Harris, who boasted she "brings values" to the White House, then repeated one of the many shopworn phrases she said during the debate: "**One does not have to abandon their faith** or deeply held beliefs to agree the government, and Donald Trump certainly, should not be telling a woman what to do with her body." Christians have held that abortion violates their faith, and should be illegal, for **2,000 years**. Orthodox Jews also say they **hold a pro-life faith**.

The Satanic Temple regards abortion as a sacrament.

As she has throughout the campaign, Harris promised to **impose abortion on all 50 states** by force. "I pledge to you when Congress passes a bill to put back in place the **protections of Roe v. Wade** as president of the United States, I will proudly sign it into law," she said. "But, understand, if Donald Trump were to be re-elected, he will sign a **national abortion ban**. Understand, in his Project 2025, there would be a national abortion ban."

The Biden-Harris administration has endorsed a bill that goes beyond Roe, allowing abortion until birth nationwide. The Democratic Party platform also supports taxpayer-funded abortions in the United States and around the world.

President Trump countered that her party's view lies far outside the American mainstream. "The Democrats are radical" on abortion, replied Trump. Harris's running mate, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, "says abortion in the ninth month is absolutely fine." Last January, Walz **signed** the Protection of Reproductive Options (PRO) Act, which allows unlimited abortion-on-demand until birth. The Minnesota governor also **removed** a requirement that babies born alive during botched abortions receive potentially life-saving care. He also increased government payments to abortionists, curtailed funding for pro-life pregnancy resource centers, and rescinded a requirement that abortionists adequately inform mothers about the possibly life-threatening procedure they're about to undergo.

Trump cited comments from Democrats that abortionists could allow an infant born alive during a botched abortion to die without medical treatment. Liberals support "execution after birth," added Trump. "That's not okay with me."

ABC's Linsey Davis promptly inserted a comment that such procedures are already illegal, and Harris erroneously stated that late-term abortions do not take place. However, the Biden-Harris administration's CDC reports tens of thousands of abortions after 21 weeks, and an unknown number of children are born alive during botched abortions. "State-level abortion reporting statistics from nine states show that at least 277 infants have survived abortion since 2006," according to **a new report** from Mary Szoch, director of the Center for Human Dignity at Family Research Council — and that only accounts for eight states' fatalities.

Trump attempted to thread the needle, boasting of his role in overturning Roe v. Wade while seemingly foreclosing any future federal pro-life protections. "I did a great service" in appointing three of the six justices who overturned Roe v. Wade in the June 2022 Dobbs decision, because now the issue of abortion is "not tied up in the federal government," he said.

Trump made news when asked if he would veto any national pro-life legislation that reached his desk, as his running mate, Ohio Senator J.D. Vance (R), had said. "I didn't discuss it with J.D.," Trump replied. "I think he was speaking for me, but I really didn't." He said there is no need to discuss a veto, because national abortion legislation would "never get the vote" necessary to pass Congress.

Polls show a vast majority of Americans oppose overseas funding of abortion and late-term abortion, which remains legal — and practiced — across the United States. Congressional majorities may emerge on both issues after the November election. Trump reiterated his support for abortion in cases of rape and incest, and seemed content to leave the issue up to the states.

"This is an issue that's torn our country apart for 52 years," said Trump of abortion. "It's the vote of the people now."

Harris successfully ducked the question. "Would you support any restrictions on a woman's right to an abortion?" asked Davis.

"I absolutely support reinstating the **protections of Roe v. Wade**," she replied, which would allow abortions through all nine months of pregnancy. She then facetiously denied late-term abortions took place. "Nowhere in America is a woman carrying a pregnancy to term and asking for an abortion. That is not happening," Harris falsely stated.

The debate featured Harris in prosecutorial mode, focused on her attack lines and frequently baiting the 45th president into discussing niche issues that turned off swing voters in the suburbs, such as Harris's biracial identity, the 2020 election outcome, the January 6 riot, and the size of his

crowds. Harris largely managed to wiggle out of uncomfortable questions without any scrutiny from the moderators.

Trump did score points on numerous issues and clearly shellshocked Harris when she accused him of being a threat to the American form of government.

“It’s up to the American people to stop him,” Harris said.

“I probably took a bullet to the head because of the things that they say about me,” replied Trump, referring to a **near-fatal assassination attempt** on the other side of Pennsylvania on July 13.

Moderator David Muir promptly cut Trump off. “We have a lot to get to,” Muir interrupted.

At times, the debate seemed more between Trump and the moderators than Harris. Numerous commentators referred to the spectacle as a “three-on-one” debate. “I am absolutely disgusted by what we just witnessed,” said Greg Kelly of Newsmax immediately after the debate. CNN contributor David Urban noted that the “moderators have their thumb on the scale.”

The Harris campaign was so satisfied with the outcome that it has reportedly floated the possibility of holding a second debate with Trump. The president told Sean Hannity that the Harris team is asking for a rematch “because she lost.” Republican presidential candidates have typically not fared well during the first debate: Ronald Reagan did poorly in 1984. Michael Dukakis was believed to defeat George H.W. Bush in 1988. George W. Bush stammered his way to a tie with John Kerry in 2004. And Donald Trump did not score a knockout punch in his first 2016 debate against Hillary Clinton.

All rebounded in the second debate en route to winning the presidential election in November.

SOURCE: **THE WASHINGTON STAND**

Christians, You MUST Know This About Kamala Harris and Tim Walz.

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As the presidential election approaches in the United States, it is crucial for Christians to discern the true nature of the candidates' viewpoints, especially when those viewpoints clash with fundamental Christian values. Kamala Harris, who openly identifies as a Christian, has taken positions that starkly contradict the teachings of Christ, particularly concerning the sanctity of human life.

Christians, You MUST Know This About Kamala Harris and Tim Walz.
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Kamala Harris and the Sanctity of Life

One of the most concerning aspects of Kamala Harris' platform is her strong pro-abortion stance. Despite her public identification as a Christian, her actions and policies support the termination of unborn lives, a position that is in direct conflict with the Christian belief in the sanctity of life. Harris has consistently advocated for the expansion of abortion rights, going as far as pledging to enshrine "reproductive freedom" into federal law. This commitment to advancing pro-abortion policies raises serious questions about the sincerity of her faith and her alignment with Christian principles.

Contradictory Claims and Actions

Harris' positions extend beyond just the issue of abortion. Her support for radical gender ideology and policies that many Christians see as undermining traditional biblical values further distances her from the core tenets of Christianity. While she speaks of justice and equality, her actions, particularly her support for policies that Christians believe harm the moral fabric of society, suggest a different agenda.

Many Christians are puzzled by Harris' claims to faith, given her public record. As believers, we are called to evaluate leaders not just by their words, but by their actions. The Bible warns us to be wary of those who profess faith but whose actions betray a different reality (Matthew 7:21-23).

The Unchanging Truth: Jesus is King

Regardless of the outcome of the election, Christians must remember that our ultimate hope and allegiance lie not in any political leader but in Jesus Christ, the King of Kings. Political landscapes may shift, and leaders may come and go, but Christ remains the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

This election season provides a unique opportunity for Christians to share the gospel and remind others of the unchanging truth of God's Word. Living Waters, a Christian evangelism ministry, has created a gospel tract that is sure to bring a smile to people's faces while pointing them to the hope found in Christ.

As Christians, we must stand firm in our convictions, be vigilant in our discernment, and, most importantly, continue to share the gospel message with a world in desperate need of truth.

World War III Looms: Escalating Tensions Between the US, NATO, and Russia

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After reading **this piece**, you become aware that we are indeed heading toward nuclear confrontation. As global tensions rise, the specter of World War III looms ever closer. Recent developments highlight the dangerous escalation between the United States, NATO, and Russia.

Yesterday's announcement from the White House of expanded nuclear weapon deployment in the UK and Europe signals a new phase in this geopolitical conflict.

World War III Escalation Timeline

Understanding the context of these events is crucial. The timeline of escalation includes several key developments:

1. **Sanctions Against Russia**: Initial sanctions imposed by the US and its allies failed to deter Russian actions.
2. **NATO Expansion**: The expansion of NATO further provoked Russia, exacerbating tensions.
3. **Ukraine's NATO Membership**: NATO's pledge to include Ukraine as a member state added fuel to the fire.
4. **Long-Range Missiles in Germany**: President Biden's pledge to place long-range missiles in Germany by 2026, capable of reaching all of Russia, marked a significant escalation.

5. **Russian Nuclear Submarine in Cuba**: In response, Russia sailed a nuclear submarine into Cuban waters.
6. **Putin's Nuclear Pledge**: Vladimir Putin's recent pledge to position nuclear weapons near the US, likely in Cuba, if Biden follows through with the missile deployment in Germany, further heightens the risk of conflict.

These events set the stage for the latest alarming announcement.

Expanded Nuclear Arsenal

The Biden administration recently informed Congress of plans to expand the nuclear weapon arsenal in the UK and Europe. This expansion is presumably aimed at countering the Russian threat. The White House announcement stated:

> "The Amendment's revisions to Article II(B) of the 1958 Agreement clarify that these same types of information may be exchanged related to atomic weapons, including special nuclear materials properties and production or processing technology, as is determined necessary to improve the recipient's atomic weapon design, development, or fabrication capability" (**White House Announcement**).

The provisions of the 1958 Agreement, as amended, align with US commitments to the UK regarding the TRIDENT Strategic Weapon System and support for the UK's nuclear threat reduction programs. This move is framed as essential for maintaining a credible nuclear deterrent and supporting mutual defense under NATO.

Implications and Concerns

The expansion of the nuclear arsenal in Europe raises serious questions about the future. What will Vladimir Putin's response be? The tit-for-tat escalation increases the risk of a full-scale nuclear confrontation. The potential for a new Cuban Missile Crisis scenario, where the US might invade Cuba to prevent a Russian nuclear threat in the Western Hemisphere, cannot be ignored.

Media Silence and Ideological Blindness as World War III Risk Increases

One troubling aspect of this situation is the Western media's silence on the role of the US and NATO in provoking these tensions. The media's focus remains on Russia's actions, often ignoring the strategic decisions made by the US and its allies. This selective reporting fosters a pro-war narrative and obscures the full picture.

A Call for Awareness

As Christians, it is imperative to stay informed and pray for peace. The current trajectory of international relations is deeply concerning, and only through awareness and advocacy can we hope to influence a more peaceful outcome.

By staying vigilant and understanding the gravity of these developments, we can better prepare for the challenges ahead. The threat of World War III is real, and the time to act is now. Be active in your community and vocal with your representatives.

Further Reading:

- Conservative Treehouse: (**article**)
- Why are Western leaders so eager to go to war with nuclear-armed Russia and China? It's about DEPOPULATION (**VCA article**)
- How NATO powers are using the U.K.'s World War I model to lure Russia into the next big global war (**VCA article**)

A Prayer for Peace and Wisdom in Troubled Times

Heavenly Father,

We come before You with heavy hearts, deeply troubled by the escalating tensions and threats of war that loom over our world. Lord, You are the Prince of Peace, the One who calms the storms and brings order out of chaos. We seek Your divine intervention and wisdom in these perilous times.

Father, we pray for our leaders: Grant them the wisdom and discernment to make decisions that promote peace and justice. Help them to act with integrity and courage, always seeking the well-being of their people and the world at large.

We lift up those who are living in fear and uncertainty: Surround them with Your comfort and protection. May Your presence be a source of strength and hope, reminding them that You are in control even when circumstances seem dire.

Lord, we ask for Your mercy: In the face of potential conflict and destruction, we plead for Your grace to avert war and bring about reconciliation. Soften the hearts of those who harbor anger and hatred, and replace their desires for conflict with a longing for peace.

Help us, as Your people, to be agents of Your peace: Empower us to speak words of hope and encouragement, to act with compassion and kindness, and to be lights in the darkness. May our

actions reflect Your love and bring glory to Your name.

We pray for the Church worldwide: Strengthen our resolve to stand firm in faith and to be unwavering witnesses of Your truth and love. Unite us in prayer and purpose, that we may boldly proclaim Your gospel in these troubled times.

Lord, we trust in Your sovereign power: We know that nothing happens outside of Your knowledge and control. Grant us the faith to trust in Your perfect plan, even when we do not understand it.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Richmond City Council Approved the Sale of a Piece of Property for $10 to Planned Parenthood

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The decision to sell valuable property for $10 by the Richmond City Council has ignited a fierce debate about the role of Planned Parenthood and the city's priorities.

Transcript

The President's Speech

Fury: I'm the president of the Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance. I am appalled. I want to, I'm just going to tell you physically, I want to vomit that you want to sell this property for $10 to an organization that wants to kill our children. I want to be very clear about that. That is what Planned Parenthood does. They kill innocent children. They take them from the womb, and not only do they charge for the abortion, then they have the audacity to sell the tissue, the organs for profit. And this is the organization that is lauded and applauded by the **City Council of Richmond**. We want to become known as the Abortion Center for the South. We want to be known as the city that is willing to sacrifice the lives of our children for profit.

Not only does Planned Parenthood strip the lives of children from the womb, they damage the mothers. They damage their uterus, their fallopian tubes. They damage their fertility. They also have engaged in the wonderful practice to castrate chemically our young adolescent girls and boys and make them permanent patients all in the name of health care. Because here in the city of Richmond, we really care about people because we want to castrate them or we want to kill them because we're afraid. We're afraid of children. We're afraid of children in the womb. We're afraid of children crying. We're afraid of adolescence and the blooming and all of the things that go along with the wonder of adolescence. So we need to stop it. We need to stop it as fast as we can. And what greater gift do we give the people in the city of Richmond by building this and giving them this property for $10 so that they can destroy our families.

No, make no mistake. *Doctor, you have about 10 more seconds*. What you are doing… May God have mercy on your soul.

$10- what Planned Parenthood purchased Richmond building for sold by Lavar Stoney
https://youtube.com/watch?v=FZmgBwKhSVE

The Issue at Hand

Recently, the **Richmond City Council** approved the sale of a piece of property for $10 to Planned Parenthood. This decision has sparked outrage among various community members, including the **Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance**, whose president expressed strong opposition to the move. The contention centers around the nature of Planned Parenthood's services and the perceived impact on children and families in the community.

Planned Parenthood's Services

Planned Parenthood is known for providing a range of reproductive health services, including abortions. Opponents argue that these services result in the termination of innocent lives and have lasting negative effects on women's health. They point out that Planned Parenthood not only charges for abortions but also profits from selling fetal tissue and organs.

Impact on Mothers

Critics highlight the potential harm to women who undergo abortions. They assert that such procedures can damage a woman's uterus, fallopian tubes, and overall fertility. These concerns underscore a broader fear that the organization's practices may have long-term detrimental effects on women's health and their ability to conceive in the future.

The Broader Implications

The opposition to the property sale extends beyond the immediate health concerns. Detractors believe that supporting Planned Parenthood with such a favorable deal positions Richmond as a hub for abortions in the South. They argue that this move prioritizes profit over the well-being of children and families, ultimately leading to the destruction of familial bonds.

Chemical Castration Concerns

Another point of contention is Planned Parenthood's involvement in providing treatments that opponents label as **chemical castration**. These treatments, often related to gender transition processes for adolescents, are seen as irreversible changes that create lifelong medical dependencies. Critics argue that these practices do not reflect genuine healthcare but rather a harmful interference with natural development.

A Call for Action

The president of the **Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance** calls for the community to stop what they see as a harmful path. They believe that Richmond's current direction, as exemplified by the property sale to Planned Parenthood, compromises the sanctity of life and the health of future generations. This vocal opposition aims to galvanize support to prevent similar decisions in the future and to protect the community's children and families.

Conclusion

The decision by the Richmond City Council has ignited a fierce debate about the role of Planned Parenthood and the city's priorities. The controversy underscores a deep divide in perspectives on reproductive health services, the value of life, and the protection of families. As the community grapples with these issues, it remains to be seen how future actions will align with the values and beliefs of its members.

Gutting of GOP Platform Is 'Inexcusable'; 'This Kind of Incoherence … Is an Embarrassment': Princeton Prof

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Suzanne Bowdey | The Washington Stand

After the fast-tracked platform adoption at this month's Republican National Convention, pro-lifers are still reeling. Social conservatives like Princeton's Dr. Robert George, a preeminent legal mind, are appalled at the hollowing out of the party's guiding document, which abandoned the GOP's core principles and specific vision for the unborn. In a candid conversation with Family Research Council President Tony Perkins ***on last Thursday's "Washington Watch,"*** *Dr. George outlined how devastating the RNC's rewrite is to the cause of life, marriage, and family — and where Christian voters go from here.*

TONY PERKINS: When Donald Trump first ran for president in 2016, he aggressively courted the Christian vote, declaring himself personally pro-life as well as a supporter of federal legislation to protect unborn babies. As president, he followed through. He did exactly what he said he was going to do, appointing three justices to the U.S. Supreme Court, which led to the overturn of Roe v. Wade. As the 2024 election approaches, former President Trump's team changed the tune a

little bit, aggressively pushing through the 2024 platform, refusing to allow amendments or even debate which, frankly, makes this statement by Senator J.D. Vance last night ring a bit hollow.

Robert George Unpacks How Christians Should Respond To GOP 2024 Platform
https://youtube.com/watch?v=KG75K8zX2SM

J.D. VANCE (video clip): My message to my fellow Americans, those watching from across the country is, shouldn't we be governed by a party that is unafraid to debate ideas and come to the best solution? That's the Republican Party of the next four years, united in our love for this country and committed to free speech and the open exchange of ideas.

PERKINS: Well, I embrace that as an ideal, and I think it's essential. But it didn't happen last week at the RNC Platform Committee. And it's not just the process that's problematic, it's actually the product could have been much better had we been able to amend it and change it. The platform waters down and walks away from bedrock principles that define the modern Republican Party and have made it a competitive party. Supporters of the new platform say it well. It's succinct and it's clear. But is it clear? Is it succinct? Joining me now to discuss this Dr. Robert George. He is the McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and director of the James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions at Princeton University. Dr. George, welcome back to Washington Watch.

PROFESSOR ROBERT GEORGE: Great to see you, Tony. It's been a long time. Thanks for inviting me on to the broadcast.

PERKINS: Well, before we get into a discussion of where the Republican Party may be now on the life issue, marriage, and family, I want to step back for just a moment, because I think we've gotten here by maybe a misrepresentation of what happened two years ago at the Supreme Court in the Dobbs case. Did the Supreme Court say that the issue of abortion, of life, was now a state issue, and that the federal government had no role?

GEORGE: It did not say that. And in fact, when the Supreme Court has had occasion to actually rule on federal legislation, for example, the so-called Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, the Supreme Court has actually upheld federal intervention. And that was even before the Dobbs decision. So the Supreme Court ruling in Dobbs does not say that the federal government has no role. … Certainly it's true that responsibility begins with the states and our system. But if states fail to fulfill their constitutional obligation under the 14th Amendment to accord to each and every person the equal protection of the laws, then that same Amendment to the Constitution, in its fifth section, in the clearest possible terms, says that Congress shall — not may — *shall* by appropriate legislation enforce the guarantees of the amendment, including the guarantee of equal protection for all. So the federal government indeed does have a role, and the Supreme Court has not said otherwise.

PERKINS: Well, you brought up the 14th Amendment. Let's go right to that, because the platform — that's the only thing that it really mentions in this 2024 platform. Gone is a Human Life Amendment. But the platform mentions the 14th Amendment. But as I read it, some thing's missing that been there in the past.

GEORGE: The reference to the 14th Amendment is incoherent, Tony, in the platform language, and it's really inexcusable. We've had good platform language for 40 years, protecting unborn children over the period of that 40 years. Liberal Republicans, so-called moderates, pragmatists have worked night and day to try to water down or eliminate that strong pro-life language. People like Arlen Specter, the late Arlen Specter. You'll remember this, of course, but it was only when Donald Trump and his operatives this year decided that they wanted rid of that strong pro-life language, that the language was taken out of the platform. The reference to the 14th Amendment invokes the Due Process Clause, not the Equal Protection clause. That's a mistake, and it claims that the 14th Amendment simply empowers states to protect unborn children. That's not true either. The authority of the states is plenary. Their governments have general jurisdiction. They exercise what we in constitutional law know as police powers to protect public health, safety, and morals and to advance the common good. The 14th Amendment was enacted by the Republican Party — after slavery was abolished in the 13th Amendment — to give the federal government power to protect people … when states failed in their obligation to protect them. The 14th amendment doesn't empower states. They don't need empowerment by the 14th Amendment. The 14th Amendment empowers the national government, what we call the federal government. This is really inexcusable. This kind of incoherence in the platform language is an embarrassment.

PERKINS: But I want to go back to something that's missing in terms of the past. Since the mid-80s, we've had a call not only for … the Human Life Amendment. But then there was the application of the 14th Amendment to the unborn because.

GEORGE: Via the Equal Protection clause. Tony, that's what I was saying.

PERKINS: That's not in here. The unborn is left out.

GEORGE: That's right. What you have is an incoherent reference to the Due Process Clause. And even then, it does a botch job, because the Due Process Clause is invoked as if it empowers states to do what they can already do. …And what the 14th Amendment … does is empower the national government to protect rights when the states *fail* in their constitutional obligation to protect them.

PERKINS: I actually had an amendment in the process to clarify and fix a part of that. But there was no debate. There was no discussion. This was forced through. And I go back to something you said a moment ago, what the moderates and liberals in the party couldn't do, the conservatives did.

GEORGE: Well, I don't know if he's a conservative, but Donald Trump and Trump's operatives did it. That's exactly right. We fought that effort off for 40 years when it was people like Arlen Specter. And now, unfortunately, our party, my party, your party has caved in.

PERKINS: But what to me, Doctor George, which was so egregious, was not I've been you know, we've known each other. I mean, you were a part of the initial interview that I had when I came to the Family Research Council. That's right.

GEORGE: I was on the board when we hired you. Pretty good decision as things turned out.

PERKINS: Twenty-one years ago. And look, I've been in the minority on many issues in the legislative process, but we've always had rule of law in debate. And what was so troubling to me was the process in which there was no discussion, no ability to fix this. And not only is it the life issue, but marriage, which is something you and I have worked on as well. All it says here is we support the sanctity of marriage. What does that mean?

GEORGE: It doesn't define marriage. Past platforms have called for the overturning of bad Supreme Court opinions, which supported the redefinition of marriage, the so-called Obergefell opinion, for example, that has now been taken out. There's nothing in the party's platform that calls on our nation to return to the basic principle of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife. Social conservatives, moral conservatives, religious conservatives, Christian conservatives have nothing to cheer about here. This has been an unmitigated catastrophe for the causes, the values in which we believe.

PERKINS: hard fought battles over decades wiped out in hours.

GEORGE: That's exactly right. With no serious debate discussion, it was rammed through. I know that you did your best, Tony. I know that you worked hard to try to protect the language that supports our values. But you were not given a fair opportunity, nor were your colleagues.

PERKINS: Well, the media was kept out. Now I know why they did not want to see. They did not want the world to see what they were doing. They didn't want conservatives to see what they did behind those locked doors. … There's been some pushback. Now, of course, the assassination attempt over the weekend kind of shifted the focus, and unity became the focus. And I understand. So that debate kind of diminished. But it has popped up a little bit during the course of the week, and mostly surrogates for the president saying, 'You know, people don't pay attention to the platform. We've got to move on. We've got to get voters. This will help us win.' What do you say to that? W

GEORGE: Well, Tony, I saw yesterday an interview with Eric Trump. And if anybody's a surrogate for Donald Trump, it's certainly Eric Trump. And it was a liberal journalist who was interviewing him. And she made the point that this new platform language seems to water down the party's commitment to protect unborn children against abortion, and it seems to eliminate the call for marriage to be defined as the union of a man and a woman. And she asked Eric Trump, 'Doesn't this represent a change in your father's views?' And Eric Trump replied by saying, 'No, these have always been my father's views. This is who my father is.' And then he went on to say, 'This reflects the views of my wife, Lara Trump,' who … is co-chairing the Republican National Committee. So was President Trump and his surrogates, were they telling us the truth back in 2016 and 2020, or are they telling us the truth today? The story has changed.

PERKINS: Dr. George, you've been a part of not only teaching, raising up many wonderful leaders, but part of the culture with ideas, with truth from conviction — moral conviction — that comes from faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I entered into this arena, the political arena, because of the issue of life. I would have been happy to stay as a police officer, but these things compelled us to move forward. What do those who are compelled to engage because of their faith do when a party departs from a really long held position that runs parallel to or in concert with their faith?

GEORGE: Two connected answers to that, Tony. Number one, tell the truth. Tell the truth. In season and out of season, whether it's convenient or inconvenient, whether it brings you applause or the opposite of applause — tell the truth. And I know you're doing that. And I am bound and determined to do it. I'm going to tell the truth. Whether it's a Democrat, whether it's a Republican, if someone is failing in their obligation to stand up for the sanctity of human life and marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife and religious liberty and our core values, then I'm going to tell the truth about that. Number two, what we need is fidelity, fidelity, fidelity, no matter what the party does, no matter what the leadership does, no matter what the leadership of groups that are supposed to be dedicated to our causes, whatever they do when it comes to us, we have to remain faithful, faithful to our fundamental values. Now notice, by the way, Tony, that these values that we're defending — the sanctity of human life, marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife — yes, they are in line with our Christian faith, to be sure, for those of us who are Christians like you and me. But these are not Christian dogmas. These are not principles that

are only available for affirmation by virtue of the biblical revelation or witness … which is why lots of people who are not themselves Christians, lots of Jewish people, lots of people of other faiths also affirm these principles.

So we're not trying to impose our religion on anybody. Quite the contrary, any more than Martin Luther King, who invoked God and the Bible a lot, was trying to impose his Christianity on those who opposed segregation. We're not trying to impose our religion on anyone, but we are motivated ourselves in part, precisely by our faith and our sense of duty growing out of that faith. And so we have to tell the truth in season and out, and we have to be absolutely faithful to those principles. And it's going to cost us, by the way, Tony, it's going to cost us. You and I are going to be pushed to the margins. We're not going to be insiders. We're going to be made outsiders. You and I both had experience being insiders. Uh, you and I both sat in the Oval Office of the president of the United States at different points, uh, and given advice and had our opinions, uh, solicited and so forth. Uh, when we stand up for what's right, when we're faithful, when we tell the truth about our own party, just as we do about the other party, uh, we're going to pay a price for that. But it's a price that we are required to pay.

PERKINS: The truth of God's Word does not change, and it's rooted not only rooted in the Word of God, but as you pointed out, nature speaks to this. The natural law reveals this, and we have to stand firm on that regardless. And these are not just other issues. I mean, this is not the marginal tax rate. This is not inflation. These are foundational issues. And there's really no room for compromise.

GEORGE: Yeah. I mean, I do think that we're right to pursue, as you and I have pursued for many, many years, for example, on the pro-life front, an incremental strategy. But it's got to be a strategy of moving forward, right? We get what we can get today, and then we move to work for further protection until someday down the line, we achieve our goal of every child being welcomed in life and protected in law. That's the goal. We can move incrementally, but we can't give up. We can't say, 'Well, there are some unborn children we're not going to protect. We're just going to cut them loose. We're going to leave them aside.' We're going to protect every child we can, when we can. And our goal will always be to protect every child, every child.

PERKINS: We must always move forward. No retreat. Dr. Robert George, thank you so much for joining us.

GEORGE: My pleasure. Tony, good to be with you.

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Here's How You Can Help Protect Children and Fight against Human Trafficking

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> **the majority of us children who are being trafficked for sex sleep in their own beds at night, and their parents are oblivious**

Sarah Holliday | **The Washington Stand**

One of the first striking realities I faced upon entering the political public square was the fact that it's unbelievably easy to ignore what's happening around the world. It's easy because, in many (reasonable) cases, it's what we prefer. We'd rather not be bogged down by the reality that there have been **over 63 million** aborted babies since 1973. It's unpleasant to consider the children who will never be able to grow up and get pregnant or have their natural voice due to irreversible transgender hormones and surgeries. I can't say I blame anyone for wanting to keep their conscience clean of dirty, messy politics.

But the thing is, these issues are more than just politics. We're talking about real people. These issues are rooted in the sanctity of life. As believers, we have an opportunity to evangelize in the public square while defending biblical mandates and fighting for them to have their rightful place in laws and public institutions. And while it is easier to not engage in these exhausting conversations, they're utterly important, and someone has to join the fight. All this to say, one topic I realized many are oblivious to regarding its gravity and vastness is that of human trafficking.

It's sad and horrific to think about the children who are enslaved as sex-workers. It's nearly impossible to fathom. But it needs to be discussed. It needs to be fought. The 2023 film "Sound of Freedom" effectively and emotionally conveyed the reality that human trafficking is not only a problem, but it's an underestimated problem. Children being pulled from their families, shipped to undisclosed countries, and abused by this heinous and criminal system is not only common, but "these things happen every single day," said Paul Hutchinson, the executive producer of the film, in an interview with The Washington Stand.

Hutchinson, who's led over 70 undercover rescue missions through identifying kidnapped and trafficked children, urged that what's truly shocking is we're witnessing "the first time in history that U.S. taxpayer dollars are being used to fund child trafficking." That's "because our taxpayer dollars are being used to pay for the plane ticket or the bus of that child to its new trafficker, because they can make a significantly higher amount of money selling that child there in the U.S., closer to the demand and where the bigger money is, than waiting for an American to come down to Guatemala or Honduras."

As evidenced by recent testimony from a round table discussion **last week**, America has a real problem on its hands. Recent data unveiled that "464,922 children have been encountered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection police nationwide," and at least 85,000 of them have gone missing. Whistleblowers have exposed the fact that the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Labor are to blame for this. While it's already concerning that many of these children have been sent to "dangerous locations," a major motivation behind the whistleblowers testimonies is that many of these children are now victims of human trafficking.

It appears this issue has been significantly exacerbated by the crisis at the southern border. As Hutchinson explained, "I believe that the open border is so much more dangerous than we can imagine. There's child trafficking going on everywhere." But it's not just that trafficking is happening at the border, but that traffickers are coming in *at* the border.

Hutchinson argued there are many reasons to believe that "there's an alternative agenda" coming from within the government to "let in millions of undocumented immigrants and … get everybody to go to the polls," which then gives "some degree of chance of swinging an election." But concerning how trafficking relates to "the border crisis right now, it's not only the massive influx of immigrants that could potentially try to swing an election. It's not only the 85,000 undocumented children … that are unaccounted for right now. It's also the massive number of military aged males that are coming across the border."

He continued, "This is an invasion, and it's being very strategically placed throughout our country, and we need to be aware of that as good Americans that we're in a very precarious position." And the fact is, for many, this is news. It's information not known by the everyday American — and even those in positions of authority, it would seem. And "the reason why we're so unaware,"

Hutchinson explained, is because "we have been force-fed a narrative that has been designed to take us away from the truth." Alas, here is the problem, and it's a very real one. So, what now?

From what he's experienced, Hutchinson said it's common for people who learn about just how bad human trafficking is in America and around the world to want to help. Which then begs the question: What can be done? "Well," he stated, "the worst thing you can do is go to Columbia and try to go rescue children. You're going to get arrested. You're probably going to get shot."

For parents, "The best thing that you can do is go home and hug your children." The harsh reality, as Hutchinson explained, is that "the majority of us children who are being trafficked for sex sleep in their own beds at night, and their parents are oblivious." In America, he went on to say, "t's very seldom that a healthy family is going to have their child just taken and put on a container and taken to another country. That's very seldom." And yet, regardless of where you live, "if you walk out in your front yard … and you look left and you look right, there's a very high chance that one of those houses is a very dangerous place for children."

Because of this, Hutchinson urged that the best way to protect children as a parent is to have "a relationship with your kids where they can very comfortably come to you" and tell you what's happening if they're ever engaged by a predator. Kids who become victims are often "controlled through manipulations," but if you have good relationships, it's far more likely for them to come to you if they experience what Hutchinson called "grooming behaviors."

It ultimately boils down to the fact that "we need to be paying attention … so that we can keep our children safe." But even if you're not a parent, there are plenty of ways for anyone to take action and help fight against human trafficking. In his upcoming book, "The Sound of Freedom," Hutchinson outlines more of what can be done in greater detail. But regarding first steps, anyone can plead with their local governments and their states senators and representatives to create laws that combat human trafficking and protect children from these criminals.

"Tougher laws for pedophiles," Hutchinson noted, is a good place to start. Additionally, we can work to put "better policies in place to keep track of these children and make sure that they're not in these susceptible positions. That's super important." And lastly, to echo what Family Research Council often reminds us of, elections have consequences. As he implored, it's crucial to be "paying attention when you're going to vote." It's up to us to be "very aware of the policies of the people" we vote for. We can't forget, Hutchinson concluded, "how many vulnerable people, especially … children, are going to be affected by" our votes.

So, yes, it may be easier to ignore these glaring realities. But these children need our help. Even if all we can do seems small, it doesn't change the fact that we can, indeed, do something. And to fight this blatant, toxic, and widespread evil is worth our every valient effort.

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Angel Studios' New Film Brings Message of Adoption, Hope to Big Screen

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It's a story that needed to be told, says "Sound of Hope" writer and producer Rebekah Weigel, because Possum Trot is not just another small **Texas community** near the Louisiana border, but a town that chose to live out God's command to care for the orphan.

"This is such an amazing story," says Weigel, an adoptive mother herself, adding, "we need to see more churches step in" the way that Bennett Chapel Missionary Baptist Church did.

Back in the 1990s, W.C. Martin, the pastor of the small church in Possum Trot, and wife Donna felt the Lord call them to adopt a child. Martin began preaching to his rural church about what the Bible says **about adoption**, and the congregation was moved to action. In total, 22 families in the church adopted 77 of the hardest-to-place children in the foster care system.

"There's probably only a couple hundred people in the community of Possum Trot, an unincorporated area," Weigel says, "but, you know, they took it seriously, and they did it together as a community. And I think that's something I really loved about this story, was just the sense of

doing it together, like bearing each other's burdens, and, you know, when one was weak, they came together, and they helped each other, and I think we need more of that."

Sound Of Hope: The Story Of Possum Trot | Official Trailer | Angel Studios
https://youtube.com/watch?v=-nyh9tcGFcI

Now, the inspirational story of what happened years ago in the little community of Possum Trot is hitting the big screen on July 4 in the feature film "Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot." **Angel Studios** is distributing the film. To learn more and purchase tickets, **click here**.

Weigel joins "**The Daily Signal Podcast**" to discuss the true story behind the film and the experience of telling such a moving story through film.

Listen to the podcast below:

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The Sanctity of Human Life and the Right to Life for the Baby in the Womb

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One of the core principles of the Virginia Christian Alliance is the **sanctity of human life** from conception and the baby in the womb, to natural death.

In the midst of modern ethical dilemmas and scientific advancements, the sanctity of human life remains a cornerstone of Biblical teaching. From the dawn of creation, as depicted in Genesis, where God breathes life into Adam, to the profound declarations in the New Testament, the Bible consistently affirms that life is a precious gift from God. Every human being is created in the image of God, imbued with inherent dignity and worth.

This divine perspective mandates a profound respect for life at all stages, from conception to natural death. As technological advancements challenge traditional ethical boundaries, it is crucial to reaffirm the Biblical truths about the sanctity of life and the God-given right to live. This article delves into these sacred teachings, advocating for the protection of the most vulnerable among us, particularly the unborn, against practices that devalue human life.

God as the Giver and Author of Life

- **Acts 17:25**: "And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else."
- **Acts 3:15**: "You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this."

Life Created in God's Image

- **Genesis 1:27**: "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them."
- **Genesis 2:7**: "Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being."

God's Delight in and Protection of Life

- **John 10:10**: "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."
- **Psalm 139:13-14**: "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."

God's Plan and Purpose for Every Life

- **Jeremiah 29:11**: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Responsibility to Protect Life

- **Proverbs 31:8-9**: "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy."
- **Exodus 23:7**: "Have nothing to do with a false charge and do not put an innocent or honest person to death, for I will not acquit the guilty."

Innocence and Sacredness of Life

- **Psalm 127:3**: "Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him."
- **Isaiah 49:1**: "Before I was born the LORD called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name."

Condemnation of Taking Innocent Life

- **Exodus 20:13**: "You shall not murder."
- **Proverbs 6:16-17**: "There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood."

God's Care and Intention for the Unborn

- **Jeremiah 1:5**: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

These scriptures collectively highlight that human life is a divine gift, created in the image of God, and therefore holds intrinsic value and dignity. The Bible calls believers to protect and cherish life, speaking up for the innocent and ensuring that every human being's right to life is respected.

Given these Biblical principles, many Christians believe that supporting abortion is incompatible with obedience to God. They see the act of abortion as taking an innocent life, which violates the commandment against murder and disregards the intrinsic value that God places on every human being. Therefore, from this perspective, Christians who support abortion are seen as not aligning with the Biblical mandate to protect and honor life at all stages.

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BREAKING: Supreme Court Delivers Procedural Ruling on Abortion Drugs

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Mary Margaret Olohan | **The Daily Signal**

The **U.S. Supreme Court** ruled Thursday that pro-life doctors do not have standing to challenge the **Food and Drug Administration's removal of** safety restrictions on abortion drugs.

The court issued a unanimous ruling in two combined cases that deal with the FDA's regulation of abortion drugs, FDA v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine and Danco Laboratories LLC v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine.

Justice Brett Kavanaugh **delivered the opinion of the Cour**t, in which he wrote that even though the plaintiffs have "sincere legal, moral, ideological, and policy objections to elective abortion and to the FDA's relaxed regulation of mifepristone," because they do not prescribe or use the abortion drug mifepristone, and the FDA is not requiring them to "do or refrain from doing anything," "the plaintiffs lack standing to challenge FDA's actions."

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"In 2016 and 2021, the Food and Drug Administration relaxed its regulatory requirements for mifepristone, an abortion drug," the justice said. "Those changes made it easier for doctors to prescribe and pregnant women to obtain mifepristone."

"Several pro-life doctors and associations sued FDA, arguing that FDA's actions violated the Administrative Procedure Act," he continued. "But the plaintiffs do not prescribe or use mifepristone. And FDA is not requiring them to do or refrain from doing anything."

“Rather, the plaintiffs want FDA to make mifepristone more difficult for other doctors to prescribe and for pregnant women to obtain,” Kavanaugh wrote. “Under Article III of the Constitution, a plaintiff ’s desire to make a drug less available for others does not establish standing to sue. Nor do the plaintiffs’ other standing theories suffice. Therefore, the plaintiffs lack standing to challenge FDA’s actions.”

Justice Clarence Thomas emphasized in his concurring opinion that the ruling is all about standing, noting that the opinion is in line with his dissent in June Medical Services v. Russo.

“Just as abortionists lack standing to assert the rights of their clients, doctors who oppose abortion cannot vicariously assert the rights of their patients,” he wrote.

The Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine is a group of medical professionals committed to upholding “the fundamental principles of Hippocratic medicine,” including “protecting the vulnerable at the beginning and end of life, seeking the ultimate good for the patient with compassion and moral integrity, and providing health care with the highest standards of excellence based on medical science.”

These medical professionals were represented by Alliance Defending Freedom.

“Women should have the ongoing care of a doctor when taking high-risk drugs,” ADF senior counsel Erin Hawley, who argued the case before the Supreme Court, said in March. “The FDA betrayed women and girls when it removed the necessary in-person doctor visits that protected women’s health and well-being.”

“The FDA’s own label for abortion drugs says that roughly 1 in 25 women who take them will end up in the emergency room,” added Hawley, who is married to Sen. Josh Hawley, R-Mo. “Yet, the government continues to defend its reckless actions that jeopardize women’s health and safety.”

The drug central to the case is the abortion drug mifepristone, first approved by the FDA in 2000 as part of a two-part drug combo with misoprostol to abort babies very early on in pregnancy.

The FDA had formerly required a slew of safety restrictions, such as requiring that only a doctor could dispense mifepristone, that the mother would have to get the abortion drugs in person, and that the mother could only abort her baby using abortion drugs up until the seventh week of pregnancy.

Moms also would have to make three visits to the doctor to get the drugs: the first to take mifepristone, the second to take misoprostol, and the third to confirm that the baby was dead.

In 2016, the FDA eliminated requirements for the doctors who prescribe mifepristone to report “adverse events,” or nonfatal complications that ensued from the abortion drugs—meaning, that

unless a mother dies, the abortionists don't have to report complications from the drugs.

ADF **has argued** that that further obscures "the truth" about abortion drugs.

Also in 2016, the FDA also reduced the number of required doctors office visits for women getting abortion drugs from three to one, and it stopped requiring doctors prescribe the abortion drugs**.**

And in 2021, the FDA **stopped requiring** that abortion drugs be dispensed to mothers in person, which allowed women to receive them through telehealth appointments and by mail—though the agency had explicitly warned that abortion drugs should not be purchased over the internet "because they will bypass important safeguards designed to protect their health." (That language has since been removed from the FDA's website.)

The ruling comes just short of two years after the Supreme Court ruled, in Dobbs vs. Jackson Health Women's Organization, the **overturning of Roe v. Wade** in June 2022.

In a statement following the decision, Heritage Foundation legal fellows Thomas Jipping and Melanie Israel emphasized that the decision is "not the final judgement on the safety or effectiveness of mifepristone."

"While legal technicalities might allow Biden's FDA to continue manipulating its safety rules to push a pro-abortion agenda at the expense of health and common sense, women and girls taking these chemical abortion drugs are still in danger and largely left to fend for themselves," Jipping and Israel said.

They added: "Policymakers should be on the side of women's safety by, at a minimum, demanding that the FDA follow its own original safety guidelines, not give abortion drugs a pass because of radical abortion ideology."

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Once Again, Democrats Argue Women Can Only Succeed If They Kill Their Children

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In the midst of a contentious election year, Democrats are desperate to convince voters that protecting women and protecting unborn children are mutually exclusive. This was the purpose of last week's U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor, & Pensions (HELP) **hearing**, "The Assault on Women's Freedoms: How Abortion Bans Have Created a Health Care Nightmare Across America."

Committee Chairman Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) kicked off the meeting by implying that protecting children somehow harms mothers. "This morning, we will be holding a hearing to take a hard look at how this decision, the Dobbs decision, has impacted women," he lamented.

Sanders was joined by Senator Patty Muray (D-Wash.), who also commented, "We take a close accounting of the trauma Republicans are inflicting on women and families across the country, and the damage they are doing to basic reproductive health care through their horrific anti-abortion crusade."

But, Senator Bill Cassidy (R-La.), a medical doctor, quickly pointed out what Democrats were really trying to do. "It's an election year in which a Democratic incumbent is running behind. A decision has been made to raise abortion to a high profile to change the setting to invite a lot of folks to put us on TV. It's partisan politics being played out in a committee hearing."

Cassidy then presented images of a child's development inside the womb from ten to 41 weeks. "How can we dehumanize this?" Cassidy asked, "Can anyone say that that child is not a life?"

With Cassidy's poster at the front of the hearing room, it was impossible for Democrats to argue explicitly that an unborn child was not a human being, so they chose a different form of dehumanization.

Democrat witness Dr. Nisha Verma argued, "I'm not at all saying that pregnancies don't have value. That value is different for different people…"

What Verma failed to see is that a person's location cannot determine her worth — a point driven home by the presence and testimony of abortion survivor and Republican witness, Melissa Ohden.

Ohden began her testimony by reminding senators that, "Babies survived abortions before Roe v. Wade, babies survived during Roe v. Wade, and babies are still surviving abortions no matter where or how the abortion was performed. These experiences highlight the fundamental and undeniable humanity of the preborn and the needs, fears, and experiences of their mothers."

Ohden continued by telling the story of a woman named Evelyn whose attempt at chemical abortion failed twice. After the second failure, an abortion business that offered second trimester abortions connected her with an organization willing to pay for all her travel expenses, plus the $12,000 fee of a second trimester abortion that posed risks to Evelyn's health.

Ohden asked, "Can you imagine a child in your own life being subjected to so-called medical interventions intended to weaken, starve, burn, or dismember them limb by limb until they die? This is the reality of abortion, and we should be ashamed of it."

Ohden explained that Evelyn was found to be 32 weeks pregnant, and the abortion business's doctors weren't trained to carry out abortions after 24 weeks, so Evelyn gave birth to her daughter. She made an adoption plan that both can live with.

"The nightmare, here, is not abortion bans," Ohden said, "the nightmare is that abortion continues to be aggressively promoted so that it is seen as the only option. Like a plane ticket and $12,000 for a late-term abortion…"

Ohden then challenged the Democratic senators to consider "how different women's and children's lives, families, and society could be if just as much money was spent to provide

financial assistance, housing, education and employment support, child care, medical and mental health care."

"This," she said, "would lead to a new era of women's empowerment that ends the generational trauma of abortion."

Abortion is not the solution to the problems women are facing. It kills a beautiful, irreplaceable human being and is a pathway to both physical and mental health challenges and heartbreak for that child's mom. Women need tangible health care and support.

Attempting to win critical votes for November, Democrats spent the HELP hearing arguing that the best option for a woman to succeed is to kill her unborn child. Pro-lifers, on the other hand, offered real help and demonstrated a willingness to do whatever possible to care for both mothers and their children. Let's pray that at the ballot box, Americans recognize which kind of "help" mothers and their children deserve.

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Unsafe and Ineffective: The Biggest Lie Ever Told

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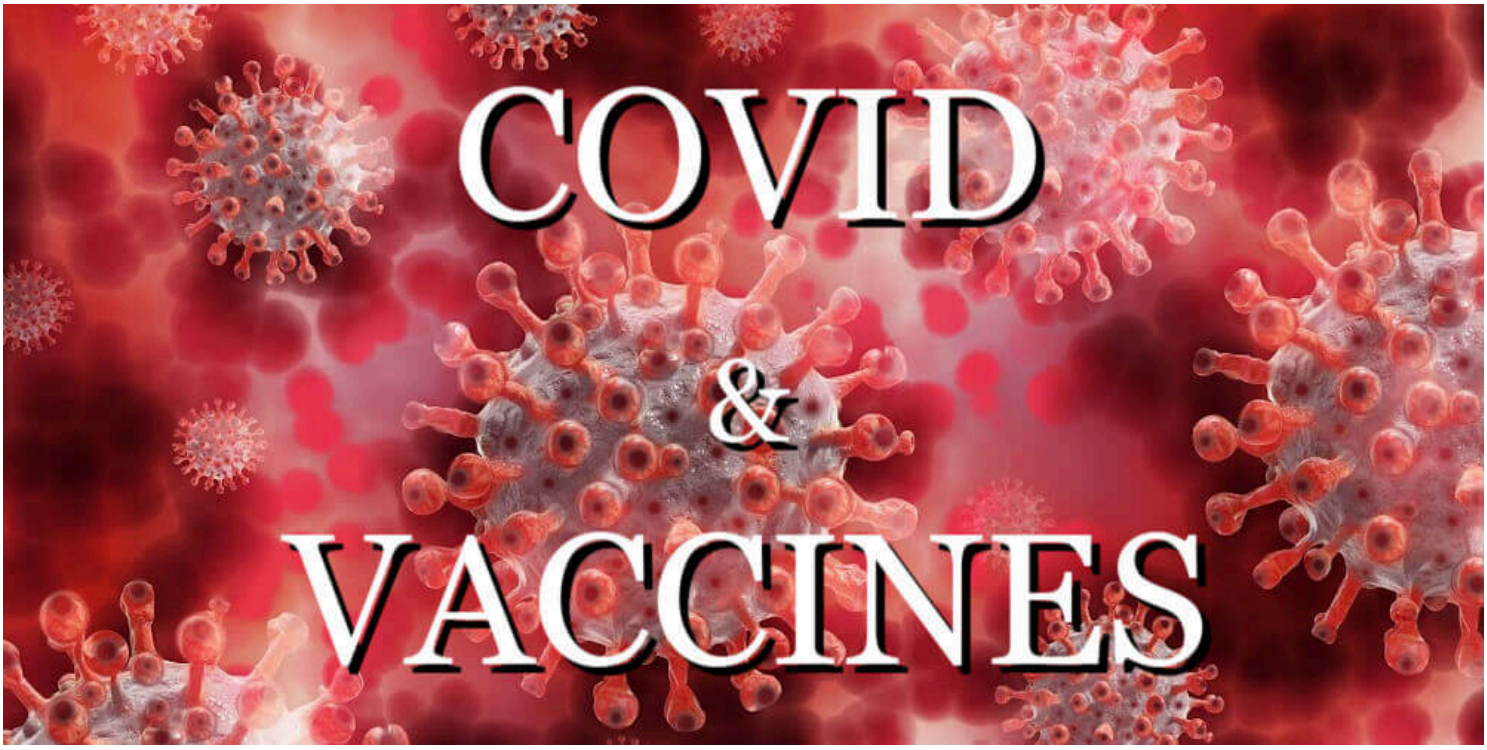

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What Ted Cruz, Katie Britt Get Wrong About IVF

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Sens. **Ted Cruz**, R-Texas, and Katie Britt, R-Ala., announced Monday that they are introducing a bill that would ensure access to in vitro fertilization by amending the Social Security Act. Under their IVF Protection Act, any state that bans in vitro fertilization no longer will be eligible for federal Medicaid funding.

Cruz **and Britt** announced in an op-ed in The Wall Street Journal that their legislation would "protect both life and IVF."

This is a popular rhetorical stance from the Republican Party as state and federal lawmakers scramble to prop up the fertility industry after the Alabama Supreme Court found a Mobile facility to be at fault for the wrongful deaths of five human embryos.

Is IVF Pro-Life?

Every life deserves to be protected and valued from the moment of fertilization. Circumstances of conception cannot and never will change that.

The child conceived in the loving embrace of their married parents, the child conceived in an unhealthy relationship, the child conceived in assault, and the child conceived in a lab are all of equal value.

I write that as someone with people in my life who were conceived in each of those scenarios. Each one of them is priceless, irreplaceable, and worthy of life.

Every life created by the fertility industry deserves to be protected. The fertility industry isn't in the business of doing so. Instead, this industry is in the business of creating lives outside the only environment where they can survive.

Those lives are in peril from the moment they come into existence until they are safely transferred to their mother's womb and given a chance at successful implantation.

The tragedy of the fertility industry is that a small minority gets that chance. Only about **2.3% of IVF embryos** result in a live birth; research in the U.K. found that **only 7% of embryos created via IVF** are implanted. An American fertility doctor **reported similar findings** to the American Society of Reproductive Medicine.

This means that over 90% of the lives created by the fertility industry are discarded as waste, frozen and left indefinitely in storage, or experimented on and destroyed. Not only that, but the genetic screenings **offered by the fertility industry** allow couples to choose not to implant an embryo based on possible disability, or having the "wrong" sex, hair color, or eye color.

This is lethal discrimination of the same kind as the abortion industry's ableist and sexist abortion practices.

If Cruz and Britt are serious about being pro-life, they must be willing to give an answer—do they believe that life begins at fertilization? If so, we must either assume that they are unaware of the reality of the fertility industry or that they are simply unwilling to provide equal protection to all human lives.

Is IVF Pro-Child?

Something isn't pro-child simply because a child was born, nor even because a child was born to two individuals with a sincere desire to become parents. It is good and natural to desire parenthood, but that doesn't justify every choice made to achieve it.

Is in vitro fertilization pro-child for the **1.5 million human lives** being cryogenically stored in the United States, with little to no hope of ever being implanted?

Is IVF pro-child for the children who lose one or both genetic parents in the process?

Each one of us, regardless of the home life in which we were raised, has a biological mother and father. **According to data** from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, out of 326,468 cycles—from ovarian stimulation to embryo transfer—24,040 relied on donor gametes.

That means 7.4% of IVF embryos lose access to one or both genetic parents. Another 4.7% of IVF cycles rely on a surrogate mother to carry the embryo.

The children born of these arrangements suffer the **trauma of maternal separation** for the sake of the adults involved. This is not "pro-child."

Is IVF Pro-Family?

An important but overlooked fact in much of the conversation about **in vitro fertilization** since the Alabama ruling is that the court sided with the parents whose embryos were destroyed because of the lax practices of an unregulated industry.

Due to the negligence of the Center for Reproductive Medicine in the Mobile Infirmary, a patient was able to wander into what should have been a secure area, remove several embryos, and accidentally destroy them by dropping them.

Ordinarily, we would look at **a court ruling** in which the judges sided with the injured party and say that justice had been done. Yet lawmakers on both sides of the aisle have tripped over themselves to praise and protect the industry that was at fault.

The negligence on display in the Alabama IVF case isn't the only instance of the fertility industry's **directly** or **indirectly** causing the deaths of embryos entrusted to it by parents.

It is generous beyond reason to call an industry that causes this kind of heartache and disappointment "pro-family" and propose legislation that offers unconditional cover for **self-regulated** clinics.

Is IVF Pro-Woman?

Infertility is a tragedy and the heartache that it causes is felt by several million couples in the United States. It is a grief that is often invisible, silent, and misunderstood. The conditions that lead to infertility are often painful and significantly affect quality of life.

Unfortunately, many women who pursue fertility care get **little help in addressing the root cause of their concerns.** Instead, they are offered a **risky procedure** that doesn't guarantee a pregnancy or a healthy live birth.

Is it really pro-woman to offer them a procedure that circumvents, rather than addresses, their health?

What About 'Good' IVF?

It is true that not every couple who pursues in vitro fertilization creates more embryos than the couple expects to be able to use or discards embryos based on genetic screening results.

Yet it is important to remember that in the wake of the Alabama ruling, the **board president of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine said** that no health care provider would be willing to perform IVF under this court decision.

In other words, the leader of the fertility industry expressed an unwillingness to continue in the practice if she had to be responsible for protecting the lives of the embryos she creates.

Pro-life, pro-child individuals who wish to engage in IVF must seriously consider their willingness to participate in an industry that relies on the destruction of human life.

Pro-life lawmakers such as Cruz and Britt need to reorder their priorities. The starting point for pro-life lawmakers isn't to defend—and certainly not to **subsidize**—an industry that recklessly creates and destroys lives without regulation or accountability.

The fertility industry must be regulated. And if it can't operate when regulated by laws and rules that respect children's rights and dignity from the moment of fertilization, then the industry doesn't deserve to be defended.

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Good News on Abortion, World Government, and Judicial Radicals: The Stories You Missed This Week

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Liberal news bias affects every aspect of our society, including story selection. Every week, the media highlights certain stories while ignoring or limiting the coverage of others. Like all their content, newsrooms filter these decisions through their editors' liberal bias, distorting the news you receive and polluting the information ecosystem. The Washington Stand highlights the stories you may have missed while desperately straining to hear the news through the cacophony produced by the legacy media.

This week, the media downplayed good news about abortion, the WHO Pandemic Agreement, and radical judicial appointments — as well as bad news about the Biden administration's fanatical support of the transgender agenda, its indifference to the consequences of blowing up a train of toxic chemicals in East Palestine, and its belief that Mother's Day is the perfect time to promote abortion.

1. Voters are beginning to see state abortion referenda as a Democratic get-out-the-vote scheme.

The wave of state ballot initiatives seeking to impose unrestricted abortion-on-demand on states from coast to coast has encountered a serious problem: Voters are beginning to see them as a cynical ploy to elect Democrats. The news comes from reading between the lines of a **story** in Politico titled "National Dem strategy worries state abortion-rights leaders."

"Democrats' efforts to ride the coattails of abortion ballot measures put passage at risk," declares the subheadline.

The abortion lobby apparently fears defeat if voters realize their state's referendum serves as little more than a Democratic voter-drive scheme. "We haven't won or beat back a single one of these ballot measures without significant ndependent and Republican support," Mini Timmaraju, president and CEO of Reproductive Freedom for All (formerly NARAL) told Politico. "We spent a lot of last year talking to candidates directly saying, 'Don't put things on the ballot just to enhance voter turnout for Dems." A leader of the Nebraska abortion-expansion referendum, Taylor Givens-Dunn said, "We want to be clear that this is about people, not politicians."

Their concerns have spread to the professional political class. An anonymous consultant working with multiple state ballot initiatives told Politico that Democratic candidates "don't need to talk about the specific ballot initiatives all day long," because if they do, it will "reduce the chances that they win."

Thus far, Democrats have not only ignored this anonymous individual's advice; they have openly touted the referenda as their party's political salvation in November. "bortion has become a key issue that could help drive turnout for Democrats to win up and down the ballot," said a **memo** dated May 2 from the Democratic Party's official campaign arm aimed at winning statewide races, the Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee (DLCC). "These measures will cement abortion protections into state constitutions and could boost turnout for competitive races at every level of the ballot." The DLCC's president, Heather Williams, apparently provided the memo **to Axios** along with her own quotation.

Democrats have considered multiplying these initiatives even in self-described "abortion sanctuaries," such as New York. Although the state has effectively no protections for unborn children, and Governor Kathy Hochul (D) gives millions to abortion facilities, "Democrat lawmakers pushed the effort forward amid hopes that it will bolster turnout," **reported** The Hill.

The bad news is that support for abortion-on-demand does, indeed, cut across party lines. That includes a dishearteningly large minority of Bible-believing Christians, according to a study of **Ohio's Issue 1** released by the Center for Christian Virtue (CCV). Based on their numbers, "1 in 3

self-identified weekly church-going Catholics and Evangelicals supported the law, which will rob an estimated 30,000 unborn children of their lives every year," CCV **found**. In all, "30 percent of Ohioans who believe life begins at conception voted to pass the **radical abortion amendment**."

Even with such odds, the abortion industry apparently frets voters will reject ballot initiatives that are seen as a craven Democratic GOTV effort.

It would be a shame if the word got out.

2. Biden administration admits it will withhold federal funding from hospitals that don't carry out transgender procedures.

In a move demonstrating its extreme commitment to the transgender agenda, a Biden administration official admitted Democrats would withhold federal funding from health care centers that refuse to administer puberty blockers, cross-sex hormone injections, or transgender surgeries — even if their objection rests on religious grounds.

Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra made the admission during a Wednesday **hearing** of the House Education and Workforce Committee.

"Can you commit here today that your department will not withhold federal funding from hospitals or doctors who refuse to provide the 'gender-affirming care' that you are mandating if it violates their religious beliefs?" asked Rep. Mary Miller (R-Ill.). "What are you going to do if they refuse to provide this care?"

"Doctors don't get federal funding, ma'am," said Becerra, attempting to dodge the question.

"But the hospitals do," Miller replied.

"Don't confuse the two," chided Becerra.

Miller then followed up by asking about hospitals and other health care facilities that presented a faith-based objection to carrying out procedures that deny the reality of Genesis 1-3.

"If a health care facility is violating the law and not providing the service they're required to, they're not entitled to the resources," Becerra (finally) answered.

"We knew that you would withdraw federal funding," replied Miller.

Posting **video of the exchange** on social media, Miller stated: "HHS Secretary Becerra says the quiet part out loud. Joe Biden's government will withhold funds from religious hospitals that refuse to provide sex-change operations for young children."

Such an action is hardly surprising. In May 2022, Biden's USDA threatened to **deny needy children school lunches**. Six years earlier, the Obama-Biden Justice Department threatened to cut off all school funding to any school or university that did not give males access to female showers, locker rooms, overnight accommodations, and dorm room housing.

But the video makes it crystal clear that the Biden administration favors the LGBTQ lobby over the survival of your local hospital — and admitted it under oath.

3. Controversial Biden judicial pick doomed?

In an administration stacked with radicals, one appointee stood out: Adeel Mangi, whom Biden nominated to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals, which **oversees** Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and the Virgin Islands. If confirmed, the administration trumpeted, Mangi would be the first Muslim to sit on an appellate court. But it left out critical details about Magni's autobiography.

During the time Mangi served on the board of Rutgers University Center for Security, Race and Rights (CSRR), it hosted Sami al-Arian, a former professor who admitted he **provided material support** to the terrorist organization Palestinian Islamic Jihad. (Al-Arian was subsequently **deported** to Turkey.)

Mangi also served as a board member of the Alliance of Families for Justice (AFJ), which was co-founded by Kathy Boudin, a member of the radical 1960s domestic terrorist organization the Weather Underground. Boudin also entered a guilty plea in her case to murdering two police officers during a 1981 Brinks robbery. True to form, AFJ asked authorities to release six cop-killers, who were members of the Black Panthers or the Black Liberation Army, describing the murderers as "**freedom fighters**."

These associations proved so toxic that numerous Democratic senators — including Catherine Cortez Masto, Jacky Rosen (both of Nevada), and Joe Manchin (W.Va.) — **publicly opposed** his appointment. Since then, his nomination has hung in limbo. But insiders familiar with the process say Senate Democrats have privately agreed his nomination is toast.

"This nominee has lost all hope from the Biden White House of getting a floor vote, given we are months away from the election," longtime Senate staff leader Ron Bonjean **told** Fox News on Sunday. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) and his colleagues "are more than likely going to let him twist in the wind hoping he withdraws on his own."

On the other hand, Democrats could theoretically force a vote on Mangi during the lame duck session of Congress, where a sufficient number of absences could place the radical on the court. The fact that Biden nominated such an extremist — tied to multiple forms of domestic and international terrorism — should serve as an indictment of its own.

4. Biden and allies promote abortion on Mother's Day.

As it has in past years, the Biden campaign and multiple outlets on the cultural Left decided the perfect time to promote abortion is Mother's Day.

The Biden-Harris presidential campaign marked Sunday's holiday by **releasing** a video titled "**Trump Attacks Women**."

"Happy Mother's Day … but not from Donald Trump," the video begins. It then features the 45th president boasting about overturning Roe v. Wade. All three Trump appointees to the Supreme Court — Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett — joined the **6-3 Dobbs ruling** that declared the U.S. Constitution does not, and never did, contain an unalienable "right" to abortion.

"What a sad, miserable, cowardly existence Crooked Joe Biden and his campaign must have to make such a disgusting ad on such a joyous day," **replied** Trump's campaign team.

Yet the Left has once again chosen to tie the annual celebration of motherly love and affection with the taking of innocent, unborn life. "Forget the flowers. This Mother's Day, pledge to support the right to abortion," proclaimed an op-ed written by Nicole Hensel for the Colorado Newsline. "Give a gift to your mother and pledge to support abortion care for everyone," she concluded. (Colorado Newsline is a faux, astroturf political website **affiliated with** the States Newsroom, "an operation created in secret by the **Arabella Advisors network** with funding from partisan interests under the guise of nonpartisan reporting," **according** to Nick Givas of Restoration News.)

Ms. Magazine, whose political bias is less opaque, **demeaned** Mother's Day as "all a societal forgery — an empty exercise the majority of us have all inexplicably agreed to engage in," especially "in the post-Roe world created with their anti-abortion policies." "or millions of people with the capacity to get pregnant in this country it is no longer a choice — it's a government mandate," wrote Danielle Campoamor. She did not explain what government law requires women to have sex. "I abhor the politicians championing a potential nationwide abortion ban," wrote Campoamor. "I despise the Republicans."

Tying Mother's Day to abortion, which costs women the opportunity to mother a living child and often inflicts lifelong psychological harm on women, exposes the Left's cruelty as bordering on the **inhuman**. Perhaps that explains why so few legacy media outlets reported on it.

5. Toxic fumes still waft in the air over East Palestine, Ohio.

An independent test has found that residents in East Palestine, Ohio, continue to breath harmful chemicals more than 15 months after officials vented and exploded toxic gases after a train

derailment near the Ohio-Pennsylvania border.

A test of air in the tiny village, conducted in February by Edelweiss Technology Solutions, **uncovered the presence** of vinyl chloride, acrolein, benzene, ethanol, ethyl acetate, styrene, and toluene. After a town resident could not get the Biden administration's Environmental Protection Agency to test the area, "Edelweiss found high levels of acrolein inside her home, the report stating the chemical was identified to have the largest potential for health impacts during an independent assessment of the town done in February of 2023," reported NewsNation on Wednesday.

The EPA had assured residents that vinyl chloride will "degrade rapidly in air by gas phase reaction," which means some source must be emitting vinyl chloride into East Palestine more than a year after the Norfolk Southern accident.

As it turns out, the explosion was unnecessary and uncalled for, according to the Biden administration. Officials knew that "polymerization was not occurring, and there was no justification to do a vent and burn," National Transportation Safety Board Chairwoman Jennifer Homendy **testified** to Senator J.D. Vance (R-Ohio) in March. "There was another option: let it cool down." But the people with the information did not share it with forces on the ground.

Despite the continuing fallout, President Biden has **yet to issue** a declaration of a **public health emergency** for the rural area, where President Donald Trump won **70.7% of the vote** over Joe Biden in 2020.

The president seems more interested in trucking **aid to the Palestinian Authority** than in caring for U.S. citizens in East Palestine, Ohio.

6. The Biden administration stands up for AIDS-infected prostitution.

The Biden administration achieved minor success (the only kind it appears to attain) in its bizarre campaign to stop states from punishing HIV-positive prostitutes whose activity could expose others to the deadly virus. As this author **reported** in TWS:

> "The Biden administration's Justice Department **sued** the state of Tennessee over a law it adopted to stop the spread of AIDS, on the grounds that it discriminates against the virus. The state's aggravated prostitution law **(§ 39-13-516**) charges anyone who knowingly sells sex while HIV-positive with a Class C felony, rather than a misdemeanor for prostitution. The guilty must also register as sex offenders for life, because they may have exposed the other party to AIDS."

Although the lawsuit remains pending, the Biden administration **announced** Thursday it had convinced the district attorney of Shelby County, Tennessee to ignore the law and no longer prosecute offenders. He will also alert those who have been convicted under the statute of their ability to vacate the judgment and any remaining sentences or financial penalties.

The lawless move seems in keeping with the record of the district attorney of Shelby County, which includes Memphis. Steve Mulroy is a **Democrat** who received **$616,000** in donations linked to far-left billionaire George Soros, according to the Law Enforcement Legal Defense Fund. Amy Schumer, Barry Scheck, and executives from Jay Z's company Roc Nation **also donated** to Mulroy in 2022.

Laws that prosecute HIV-positive prostitutes "perpetuate bias, stereotypes and ignorance," **said** Assistant Attorney Kristen Clarke, who oversees the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division. Clarke, who stands **credibly accused of perjuring herself** during her confirmation hearings by omitting details over a purported **history of domestic violence**, may want to attend to her own legal conundrums.

But the lawsuit furthers the designs of the World Health Organization. WHO Secretary-General Tedros Ghebreyesus **instructed** nations near the first of this year, "Countries must repeal laws that criminalize homosexuality, sex work and HIV transmission." The Biden administration's legal crusade reveals the dangerous lengths to which liberals will go to carry out the will of the WHO.

Speaking of which ....

7. Opposition to WHO Pandemic Agreement spreading like wildfire in Congress.

The Biden administration remains committed to adopting the WHO Pandemic Agreement without Senate ratification, as constitutionally required for a treaty. Senator Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) **introduced** a measure requiring Biden to submit the accord to the U.S. Senate, so it can carry out its duty to advise and consent to it. But during a January 25 **appearance** on "**Washington Watch**," Johnson observed that his bill is "not getting much traction here in Congress," because the **sovereignty-destroying concordat** had become "a partisan issue."

What a difference three and a half months make.

"Every Republican senator has signed on to this bill," Rep. Tom Tiffany (R-Wis.) **told** Perkins on Wednesday. His Wisconsin colleague, Johnson, rallied the entire Senate Republican caucus to sign a **May 1 letter** calling the pandemic agreement "unacceptable."

The same momentum took place in the lower chamber of Congress, where Tiffany introduced the companion legislation. "We started out with 14 co-signers on the bill a couple months ago. We are now up to 51 members of the House of Representatives who have signed on," said Tiffany.

Internationally, officials in the United Kingdom **opposed** the treaty, saying it would undermine national sovereignty and force them to divert emergency medical supplies intended for the British people to the global governance body for redistribution. Slovak Prime Minister Robert Fico also had stern words for the WHO Pandemic Agreement, **declaring** in **November**, "I will not support strengthening the powers of the World Health Organization at the expense of sovereign states." He also **derided** the accord's provisions as "nonsense that must have been created by insatiable pharmaceutical companies." A 71-year-old **pro-Ukrainian gunman** repeatedly shot Fico on Wednesday. As of this writing, the populist prime minister remains in **serious condition**.

Please spare a few prayers for Fico, and his assailant. And, if you might, a few prayers that the WHO Pandemic Agreement fails.

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Report: U.S.'s Permissive Abortion Laws Highlight Need for Federal Protections

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S.A. McCarthy | **The Washington Stand**

A recent study is declaring U.S. abortion law to be "far more permissive than the vast majority of the world." In its 2024 report on "Gestational Limits on Abortion in the United States Compared to International Norms," **published** last week, the pro-life Charlotte Lozier Institute found that the U.S. is one of only eight countries in the United Nations that allows abortion on demand without any gestational limits, and one of only 15 countries in the U.N. to allow abortion on demand past 15 weeks of pregnancy. The U.N. has 193 member states.

Other countries that place no gestational limit on elective abortions include Australia, Canada, China, Guinea-Bissau, Mexico, South Korea, and Vietnam. Only 70 U.N. member states allow abortion on demand, meaning abortions "without restriction as to reason," which the report also refers to as elective abortions. The authors note, "The remaining 123 countries demonstrate a clear public policy preference for protecting human life over abortion by permitting abortion only under specified circumstances." The U.S. is not among them, leading the Charlotte Lozier Institute

to declare that current U.S. "abortion law is far more permissive than the vast majority of the world."

Of the 70 U.N. member states that do allow abortion on demand, seven countries have pro-life protections before the 12th week of pregnancy, 38 countries have protections starting at the 12th week of pregnancy, 10 countries have protections between the 12th and 15th week of pregnancy, and only 15 allow abortion on demand beyond the 15th week of pregnancy, including the U.S.

Additionally, 46 out of 50 European countries in the U.N. have pro-life protections past the 15th week of pregnancy. The report notes, "The United States has a far more extreme abortion policy than those found in Europe." Three countries in Europe (Andorra, Malta, and Vatican City) protect all unborn children outright, three others (Liechtenstein, Monaco, and Poland) have protections with exceptions to preserve the life or health of the mother, and the rest have various gestational limits placed on abortion. The report chides, "0 European countries permit abortion on demand without gestational limits, as the United States does." Even in France, which became the first nation earlier this year to **enshrine** a "right" to abortion in its constitution, abortion is restricted to the first 16 weeks of pregnancy.

The report notes that while the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to reverse Roe v. Wade did away with federal license for the slaughter of the unborn, there is not currently any federal pro-life law protecting babies from abortion on demand. "Consequently," the report states, "29 states permit elective abortion past 15 weeks of gestation, and in at least 19 states, abortion drug prescribers are shielded from legal repercussions if they ship abortion pills into those states that restrict abortion from conception and/or that have health and safety requirements that apply to abortion-inducing drugs." The report further notes that its "findings suggest that recent proposals in the United States to restrict abortion on demand past 15 weeks, which should serve as a minimum gestational limit, at the federal level would move the United States away from the fringe, ultra-permissive end of the spectrum."

"Permitting abortion on demand past 15 weeks places the United States among the top 8% most permissive countries in the world (15 out of 193) based on gestational limits on abortion," the report concludes. "The United States should seek to move away from the ultra-permissive fringe policies of the 14 other countries that permit abortion past 15 weeks and aim to protect life at even earlier gestational limits, as 178 other U.N member countries do — ranging from complete protection of the unborn to protecting the unborn after 15 weeks of gestation."

In comments to The Washington Stand, Mary Szoch, Family Research Council's director of the Center for Human Dignity, agreed with the Charlotte Lozier Institute's findings. "The United States is the land of the free where life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are considered inalienable rights given to each human being by our Creator, but at the same time, some states in our country allows unborn babies to be killed until the moment of birth," Szoch said. "Who lives

and who can be legally killed by an abortionist should not depend on which state a person was born in. The United States should champion the right to life for ALL people regardless of age, health, socioeconomic status, race, or any other qualifier."

The Charlotte Lozier Institute **published** its first report on "Gestational Limits on Abortion in the United States Compared to International Norms" in 2014. At that time, the U.S. was one of seven countries that allowed elective abortions past the 20th week of pregnancy, and one of only 59 countries that allowed elective abortions at all. Even among those 59, more than three quarters have pro-life protections past the 12th week of pregnancy.

The latest report comes as Republican politicians and candidates **waver** on the pro-life issue, despite calls from conservative leaders to **stand firm** in defense of the unborn. Democrats, meanwhile, have made abortion **the chief focus of their 2024 campaigns**, often accusing pro-life Republicans of "extremism" on the issue.

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Former Members of Trump Team: It's Time to Turn the Tables on Abortion

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*Editor's Note: It is time to take the narrative, own it, speak truth and you cannot deny the fact that the Democrats have voted — not talked about, **but voted** — for **abortions until the day of birth**. That is a fact, and we must stand up for the unborn in the public square and educate the general population.*

Suzanne Bowdey | **The Washington Stand**

If there's been a recurring theme of Republican strategists heading into November, it's this: flip the script. From the **Senate** and **House** fundraising arms to **consultants** and the **RNC**, the experts agree — silence on abortion is a political death sentence.

"If you're just hiding under your desk, hoping the shrapnel won't hit you," GOP pollster and former Trump advisor Kellyanne Conway said recently, "you're not listening to . … If it took 50 years to overturn Roe v. Wade," she insisted, "it's going to take more than 50 minutes, 50 hours or 50 weeks to explain to people what that means — and, more importantly, what it doesn't mean — and to move hearts and minds."

If she's counseling a client, Conway is frank. "I just believe these candidates should be forward-facing, tell you what they believe, why they believe that, and stick with it." Just as important, she and other prominent Republicans say, is making sure conservatives tell voters what Democrats believe. Accuse them of extremism, she urges, because they're actually guilty of it. "They don't seem to have any exceptions," Conway argued, in a **country where most Americans would draw the line for abortion somewhere early in the second trimester**.

Joe Biden's party is shockingly vulnerable here, and they know it. Asked if the president supported any restrictions on abortion last month, his campaign staff deflected. Does he have a preferred "cutoff" like 24 weeks, **the reporter asked**? "The president believes that we should restore the protections of Roe," the spokesman replied, which allowed abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. "He's been pretty clear, pretty consistent on that," the official insisted. "So we aren't going to fall on any traps that Republicans may want to lay ...."

It's only a trap because most Americans won't like the answer — which is no, Democrats and their president don't believe in abortion limits. Dr. Ben Carson, another part of former President Trump's inner circle, agreed that it's time to play offense on the Left's extremism. "I think it's very important in this argument to be vocal and to ask questions of those on the other side, like, 'Well, what is unacceptable to you in terms of abortion?'" he **told** Family Research Council President Tony Perkins on "Washington Watch." "They have a hard time answering that question because they're actually willing to kill babies that are viable outside of the womb — from six months on of gestation."

Right now, that puts them wildly out of step with most of the country, **73% of whom would outlaw abortion after 15 weeks**. Only 10% agree with Biden and his party that abortion should be allowed for all nine months.

On Sunday's "Meet the Press," Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.) leaned into the view that Democrats — not Republicans — are the fanatical ones. "The fact of the matter is that every single Democrat in the Senate and in the House have voted for abortion up until the day of birth," Scott pointed out. "The former governor of Virginia has said — he was a pediatrician — even infanticide ."

NBC's Kristen Welker pushed back, "Democrats don't support — that's false, senator. Democrats don't support infanticide." "Kristen, **they've already voted for it**," Scott reiterated.

After another back and forth, Scott pressed in. "Kristen, you cannot deny the fact that the Democrats have voted — not talked about, **but voted** — for **abortions until the day of birth**. That is a fact," Scott said. "You can look that up in the records of Congress. So, I'm not talking about hypotheticals. You continue to bring me hypotheticals. The truth is, and I got to say, this is kind of — kind of interesting, the truth is simple. The Democrats are radical. Ninety percent of Americans don't agree with them."

As Dr. Carson explained, we're advanced enough with technology these days that:

> "if baby could be living outside of the womb, : why do you have the right to kill the baby?" "Because it's inside the womb? … As I frequently say in our laws, if you murder a woman who's pregnant, you get charged with two counts of homicide. Why is that? Obviously, our legal system recognizes that life."

The soft-spoken doctor who spent most of his professional career as a pediatric neurosurgeon operated on plenty of unborn babies, "trying to save lives frequently." "They were premature babies, 26-, 27-, 28-weeks gestation, sometimes operating all night, sometimes even operating on babies before they were born. I can assure you that they're very much alive. Just because they're in the uterus, that does not mean that they're not a living human being. And they can feel pain, we have to advocate for them."

And yes, Carson acknowledged, Republicans are "in a little bit of a tough situation politically, if we don't navigate it the right way. You know," he pointed out, "there are those, like myself, who believe that life begins at conception. There are those who say six weeks, there are those who say 15 weeks. What we need to do is stop fighting amongst ourselves, recognize we're all under the umbrella, and we need to continue the fight."

But to put Democrats on the defensive, Perkins insisted, "you've got to be willing to talk about it." Like Carson, he believes "we should be protecting life from the moment of conception on. That's when life begins. But I also know that in a republic we have to build consensus. So we just take a page out of the book in terms of how we got to a point where Roe was overturned: We educate, we teach, we show the humanity of the unborn, and we move the public to the right spot. And we keep moving, as we're seeing across the country today. But you have to be willing to engage in the conversation, defend your position, and not be in retreat." And unfortunately, Perkins lamented, "many Republicans have lost their footing on this issue. I still believe that if we're willing to talk about it, we are where the majority of the American people are at."

Another piece of the fight, Carson urged, is making sure people are aware of the barbarity of the abortion process. "You know, when you allow people to find out what an abortion actually is, particularly in the second and third trimester, where you actually put the forceps into the uterus, grab whatever it can grab, twist and pull, and out comes an arm or a leg. … Most people are kind of put off by that, and we need to let them know what's going on. You can't just sugarcoat this. This is murder of a human being who has feelings. And as we make that more apparent to people, I think we will move more toward a culture of life."

The facts are Republicans' friends, Carson pointed out.

> “You know, for me, as a neuroscientist, I look at that baby from the moment of conception, that brain starts to develop. I mean, we’re talking millions of neurons every day within a very short period of time. That baby is much more neurologically sophisticated than a snail darter. And yet, look, of all these environmentalists running around saying, ‘We’ve got to save the snail darter!’ How come they’re not concerned about the baby?”

Part of that, Perkins insisted, is because conservatives and the church have lacked courage. “We’ve got to be bold as believers,” he urged. “We’ve got to know what we believe and be bold enough to speak it. … There is hope, but we have to realize we are a part of the answer. God has placed us here, entrusted us with this moment in time. We have to be faithful to our calling.”

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RFK Jr.: 8th Month Abortion Is Morally ‘Nuanced and Complex’

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> The Virginia Christian Alliance believes in the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother’s womb. This argument is steeped in Biblical scripture, given to us by God as a testament to His vision for our lives. Our position is stated **here**.

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Ben Johnson | **The Washington Stand**

Independent presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy Jr. has said, while he respects those who have “absolute moral clarity” on the issue, he believes the decision to abort a child in the eighth month of pregnancy is morally “nuanced and complex.”

In an interview with Daily Wire Editor Emeritus Ben Shapiro, RFK Jr. disagreed that a child has an independent right to life even in the third trimester.

Shapiro opened by saying that arguments justifying abortion based on "bodily autonomy" are "completely missing the point: We're not talking about the woman's bodily autonomy; we're talking about the baby's bodily autonomy." As such, abortion is "not just a tragedy; it's a crime against the child, because the child has an independent interest. What do you say to that?"

"I say that I understand that position, and I don't agree with it," **replied** RFK Jr. "The solution of having the state come in and dictate choices that the woman is making is not — that's not a good solution to me."

Seeking to clarify the Independent presidential candidate's position, Shapiro asked, "You don't believe that the child has an independent right to life, for example, at any point during the pregnancy?"

"There is no woman who gets pregnant, carries that baby for eight months, and then decides to have an abortion for some frivolous reason," Kennedy answered. "Nobody in their right mind would do that."

"There are very, very rare cases where that happens. There's always some kind of extenuating circumstances that I don't feel prepared to turn that over to the government. You and I will differ on that," Kennedy told Shapiro.

"I understand your position. I have tremendous respect for you for having that kind of absolute moral clarity on that position. But I think it's more nuanced and complex than that," Kennedy stated.

Yet research conducted by pro-abortion sources **contradict** years of assertions from the abortion industry that late-term abortions do not happen, or only happen in cases of severe fetal anomaly.

A **study** of late-term abortions, published in the Guttmacher Institute's **journal** Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health and conducted by two researchers associated with the **abortion advocacy** group **Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health** (ANSIRH), found that "data suggest that most women seeking later terminations are not doing so for reasons of fetal anomaly or life endangerment." More than one-third (37%) of "women reported that the process of deciding whether to have an abortion slowed them down" and "faced difficulty covering the costs associated with their abortion." They concluded, "We did not find that changing personal circumstances contributed to delays in seeking abortion."

One of the authors of the study, Diana Greene Foster, was **quoted** in a 2018 report that "abortions for fetal anomaly 'make up a small minority of later abortion.'" The other, Katrina Kimport, noted the "similarities between respondents' experiences and that of people seeking abortion at other gestations" in a **2022 study**.

“Each year, over 50,000 abortions are performed after 15 weeks of gestation, when unborn babies **can feel pain**,” representing a little more than 1% of all abortions reported nationwide, reports the pro-life Charlotte Lozier Institute, analyzing data collected from the Guttmacher Institute and the federal government’s Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

RFK Jr.’s running mate shares his commitment to abortion-on-demand. Nicole Shanahan, the ex-wife of Google founder Sergey Brin, shares his commitment to abortion-on-demand. As “a person with a womb,” **wrote** Shanahan in a post on the social media platform X on April 9, “I don’t like the feeling of anyone having control over my body. It is coercive. It is wrong.” She added that, personally, she “would not feel right terminating a viable life living inside of me, especially if I am both healthy and that baby is healthy.”

“I can hold both beliefs, as someone who believes in the sacredness of life, simultaneously,” Shanahan asserted.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. created a short boom of interest late last summer, when he seemed to imply he would **sign a law protecting babies from abortion after the first trimester**. “I believe that the decision to abort a child should be up to the woman during the first three months of life,” declared the then-Democratic primary candidate last August.

“So, you would cap it at 15 weeks? Or 21 weeks?” asked NBC News reporter Ali Vitali.

“Yes. Three months,” Kennedy replied.

“So, three months — you would sign a federal cap on that?” Vitali clarified a second time.

“Yes, I would,” Kennedy continued. “Once a child is viable outside the womb, I think then the state has an interest in protecting that child.”

Within hours, his campaign produced an unsigned statement reversing the candidate’s stated position. “Mr. Kennedy misunderstood a question posed to him by NBC reporter in a crowded, noisy exhibit hall at the Iowa State Fair,” it read.

No pro-life Democrat has been named to a national ticket, as president or vice president, since Robert F. Kennedy’s uncle, Sargent Shriver, in 1972. The last pro-life Democrat to mount a serious presidential candidacy was former Florida Governor Reubin Askew in 1984.

Both major party candidates have worried about Robert F. Kennedy Jr. in recent weeks. President Joe Biden and the Democratic National Committee have built a large **operation designed to undercut RFK Jr.**’s left-leaning independent presidential run, **according** to Axios. Earlier this month, Biden received the **endorsement** of many members of the Kennedy family. Meanwhile,

President Donald Trump personally **lashed out** at Kennedy on Truth Social, saying he would endorse Joe Biden before he would vote for RFK Jr.

Polls show Kennedy drawing support from **both candidates**.

Kennedy **returned fire** at Trump in the Shapiro interview, saying the 45th president broke his promise to "Drain the Swamp" and "got rolled by his bureaucrats." He highlighted Trump's appointments of Scott Gotlieb, who ping-ponged between pharmaceutical giant Pfizer and the FDA, and Alex Azar, who signed off on a sweetheart deal for Jeffrey Epstein. RFK Jr. also complained about Trump's National Security Advisor, "swamp creature" John Bolton to Shapiro, who aligns more closely with Bolton's neoconservative foreign policy than Kennedy's noninterventionism.

In a separate interview, Kennedy **told** EWTN's Raymond Arroyo that the Trump campaign had approached him about being Trump's vice presidential running mate "on multiple occasions."

Kennedy, who only recently backed away from **a threat to prosecute oil companies** for exercising their free-speech rights to deny climate change, is courting the Libertarian Party.

In Michigan, RFK Jr. will **serve** as the presidential candidate of the **Natural Law Party** — a minor party founded by followers of the late Hindu teacher Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, and whose candidates have **said** many social problems, from stress to the economy, can be cured through **transcendental meditation**.

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Planned Parenthood's Global Assault on Life Continues, and U.S. Taxpayers Fund It

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> (Editor's note: see what an aborted male looks like, one must SEE before full understanding happens: **click to see**)

Arielle Del Turco and Mary Szoch | **The Washington Stand**

Planned Parenthood released its **annual report** last week, and among the numerous sinister statistics which the abortion giant boasts of are numbers showing the expanding reach of Planned Parenthood Global, the organization's international program. Pro-lifers are familiar with Planned Parenthood's dubious campaign for abortion expansion (which they profit from) in the United States, but the organization's portfolio also targets vulnerable women across Latin America and Africa.

Planned Parenthood Global is not to be confused with International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), which is a separate internationally-focused organization founded by Margret

Sanger and Lady Rama Rau in India and is now headquartered in London. Planned Parenthood Global, as an arm of the American organization, has access to the $699,300,000 in U.S. taxpayer dollars that Planned Parenthood received in Fiscal Year 2022. Money is fungible, so whether this global initiative is specifically allotted taxpayer money or not, funds are freed up to be used abroad.

Notably, 90% of Planned Parenthood's global efforts focus on countries where unborn babies have strong legal protections from abortion. In FY22, it partnered with 80 organizations in nine countries and trained 28,000 people to promote their agenda of killing unborn children and boasted of 24 events that were held throughout Africa and Latin America.

Planned Parenthood Global worked not only to raise up and indoctrinate local pro-abortion activists abroad, but it also worked to change government policies in other countries. In FY 2022, it bragged about weakening 112 policies that protected the unborn in eight different countries. In one example, Planned Parenthood worked to chip away complete protections for the unborn in Mexico. The abortion giant claimed that due to its efforts, unborn babies in Quintana Roo can now be killed through abortion up to 12 weeks gestation.

This is a perfect example of ideological colonialism. It's abusive for a powerful and well-funded organization like Planned Parenthood to enter poor, vulnerable countries with legitimate needs and coercively work to dismantle pro-life protections instead of offering practical help.

And sadly, Planned Parenthood's target countries are places where women actually need real health care. According to the U.N., improvements in maternal mortality have **stagnated** in Latin America and the Caribbean, and 70% of all maternal deaths are located in sub-Saharan Africa. The maternal mortality rate globally improved from 2000-2016; however, from 2016-2020, these trends stagnated — and in some cases — even reversed.

Planned Parenthood Global has promised to provide care "no matter what," but it doesn't choose "focus countries" in an effort to provide actual health care. Pregnancy isn't a disease, and abortion isn't a cure.

When Planned Parenthood works to remove pro-life protections, they have a profit-driven motive to do so. They are a direct service provider, which means that they can make money from the abortions that happen when pro-life policies are reversed. When Planned Parenthood reports 112 policy victories, that is 112 places that they can rake in more money. Planned Parenthood may paint its efforts as benevolent humanitarian work, but make no mistake: this is a business — a deadly one that should *not* be exported abroad.

While Planned Parenthood works to advance the culture of death globally, pro-lifers should take a similar globally-minded strategy. But while pro-lifers have many resources to offer, they also have much to learn from where a culture of life has continually been fostered. The people in these

countries do not need Americans telling them how to be pro-life — they are already pro-life. Efforts to undermine protections for the unborn haven't risen organically in these countries — they have been brought in by Americans who believe they know better.

What these countries need is actual health care, sanitary conditions, clean water, food, and help stopping ideological colonizers from invading their country. Pro-lifers can work to ensure the organizations fulfilling the real struggles developing nations face are ones willing to respect the life-affirming cultures of those countries.

To start, we must ensure that no U.S. taxpayer dollars go to fund abortions or organizations that promote abortion around the world. That starts with defunding Planned Parenthood entirely. Polling **shows** that 67% of Americans either "oppose" or "strongly oppose" using tax dollars to support abortion abroad. Planned Parenthood is engaged in a deadly campaign of ideological colonialism that will result in the killing of millions of unborn babies around the world. Americans should not be forced to participate in this through their taxes.

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Biden Campaign Ramping Up Abortion Promotion ahead of November

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President Joe Biden is hoping that his campaign's focus on abortion will overshadow concerns about his advanced age and his handling of the illegal immigration crisis, according to a new report.

The Washington Post **wrote** last week that Biden campaign organizers "see a potential silver bullet that they hope supersedes all of the president's challenges in his rematch against former president Donald Trump: abortion rights." The outlet reported, "The Biden campaign plans to spend every day until Nov. 5 reminding voters of Trump's record on abortion, hoping the issue will mobilize their core voters, bring disaffected voters back into the fold and make inroads with voters whom Democrats have often struggled to win."

Jen O'Malley Dillon, chairwoman of Biden's reelection campaign, said, "There is no doubt that this issue is central to the contrast between us and Trump. There is no way he can wiggle out of his ownership of this issue." According to the Post, O'Malley Dillon added that voters "are being

reminded more and more of things they hoped to forget — the chaos and the pain that have come in the wake of Trump's leadership. Abortion is central to that."

The Biden team has already begun its pro-abortion campaign in Arizona, in the wake of a state Supreme Court ruling **upholding** a pro-life law. Last week, Biden's campaign **launched** a series of ads in which the president blames his immediate predecessor for the ruling, referring to Trump's U.S. Supreme Court appointees who ultimately undid Roe v. Wade in 2022. "Because of Donald Trump, millions of women lost the fundamental freedom to control their own bodies," Biden says in the first ad in the series. "The question is — if Donald Trump gets back in power, what freedom will you lose next? Your body and your decision belong to you, not the government, not Donald Trump."

Another ad in the series **depicts** a Texas woman, Amanda Zurawski, who alleges that a pro-life law in her state resulted in her developing a life-threatening infection after her doctors refused to commit an abortion. The ad claims that Zurawski may never be able to get pregnant again due to the infection, concluding with the words, "Donald Trump did this."

Vice President Kamala Harris also **visited** Arizona last week, as part of her "abortion tour" to promote ballot initiatives enshrining a right to abortion in state constitutions. Harris told Arizonans that Roe v. Wade "recognized the fundamental constitutional right to reproductive freedom." She claimed that the Supreme Court's Dobbs decision "took a constitutional right that it didn't recognize from the people of America, from the women of America, and now we must speak of Roe in the past tense." The vice president added, "Former President Donald Trump did this."

The next stop on Harris's "abortion tour" was Nevada, where she is helping pro-abortion groups gather signatures for a ballot initiative to enumerate a right to abortion in the Nevada state constitution. An unnamed Biden-Harris campaign official **told** CBS News that the president and vice president see pro-abortion ballot initiatives as "an important step to protect against extremist state lawmakers who may try to adopt another 'Trump abortion ban' in the future."

According to The Washington Post, Biden campaign pollster Molly Murphy said, "hile we all know … that Trump did dismantle abortion rights and protections — especially with Dobbs but also in many different ways — the average voter didn't pay close attention to that, and it was a long time ago." She added, "This is a new opportunity to frame him as the architect behind the overturning of Roe, which was meaningful to people, and more importantly, someone who will continue to take away and dismantle these rights if he's let back into the Oval Office."

Biden and his fellow Democrats may be aggressively **focusing their campaigns on abortion**, but polling suggests that inflation, immigration, crime, and even climate change are more motivating issues for voters heading into November.

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Is Abortion Just a States' Issue?

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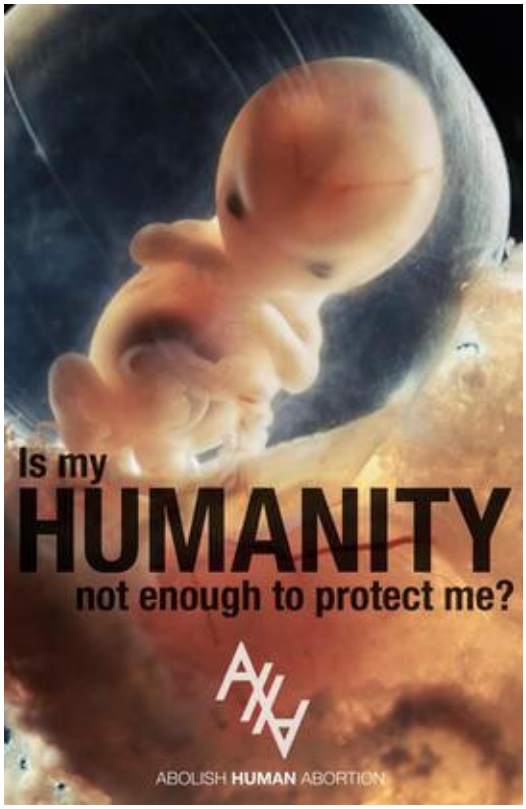

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Abortion is back as a presidential campaign issue. While it never really went away, **this week's ruling** of the Arizona Supreme Court, along with former **President Donald Trump's comments on his position on abortion**, has propelled the mainstream media into daily — if not hourly — coverage of the abortion issue, and how it will affect the 2024 campaign. Trump said that his position on abortion is that its legality should be left up to the states, and that it shouldn't be in the realm of the federal government. Democrats and even some Republicans have decried the Arizona decision to revert to its previous laws protecting life that were on the books before Roe v. Wade took effect.

For the media, abortion is the wedge issue supreme and will give them fodder for animated discussion all the way through November. For pro-abortion activists, and the Democratic Party alike, this is an opportunity to motivate their electoral base to action in light of an incumbent president who is drooping in the polls. For pro-lifers, this is an opportunity for real change in the wake of the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health decision ending the decades of violence brought about by Roe v. Wade.

But an issue like this isn't unique in American history.

Two U.S. Senate candidates debated a similar hot-button issue in 1858 Illinois. One was the incumbent Democrat, Stephen A. Douglas. His opponent was a Republican attorney named Abraham Lincoln. In what would become known as the "Lincoln-Douglas debates" (in which Lincoln gave his famous "**House Divided**" speech), a primary topic became the expansion of slavery into the U.S. territories. Douglas argued for the application of a doctrine called "Popular Sovereignty," in which the territories would be allowed to choose for themselves whether or not to allow slavery. Lincoln claimed that such a doctrine could cause slavery to spread into the free (non-slave) states and perpetuate a policy which the U.S. had already limited in the Missouri Compromise.

Lincoln lost that election, but as we all know, went on to become the first Republican president. While in that office, Lincoln's views on the slavery issue evolved even further. Lincoln took federal action on slavery in the Emancipation Proclamation and supported the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution — a federal ban on slavery — which was ratified shortly after his assassination. Lincoln came to see slavery as an issue which should see repudiation from all spheres — not just an individual state's decision.

We would be hard-pressed to find any Democrat or Republican in the Unites States today who would say that individual states should be the final decision in deciding whether or not slavery should be legal. There will always be exceptions, but both parties know that it would be political suicide to take such a position. It's because the issue itself supersedes the mere category of state or federal legislation. It's a moral issue, and it's inviolate. To relegate slavery to the level of mere local laws would undermine the very fabric of our nation. Our predecessors saw that slavery was doing just that in 1865 and wisely corrected it with the 13th Amendment. The addition of a constitutional amendment at the national level rightly underscored what was correctly enacted in many states at the state level. Americans don't vote anymore on slavery, but it was necessary to take government action to reach that goal.

When it comes to the issue of abortion, Republicans have — at least until recently — taken a more transcendent view on the value of the unborn life. **Their latest platform** states:

> "The Constitution's guarantee that no one can 'be deprived of life, liberty or property' deliberately echoes the Declaration of Independence's proclamation that 'all' are 'endowed by their Creator' with the inalienable right to life. Accordingly, we assert the sanctity of human life and affirm that the unborn child has a fundamental right to life which cannot be infringed. We support a human life amendment to the Constitution and legislation to make clear that the Fourteenth Amendment's protections apply to children before birth."

It remains to be seen how far Republicans have or will veer from this 2016 statement of party principle. During his administration, Trump advanced pro-life policies at a rate unseen in many previous administrations. Judging from Trump's actions and from the Republican platform, abortion isn't just an issue for the states.

For the Democrats, it's clear that they do not view the protection of unborn life as a moral imperative. Their **latest platform** contains the phrase, "We believe unequivocally, like the majority of Americans, that every woman should be able to access high-quality reproductive health care services, including safe and legal abortion." It's safe to say that we won't find Democratic spokespersons arguing for states' rights on the issue of abortion — in fact, President Biden has stated a goal to codify Roe v. Wade into federal law. He **posted on X** this week, "Donald Trump is the reason Roe v. Wade has ended. If you reelect me and @KamalaHarris, we'll be the reason it's restored." For the Democrats, abortion isn't just an issue for the states.

The issue of slavery has shown us that, in the eyes of both political parties, some issues are bigger than a mere commitment to federalism. And with abortion, it's clear that political expediency, rather than a staunch commitment to federalism, may be the operative factor for those making this appeal. Human lives aren't fearfully and wonderfully legislated at the state level, they are fearfully and wonderfully made. We should treat them as such at all levels of government.

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By compromising on the issue of LIFE, Donald Trump and Kari Lake Fallen Short of their Duty

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By compromising on the issue of LIFE, Donald Trump and Kari Lake have now sealed the GOP's doom as a viable conservative party; it may never recover

After the Arizona Supreme Court ruled Tuesday in support of a state law requiring the near total ban on abortions, both former President and 2024 GOP frontrunner Donald Trump and senatorial candidate Kari Lake came out with strong comments in opposition to the court's ruling.

This has stunned and confused many Republicans who are pro life.

Here is what Trump said in opposition to the court ruling.

> Q: “Did Arizona go too far?”
>
> Former President Trump: “Yeah, they did. That’ll be straightened out. As you know it’s all about state’s rights. It’ll be straightened out. I’m sure that the governor and everybody else are going bring it back to within reason…” **pic.twitter.com/Dc9qluxemc**
>
> — CSPAN (@cspan) **April 10, 2024**

State’s rights? I thought that was what we’ve seen in action was a state exercising its right to make laws, right?

Trump’s confusing comment came yesterday, April 10. Many of us are left wondering what happened to “let the states decide” and “federalism?” — a view of the abortion issue that Trump laid out in a **policy statement** just last week.

Today, April 11, Trump stated that if elected he would definitely **NOT sign a federal abortion ban** under any circumstances. So he’s on the side of federalism when it supports his policy decisions but against it when a state Supreme Court upholds a state law he doesn’t like.

Kari Lake, who ran for Arizona governor in 2022 and is now running for the U.S. Senate, came out equally strong against Arizona’s abortion law.

Lake said she “oppose” the Arizona Supreme Court’s ruling in favor of the state’s pro-life law, which she slammed as ‘out of step with Arizonans,’ and vowed not to support abortion bans if elected to the US Senate, as reported by **LifeSite News**.

This is an issue on which you cannot compromise. Once you do, the pendulum will continuously swing further to the left. This is exactly what happened to the Democratic Party. It started out in support of abortion just in the first trimester of pregnancy, and look where they are today. They are the full throttle party of death. They support the right to kill one’s baby right up to the moment of birth throughout all nine months of pregnancy, and are moving toward the right to kill the baby outside of the womb (some have already gone there).

So the GOP has placed itself on the same slippery slope.

What Trump and Lake and all of their supporters are really saying is this: A little baby killing is OK just don’t get too “extreme.”

Sorry, but that is a compromise of the worst kind. The GOP died today as a legitimate conservative option to the Democrats. It will not recover from this.

I know some of you will say that it died long ago, and you may be right. But this is a big step, a leap, toward clarifying what they really stand for. They are lurching toward the same evil position of their opponents, which means there is no longer any battle between good and evil in any election in which a Republican takes the position of Trump or Lake. Abortion is cool, just make sure it's not of the "extreme" variety.

At first, if you recall, the Democrats said babies in the womb were not actually living things, just tissue. They said abortion should be "safe, legal and rare." Now they celebrate their abortions and stumble over themselves trying to transport young women across state lines and into blue states where they can abort their babies before anyone can even ask them if that's what they really want to do.

Mark it down right now. Within a decade, if America is still around, the GOP will be on board with abortion up to birth. That's the track they've placed themselves on. They honestly believe that it's impossible to win elections now if you are not at least partially pro-abortion (whatever that means) and pro-LGBTQ. Both Trump and Lake also support the LGBTQ agenda, perhaps again not as radically as the Democrats, but they support it. Trump's wife, Melania, addressed the Log Cabin Republicans just this week, sending a signal that her husband has moderated on that position too. Lake has make similar pilgrimages and outreaches to the gay community.

Maybe they're right. Maybe it has become impossible to win elections if you're not pro-abortion and pro-LGBTQ. But if that's the case, it only illustrates how far down the cultural rat hole America has gone, and when you get to a certain point, it's beyond saving.

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Senator to Trump: 'Geography Is Not the Point of the Pro-Life Movement' – It's about 'Protecting Children'

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On Monday, former President Donald Trump released a **video** statement outlining his view that abortion restrictions should be left to the states. He announced, "My view is now that we have abortion where everybody wanted it from a legal standpoint, the states will determine by vote or legislation or perhaps both, and whatever they decide must be the law of the land. In this case, the law of the state."

The former president **claimed** that federal bans on abortion are "not popular with voters and could cost the Republicans elections." But in response to Trump's remarks, Senator Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), a close ally to Trump, fired back in a **statement** on Monday, "I respectfully disagree with President Trump's statement that abortion is a states' rights issue." While the senator admits the states have a major role to play, he stands firm in the belief that some form of federal limit is required to protect life.

As the New York Post **reported**, "Graham … went out on a limb to propose a federal ban on most abortions after 15 weeks — with exceptions for rape, incest or risks to the life or health of the

mother — just months after the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade in June 2022." Trump criticized the move, claiming, "The Democrats are thrilled with Lindsey, because they want this issue to simmer for as long a period of time as possible."

According to The Washington Post, "Graham's position on abortion is not new," but his "criticism of Trump marked a rare break between the two in recent years." Despite the backlash Graham received from the former president for his remarks, the South Carolinian asserted he will continue pushing for a "national minimum standard limiting abortion."

On Tuesday's episode of "**Washington Watch**," he told Family Research Council President Tony Perkins, "his is tough politics. … But we got to sit down and think and pray about what comes next for the pro-life movement." Perkins agreed. "s Christians, we know that we must protect the most innocent among us. And creating a culture of life requires work at every level of government."

As for passing stronger restrictions on abortion, Graham pointed out, "ou'll never have the votes unless you make an effort to get the votes. So, what am I trying to do? I'm trying to find consensus." He explained that there's consensus for 15-week protections, as his proposal articulates, because that is when "the child can suck his thumb capable of feeling pain." And he argued this type of legislation is supported by a large sum of Americans. "I understand the state rights issue to a point," he said, "but I am not going to sit on the sidelines and watch California and New York and other states allow abortion on demand up to the moment of birth without trying to do something about it."

Perkins made clear that he is "for protecting life from the moment of conception on" but added, "I understand that in this republic … we've got to come to a consensus on certain points. So, we work, and we get to a point, and then we work, and we get to another point. That's how it works." To which Graham urged, "That's the way it works in your personal life. That's the way it works in your political life." Fifteen weeks is "a minimum standard," he insisted. "It doesn't override state laws ," but it does set a minimum and help highlight what the pro-life movement is really about.

Graham continued, "Here's what I want the pro-life movement to be about: the child. … I want it to be a joyful movement. I want it to be helping the mother make good decisions. I want it to be a loving and caring movement." But in order to do this, he contended, it cannot simply be a "state's rights issue" because it "takes away from the fact that it's about the child all the time, every time." He emphasized that "geography is not the point of the pro-life movement. The point of the pro-life movement is protecting unborn children to the best you can and find consensus."

The senator compared these circumstances to the Dred Scott decision in 1857, which **ruled** "Congress had no authority to ban slavery from a federal territory." Graham stated, "There was a time in our country where some states could own slaves if they wanted to, and other states didn't have to. You know what we said? 'Nobody should own a slave.'" As such, he urged, "They'll come a day when science and education … will convince the American people that late-term abortions are

barbaric. And I am going to keep fighting advocating for this because I do believe late abortions are barbaric."

He declared, "My goal as a member of the Senate is to continue to educate the American people about the unborn and try to find consensus and protect them where we can."

As Perkins said, "Republicans must build consensus for creating a culture of life that is embraced by all. And that's how we got here. … It took time, but we got there because we never abandoned this basic understanding that all life has value because it is created in the image of God. And there is a role … at the states … but there's a role at the federal level.

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Open Letter to the Supreme Court

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(What I wish I could share with the Justices, if concerned citizens were actually able to talk to the Court.)

Watching the oral arguments in the FDA/Danco Laboratories vs Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine on March 25, 2024, I doubt I was alone in wondering:

"Who speaks for the public, people of faith, the young mothers, the 90% of medical professionals who do not want any part of abortions, the taxpayers and healthcare providers paying for abortion-related care, and … who speaks for the innocent unborn babies?"

Something at the *very heart of this case* was missing in the court room discussions. It felt very troubling.

The "professional" part of what it is to be a medical or nursing professional was forgotten. Doctors and nurses are much more than 9-5 workers. Medicine and nursing are vocations that come with a deeply-held moral commitment and responsibility for the patient in their immediate care, but also a duty to speak out for sound and ethical medical care for all patients.

The lawyer for Danco Pharmaceutical's (which had been given the exclusive right to manufacture, market and distribute mifepristone from the Population Council in 1994) told Justice Alito that

the company was primarily concerned that they might make less money if patient safeguards were reinstated (**51:17-25, 52:1-2**), and Justice Kagan repeatedly tried to connect the doctors' organizations to specific members' concerns of harm or to claim a doctor who objected to abortions could simply walk away from a woman suffering an emergent life-threatening complication.

> Even the most basic look at the FDA medical reviews of mifepristone-misoprostol easily demonstrated that the FDA had NO sound science – not one randomized, controlled, blinded clinical trial – to support any of its actions.

But this case wasn't about money, power, politics for the doctors. It was about caring… caring for lives and the sanctity of life. It was about trying to do the right thing, medically, scientifically and ethically. The doctors had petitioned the FDA (with Citizen Petitions) several times for violating its statutory obligations, as it is the only way anyone can raise a concern to the FDA. (**97:12-19**)

As Justice Alito said, when the FDA flagrantly violates the law and endangers the health of women, do the American people have no remedy?

The FDA's attorney argued just that, he said, "it's just too bad, nobody can challenge that in court." (**13:20-25, 14:1-4**)

Justice Alito then asked if there was "anybody who could challenge in court the lawfulness of what the FDA did here?"

The FDA's lawyer replied "no." (**10:13-17**)

But that is exactly what doctors and other medical professionals have attempted to do since 2000.

This author independently analyzed the publicly recorded evidence cited by the FDA in its actions surrounding mifepristone-misoprostol. This **comprehensive investigation** documented that ***none of the FDA's actions were supported by "substantial evidence."*** In fact, the FDA had not used a single study that met its statutory requirements (under Federal Regulations **21CFR314.126**) *to evaluate drugs using adequate, well-controlled, randomized, blinded clinical trials to support claims of safety and effectiveness for its intended use*. The FDA has failed to cite a single randomized, controlled, blinded clinical trial to support any of its actions on the abortion pills for the past quarter century.

In other words, the FDA has not acted "**within the bounds of reasoned decision making.**" To most medical professionals and the public, the FDA has indeed acted in an "arbitrary, capricious an abuse of discretion."

The APA is the only remedy for medical professionals and the public to seek a judicial review when a federal agency, like the FDA, fails so intently and blatantly to do its job and has put the lives of millions of women and babies at risk… ***patients that have no one to speak for them*** against the government. (This ignores, of course, the entire issue of whether a drug designed to kill innocent life can even be considered a healing "medicine," let alone mandated in communities that do not want it.)

The FDA's Solicitor General asserted that the FDA had approved mifepristone *based on the agency's scientific judgment that the drug is safe and effective* (**4:12-14**), and that "only an exceptionally small number of women suffer the kind of serious complications that could trigger any need for emergency treatment." (**5:4-6**) She went on to assert the "FDA's actions were lawful" and that the agency had "relied on dozens of studies involving tens of thousands of women."

Neither the FDA or Danco's lawyers offered any evidence to support these assertions… because there is no evidence.

As this health professional uncovered, even the most basic look at the FDA medical reviews of mifepristone-misoprostol easily demonstrated that the FDA had NO sound science – not one randomized, controlled, blinded clinical trial – to support any of its actions. Any citizen who's taken the time to look at the FDA reviews can also easily see that. The Supreme Court Justices can clearly recognize that, too.

> Calling something "science" does not make it science or scientific evidence.

Yet, the lawyers for Danco/Population Council and FDA seemed incredibly disrespectful and condescending to the Supreme Court Justices. Danco's lawyer admitted to Justice Jackson it had significant concerns that courts don't have specialized scientific knowledge with respect to pharmaceuticals and about judges parsing medical and scientific studies and second guessing the FDA. Danco said these sorts of errors "can infect judicial analyses precisely because judges are not…experts in statistics, they are not experts in …the methodology used for scientific studies, for clinical trials." (**58-59**)

That's why, according to Danco, the "FDA has many hundreds of pages of analysis in the record of what the scientific data showed" and the pharmaceutical company relied on "FDA's gold standard review process." (58)

The FDA's counsel even stated that the FDA had done "an exhaustive examination" and that "up to ten weeks of gestation, there is no observable increase in serious adverse events." (**25:12-20**) She later backtracked and admitted that by eliminating in-person prescribing by doctors, "there was some evidence that there were increased ER visits," but that they weren't "actually correlated with

an increase in serious adverse events," (**39:16-21**) that misopristone could be "safely dispensed without in-person visits" and that the FDA "had voluminous evidence" to support its 2021 conclusion. (**40:1-3**).

A comprehensive look at all of the research relied upon by the FDA, however, contradicts these statements. Calling something "science" does not make it science or scientific evidence.

1. During its review of the 1996 application for its 2000 approval, the FDA had no randomized controlled blinded clinical trial; instead, it relied on one U.S. *non-controlled* That study found effectiveness dramatically dropped after 49 days gestation, while adverse events rapidly increased. FDA's approval acknowledged **7.9% of women (<49 days gestation) required surgical interventions** due to complications and failed abortions; 80-90% of women would experience heavy bleeding, averaging 9-16 days, with up to 8% bleeding 30 or more days, and 4.8% requiring medical intervention for bleeding.

Yet, in its 2000 regulations, the FDA removed the safety protections that had been submitted with the drug application, eliminating: the requirement for ultrasound, qualified prescribing physician, proximity to hospital care, and follow-up exams. An ultrasound is the only way to determine gestational age and diagnose ectopic pregnancies – according to every professional association – which account for 10-15% of all deaths in pregnancy.

2. FDA's post-marketing surveillance has proven to be a total failure. The FDA has buried and failed to respond to serious adverse events and deaths that were reported.

- FDA's Federal Adverse Events Reporting System (FAERS) failures were well documented by the Patient Safety & Quality Healthcare and detailed in U.S. GAO testimony by an HHS Associate Director. Every outside review has found the FDA's system to grossly underestimate actual adverse events.
- For years, the FDA failed to improve safety measures and ignored post-marketing information of women dying from undiagnosed ectopic pregnancies and sepsis, instead relying on letters to healthcare professionals from 2002-2004.
- Even though FAERS was reporting significant preventable adverse events through 2011 (58 ectopic pregnancies, 339 hemorrhages requiring transfusions, 256 infections, 612 hospitalizations and 14 deaths), the FDA continued to make no effort to improve safety measures.
- Subsequently, two studies using FOIA data from the FDA found the FDA's FAERS data 2009-2019 was even worse than the government was admitting (over 5,100 infections and 9 deaths from sepsis; 91 ectopic pregnancies with 26 ruptured, 56 emergency surgeries and 2 deaths; over 1,600 cases of severe hemorrhaging with 595 transfusions; over 1,600 failed abortions; and 23 deaths).

- On top of that, the FDA has continued to fail to fully report deaths. CDC data, which only reports on 80% of abortions in the U.S., reported over *4 times more abortion-related maternal deaths* between 2000-2019 than the FDA was admitting to in FAERS; even attempts to parse out chemical abortions leaves significant disparities. During those years, the CDC had reported 133 deaths.

3. The FDA has also been promoting the unapproved, "off-label" use of misoprostol for abortions: a drug that the manufacturer had *specifically contraindicated in women who are pregnant at any gestational age* because of significant risks for fatal uterine ruptures and perforations. Post-marketing surveillance data of misoprostol being used off-label for abortions was increasingly reporting to the FDA cases of uterine ruptures and perforations. Searle Pharmaceutical reported 19 cases to the FDA in 1999. The FDA Deputy Director specifically called for a search of all post-marketing data and by 2000, the FDA had identified 32 reports of uterine ruptures. *The FDA continues to make no mention of these risks to patients in its patient agreement or patient medication guides.*

4. The FDA didn't have a single randomized controlled clinical trial to support the safety of its 2016 actions: extending the gestational age to 70 days; allowing self-administering misoprostol at home; allowing drug-company "certified prescribers" instead of licensed medical professionals; eliminating follow-up clinical exams; or the dosage changes. Instead, the FDA used a hodgepodge of surveys, opinions and anecdotal reports, feasibility tests, self reports of clinician perceptions, case control and retrospective cohort studies, data dredges and systematic reviews. None of these complied with its statutory requirements for "substantial evidence."

> Not only did the FDA have no credible science, but the papers it cited even contradicted its conclusions and reported significant serious adverse events.

Worse, every study used by the FDA was from abortion activists or the drug company. The FDA did not have a single objective source and not one study had been independently replicated or confirmed.

Not only did the FDA have no credible science, but the papers it cited even contradicted its conclusions and reported significant serious adverse events. For example, the only U.S. study cited by the FDA for extending use through 70 days gestation reported on only 729 women – *half of the number registered with ClinicalTrials.gov* – and even then "lost to follow-up" another 98 women.

Despite these irregularities, it still reported ***7% of women overall required surgical interventions*** (persistent nonviable sacs, uterus debris), ***4.6% in the 49-70 days gestation (3.7% in <49 days gestation) experiencing major adverse events and going to the ER***; and pain and nausea were so

severe that 84% of the women required opiates for pain and 46% required anti-emetics to help control vomiting.

Yet, the FDA admitted that even this study had not been powered to evaluate safety.

In fact, the FDA admitted that NO abortion studies had been done to evaluate safety. The FDA reviewers said that serious adverse events, including deaths, hospitalizations, serious infections, bleeding requiring transfusions, and ectopic pregnancy complications, were rarely reported in any of the literature it reviewed.

How are these not "substantial risks?"

Using the FDA's own acknowledgement of rates of ER visits and surgical interventions: they equal an *additional* 25,700 ER visits and 43,877 surgical interventions each year.

(According to Guttmacher Institute, 626,815 chemical abortions were performed in the U.S. in 2023.)

During the Supreme Court hearing, the Danco/Population Council lawyer argued that whether increases in emergency room visits rise sufficiently to be considered "sufficient" is up to the FDA. (**30**) It also argued that increased risks for emergency care with mifepristone-misoprostol were not a "substantial risk." (**49:25, 50:1-2**)

When asked by Justice Roberts what percentage of adverse consequences would be enough, and what percentage of emergency room visits would be enough to be considered substantial, Danco only argued substantial risk wasn't present in this case. (**50:1-20**)

Using the FDA's own data, however, the risks clearly *are* substantial. Even by its own admissions, FDA stated up to ***4.6% of women end up in the ER,*** and **7% (in 2016) and 7.9% (in 2000) of women taking mifepristone required surgical intervention** for complications, hemorrhaging or incomplete abortions.

If this were any other elective drug being given to healthy young women, these would be unacceptable risks. But how is "substantial risk" defined elsewhere in Federal drug regulations? The most cited definition of "substantial risk" by the National Institutes of Health and echoed by the World Health Organization evolved from HIV risks, which were **defined as "substantial" at rates of 3 per 100**.

The risks of mifepristone are well beyond any credible definition of substantial risks. There is no sincere way the FDA can claim mifepristone-misoprostol is safe.

5. Incredibly, the FDA did not use a single randomized, controlled, blinded clinical trial throughout 2020- 2021 to support its removal of all of the remaining patient protective measures

for these abortifacients: eliminating in-person prescribing by a medical prescriber and allowing the drugs to be prescribed over the internet by a telehealth certified prescriber and dispensed through the mail to the women's homes.

> Removing patient safeguards is only to help abortionists end more lives and to continue to sell the falsehood that the abortion pills are "safe" and abortions are as easy as popping a pill.

By allowing telemed prescribing and mailed abortion pills, the FDA eliminated any State Medical Board's oversite of the qualifications of medical providers or patient safety, and the FDA presumed to take prescriptive authority from the States. The FDA hadn't conducted a formal review of evidence for these latest changes, referring to a nonpublic review in a letter on April 12, 2021 to abortion activists. In that letter, the FDA admitted to using:

1. an abortion group study of self-reported results of mailed abortion pills and satisfaction surveys;
2. A small abortion group retrospective cohort report of telemed abortions with phone and text self-reported follow-ups, with no clinical exams to confirm outcomes and that didn't record or report side effects or complications other than admit 4% required surgical interventions and 3.8% required ER visits;
3. a small abortion group study from UK of telemed questionnaires assessing only "acceptability" of procedures and that followed an incomplete and highly unusual reporting technique of recording complications only if the women called the clinic for help and the adverse events;
4. a marketing paper that was a data dredge "non-inferiority study" – a highly problematic biased technique that tries to describe if a new treatment is "acceptably worse" than the standard care; this paper hadn't even used the drug regimen approved by the FDA, nor did it do clinical follow-up of any patients to confirm anything.

Clearly, none of these studies complied with the FDA's requirements to use "substantial evidence."

6. Yet, with no further clinical trial evidence, the FDA went on *to completely repeal all safety measures permanently*. In its 2023 review of evidence for this last modified REMS, the FDA simply responded to each request from the drug company with "we agree" or "we agree with the Sponsor's proposal."

The FDA's drug approval and regulatory process is broken and has become completely corrupted and a political entity, answering to massively-funded special interests focused on population control and abortion.

Removing patient safeguards is only to help abortionists end more lives and to continue to sell the falsehood that the abortion pills are “safe” and abortions are as easy as popping a pill. The FDA long ago abandoned its role of using science to protect the health and safety of the public.

We can only pray, now, for the Supreme Court and that the Justices will be guided by what is true and good.

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Senate Dems Call Protecting Unborn Babies 'Dangerous' and 'Extreme'

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"I'm not the same person," a 19-year-old girl known only as **#13** wanted the Supreme Court to know. "I regret my abortion so much. … I think about it every day." Taking the abortion pill "was traumatizing," she says, thinking about the tiny little person she saw. "I just died a little bit. My boyfriend and I miss our baby."

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- The Daily Skirmish: **Abortion Pill-Pushers Work the Dark Side**

A woman listed as **A.C.** thinks back with dismay to calling 911. She was waiting at the pharmacy for the painkillers and suddenly felt wet. "I … look down at my jeans and was shocked to see I was

covered in blood, from the top of the inseam down to my knees. Tears began to flood my eyes," she remembers, filled with "horror and embarrassment. … My shock," she says, "turn into sorrow when I … found the sac with my tiny baby in it. …I held her for a moment before folding up the toilet paper and setting it into the feminine products bin." She called the abortion center in pain and grief, and they told her to call 911. So she just lied there "in the fetal position. … The bleeding continue for days," she says of the gruesome experience. There was also a smell that "reminded me … of what I had done."

"I hope," A.C. tells the justices, that no one knows the "horror of abortion," like she did. And yet, on Capitol Hill, these nightmares are what Democrats call "choice." And this week, they proved that they'll do anything to keep women in the dark about the gruesome, life-long realities of it.

In a hearing innocuously called "The Continued Assault on Reproductive Freedoms in a Post-Dobbs America," the president's party, led by Dick Durbin (Ill.) tried to paint the pro-life fight to stop suffering like A.C.'s as dangerous and radical. To Family Research Council's Mary Szoch, "It's really ironic that Democrats use violent terms to describe protecting unborn children — when we know that abortion brutally and callously ends the life of an unborn child." This is a party, she points out, that has **voted repeatedly** to kill an innocent child right up until the moment of birth — **and even after**. So if anyone's guilty of extremism, Szoch argues, it's Democrats.

Senator John Kennedy (R-La.) pressed that issue with one of the Left's witnesses, asking, "If a healthy mother with a healthy baby wanted to have an abortion the day before a birth, would it be okay with you?" Caitlin Myers replied, "Senator, that is not how abortion care works. … That rhetoric," she tried to turn the tables, "is really dangerous for the people who are…" Kennedy interrupted, "It would be okay with you, wouldn't it?" Myers never directly answered the question — a fact that says all you need to know, Szoch insisted.

Kennedy pressed the issue about birth day abortions until Myers, getting frustrated, claimed, "You know, I think that's a really hard question to answer because that just doesn't happen. You're asking me about something that simply doesn't happen — " The Louisianan stopped her. "Well, actually, I will tell you, it's legal in Vermont, New Jersey, Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico, Alaska, and the District of Columbia, and the loon wing of the Democratic Party supports abortion up to the moment of birth. So, do you support that or are oppose it?" Myers didn't reply.

That in itself is shocking, Szoch **told** guest host and former Congressman Jody Hice on Thursday's "Washington Watch." "It's very interesting that none of the witnesses were willing to come out and say, 'No, I would not support abortion the day before a healthy mother with a healthy baby is due to deliver.' … They said that's not how abortion works. Well, I would love for them to describe for the American people how abortion does work, because how it works is it tears apart an unborn child — a defenseless, innocent, unborn child. And that's what the American people need to know about the Democrat position."

On the flip side, what Democrats need to know about their own stance is that almost zero Americans support it. "The position of today's elected Democrats in Congress on abortion is wildly out of step with the American people," Texas Senator Ted Cruz (R) insisted. "… position is not a mainstream position. Indeed, national polling shows roughly 9% of Americans agree with . Ninety-one percent of Americans disagree with the position of every single elected Democrat in this body."

The problem, Szoch pointed out, is that most people don't realize how radical the Left's position actually is. "I think for too long we have allowed people to hide behind what has become a euphemism, and that is 'abortion.' … People don't actually think of what that actually is. It's the brutal ending of a human being's life. And imagine if we had headlines that were celebrating … the increased number of deaths through the brutal murder of unborn children. Imagine if we had headlines celebrating that. Americans would be outraged. But because we use the term 'abortion,' Democrats are able to get away with this. They're able to act as if this is a positive thing. Nothing about abortion is good. And certainly, we need to work on fixing the circumstances that have led over a million women to think that this was their solution. But we also have to call abortion what it is — and we can't let Democrats act like this is some fix to all the problems of the world."

Right, Hice said. "Since when has not been considered an extreme position?"

But all of this has become even more complicated with the rise of the abortion drug, which Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.) had the nerve to repeat **was perfectly "safe**," despite **piles of first-hand stories** to the contrary. "Every single abortion is tragic," Szoch emphasized, "because every abortion ends the life of an unborn child. But," she insisted, "the use of the abortion drug is especially egregious, because we know that the abortion drug is four times as dangerous as surgical abortion for the mother." And thanks to the Biden administration, who's bypassing state laws and safety concerns, women are receiving this drug, mifepristone, through the mail.

And not unlike the dozens of women pleading with the Supreme Court to ban it, "They're taking this drug alone in their bathroom. And then, they're hemorrhaging, and then they have uncontrolled bleeding where they don't know, is it too much or is this natural? They don't know what is about to happen to their body because they're not doctors. They weren't supposed to know. We have women who have ectopic pregnancies that go undiagnosed. And then those women have serious complications because of it … and then their future pregnancies are in jeopardy because no abortionist saw them in person."

And for what, Szoch asked emotionally? So that the abortion industry can make more money. They don't care about women. They're putting tens of thousands of them at risk, "shipping it across state lines to pro-life states and in direct violation of those states' rights to protect unborn children."

They're telling women, "Abortion is your only solution," Szoch shook her head. "… And we have the chemical abortion drug that the abortion industry says is just as easy as taking a Tylenol. It's not. It's very different from a Tylenol. You have a significantly increased chance of entering the emergency room, which is not something that someone who takes a Tylenol has. And we know that the abortion industry tells women it will just be like a heavy period. It will be natural. And then we know countless women end up delivering their unborn baby — that's clearly recognizable as a baby — into the toilet. And their hearts are broken forever because they didn't realize that was what was about to happen. This increase is tragic, and we really can't state that enough."

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‘Total Abomination’: $1.2 Trillion Bill Funds Teen Trans Programs, Abortion to 22 Weeks

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A sprawling, $1.2 trillion government funding bill includes funding for abortion facilities, as well as LGBTQ activist centers that carry out transgender injections, target minors, hold drag shows, and help illegal immigrants who identify as gay or transgender gain U.S. citizenship — a bill one congressman calls “a total, total abomination.”

The “Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024” funds the Departments of Defense, Education, Health and Human Services (HHS), Homeland Security (DHS), Labor, and State until the end of the fiscal year, September 30. Congressional leadership released the text of the **1,012-page bill** at 2:30 a.m. Thursday, giving members of Congress just hours to read before an anticipated vote to head off an impending government shutdown at midnight Saturday.

As of this writing, the bill contained **the following earmarks**:

- $400,000 requested by Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisc.) for Briarpatch Youth Services in Fitchburg, Wisconsin. The group promises to hide minors’ struggle with gender dysphoria from their

parents while indoctrinating teens in extreme gender ideology. Its "**Queer 101 Training**" promises to teach "an intersectional understanding on queer oppression" and aims "to demonstrate how limiting the 'male' and 'female' binary is." The organization offers "individual counseling services" for children "ages 12-17," in which a "ounselor can work with children on exploring identity, resiliency, and creating a Gender Support Plan for school support and advocacy." The group's website **says**, "Youth do **NOT** need parent/guardian permission to join Teens Like Us. We understand not all youth are at a point in their lives where they can safely and confidently 'come out.'" (Emphasis in original.) The group's "Queer 101 Training" aims "to demonstrate how limiting the 'male' and 'female' binary is."

- $400,000 requested by Senator Bob Casey (D-Pa.) for the Mazzoni Center in Philadelphia, which carries out transgender hormone shots, clears the way for transgender surgeries, advertises transgender services for minors, and holds drag show fundraisers. Mazzoni **carries out** cross-sex hormone injections and provides medical letters for transgender surgeries. The center begins **targeting teens** with its Pediatric & Adolescent Comprehensive Transgender Services (PACTS). Its "Youth Drop In," which is held each Wednesday night, is aimed at teens "ages 14 to 24" and **notes**, "Patients under 18 can receive confidential care regarding sexual and mental health without parental permission." The Mazzoni Center both contributes to and profits from the LGBT movement. Mazzoni **invited** donors to mingle with "a wide range of acts that include drag queens, drag kings, trans-identifying, bearlesque, and burlesque performers" at its December 3 Code Red fundraiser. "In December, fundraising for Mazzoni Center truly was a drag," the center cracked. "Drag entertainer Cherry Pop and her fabulous friends united for the 10th annual Code Red fundraiser, a drag/variety show," which it **described** as a "powerful night" for a "vital cause."
- $1,808,000 requested by Senators Sheldon Whitehouse and Jack Reed (both D-R.I.) for Women and Infants Hospital in Providence, Rhode Island, which carries out first- and second-term abortions at its Family Planning Clinic. "If you need to discuss abortion care for pregnancy, please feel free to contact the Family Planning Clinic," states its website. Its "**services**" include "urgical abortion under general anesthesia in the operating room for people up to 22 weeks pregnant" and "edication abortion (the 'abortion pill') for people up to ten weeks pregnant." The facility will also implant a potential abortifacient inside women after the abortion, advertising a "ost-abortion IUD or contraceptive implant."
- $650,000 requested by Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) for Dartmouth Hitchcock Nashua in New Hampshire. "We routinely provide both medication and procedural abortion care up to 22 weeks of pregnancy," the group **declares**. The facility describes surgical abortion as a procedure "ending a pregnancy by having the pregnancy removed by doctors."
- $780,000 requested by Senator Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) for Amador Health Services in Las Cruces, New Mexico, which **boasts** that it "can provide transgender/gender non-conforming (GNC) health education, therapeutic counseling and referrals, and additional LGBTQ+ support that puts your safety and comfort first. If you've felt rejected by family and loved ones, isolated from your community, or are just in need of an ear to listen, we're here." It also decries the "social stigma" surrounding "undocumented immigration" (e.g., illegal

immigration). "e're working every day to eliminate that stigma and make all feel like they belong."

- $146,000 requested by Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) for Apicha Community Health Center, for facilities and equipment. Apicha's two locations in Manhattan and Queens advertise "**transgender and gender-affirming services**" — specifically "initiation and maintenance of hormone replacement therapy," "letters of support for gender-affirming surgeries" and "help with name change process." They also **distribute** potential abortifacients Plan B and IUDs.
- $706,000 requested by Senator Patty Murray (D-Wash.) for Entre Hermanos, an LGBT group that helps put illegal immigrants on a path to U.S. citizenship. It offers **legal counseling and "free immigration clinics" to illegal immigrants** who identify as LGBTQ to obtain U.S. citizenship and hosts workshops on "**the many identities**" under the transgender "umbrella" and strategies to **minimize "transphobia."** The group's website currently advertises the upcoming "**Drag Brunch**" on April 28.
- $850,000 requested by Rep. Ayanna Pressley, and Senators Elizabeth Warren and Ed Markey (D-Mass.) for LGBTQ Senior Housing, Inc. ("**The Pryde**"), in Massachusetts, a controversial funding provision that House Republicans **stripped out** of a Transportation funding bill last year.

Rep. Robert Aderholt (R-Ala.), chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, also **listed** the following concerning earmarks:

- "Sen. Bennet (D-CO), $845,000 – Envision: You, CO (SAMHSA) – LGBTQ advocacy."
- "Sen. Shatz (D-HI), $550,000 – Hawaii Health and Harm Reduction Center, HI (SAMHSA) – LGBTQ services and syringe exchange."
- "Sen. Schumer (D-NY), $1,000,000 — SAGE, NY (ACL) – LGBTQ advocacy."

The "earmarks in it for abortion facilities" make the bill a "total, total abomination," Rep. Chip Roy (R-Texas) told Steve Bannon's "War Room" on Thursday.

"We continue to fund abortion tourism, we continue to fund transgender surgeries at the Department of Defense," Roy continued. "It busts the caps … funds the FBI headquarters, doesn't secure the border, funds the World Health Organization."

Even these dedicated funding streams do not cover the full extent of the bill's harmful funding, say its critics. "I have multiple concerns, among them are the many new social services that this bill would create for the millions of illegal immigrants streaming across our border. Additionally, it would fund facilities providing routine abortion services, including late-term abortions," said Aderholt.

Experts say the short time frame legislators have to review such massive legislation makes it more likely wasteful or immoral spending will find congressional approval. “Lawmakers are using arbitrary deadlines and shutdown politics to extort the American people and force lawmakers to vote for a bill they don’t have time to read,” said Kevin Roberts, president of The Heritage Foundation. “Conservatives were told that the days of omnibus spending bills shrouded in secrecy were over. But this process and the bill it produced are indistinguishable from typical Swamp behavior that’s taken our economy and country to the brink of disaster.”

Principled lawmakers seem to agree. “This is not the bill that my subcommittee produced and supported,” the chairman added. “The Senate has taken liberties with their Congressionally Directed Spending requests that would never stand in the House.”

“Under no circumstances should vote for this bill,” said Roy. “A vote for this bill is a vote against America.”

“In good conscience, I cannot and will not vote for these projects or this bill,” Aderholt concluded.

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‘A Global Human Trafficking Operation’: Biden Admin, NGOs Flying Illegals into U.S.

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> 43 U.S. airports that have received 320,000 inadmissible aliens from January through December 2023, nor the foreign airports from which they departed,” the CIS report states.

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New reports are revealing that the Biden administration has not only been allowing illegal immigrants across the southern border by the millions, but has actually been paying to fly them into the country by the hundreds of thousands.

According to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) **findings** by the Center for Immigration Studies (CIS), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) put hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants on planes and flew them into 43 different U.S. airports last year alone. “CBP has withheld … and apparently will not disclose … the names of the 43 U.S. airports that have received 320,000 inadmissible aliens from January through December 2023, nor the foreign airports from which they departed,” the CIS report states.

However, the CIS's FOIA lawsuit has forced CBP to admit that the American people "can't know the receiving airports because those hundreds of thousands of CBP-authorized arrivals have created such 'operational vulnerabilities' at airports that 'bad actors' could undermine law enforcement efforts to 'secure the United States border' if they knew the volume of CBP One app traffic processed at each port of entry." The report clarifies, "In short, the Biden administration's legally dubious program to fly inadmissible aliens over the border and directly to U.S. airports has allegedly created law enforcement vulnerabilities too grave to release publicly, lest 'bad actors' take advantage of them to inflict harm on public safety."

CIS Executive Director Mark Krikorian **explained** on "Washington Watch" Tuesday, "Our question was, 'Where are they going to?' Because it matters to those local communities, they need to know who's coming. And I think the public at large needs to know where these people are going."

He continued, "And what was so disturbing is that in justifying withholding that information from us, they said the reason they can't tell us is that if they did, it would reveal security vulnerabilities, because this program — which is not lawful, the president has no authorization to do this — this program is creating such problems, such a burden on these airports, that it's exposing security vulnerabilities. And they think that 'bad actors,' as they put it, if they knew this, would take advantage of it. So the Biden administration's own program is a security threat at American airports, and yet they're continuing to run it anyway."

Krikorian further explained, "These were … people who have no right to come to the United States, they don't have visas. They're just people who want to come here." He noted, "Some of them have an application in the pipeline because they're relatives , but they're in a waiting list and they don't want to wait, they just want to cut the line. Others have no connection." But the 320,000 illegal immigrants being flown into airports across the U.S. are also being given work permits, according to the CIS report, even though they are unable to obtain visas.

"Under these legally dubious parole programs, aliens who cannot legally enter the country use the CBP One app to apply for travel authorization and temporary humanitarian release from those airports," the report states. "The parole program allows for two-year periods of legal status during which adults are eligible for work authorization." Krikorian added, "None of these people are going to leave. They supposedly have a two-year work permit. They all have work permits. That's the point." He added, "But the idea that ICE is going to be able to go and chase after hundreds of thousands of people and find them, it's just unrealistic." CBP's own website **admits** that users of the CBP One app can apply for work authorization.

"Release by the government of the airport data would serve an important public interest in that it would provide voters and public officials with information to pressure the Biden government to reduce monthly arrival rates into their cities and states," the report explains, also noting that "the

airport location information would undoubtedly provide a more accurate and complete picture of what is happening…"

The Biden administration is reportedly being assisted in flying illegal immigrants into the U.S. by nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), according to author and reporter Larry Taunton, who has been investigating illegal immigration in South America since 2020. On Tuesday night, Taunton also **appeared** on "Washington Watch" to share his findings in Colombia. "Off record, the head of this NGO was telling me that they are flying these illegal immigrants into the United States," Taunton explained. "And in the case of this particular NGO, it's Cubans, Haitians, and Venezuelans that they are chiefly flying into the U.S. to destinations unknown. I mean, even the head of this NGO had no idea where these planes were going in the U.S."

While NGOs are helping illegal immigrants find lodging and flights, the Biden administration is providing them with the means to violate U.S. immigration law. "et's just start calling it what it is: the Biden administration is not merely an active participant, but they are the chief organizer of a massive global human trafficking operation," Taunton said. "In this case, it's the Biden administration that is in that is inviting these people, saying, 'Come on, come on.' They're encouraging them. They don't care what happens to them. Human trafficking, rape, murder, people, children just disappearing. This is happening everywhere."

Looking at what factors have led to the current illegal immigration crisis, Taunton explained, "Historically, America's goal has been … to elevate elements of the world to a better standard of living towards America's standard of living." He continued, "Obama took a very different position on that. The idea was to de-elevate the power of the United States, the standing of the United States. So, in other words, to 'Third World' the United States, that's the direction that we're headed." He also noted, "Second thing is to change the United States culturally, politically, and socially — irreversibly — with a massive, massive influx of people from outside of our country who in many cases — not all, but in many cases — do not share our values."

Taunton also addressed the current power players behind the influx of immigrants, emphasizing the "major role" that the United Nations and its Internation Organization for Migration (IOM) play in "operating the flights into the United States," as well as the support of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). He also theorized that many of these agencies and even NGOs are being funded at least in part with money laundered through Ukraine. "I believe this money, much of this money — because this is a massive, massive operation, this isn't a small thing, this is a global operation — I believe this money is being laundered and is passing through Ukraine," Taunton posited.

Pointing to the enormous sums of taxpayer dollars funneled into Ukraine by Congress, Taunton theorized that "these billions, they aren't going to Zelensky's wardrobe. They're going into the pockets of corrupt politicians to fund these massive globalist projects."

He continued: “This is probably my tenth time in Colombia in just the last few years, when I first started coming down here to investigate this very question. … What you had for the most part at that time were individuals trying to make their way to the United States any way they could, and cartels were playing a role and various NGOs were assisting where they could. It has taken on an entirely different character now. It is highly organized, and the only one who could pull that off would be the United States government.”

“There’s a connecting thread in all of this and that is the globalist agenda,” Taunton insisted. “And it isn’t guys like Bill Gates who are funding it. It’s the U.S. taxpayer who is funding it. And they’re doing it — in my opinion, it’s just my theory — but they’re doing it through Ukraine.”

These reports come as the border crisis becomes a top concern among voters heading into November. Recent polls have shown record numbers of Americans **worrying** about the deteriorating illegal immigration influx, **hampering** incumbent President Joe Biden’s reelection campaign and **bolstering** former President Donald Trump’s. Additionally, the Biden administration has increasingly been **trying to tie funding** for U.S. border security to billions more in “aid” to Ukraine.

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Pro-Life Tragedy: France Embeds Abortion in Constitution, Other Nations Will Follow

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In an overwhelming 780-72 vote, the French parliament has just enshrined a "right" to abortion in the nation's constitution. It is the first country in the world to do so.

Why? Was there a push to outlaw abortion, which has been legal in France since the 1970s? Was there an effort to lower France's gestational restriction, which had recently **expanded abortion** from 12 weeks to 16 weeks of pregnancy? No and no. The push to make abortion a **constitutional right** was a direct response to the United States Supreme Court decision overturning Roe v. Wade in 2022.

It could be tempting to write off this development. Abortion wasn't "threatened" in any way in France. **Speaking to Reuters**, Association of Catholic Families President Pascale Moriniere put it bluntly: "We imported a debate that is not French," casting the entire exercise as "an effect of panic from feminist movements."

The BBC noted that some jurists in France actually believed that abortion was **already a constitutional right**. If the change to the constitution isn't actually, well, changing much, is this simply another example of liberal "virtue-signaling"?

It would be a mistake to shrug our shoulders or chuckle that **Justice Samuel Alito** (who wrote the Dobbs v. Jackson decision overturning Roe) lives rent-free in the heads of liberals across the pond just like he does here at home.

What happened in France could kick-start a domino effect of more countries enshrining abortion in their constitutions.

We see abortion activists already following this playbook in U.S. states. **Pro-lifers have lost** multiple ballot initiatives post-Dobbs, with states enshrining abortion in their constitutions. It's not just blue states like California. It happened in Ohio, where Republicans have control of the state Senate, House, and governorship.

When there's blood in the water, abortion activists gather for a feeding frenzy. States with strong pro-life laws like Florida, Arizona, and Missouri could be next if **these activists** get their way.

On the international stage, the calculation is no different. Momentum matters.

As I stated previously, now that France has enshrined abortion as a fundamental constitutional right, we can expect to see similar efforts in other countries. Right now, 47 out of 50 European countries allow abortion up to about 15 weeks. This is far from the **permissive abortion** free-for-all in America under the former Roe regime—a free-for-all still allowed in many liberal states even **with Roe** overturned. When given an inch, pro-abortion agitators will try to take a mile.

There's something sadly poignant that France, of all countries, is leading the race to the bottom when it comes to abortion. It was French scientists—and the French government—who strong-armed the **chemical abortion pill** onto the market in the 1980s. Since then, the abortion pill has hurt countless women, girls, and, of course, unborn children.

First with the abortion pill and now first with a nationwide constitutional protection for abortion, France has been innovative and groundbreaking in all the wrong ways. Let's hope that pro-lifers here in America, and across the world, see this latest stunt for what it is: a warning shot that pro-abortion forces are loud, proud, and coming for your constitution … wherever you are.

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Sterilization, abortifacients, Plan B, Trans sex drugs No Parental consent

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Delegate Bob Marshall | Former 13 Term Virginia Delegate

Delegate Marcia Price sponsored **HB 609**, which does the following:

Minor consent to Contraception: HB 609 states at subsection B, line 26, "B. A person shall have the right to obtain contraceptives and to engage in contraception." No age is stipulated, so male and female minors can consent on their own to birth control.

Contraception includes Sterilization: HB 609, lines 16-17, provides that, "Contraception" means an action taken to prevent pregnancy, including the use of contraceptives or sterilization procedures." Minors could consent to surgical or drug induced sterilization. "Sterilization" is not defined in HB 609. It could mean surgical sterilization and sterilizing drugs that produce gender mutilation.

No Parental Consent: HB 609, subsection C., lines 27-29, provides these rights "… shall not be infringed upon by any law, regulation, or policy that expressly or effectively limits, delays, or

impedes access to contraceptives …" ("Contraceptives" include abortifacients.) Parental consent would thus violate HB 609.

"Contraception" means any FDA approved Drug: HB 609, lines 18-20, states, "'Contraceptive' means any drug … intended for use in the prevention of pregnancy, … or for other health needs, that is legally marketed under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. § 301 et seq.)," "Other health needs" means "transgender" drugs could be given to minors by a school counselor or anyone behind parents' backs.

Attorney General Empowered to Prosecute Parents: HB 609 states, lines 52-53, that:

"The attorney general may commence a civil action on behalf of the state against any person that violates or enforces a law, regulation, or policy that violates the provisions of this chapter."

Thus, complete strangers can pressure children to take contraceptives, abortifacients, undergo gender mutilating sterilization surgeries, all protected by the Attorney General. Parents who try to protect their children from permanent physical, emotional or spiritual harm could be prosecuted by the Attorney General!

Planned Parenthood could sue Parents: Any individual or organization which provides birth control or sterilization could sue minors' parents who object.

Abortifacients Redefined as "Contraception": HB 609 includes abortifacients, redefined as contraception, to fool women who might oppose abortifacients.

In l952, Planned Parenthood's Medical Director wrote: "… any biologic method that would prevent ovulation or fertilization merely prevent(s) life from beginning. . . . Measures designed to prevent implantation fall into a different category. ***Here there is a question of destroying a life already begun."***

A 1963 U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare survey noted: "All the measures which impair the viability of the zygote at any time between the instant of fertilization and the completion of labor constitute, in the strict sense, *procedures for inducing abortion."*

No Conscience Protections: HB 609 has no conscience or religious liberty protections for individuals, institutions, or health care providers. HB 609 violates *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores,* a 2014 US Supreme Court decision which held that privately held for profit corporations cannot be forced to violate the owners' religious beliefs or conscience rights.

No Informed Consent: No provision of HB 609 ensures that informed consent be given to adults or minors.

No Protection for doctors: HB 609 states (lines 54-56) states: " Any individual … or patient, adversely affected by an alleged violation of this chapter may commence a civil action against any person that … enforces a law, regulation, or policy in violation of this chapter." Therefore, doctors who refuse sterilization, abortifacients, birth control or transgender sterilizing drugs even for minors can be sued for adversely affecting a patient.

Thank you, Delegate Bob Marshall

Former 13 Term Virginia Delegate

Shocking Finding: Life Expectancy Continues to Plummet

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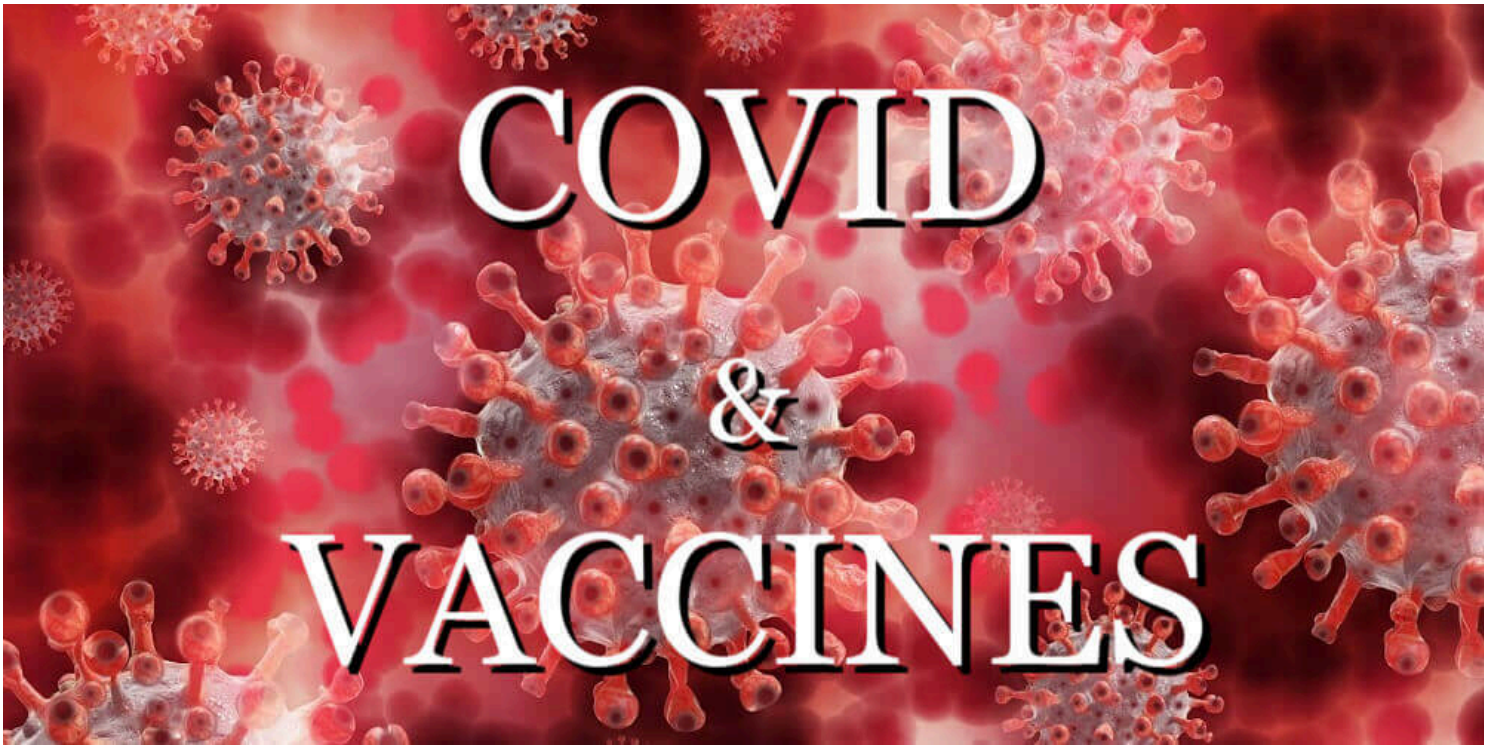

Look Who's Dying Now as Life Expectancy Continues to Plummet

The gender life expectancy gap in the US has reached its widest point since 1996, and it's not welcome news for this group of individuals who are dying at a frightening pace.

The worst part? No one is doing anything to help stop it. What should be headline news isn't even being talked about.

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola**

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- Provisional estimates and finalized reports reveal a significant decline in American life expectancy with young adults bearing the brunt of excess deaths.
- The gender life expectancy gap in the U.S. has reached its widest point since 1996, primarily driven by COVID-19 and the opioid crisis, highlighting systemic issues in health care and societal structures.

- Contrary to historical trends, the burden of death now falls disproportionately on young and working-aged Americans, prompting concerns about the underlying causes and the absence of a public health response.
- Amidst censorship and controversy, there's a growing call for a thorough investigation into pandemic management, including lockdowns, treatment protocols and vaccine deployment, to understand the root causes of excess deaths.
- The need for a new approach to global health is underscored by the current crisis, with emphasis on addressing health disparities and reconnecting with consciousness, as advocated in my forthcoming book, "The Power of Choice".

(Language alert: Jimmy Dore drops a few f-bombs)

As it turns out, one of the biggest news stories of 2023 never made the headlines, which is understandable considering its implications. The world is now grappling with the aftermath of a global crisis that, thanks to the sophisticated and meticulously engineered brainwashing strategies deployed by government and mass media, are unbeknownst to the masses.

In August 2022, provisional life expectancy estimates[1,2] for 2021 were released showing Americans had lost nearly three years of life expectancy during 2020 and 2021. In December 2022, the finalized mortality report[3] confirmed these shocking data.

In 2019, the average life span of Americans of all ethnicities was 78.8 years.[4] By the end of 2020, it had dropped to 77.0 years[5] and by the end of 2021, it was 76.4.[6] As noted by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in its finalized mortality report for 2021,[7] "From 2020 to 2021, death rates increased for each age group 1 year and over …"

At the time, Virginia Commonwealth University professor of population health Dr. Steven Woolf told USA Today,[8] "That means all the medical advances over the past quarter century have been erased."

COVID Was a Turning Point

The COVID-19 pandemic was a turning point in human history and we are just now compiling the data to document the impact of government's irrational responses. The big news that virtually no one is talking about is that a) the life expectancy of men has dropped far more than that of women, and b) young, working-age adults make up the bulk of excess deaths.[9]

This should be headline news across all mainstream media stations; instead, it has been suppressed probably because pandemic measures likely play a significant role in this trend. I didn't even find out about it until I saw Jimmy Dore's interview with Dr. Pierre Kory (above). According to research published in JAMA Internal Medicine in November 2023:[10,11,12,13]

> *"As life expectancy at birth in the U.S. decreased for the second consecutive year, from 78.8 years (2019) to 77.0 years (2020) and 76.1 years (2021), the gap between women and men widened to 5.8 years, its largest since 1996 and an increase from a low of 4.8 years in 2010.*

> *For more than a century, U.S. women have out-lived U.S. men, attributable to lower cardiovascular and lung cancer death rates related largely to differences in smoking behavior. This study systematically examines the contributions of COVID-19 and other underlying causes of death to the widened gender life expectancy gap from 2010 to 2021."*

The opioid crisis further compounded the trend, driving down male life expectancy through a surge in drug overdoses, accidents and suicides. Deaths of despair, a term encapsulating the rise in suicide, drug use disorders and alcoholic liver disease, are often linked to economic hardship, depression and stress.

These deaths have particularly impacted men, marking a significant shift in the life expectancy landscape. Studies now reveal a stark reality, namely that working-age men are increasingly bearing the brunt of the damage from the COVID-19 crisis.

Widening Gender Gap in Life Expectancy

The architects of this carefully orchestrated plot have produced these results with chilling precision. Their goal was not merely to unleash a virus, but to test the resilience of societal structures and the adaptability of health care systems to unprecedented stressors by manipulating variables, including health care access and public health responses.

The pandemic disproportionately affected men, not solely due to biological predispositions, but also due to social and behavioral patterns. For example, men's reluctance to seek medical help and prevalence in high-risk behaviors likely contributed significantly to the observed life expectancy gap.

As the world emerges from the shadow of the pandemic, we are now forced to reconsider the foundational aspects of health care, employment and social support systems. As detailed in the

JAMA paper, the gender gap in life expectancy in the U.S. — a difference of nearly six years — is the largest it's been since 1996:[14]

> *"The gender life expectancy gap increased 0.23 years from 2010 to 2019 and 0.70 years from 2019 to 2021. Prior to COVID-19 in 2020, the largest contributors to worsening life expectancy for men vs women were unintentional injuries, diabetes, suicide, homicide, and heart disease …*

> *The absolute difference in age-adjusted death rates between men and women increased from 252 to 315 per 100,000 between 2010 and 2021, with a persistent gap for heart disease and widening gaps for COVID-19, unintentional injuries, and several other causes.*

> *This analysis finds that COVID-19 and the drug overdose epidemic were major contributors to the widening gender gap in life expectancy in recent years."*

Young Americans Are Dying at Frightening Pace

In a December 12, 2023, article for The Hill,[15] Kory also reviewed the actuarial data, which reveals another shocking shift: The burden of death now falls disproportionately on the young and working-aged, a demographic that once epitomized health and vitality within American society. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's decision to archive its excess deaths webpage in September, ceasing updates, adds a layer of mystery to this already perplexing situation.

The financial implications for insurers are profound. The surge in death claims since 2020 reflects the gravest increase since the 1918 influenza pandemic, prompting calls for an early-warning system to safeguard the insured against emerging health threats. As noted by Kory:[16]

> *"Unlike in the pandemic's early phase, these deaths are not primarily among the old. For people 65 and over, deaths in the second quarter of 2023 were 6% below the pre-pandemic norm, according to a new report from the* ***Society of Actuaries****.*

> *Mortality was 26% higher among insured 35-to-44-year-olds, and 19% higher for 25-to-34-year-olds, continuing a death spike that peaked in the third quarter of 2021 at a staggering 101% and 79% above normal, respectively."*

Interestingly, the increase in mortality is not confined to the elderly but is significantly higher among younger, insured adults. This shift raises critical questions about the causes, which extend beyond COVID-19 to include rises in liver, kidney and cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, and drug overdoses, though not predominantly among the young working class.

This scenario begs a critical examination: why has the response from public health officials, who were once at the forefront of the pandemic management, been conspicuously absent in addressing these excess deaths?

The United Kingdom's independent public inquiry into post-pandemic excess deaths offers a stark contrast, highlighting the need for a similar, rigorous investigation in the United States. This inquiry should scrutinize the pandemic's management, including lockdowns, treatment protocols, and the rapid deployment of vaccines, amidst over a million reports of potential adverse effects and emerging studies on post-vaccination syndromes.

The unparalleled censorship of dissent and the enforcement of pandemic measures raise further concerns about the decisions made during the crisis. As actuaries warn of continued excess deaths — particularly among younger insured individuals — until 2030, the necessity for a comprehensive assessment becomes clear.

This evaluation must dissect what strategies succeeded and which failed, to better prepare for future pandemics and safeguard all segments of society, especially the most vulnerable.

We Need a New Paradigm

It couldn't be more obvious — as we are now collecting the data that confirms everything I've been saying these past few years — that we have been lied to and are now reaping the results of that deception.

It is my intention to usher in a new era of global health — one that recognizes and addresses the intricate web of factors that contribute to health disparities. One of the primary factors being the disconnection between ourselves and consciousness.

I'm just finishing my new book, "The Power of Choice," which I expect to be published in the next few months. It is designed to be a seminal work addressing the foundational issues that have led to the desperate state of affairs that we are now in. In many ways it's a handbook for how to get out of this crisis.

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Game Over: The Truth About COVID-19 Finally Unveiled

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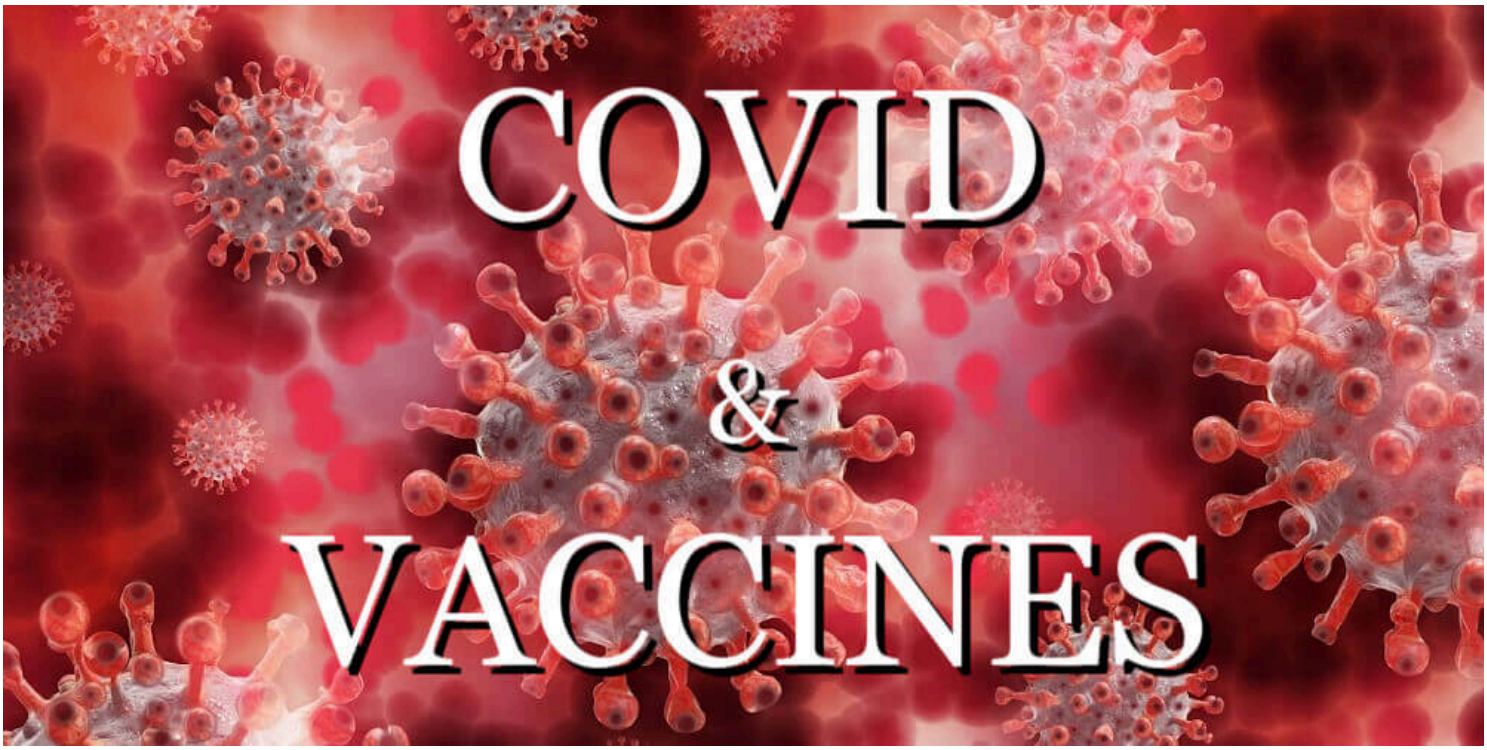

Despite exhaustive testing methods, no one has been able to find SARS-CoV-2 in any wild animal, bat or otherwise. And there's a good reason for that. These newly obtained documents provide all the missing details, including America's involvement in the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Story of the Decade

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola**

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- According to U.S. Sen. Rand Paul, author of "Deception: The Great COVID Cover-Up," the COVID-19 pandemic, which killed millions of people, was the result of Anthony Fauci's decision to fund dangerous gain-of-function research in China.
- New evidence obtained by U.S. Right to Know (USRTK) further strengthens the theory that SARS-CoV-2 was made in a lab.
- The novel features found in SARS-CoV-2 match the research parameters presented in a 2018 grant proposal by EcoHealth Alliance to conduct gain-of-function research on bat

coronaviruses.

- EcoHealth and the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV) were well aware of the potential that this research could spark a human pandemic. A planning memo contains a note stating, “We MUST make it clear in proposal that our approach won’t drive evolution the wrong way, e.g. drive evolution of more virulent strain that then becomes pandemic”.
- At present, gain-of-function research is allowed provided it’s done with the intention of creating a vaccine, which is a logical fallacy. We’ve never been able to preemptively construct a pathogen that later shows up through natural evolution. We’re creating novel pathogens that don’t exist in nature and then developing vaccines against those. In other words, we’re creating bioweapons and antidotes to those bioweapons, and this needs to stop.

Rand Paul SLAMS Fauci on Tucker Carlson, Says Doctor Should BE IN JAIL for Lying to Congress
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Adding insult to injury, Fauci personally profited from the disaster to the tune of about $5 million. "Congress was misled by Anthony Fauci," Paul told now-independent journalist Tucker Carlson. "In the end, he deserves to be in prison."

New Evidence Strongly Indicates SARS-CoV-2 Was Created

In a January 25, 2024, article[1] in the City Journal, science writer, editor and author Nicholas Wade details new evidence[2] obtained by U.S. Right to Know (USRTK) that further strengthens the theory that SARS-CoV-2 was indeed made in a lab.[3]

As noted by Wade, that's the key reason why no one, despite massive testing efforts, has been able to find SARS-CoV-2 in any wild animal, bats or otherwise. It never existed in the natural world, only in the lab.

The newly-obtained documents include what amounts to a recipe for "assembling SARS-type viruses from six synthetic pieces of DNA designed to be a consensus sequence — the genetically most infectious form — of viruses related to SARS1, the bat virus that caused the minor epidemic of 2002," Wade writes. As it turns out, SARS-CoV-2 has this exact six-section structure.

The documents also show that "American scientists planned to work with the Wuhan Institute of Virology to engineer novel coronaviruses with the features of SARS-CoV-2 the year before the virus emerged from that city," USRTK reporter Emily Kopp writes.[4]

The DEFUSE Proposal Provides the Recipe

In March 2018, the EcoHealth Alliance, led by Peter Daszak, applied for a $14.2 million grant to conduct gain-of-function research on bat coronaviruses in research labs in California, North Carolina, New York, Wisconsin, Singapore and Wuhan. The proposal, dubbed "Project DEFUSE," describes how scientists would:[5]

- Insert furin cleavage sites at the S1/S2 junction of the spike protein
- Assemble synthetic viruses in six segments
- Identify coronaviruses that were no more than 25% different from SARS1
- Select for receptor binding domains adept at infecting human ACE2 receptors

SARS-CoV-2 Matches DEFUSE Research Parameters

As explained by Kopp,[6] SARS-CoV-2 matches these research parameters to the T. It has a furin cleavage site in the spike protein at the S1/S2 junction, and its genome can be divided into six evenly spaced strings of DNA using restriction enzymes called BsaI and BsmBI. This even spacing is unlikely to occur in the genomes of natural viruses.

The reason scientists splice viruses together using evenly spaced DNA pieces is because it's easier to manipulate. It allows them to synthesize the individual pieces chemically and then string them together to create a complete genome.

This telltale synthetic "fingerprint," found in the genome of SARS-CoV-2, was detailed in a 2022 preprint by Bruttel et. al.[7] As noted by Wade,[8] the bottom line is that "if your virus has evenly spaced recognition sites, it's a pretty good bet that it was made in a lab." As it turns out, the DEFUSE draft proposal even included an order form for BsmBI — a fact highlighted by Bruttel in a Twitter/X post.[9]

The genomic variations of SARS-CoV-2's are also within the 25% range indicated in the proposal, and its receptor binding domains were optimized for human ACE2 receptors from the start, which is what allowed it to spread like wildfire. Wade writes:[10]

> *"Discovery of the new recipe certainly strengthens the possibility that the regular spacing of BsaI and BsmBI recognition sites in SARS2 is the signature of synthetic origin.*

> *Indeed, Richard H. Ebright, a molecular biologist at Rutgers University who had called the 2022 paper 'noteworthy … but not decisive,' now says that the evidence in the new documents 'elevates the evidence provided by the genome sequence from the level of noteworthy to the level of a smoking gun.'"*

Matt Ridley, coauthor of "Viral: The Search for the Origin of COVID-19" agrees, noting that all of the novel features of SARS-CoV-2 are explained by the proposed research methods detailed in the DEFUSE documents.

> *"Game over."* Ridley wrote.[11] *"The latest revelations provide precise confirmation that all the many suspicious features of SARS-CoV-2 which imply it was man made were set out in exhaustive detail in the DEFUSE proposal to which Wuhan Institute of Virology was a partner."*

EcoHealth Was Well Aware of Pandemic Risks

According to the DEFUSE draft USRTK obtained, the plan was to synthesize anywhere from eight to 16 strains of SARS-type bat viruses with human spillover potential, in order to create a vaccine that would then be used on bats in regions where there is military activity.

Importantly, EcoHealth and the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV) were well aware of the potential that this research could spark a human pandemic. A planning memo contains a note stating, "We MUST make it clear in proposal that our approach won't drive evolution the wrong way, e.g. drive evolution of more virulent strain that then becomes pandemic."[12]

At present, it would appear that's exactly what happened. A synthetic virus was concocted, and somehow escaped from the WIV. Whether it was intentional or not is another matter. Either way, the moral of the story is that gain-of-function research poses enormous risks to public health, and if pandemic risk exists, then the research probably shouldn't be allowed.

Documents Show Deceptive Practices to Gain Grants

Another thing these new documents reveal is how Daszak used misdirection in an effort to deceive the U.S. government about where this obviously risky research would be conducted. While

he had every intention of having much of the work done at the WIV, he downplayed the role of the Chinese researchers and made it seem as though the research would be conducted in the U.S.

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) ultimately rejected[13] the proposal due to "significant weaknesses," including the fact that the proposal lacked any kind of risk assessment and risk mitigation plan. Whether someone else provided the funding, and if so, who, remains an open question. As reported by Wade:[14]

> *"The DEFUSE proposal was authored by Peter Daszak, head of the EcoHealth Alliance in New York, with partners including Shi Zhengli of the Wuhan Institute of Virology and Ralph Baric of the University of North Carolina …*

> *Some observers believe that when DARPA declined to fund the project, the Chinese members of the group may have decided to find their own financing and go ahead unilaterally. This is plausible, as Baric and Shi were collaborators but also rivals. With Baric blocked for lack of DARPA funds, Shi may have seen the chance to race ahead if she could acquire funds from Chinese sources.*

> *Daszak, the project leader, had planned in any case to have much of the work undertaken by Shi's team in Wuhan, even though it meant deceiving the Defense Department into thinking the bulk of the research would be done by Baric in the United States.*

> *In a note found in the new documents, Daszak wrote, 'If we win this contract, I do not propose that all of this work will necessarily be conducted by Ralph, but I do want to stress the US side of this proposal so that DARPA are comfortable with our team. Once we get the funds, we can then allocate who does what exact work, and I believe that a lot of these assays can be done in Wuhan.'*

> *Daszak is a research manager, not a virologist, and perhaps did not fully understand the consequences of this decision. The DEFUSE project, if undertaken by Baric, would have gone forward in the second-highest level of safety conditions, known as BSL-3, because Baric believed that the manipulation of SARS-related viruses was dangerous work and did his research in a BSL-3 lab.*

> *The Chinese were less impressed with the dangers. Shi worked on SARS-related viruses mostly in BSL-2 labs, which have minimal safety requirements, though she did test the viruses on humanized mice under BSL-3 conditions.*

> *When SARS2 first appeared in the world, it had all the unique properties that would be expected of a virus made according to the DEFUSE recipe. Instead of slowly evolving the ability to attack human cells, as natural viruses must do when they jump from animals to humans, SARS2 was immediately infectious to people, possibly because it had already been adapted in humanized laboratory mice to the human cell receptors …*

> *Despite intensive search, no precursors for SARS2 have been found in the natural world. Given the 2018 date of the DEFUSE proposal, the researchers in Wuhan could have synthesized the virus by 2019, accounting perfectly for the otherwise unexplained timing of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as its place of origin. It all fits."*

Lessons From the Great COVID Cover-Up

In a November 1, 2023, article, Sen. Paul reviewed what we have learned from "the great COVID cover-up":[15]

> *"The COVID cover-up began in China. But in a way we make too big a deal of that. No one should be surprised that a totalitarian government run by the Chinese Communist Party would seek to cover up its responsibility for a worldwide pandemic. What was mind-jarring — and what we should focus our attention on — is the cover-up in our own country spearheaded by Dr. Anthony Fauci and his fellow public health bureaucrats.*

> *And they might have gotten away with their deception if a federal judge hadn't ordered their emails released. In brief, these emails reveal that at the same time Dr. Fauci and other public health 'experts' were publicly disavowing the idea that the COVID virus originated with a leak from the Wuhan Institute of Virology in China, they were in general agreement among themselves that that was likely what had happened. So why hide the fact?"*

According to Paul, Fauci and his collaborators chose to hide the truth because the truth would reveal their potentially criminal actions. As director of the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), Fauci had been funding risky gain-of-function research at the WIV — a substandard lab in terms of safety.

Moreover, he allowed this research to move forward even though there was a moratorium on gain-of-function research in the U.S. The moratorium was put in place for the very reason that experts feared the risk of creating a human pandemic was too high.

Is Fauci Hiding a Guilty Conscience?

In hindsight, they were correct, and if SARS-CoV-2 was admitted to be a manmade virus leaked from a lab, the only rational response would be to hold the responsible parties accountable and shut this kind of research down for good. No doubt, this prospect would have terrified Fauci and everyone else involved.

According to Paul, that Fauci's conscience was keeping him awake can be seen in the fact that he was sending emails in the middle of the night in the early days of the pandemic instead of being snugly tucked in his bed. One 3 a.m. email was sent to Robert Kadlec, then-Secretary for Preparedness and Response at Health and Human Services.

"This just came out today. Gives a balanced view," Fauci wrote. Attached was a Science article arguing for a zoonotic origin of the virus and discrediting the lab leak theory.

> *"When this email came to light, I was initially puzzled about its timing and urgency,"* Paul writes. *"But then I learned that one of Kadlec's duties was to chair the committee responsible for screening gain-of-function proposals for safety purposes — and that the Wuhan coronavirus research proposal never came before his committee!"*

In other words, Paul believes Fauci sent this email to Kadlec to hide the fact that he'd OK'd gain-of-function research that should have ended up on Kadlec's desk for a safety review, but didn't.

Behavior Befitting a Conspiracy

Other behaviors also suggest Fauci and collaborators were panicking over the possibility that COVID might be traced back to their own activities. Paul writes:

> *"Jeremy Farrar, the Anthony Fauci of the UK, told his brother that in the early stages of the pandemic, 'a few scientists, including me, were beginning to suspect this might be a lab accident.'*

> *Farrar writes in his book Spike: 'During that period, I would do things I had never done before: acquire a burner phone, hold clandestine meetings, keep difficult secrets.'*

> *Indeed, many Western bureaucrats, especially in the U.S., began using various forms of communication to shield their messages from future records requests. We have an email from one of Fauci's assistants instructing other government employees to avoid using government email addresses. Which, by the way, is a crime."*

And then there are the papers published in scientific journals "debunking" — without presenting a shred of evidence — the idea that SARS-CoV-2 might be manmade, and condemning "conspiracy theories suggesting that COVID-19 does not have a natural origin." Upon deeper investigation, they too have been linked to key culprits who have a strong incentive to hide the truth, including Fauci.

We Must Put an End to Gain-of-Function Research

As noted by Paul, the number of scientists worrying about another lab leak with far more dire consequences is growing:[16]

> *"With COVID, the mortality rate was far less than one percent. Experiments are now being carried out with viruses that have the potential for mortality rates between 15 and 50 percent. In 2021, MIT biochemist Kevin Esvelt wrote:*

> *'Once we consider the possibility of misuse , let alone creative misuse, such research looks like a gamble that civilization can't afford to risk … I implore every scientist, funder, and nation working in this field: Please stop.*

> *No more trying to discover or make pandemic-capable viruses, enhance their virulence, or assemble them more easily. No more attempting to learn which components allow viruses to efficiently infect or replicate within human cells, or to devise inheritable ways to evade immunity. No more experiments likely to disseminate blueprints for plagues.'*

> *The potential for disaster cannot be overstated. Right now, people can order synthetic DNA on the internet, and if they know what they're doing, they can make the polio virus, among many others …*

> *The required information is publicly available due to taxpayer-funded initiatives to identify all the viruses in the world. With the support of people like Peter Daszak and Bill Gates, the U.S. has been the top international funder of pandemic virus identification for decades.*

> *This should give us pause: these programs involve digging rare viruses out of caves where humans might never encounter them and transporting them to major metropolitan areas, manipulating viruses to make them more dangerous and transmissible, and publishing the resulting knowledge to the world.*

> *Even if the goal is preventing future pandemics, the risk-benefit ratio doesn't add up. While advocates for identifying the world's viruses argue that the knowledge gained will aid in developing vaccines, decades of virus identification have been fruitless, as no human vaccine has been developed in advance of a human epidemic.*

> *If we continue down this path, Esvelt believes that 'deliberate pandemics' will kill 'many more people than identification could save.' To think that we can prevent future pandemics, even as we continue to seek, catalog, and manipulate dangerous viruses, is the height of hubris.*

> *Over the last few years, public health 'experts' were wrong about almost everything. If we are to avoid these kinds of catastrophes in the future, we must reform government and rein in out-of-control scientists and their enablers."*

I couldn't agree more. We need to put an end to gain-of-function research for the safety of humanity, and not allow greed or sheer scientific curiosity lead to the creation of a pathogen that might wipe out humanity.

The 2022 spending bill contains a directive to the secretary of Health and Human Services on page 3,354 to "not fund research conducted by a foreign entity at a facility located in a country of concern … involving pathogens of pandemic potential or biological agents or toxins."[17]

This is a step in the right direction, but as noted by Paul, "Americans and their representatives must watch carefully to see whether our public health agencies attempt to sidestep it."

To that end, a Gain-of-Function Reform Group is now recommending that gain-of-function experiments that confer "efficient human transmissibility" on a pathogen ought to be regulated. Doing so would "explicitly stop bureaucrats like Fauci from dancing around the gain-of-function definition and looking the other way as researchers create viruses that spread more easily in humans," Paul writes.

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No, we're creating novel pathogens that don't exist in nature and then develop vaccines against those. In other words, we're creating bioweapons and antidotes to those bioweapons, and it needs to stop. For that to happen, the public needs to start "making noise" so that our elected representatives begin to realize that we will not allow this issue to be ignored.

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The D.C. Five Prove that Cesare Santangelo Commits Infanticide. He Must Be Stopped.

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Mary Szoch | **The Washington Stand**

This week, members of Congress demanded the **D.C. medical examiner preserve** the bodies of five unborn babies recovered from abortionist Cesare Santangelo's Washington Surgi-Clinic until autopsies are conducted. The injuries to these babies' bodies suggest their deaths may have been the result of partial-birth abortions or infanticide. Despite these possible federal crimes, the Justice Department has recommended destruction without autopsies.

While the Biden administration may be colluding with the D.C. government to cover-up this evidence that suggests Santangelo **performs illegal partial-birth abortions or commits infanticide**, there is other evidence that the government cannot get rid of — a little boy who just celebrated his fourth birthday.

Four years ago, I was connected with a woman from D.C.'s Department of Human Services who learned of a request for Medicaid funding for an abortion at Washington Surgi-Clinic. The DHS worker said the baby was healthy, and the mom — who was thought to be seven and a half months

pregnant — was looking into abortion but had also given permission to quietly look for an adoptive family. The DHS worker asked if I could help. She said she was pro-choice but that what the doctor was going to do wasn't an abortion. It was murder.

What followed was an overnight effort to find parents willing to adopt the baby. Within hours, five families volunteered.

The next morning, I spoke with the mom considering abortion or adoption. She told me her story of periods of homelessness, abusive relationships, and efforts to get back on her feet. I asked her what she would want for her child if she chose adoption. She said the family didn't have to be perfect, but she wanted her baby to be safe, to have a bed, and to live in a good school district.

She listened in disbelief as I told her she was an incredible mom and shared about the families willing to welcome her child into their families. She told me she didn't want to have an abortion but just wanted to go to Santangelo's abortion clinic for information.

We made plans to meet for lunch after her appointment, but that never happened.

Instead, her caseworker received a text that the mom began the three-day process of later-term abortion.

Thankfully, that isn't the end of this story.

Legal later-term abortions are a multi-day process where the unborn child is killed prior to delivery. One way to do this is for the abortionist to inject the baby with digoxin (a feticide that stops the heart from beating) — use laminaria (seaweed sticks) to dilate the cervix — and then, days later, deliver a dead baby.

I assumed the doctor began a legal abortion, so as I waited for text updates, I prepared to comfort a mom whose child had been killed.

After hours of trying to locate the mom, the caseworker found her at her apartment in pain. The mom said that Santangelo inserted laminaria to begin the abortion and sent her home. Visibly shaken with regret for her decision and crying in pain, the mom called the clinic to ask what to do if she no longer wanted to abort her child. Santangelo didn't take her call.

Along with the caseworker and two pro-life women, we met at the nearest hospital where the mom asked the doctors to save her baby.

The first step was to remove the laminaria. The doctor counted as he removed them: 3, 4, 5 … 25. The doctor was horrified. The damage to the mom's body was catastrophic.

We prayed as doctors worked to save the mom.

Then, weighing in at two pounds, three ounces, a spunky little boy was born.

We couldn't understand how this baby could be born alive, until we realized Santangelo hadn't used the digoxin to kill the baby. His plan was to begin the induction process first and kill the child second.

Today, I have pictures of this beautiful baby who is alive because his mom is a hero and because a pro-choice DHS worker saw the plan to take his life for what it was — murder.

Had Santangelo's plan succeeded, this little boy may well have been born alive with the same chubby cheeks, upturned lips, and sweet button nose — except he would have been subjected to the same gruesome violence as the five unborn babies whose bodies were recovered from Santangelo's abortion business.

Cesare Santangelo must be exposed and stopped. All the D.C. medical examiner needs to do is look — or in the case of the "D.C. Five" — do an autopsy. Basic human decency and justice for the D.C. Five depend on it.

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Congressmen Demand Justice for the D.C. Five, Babies Killed by Infanticide, Partial-Birth Abortion

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Dozens of congressmen and pro-life organizations have demanded the Biden administration stop facilitating lawlessness, and officials in the nation's capital hold an abortionist accountable for allegedly killing nearly full-term babies through illegal means.

In March 2022, members of the Progressive Anti-Abortion Uprising (PAAU) uncovered a box containing the remains of 115 aborted babies outside the Washington Surgi-Clinic, an abortion business operated in the District of Columbia by Dr. Cesare Santangelo. Five of those babies — known as the "D.C. Five" — appeared to have been nearly full-term and to have either suffered partial-birth abortion or to have been delivered alive and killed outside the womb. "Pulling these broken bodies from that box was the most viscerally heartbreaking experience that I have ever had," said Terrisa Bukovinac of PAAU at a press conference on Wednesday. Advocates named the aborted babies Harriet, Holly, Christopher X, Phoenix, and Angel. Their recovery proved that "five babies were murdered in the nation's capital, and their murderer continues," she said.

That suspicion is compounded by the fact that Live Action caught Santangelo admitting "**we would not help**" a baby born alive due to a botched abortion, a violation of federal law, in a 2013 undercover video. Yet the Biden administration's Justice Department reportedly **instructed** officials in Washington, D.C., to discard the babies' remains and not to investigate whether Santangelo broke one or more federal laws.

More than three dozen House Republicans, and a U.S. senator, have written to officials at the federal and district level to preserve the bodies and enforce the law. On Wednesday, Republican Reps. Chip Roy (R-Texas), Andy Biggs (R-Ariz.), Bob Good (R-Va.), Pat Fallon (R-Texas), and Chris Smith (R-N.J.) joined with pro-life organizations in demanding justice for the D.C. Five.

"These five precious lives deserve to be respected," **said** Roy. "We're all created in the image of God," added Biggs. "Biden's Justice Department chose to ignore any potential crime for two years," he said. "The DOJ's efforts to dispose of these bodies without conducting an investigation is simply malpractice, and it is wrong."

D.C. investigators should conduct autopsies to determine whether any of the five children suffered from partial-birth abortion, "or perhaps they were born alive and just abandoned to die," said Good.

Two Republican pro-life leaders — Senator James Lankford (R-Okla.) and Rep. Chris Smith (R-N.J.) — demanded that D.C. officials make that ruling. Last Friday, the two wrote a **letter** to Dr. Francisco J. Diaz, the District's chief medical examiner**,** noting that the abortions may have violated the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 (18 U.S. Code § 1531) and the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act (1 U.S.C. § 8). "Dr. Kendra Kolb, a neonatologist, estimated at the time that this baby girl was 'somewhere between 28-30 weeks gestational age, with evidence of deep lacerations to the posterior neck which presumably correlates to the method of abortion used to end her life,'" they wrote.

"Killing a child, let alone five, through partial-birth abortion is a crime under federal law," noted Biggs on Wednesday. "These bodies must be preserved, answers must be had, further protections must be invoked." Instead, "the very law enforcement tasked with protecting the most vulnerable in our society has become complicit in covering up the cold-blooded murder of these precious lives."

The pro-life congressmen said the Biden administration's efforts to quell the investigation raise questions of their own. "Are we a country that has a rule of law or not? Does the Justice Department actually dispense justice?" asked Fallon. "Why has the Biden DOJ refused to investigate? What are they hiding? Who are they protecting?"

That question was posed by 44 House Republicans, including Majority Leader Steve Scalise (R-La.) in a **letter** to Attorney General Merrick Garland last Wednesday (February 7). "We demand that

you immediately halt plans to dispose of these children, as they may well be evidence of a crime," they wrote. "We further demand you stop stonewalling and finally conduct a thorough investigation into the deaths of these children to determine what really happened, and to hold any lawbreakers or murderers accountable. At the end of this investigation, we encourage a respectful burial of the babies."

"If the DOJ is not going to fulfill its duty to investigate potential federal crimes committed against these child victims, then Congress should immediately take up its own investigation," said Smith on Wednesday. "Justice must be tenaciously pursued."

"Enough with the stonewalling!" added Fallon, who called the potential destruction of evidence "another act of deception from Merrick Garland's Justice Department."

As Good spoke, a lone anti-life protester shouted, "Abortion forever, you fascist piece of !"

"Where is the compassion? Where is the outrage? Where is the empathy for five precious children who were slaughtered by abortion?" asked Smith, a decades-long champion of the pro-life cause. "Where is the justice? Why the cover-up?"

He likened the murders to **Kermit Gosnell**, the Philadelphia-area abortionist who delivered babies alive, then snipped their spines with scissors outside the womb. "He butchered babies and warehoused them, and was found guilty in 2013 and he went to jail. There are Kermit Gosnells all over America: predators, child abusers, exploiters of women," said the congressman.

"These are the faces of reproductive freedom," said Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America's Legislative Director Jamie Dangers. "**Their blood is crying out**, and we're giving voice to them today."

"The D.C. Five babies show how gruesome abortion is and can be. This case demonstrates the lengths to which the Biden administration will go to promote abortion above all, even ignoring potential violations of federal law and thereby allowing even the most barbaric abortions to take place through all nine months of pregnancy. We call on Congress to intervene and fight for justice for these five precious children," said Dangers.

Pro-life groups around the nation fear similarly grisly scenes will soon be multiplied in their own states. "With **Ohio's loss of Issue 1 in November,** the Buckeye state could be facing the fact that mothers may make this same decision of demise for their full-term babies," said Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati in a statement emailed to The Washington Stand. "We must remain a strong, prayerful voice for the injustice committed against all pre-born children. We must pray **this type of atrocity** does not become the standard in Ohio. The evil of Ohio abortions through 22 weeks is enough of a tragedy on the beautiful Buckeye state."

Rather than seek justice, the DOJ has prosecuted members of PAAU for protesting abortion. “Lauren Handy, who was there at that moment, shockingly, was arrested under” the so-called Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances, or FACE, Act “and sentenced to 11 years in prison,” said Penny Nance of Concerned Women for America.

As a first step to prevent Democratic administrations from persecuting pro-life opponents, last fall Roy **introduced** a bill to repeal the FACE Act. “We’ve got to stop weaponizing FACE” and hold abortionists accountable for far more gruesome crimes, said Nance.

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73,000,000 Abortions Happen Worldwide Each Year

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by Michael

It is almost midnight, but at this stage most of the population doesn't even care about the endless procession of babies that are having their lives snuffed out at our abortion mills. Terms such as "massacre", "slaughter' and "genocide" are not nearly strong enough to describe what is taking place on a daily basis, and the vast majority of us seem to think that there will never be any serious consequences for what we are doing. But the truth is that we shall surely reap what we have sown.

I knew that the number of abortions that happen worldwide each year was very high, but I didn't know that it was this high.

> According to **the official website of the World Health Organization**, there are approximately 73 million abortions globally each year…
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> Around 73 million induced abortions take place worldwide each year. Six out of 10 (61%) of all unintended pregnancies, and 3 out of 10 (29%) of all pregnancies, end in induced abortion *(1)*.
>
> Comprehensive abortion care is included in the **list of essential health care services** published by WHO in 2020. Abortion is a simple health care intervention that can be effectively managed by a wide range of health workers using medication or a surgical procedure.

Just think about that number for a few moments.

If you multiply that number by 10, you get 730 million abortions in just one decade.

And if you multiply that number by 20, you get almost 1.5 billion abortions in just two decades.

According to Google, the total population of the globe right now is just 7.888 billion.

Virginia Bill Abetting ‘Profit-Driven Industry’ of Death, Critics Warn

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Noah Slaytor | **The Daily Signal**

Critics raised the alarm as the **Virginia Senate** passed a bill Friday that would legalize assisted suicide, otherwise known as “medical aid in dying.”

Based on the bill’s language, it would permit doctors to give their terminally ill patients a “self-administered controlled substance” to end their lives. The bill passed the **Senate 21-19**.

While supporters say the legislation offers a compassionate alternative to “lingering death” for those with **terminal diagnoses**, critics warn that such laws are ripe for abuse, as governments, health insurance companies, and even family members may pressure vulnerable people to end their lives prematurely to save money on medical expenses.

“Virginia’s bill SB280 offers no real protection for vulnerable patients,” the **National Association of Pro-Life Nurses** told The Daily Signal in an emailed statement. “Instead, it embraces a profit-driven industry that seeks to exploit patient suffering. This extreme, out-of-touch legislation erodes the trust of the heath care profession.”

The association said its members "strongly oppose any legislation that undermines the patient-provider relationship."

Virginia Catholic **Bishops Michael Burbidge** of Arlington and Barry Knestout of Richmond said in an official statement they were "alarmed and deeply saddened" by the bill's introduction.

The faith leaders condemned the bill, saying that assisted suicide "facilitates tragedies and makes the most vulnerable even more vulnerable. Legalizing it would place the lives of people with disabilities, people with mental illnesses, the elderly, and those unable to afford health care—among others—at heightened risk of deadly harm."

The legislation requires patients to request their assisted suicide orally twice and once in writing with the opportunity to rescind their request at any time. It also "**grants immunity** from civil and/or criminal liability" to those who comply with the bill, such as medical professionals and patients' family members.

"Society is on the wrong track when the public policy goal is to eliminate those who might suffer rather than address their needs," Kristi Hamrick, spokeswoman for the national **pro-life organization** Students for Life Action, told The Daily Signal in an emailed statement.

"Students for Life Action supports protections for life from conception to natural death," Hamrick said. "It's clear that when people become ill or face prejudice for perceptions of their abilities, precious lives can be lost."

Proponents of the bill hailed the legislation's advancement.

Barbara Green, a Virginia resident with metastatic pancreatic cancer, said in a statement with nonprofit Compassion & Choices that she was "grateful" to the bill's sponsor, state Sen. Ghazala Hashmi, D-Chesterfield, for her work on this "urgently needed legislation for terminally ill Virginians."

"I plead with House members to approve this bill," Green added. "I should not have to leave Virginia to go to Washington, D.C., to achieve bodily autonomy. I do not see how anyone who has watched a loved one suffer through a lingering death could vote against this compassionate legislation."

The district **legalized assisted suicide** in 2017.

"Virginia voters will be grateful to lawmakers for showing compassion and love by passing this legislation and providing their dying loved ones with the option to avoid needless suffering," Melissa Stacy, northeast advocacy manager for Compassion & Choices Action Network, said in a press release.

Stacy added that she trusts members of the Virginia House of Delegates to “hear the voices of Barbara Green and many other Virginians who desperately want and need the option of medical aid in dying.”

The bill’s sponsors did not respond to The Daily Signal’s request for comment by publication time.

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VA Senators Push for Pot Shops; Biden Wants Prison for Pro-Lifers & Pardons for Drug Offenders

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the Biden Administration is pardoning thousands of drug related crimes while threatening pro-life Advocates with a 10-year prison term it begs the question do we have a two-tiered justice system
in this country with the outcomes depending on your beliefs plus a Virginia senator equates marijuana with Tylenol. Welcome to Speak Up Virginia equipping you to speak up on the life family and freedom issues that matter most to you. From the Family Foundation hear this week's updates below from Candy Kushmand and Victoria Cobb.

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Brace for Impact: Disease X, 20x Deadlier Than COVID?

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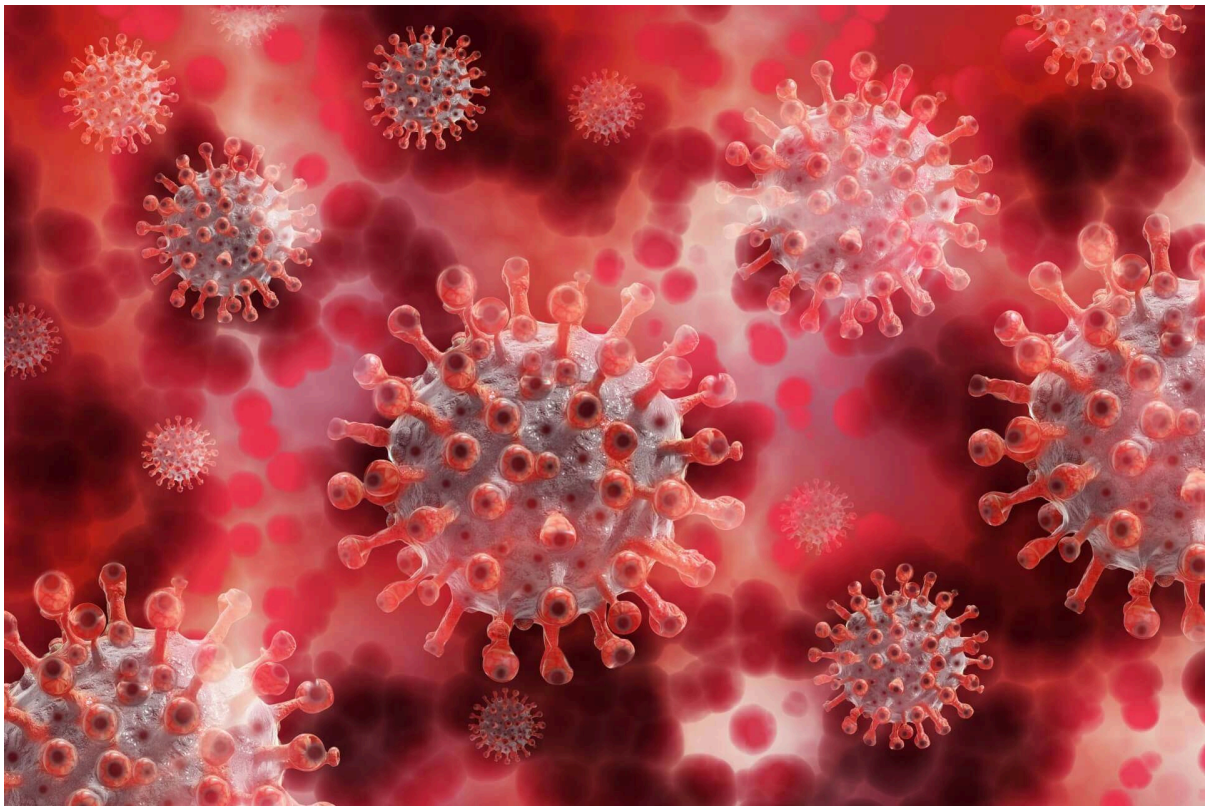

It's set to be 20x deadlier than COVID, and they've already begun working on a vaccine – even though it's still 'hypothetical.' The prediction: 20 million dead worldwide, and many who survive will be left with paralysis and/or brain damage.

Will Disease X Be Leaked in 2025?

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola**

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

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Disease X
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The COVID-19 pandemic allowed for an unprecedented shift in power and wealth distribution across the world and, as predicted, it was not to be a one-off event. A new contagion will likely be born in 2025, and media are already preparing us for it.

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> *"The World Health Organization (WHO) has warned of a potential Disease X since 2017, a term indicating an unknown pathogen that could cause a serious international epidemic …*

> *Public speakers at the 'Preparing for Disease X' event next Wednesday include Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, director-general of the WHO, Brazilian minister of health Nisia Trindade Lima, and Michel Demaré, chair of the board at AstraZeneca.*

> *In their first post-pandemic meeting held in November 2022, the WHO brought over 300 scientists to consider which of over 25 virus families and bacteria could potentially create another pandemic.*

> *The list the team came up with included: the Ebola virus, the Marburg virus disease, Covid-19, SARS, and the Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV). Others included lassa fever, nipah and henipaviral diseases, zift Valley fever, and zika — as well as the unknown pathogen that would cause 'Disease X.'"*

I've interviewed Meryl Nass about how the WHO is trying to take over aspects of everyone's lives. She just published an important piece over the weekend, **Why Is Davos So Interested in Disease?** about how the WEF and the WHO have become partners to terrify the world.

Alexis Baden-Mayer, Esq., political director for the Organic Consumers Association, did some digging into the participants of this WEF event, and the two things they all have in common are 1) dumping the AstraZeneca COVID shot on the developing world (primarily India and Brazil) after rich countries rejected it due to its admitted blood clotting risk, and 2) pushing for the implementation of medical AI systems that will eliminate doctors along with patient choice and privacy.

Practice Runs or Responsible Planning?

In a January 11, 2024, tweet, Fox News analyst and former assistant secretary for public affairs for the U.S. Treasury Department, Monica Crowley, wrote:[4]

> *"From the same people who brought you COVID-19 now comes Disease X: Next week in Davos, the unelected globalists at the World Economic Forum will hold a panel on a future pandemic 20x deadlier than COVID …*

> *Just in time for the election, a new contagion to allow them to implement a new WHO treaty, lock down again, restrict free speech and destroy more freedoms. Sound far-fetched? So did what happened in 2020. When your enemies tell you what they're planning and what they're planning FOR, believe them. And get ready."*

Dr. Stuart Ray, vice chair of medicine for data integrity and analytics at Johns Hopkins' Department of Medicine, dismissed such warnings, telling Fortune magazine[5] that "Coordination of public health response is not conspiracy, it's simply responsible planning."

I'd be willing to believe him if it wasn't for a now-obvious trend: Whatever the globalists claim will happen actually does happen at a remarkable frequency, and their prognostic capabilities become easier to explain when you consider that most lethal pandemics have been caused by manmade viruses, the products of gain-of-function research. It's pretty easy to predict a new viral outbreak if you have said virus waiting in the wings.

With that in mind, recent research from China certainly raises concern, to say the least. According to a January 3, 2024, preprint,[6] a SARS-CoV-2-related pangolin coronavirus — described as a "cell culture-adapted mutant" called GX_P2V that was first cultured in 2017 — was found to kill 100% of the humanized mice (ACE2-transgenic mice) infected with it.[7]

The primary cause of death was brain inflammation. According to the authors, "this is the first report showing that a SARS-CoV-2-related pangolin coronavirus can cause 100% mortality in hACE2 mice, suggesting a risk for GX_P2V to spill over into humans."

However, if this virus mutated as a result of passaging through cell cultures, then it's not likely to emerge in the wild. It's another unnatural lab creation, so rather than saying it may spill over from pangolins to humans, it would be more accurate to admit that it may pose a (rather serious) risk to humans were a lab escape to occur.

COVID Dress Rehearsals

In 2017, Johns Hopkins Center of Health Security held a coronavirus pandemic simulation called the SPARS Pandemic 2025-2028 scenario.[8] Importantly, the exercise stressed "communication dilemmas concerning medical countermeasures that could plausibly emerge" in a pandemic scenario.

Then, in October 2019, less than three months before the COVID-19 outbreak, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in collaboration with Johns Hopkins and the World Economic Forum hosted Event 201.

The name itself suggests it may have been a continuation of the SPARS Pandemic exercise. College courses are numbered based on their prerequisites. A 101 course does not require any prior knowledge whereas 201 courses require prior familiarity with the topic at hand.

As in the SPARS Pandemic scenario, Event 201 involved an outbreak of a highly infectious coronavirus, and the primary (if not sole) focus of the exercise was, again, how to control

information and keep "misinformation" in check, not how to effectively discover and share remedies.

Social media censorship played a prominent role in the Event 201 plan, and in the real-world events of 2020 through the present, accurate information about vaccine development, production and injury has indeed been effectively suppressed around the world, thanks to social media companies and Google's censoring of opposing viewpoints.

In March 2021, an outbreak of "an unusual strain of monkeypox virus" was simulated.[9] In late July the following year, the WHO director-general declared that a multi-country **outbreak of monkeypox** constituted a public health emergency of international concern,[10] against his own advisory group.

'Catastrophic Contagion' Exercise

Considering both of these simulations, SPARS ("Event 101"?) and Event 201, foreshadowed what eventually occurred in real life during COVID, when Gates hosts yet another pandemic exercise, it's worth paying attention to the details.

October 23, 2022, Gates, Johns Hopkins and the WHO cohosted "a global challenge exercise" dubbed "Catastrophic Contagion,"[11,12] involving a fictional pathogen called "severe epidemic enterovirus respiratory syndrome 2025" (SEERS-25).

Enterovirus D68[13] is typically associated with cold and flu-like illness in infants, children and teens. In rare cases, it's also been known to cause viral meningitis and acute flaccid myelitis, a neurological condition resulting in muscle weakness and loss of reflexes in one or more extremities.

Enteroviruses A71 and A6 are known to cause hand, foot and mouth disease,[14] while poliovirus, the prototypical enterovirus, causes polio (poliomyelitis), a potentially life-threatening type of paralysis that primarily affects children under age 5. So, the virus they modeled in this simulation appears to be something similar to enterovirus D68, but worse.

Vaccine Drug Trials Begin for Deadly Nipah Virus

One known virus that bears some resemblance to the fictional SEERS-25 is the Nipah virus. This virus has a kill rate of about 75%,[15] and survivors oftentimes face long-term neurological issues stemming from the infection. Nipah is also said to affect children to a greater degree than adults.[16]

Incidentally, human trials for a vaccine against the deadly Nipah virus were recently launched.[17] Volunteers received their first shots in early January 2024. The experimental injection

uses the same viral vector technology used to produce AstraZeneca's COVID shot.

The trial is reportedly being carried out by the University of Oxford in an undisclosed area where Nipah is actively infecting victims. (India seems to be indicated, as an outbreak in Kerala killed two people and hospitalized three in September 2023.[18])

The disease is thought to spread via interaction with infected animals such as goats, pigs, cats and horses. It may also spread via tainted blood products and food. Symptoms can emerge anywhere from a few days after exposure to as long as 45 days.

Initial symptoms include fever, headache and respiratory illness, which can rapidly progress to encephalitis (brain swelling), seizures and coma within just a couple of days. According to the WHO, pigs are known to be "highly contagious" during the incubation period, and it's possible that humans may be as well, although that has yet to be confirmed.

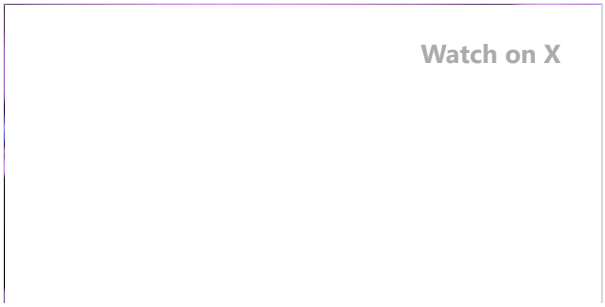
Training African Leaders to Go Along With the Narrative

Tellingly, the Catastrophic Contagion exercise focused on getting leadership in African countries involved and trained in following the script. African nations went "off script" more often than others during the COVID pandemic, and didn't follow in the footsteps of developed nations when it came to pushing the jabs.

As a result, vaccine makers now face the problem of having a huge control group, as the COVID jab uptake on the African continent was only 6%,[19] yet it fared far better than developed nations in terms of COVID-19 infections and related deaths.[20]

The Catastrophic Contagion exercise predicts SEERS-25 will kill 20 million people worldwide, including 15 million children, and many who survive the infection will be left with paralysis and/or brain damage. In other words, the "cue" given is that the next pandemic may target children rather than the elderly, as was the case with COVID-19.

Vaccine Against Unknown 'X' Pathogen Is Already in the Works



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In August 2023, a new vaccine research facility was set up in Wiltshire, England, fully staffed with more 200 scientists, to begin work on a vaccine against the unknown "Disease X." As reported by Metro:[21]

> *"It took 362 days to develop the Covid-19 vaccine. But the Vaccine Development and Evaluation Centre team wants to reduce that time to 100 days. Scientists at the facility will develop a range of prototype vaccines and tests.*

> *The new lab is a part of a global effort to respond to global health threats. The UK and other G7 countries signed up to the '100 Days Mission' in 2021. The government has invested £65 million into the lab.*

> *Professor Dame Jenny Harries, the head of the UK Health Security Agency, said the new facility would 'ensure that we prepare so that if we have a new Disease X, a new pathogen, we have as much of that work in advance as possible.'"*

In the U.S., Congress also introduced the "Disease X Act of 2023" (H.R.3832[22]) back in June 2023. The bill calls for the establishment of a BARDA program to develop "medical countermeasures for viral threats with pandemic potential." The bill was referred to the Subcommittee on Health in early June 2023 but has not yet been passed.

The Disease X Act amends a section of the Public Health Service Act with two new clauses that call for "the identification and development of platform manufacturing technologies needed for advanced development and manufacturing of medical countermeasures for viral families which have significant potential to cause a pandemic," and "advanced research and development of flexible medical countermeasures against priority respiratory virus families and other respiratory viral pathogens with a significant potential to cause a pandemic, with both pathogen-specific and pathogen-agnostic approaches …"

Needless to say, since it's impossible to customize vaccines using the conventional method of growing viruses in eggs or some other cell media in 100 days, it seems inevitable that all these efforts are about the expansion of gene-based technologies. This, despite the fact that the mRNA technology used for the COVID jabs has proven to be disastrous from a safety standpoint, and ineffective to boot.

Why Manufactured Pandemics Will Continue

At this point, it's quite clear that "biosecurity" is the chosen means by which the globalist cabal intends to seize power over the world. The WHO is working on securing sole power over pandemic response globally through its international **pandemic treaty** which, if implemented, will eradicate the sovereignty of all member nations.

The WHO's pandemic treaty is the gateway to a global, top-down totalitarian regime, a one world government. Ultimately, the WHO intends to dictate all health care. But to secure that power, they will need more pandemics. COVID-19 alone was not enough to get everyone onboard with a centralized pandemic response unit, and they probably knew that from the start.

So, the reason we can be sure there will be additional pandemics, whether manufactured using either fear and hype alone or an actual bioweapon created for this very purpose, is because the takeover plan, aka **The Great Reset**, is based on the premise that we need global biosecurity surveillance and centralized response.

Biosecurity, in turn, is the justification for an **international vaccine passport, which the G20 has signed on to**, and that passport will also be your digital identification. That digital ID, then, will be tied to your social credit score, personal carbon footprint tracker, medical records, educational records, work records, social media presence, purchase records, your bank accounts and a programmable central bank digital currency (CBDC).

Once all these pieces are fully connected, you'll be in a digital prison, and the ruling cabal — whether officially a one world government by then or not — will have total control over your life from cradle to grave.

We're Already Suffering Under a Pseudo-One World Government

We actually already have a pseudo-one world government, in the form of **Bill Gates' nongovernmental organizations** (NGOs). They are making health care decisions that should be left to individual nations and/or states, and they're making decisions that will line their own pockets, regardless of what happens to the public health-wise.

They coordinate and synchronize pandemic communication during simulated practice runs, and then, when the real-world situation emerges that fits the bill, the preplanned script is played out more or less verbatim.

Between the G20 declaration to implement an international vaccine passport under the auspice of the WHO, and the WHO's pandemic treaty, everything is lined up to take control of the next pandemic, and in so doing, further securing the foundation for a one world government.

As discussed in my 2021 article, "**COVID-19 Dress Rehearsals and Proof of the Plan**," the pandemic measures rolled out for COVID-19 were the culmination of decades of careful planning to radically and permanently alter the governance and social structures of the world.

The medical system has been used in the past to drive forward a New World Order agenda — now rebranded as "The Great Reset" — and it's now being used to implement the final stages of that longstanding plan. COVID-19 was a real-world practice run, and showed just how effectively a pandemic can be used to shift the balance of power, and strip the global population of its wealth and individual freedoms.

So, there's no doubt in my mind that additional pandemics will be declared, because they're the means to the globalists' ends. To prevent this global coup, we need everyone to speak and share the truth to the point that you're able. Only then will our voices outnumber the voices of the propaganda machine.

Door To Freedom (**doortofreedom.org**), an organization founded by Dr. Meryl Nass, has a poster that explains how the pandemic treaty and International Health Regulations (IHR) amendments will change life as we know it and strip us of every vestige of freedom. Please **download this poster** and share it with everyone you know. Also put it up on public billboards and places where communities share information

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4 Ways Republicans Should Talk about Life in 2024

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Every January, tens of thousands trek to Washington, D.C. to memorialize the 63 million unborn babies killed in the United States since 1973 and to call on elected officials to end this evil.

As the March for Life approaches, political pundits are recommending Republicans leave the unborn to speak for themselves. Even "pro-lifers" have argued that if Republicans want to win the 2024 election, they must "find a middle ground" on the life issue.

Sadly, this path has already failed.

Since the Dobbs Supreme Court decision, candidates have relied on public opinion polls to dictate their position on life. Over 60% of Americans agree that abortion should be illegal after 15 weeks, and so logically, the path of "compromise" should have won the day.

But, when it comes to defending life, public opinion polls have not correlated with the ballot box.

In each election since Dobbs, Democrats have claimed that when laws protect unborn babies, women die. Meanwhile, Republicans have tripped over themselves to convince voters that they are NOT trying to ban all abortions — they're merely trying to be reasonable. And so, voters have been left with a choice: cast a ballot for Democrats from 2024 or cast a ballot for Democrats from 1992.

Republicans have failed to make elections about babies at all. Instead, it's been about "common sense limits," "things we can all agree on," "reasonable restrictions," and "consensus."

The logically inconsistent message of "sometimes you can kill a baby and sometimes you can't," just isn't good enough.

Here are four ways Republicans can chart a different course in 2024.

1. State the Goal

Instead of trying to find a "middle ground" and explaining how they aren't "banning abortion," pro-life candidates should start describing what they *are* doing — working to protect and defend every single unborn child because life is a precious gift from God. But it's not enough to speak in generalizations.

Candidates need to share the stories of families they know who have been blessed with a child with fetal anomalies, of children whose mothers have sacrificed everything to give them life, of immigrants who have fled oppression and come to America because it's a place where their children will be valued simply because they are human beings, of the struggle of couples who have miscarried or carried the cross of infertility, and of babies whose smile has helped their mother heal from wounds she should never have borne. Stories change hearts. Republicans need to tell them.

2. Describe Who Abortions Kill

Melissa Ohden lived through a saline infusion abortion that was meant to poison and scald her to death. Claire Culwell's 13-year-old mother had an abortion and weeks later, she realized she was still pregnant. She had twins, and only one of the babies had been killed. Claire survived. Josiah Presley lives with a deformed arm as the result of a curettage abortion that was meant to take his life. Gianna Jessen's life was attacked through a saline abortion that didn't kill her but left her with cerebral palsy instead. There are many other **abortion survivor stories**, and each one forces Democrats to literally come face to face with their position.

Instead of appealing to "reasonable restrictions," candidates should emphasize that an abortion isn't a magic wand that painlessly reverts a couple back to the point where their child didn't exist. Abortion brutally murders a baby — typically by either starving that child to death or tearing that child's body apart limb from limb. Democrats should have to answer for the people their legislation has allowed abortionists to kill.

3. Talk about Moms

Women who have had abortions bear physical and emotional scars that are real and heartbreaking — and there are **numerous statistics** candidates could reference to prove this. But facts are cold and can seem heartless. Candidates shouldn't just share them. They should tell the stories of the moms they've met who were physically injured by abortions. They should talk about those pressured or forced into abortion by their partner, their family, their trafficker, their coach, or their employer. These women deserve better, and their stories are compelling.

Just as importantly, candidates should give real life examples of the work they are doing to help mothers in need. We live in America. A mother should not think killing her child is the best way out of whatever problem she is facing. Supporting legislation to assist pregnancy resource centers — or better yet, volunteering at one themselves — is a great place for candidates to start.

4. Make Promises You Can Keep

Candidates cannot protect life from conception the moment they are elected, but they can take steps to bring about the day when the unborn will be protected. Candidates should demand the enforcement of protections for unborn children already on the books, promise to sign or vote for any democratically passed legislation protecting life, and vow to appoint only pro-life members of the administration or in positions of leadership in Congress.

If Republicans want to win in 2024, they need pro-lifers to come out to vote and bring their friends. Republicans have to stop messaging that killing an unborn child could be "reasonable." Instead, they need to tell the story of the beautiful gift of life, describe the person an abortion kills, share ways they're helping moms in need, and promise to do everything in their power to protect the unborn.

Topics:**Abortion, Supreme Court, Political Parties, Elections**
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Scientist Issues Dire Warning About COVID Boosters and mRNA Shots

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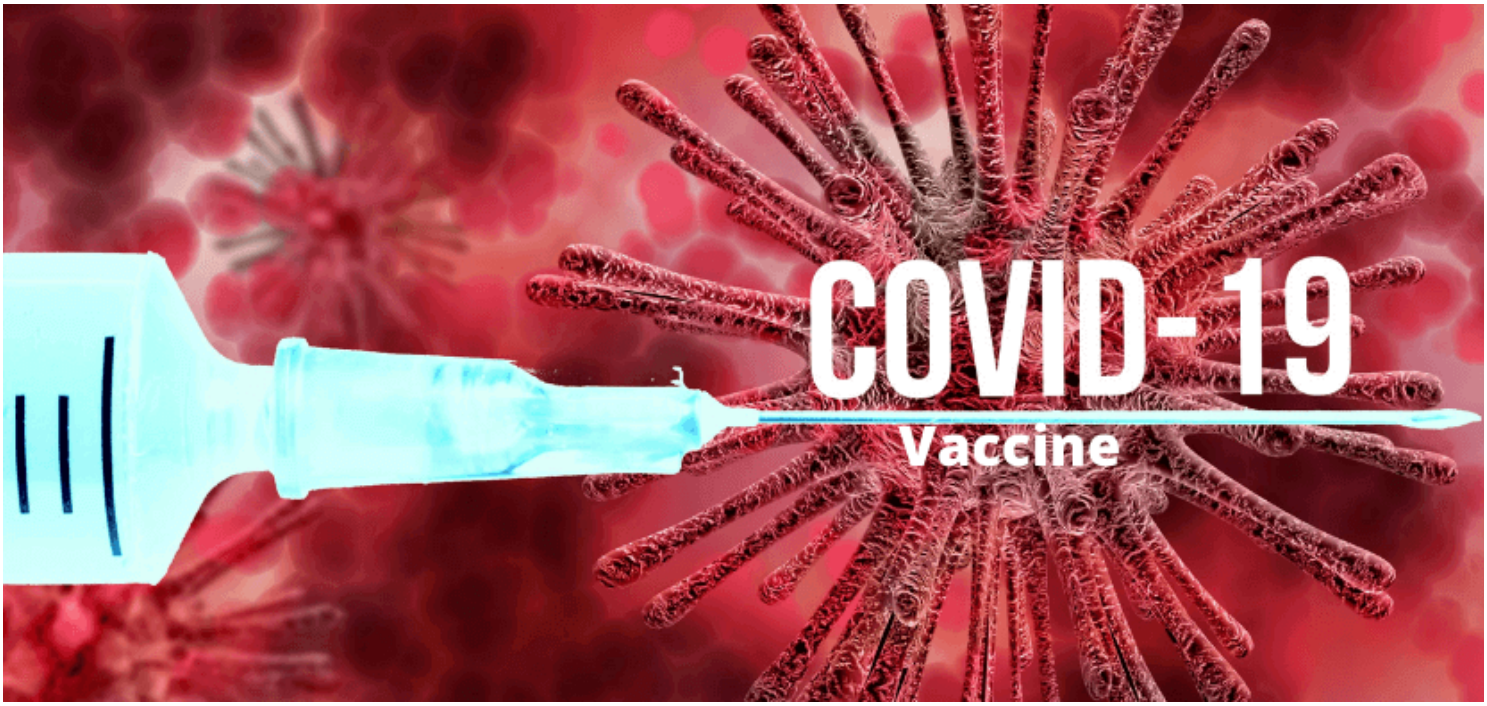

Learn why this scientist is calling for the immediate suspension of COVID booster shots and mRNA vaccines, and how they can lead to an unprecedented 'medical disaster.' Plus, see the unintended cellular immune responses occurring in up to 30% of those who have received the COVID shot.

New Safety Concerns About the COVID Shots Arise

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola**

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- According to research published in December 2023, the mRNA COVID shots suffer high rates of ribosomal "frameshifting," which causes your cells to produce off-target proteins that can trigger unintended immune reactions.
- According to the authors, off-target cellular immune responses occur in 25% to 30% of people who have received the COVID shot.
- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration and Australia's Therapeutic Goods Administration are refusing to release the RNA stability data they supposedly relied on when approving a

change to Pfizer's shot that allowed it to be transported and stored at temperatures of -20 degrees Celsius instead of -70 C.

- The FDA also authorized Pfizer to swap the phosphate-buffered saline buffer used in the adult formulations, to a tromethamine (Tris) buffer in the children's version. FDA did not require any kind of testing to be conducted, and no data have been released in support of its decision to allow the swap.
- According to research published in 2023, the nanolipid in Comirnaty, made by Pfizer/BioNTech, is toxic to cells and triggers proinflammatory cytokines and reactive oxygen species that can disrupt the mitochondrial membrane causing it to release its content, cause RNA mistranslation, DNA mutations, destruction of the nuclear membrane and more. Frequent repetitions of COVID boosters and/or using mRNA in other vaccines poses a grave public health risk, the scientist warns.

According to research published in the December 6, 2023, issue of Nature, the mRNA COVID shots suffer from high rates of ribosomal "frameshifting," which causes your cells to produce off-target proteins with unknown effects.[1,2,3] As explained in that paper:[4]

> *"A key feature of therapeutic IVT mRNAs is that they contain modified ribonucleotides, which have been shown to decrease innate immunogenicity and can additionally increase mRNA stability, both of which are favorable characteristics for mRNA therapies …*

> *Pseudouridine (Ψ) is known to increase misreading of mRNA stop codons in eukaryotes, and can affect misreading during prokaryotic mRNA translation. 1-methylΨ does not seem to affect codon misreading, but has been shown to affect protein synthesis rates and ribosome density on mRNAs, suggesting a direct effect on mRNA translation …*

> *Here we demonstrate that incorporation of N1-methylpseudouridine into mRNA results in +1 ribosomal frameshifting in vitro and that cellular immunity in mice and humans to +1 frameshifted products from BNT162b2 vaccine mRNA translation occurs after vaccination.*

> *The +1 ribosome frameshifting observed is probably a consequence of N1-methylpseudouridine-induced ribosome stalling during IVT mRNA translation, with frameshifting occurring at ribosome slippery sequences …*

> *hese data highlight potential off-target effects for future mRNA-based therapeutics and demonstrate the requirement for sequence optimization."*

Synthetic RNA Is Frequently Misread

In layman English, the inclusion of synthetic methylpseudouridine causes the ribosomes (which are responsible for reading the code) to misread the RNA's instructions. RNA code consists of groups of three bases (codons) that must be read in the correct order for a desired protein to be created.

Because the methylpseudouridine is not a perfect fit, it causes the decoding process to stall and shift (hence the term "+1 ribosomal frameshifting"). There's basically a stutter in the decoding process, as your cells don't understand what's being asked for, and this stuttering causes the decoding to skip a letter, thereby garbling the entire code.

As a result, unintended "nonsensical" proteins are produced instead of the desired SARS-CoV-2 spike. That, in turn, means that your immune system will not produce antibodies against SARS-CoV-2, but rather against these aberrant proteins.

According to the authors, off-target cellular immune responses occur in 25% to 30% of people who have received the COVID shot, and as noted by molecular virologist David Speicher Ph.D.:[5]

> *"Whenever our cells create an abundance of unintended proteins or prevent production of appropriate proteins it could lead to an unintended immune response with a huge potential to cause harm."*

Not knowing exactly what proteins are being produced is far from the only problem with these gene-based shots, though.

Why Are Regulators Hiding RNA Stability Data?

As reported by investigative journalist Maryanne Demasi, Ph.D., the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and Australia's Therapeutic Goods Administration both refuse to release the RNA stability data they supposedly relied on when approving a change to Pfizer's shot that allowed it to be transported and stored at temperatures of -20 degrees Celsius instead of -70 C.

Pfizer has also refused to disclose those data. Why is that? What do the data reveal that they don't want us to see? Demasi writes:[6]

> *"... when the FDA granted authorization[7] in December 2020, it specified the vaccine had to be stored between -80°C and -60°C, requiring special ultra-cold freezers, which proved challenging to areas with limited resources.*

> *But by February 2021, Pfizer had apparently solved the problem. It submitted new 'RNA stability data' to the FDA demonstrating the vaccine could be stored in conventional freezers (-20°C) and no longer required ultra-cold freezers.*

> *The FDA approved[8] the change swiftly. Two months later, Australia's Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) also approved[9] Pfizer's application, allowing unopened vials to be stored at -20°C for up to 2 weeks.*

> *Storage temperature wasn't the only change. Drug regulators also approved extensions to the vaccines' expiry dates. Various batches of Pfizer's vaccine, for example, had their expiry dates extended by one year (FDA[10]) or 6 months (TGA[11]).*

> *But given the sensitivity of RNA to changes in temperature and storage duration, what stability data did the regulators rely on to green-light these decisions?"*

As it stands, we have no idea, and that's a problem. As Phillip Altman, who has more than four decades of experience in clinical trials and regulatory affairs, told Demasi,[12] "It's critically

important to know about the stability of RNA in the vaccines because if the RNA disintegrates, then the efficacy of the vaccine goes down."

Of course, over the past three years, evidence conclusively shows that the shots are near-useless when it comes to efficacy. What's worse, **efficacy actually becomes negative** after a few months, meaning they leave you more prone to infection than your unjabbed peers.

Does RNA Instability Have Something to Do With 'Hot Lots'?

Altman is also concerned about safety, because data reveal some shots contain far higher doses of mRNA than others, and such "hot lots" are associated with more adverse events and deaths.[13] Mounting research shows the shots do not contain "nothing but intact RNA."

They also contain fragments of RNA, as well as **bits of DNA**, both of which can have deleterious health effects. Demasi quotes David Wiseman, Ph.D., a research bioscientist involved in medical product development, who told her:[14]

> *"We need to know about the bits of RNA that are not intact. It's possible that small fragments of mRNA also have biological effects such as inflammation or controlling how other RNA works."*

What Data Did FDA Rely on When Authorizing Buffer Swap?

The FDA also authorized another swap that affected RNA stability, and in this case, they appear to have done so without any testing whatsoever. In October 2021, Pfizer amended the formulation of its COVID jab for children aged 5 to 11 years, swapping out the phosphate-buffered saline used in the adult formulations, to a tromethamine (Tris) buffer.[15]

The reason for the swap was to improve the stability profile of the shot, allowing the mRNA to resist degradation so it could be stored for up to 10 weeks in a standard freezer. The FDA authorized the swap in mid-December that year,[16] but as Wiseman told Demasi:[17]

> *"If the new buffer helped stabilize the mRNA, then it would probably impact the amount of spike protein being produced or alter the way the lipid nanoparticles behaved in the body. But where were the data when the FDA made that decision? The FDA never insisted the new formulation be tested, at least in animals, before it was injected into children."*

Considering the shots were intended for healthy children, why did they not insist on additional testing?

> *"It's time for regulators to restore public trust and release these sorts of data. Until then, why should we inject anyone, especially children, with a vaccine without disclosing these, and other kinds of data?"* Wiseman says.[18]

Scientist Warns of Intrinsic Cytotoxicity of Nanolipid

The Pandora's Vaccine 2

Video Link

The safety of the nanolipid used to encase the mRNA in the shots is also being questioned. In the video above, independent researcher Gabriele Segalla, an Italian biochemist who specializes in the chemistry of microemulsions and colloidal systems, discusses his findings, presented in two peer-reviewed reports published in the International Journal of Vaccine Theory, Practice and Research (IJVTPR).

The first, published in late January 2023, titled "Chemical-Physical Criticality and Toxicological Potential of Lipid Nanomaterials Contained in a COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine,"[19] details the toxic potential of the nanolipid in Comirnaty, made by Pfizer/BioNTech. Importantly, this paper highlights the potential for reactive oxygen species (ROS) formation in various organs, including the kidneys, liver, heart and brain. According to this paper:

> *"Of particular concern is the presence in the formulation of the two functional excipients, ALC-0315 and ALC-0159, never used before in a medicinal product, nor registered in the European Pharmacopoeia, nor in the European C&L inventory.*

> *The current Safety Data Sheets of the manufacturer are omissive and non-compliant, especially with regard to the provisions of current European regulations on the registration, evaluation, authorization and restriction of nanomaterials.*

> *The presence of electrolytes in the preparation and the subsequent dilution phase after thawing and before inoculation raise well-founded concerns about the precarious stability of the resulting suspension and the Polydispersity index of the nanomaterials contained in it, factors that can be hypothesized as the root causes of numerous post-vaccination adverse effects recorded at statistical-epidemiological level."*

mRNA 'Vaccines' Pose Grave Public Health Risks

The second paper, "Apparent Cytotoxicity and Intrinsic Cytotoxicity of Lipid Nanomaterials Contained in a COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine,"[20] published in mid-October 2023, focuses on the nanolipid ALC-0315.

The nanolipid in Comirnaty is toxic to cells and triggers pro-inflammatory cytokines and reactive oxygen species that can disrupt the mitochondrial membrane causing it to release its content, cause RNA mistranslation, DNA mutations, destruction of the nuclear membrane and more.

It describes how ALC-0315 — one of the molecules used to create Comirnaty's nanoparticle delivery system — forms "proinflammatory cytokines and ROS that can disrupt the mitochondrial membrane and release its content, cause RNA mistranslation, polymerization of proteins and DNA, DNA mutations, destruction of the nuclear membrane and consequent release of its content."

> *"Thus, the prospect of frequently repeated COVID 'booster shots,' and also that of extending mRNA technology to vaccines against other pathogens or non-infectious diseases, conjures up a very grave public health risk,"* he writes.

According to Segalla, the ALC-0315 "is not suitable for intramuscular application" for a number of reasons, including the fact that it does not allow for the "proper transfection of host cells, despite what is stated by EMA (European Medicines Agency) in its Assessment report dated 19 February 2021, in flagrant contradiction with the same bibliographic source therein cited."

In short, the nanolipid particles are toxic to cells, and can "shed in unpredictable biological locations, even far from the site of inoculation," due to their "exceptional penetrability, mobility, chemical reactivity and systemic accumulation." The nanolipid used in the shots "can lead to an unprecedented medical disaster," Segalla warns. He's now calling for the immediate suspension of their use.

Resources for Those Injured by the COVID Jab

Based on data from across the world, it's beyond clear that the COVID shots are the most dangerous drugs ever deployed. If you already got one or more COVID jabs and are now reconsidering, you'd be wise to avoid all vaccines from here on, as you need to end the assault on your body. Even if you haven't experienced any obvious side effects, your health may still be impacted long-term, so don't take any more shots.

If you're suffering from side effects, your first order of business is to eliminate the spike protein — and/or any aberrant off-target protein — that your body is producing. Two remedies shown to bind to and facilitate the removal of SARS-CoV-2 spike protein are hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin. I don't know if these drugs will work on off-target proteins and nanolipid accumulation as well, but it probably wouldn't hurt to try.

The Front Line COVID-19 Critical Care Alliance (FLCCC) has developed a post-vaccine treatment protocol called **I-RECOVER**. Since the protocol is continuously updated as more data become available, your best bet is to download the latest version straight from the FLCCC website at covid19criticalcare.com.[21]

For additional suggestions, check out the **World Health Council's spike protein detox guide**,[22] which focuses on natural substances like herbs, supplements and teas. Sauna therapy can also help eliminate toxic and misfolded proteins by stimulating autophagy.

VP Kamala Harris Announces 2024 Nationwide Abortion Tour

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Sarah Holliday | **The Washington Stand.**

On January 22, Vice President Kamala Harris will **launch** the "Fight for Reproductive Freedoms" tour to promote abortion nationwide. This event is supposed to serve as a boost to President Joe Biden's 2024 presidential campaign. According to a **statement** from the White House, the start date is meant to signify the 51st anniversary of Roe v. Wade, despite the fact that it was overturned by the Dobbs decision in June of last year.

The tour is meant to promote not just access to abortion, but all kinds of pro-abortion rhetoric including "the freedom of every American to make decisions about their own body," "the harm caused by … abortion bans," and "stories of those who have been impacted," as described in the White House's **statement**. As far as Harris is concerned, this is about the "harm" and **impact** Dobbs has had **on women** who couldn't kill their babies. Never mind the fact that **over 30,000** innocent lives have been saved since the end of Roe.

Harris described access to abortion as a "fundamental right," and insisted it's the "**extremists**" across the country that have attacked it "as they push their radical policies." Because, in the

Democratic Party, wanting access to an abortion up until the moment of birth is not **radical**.

While further details have yet to be disclosed, Harris will start her tour in Wisconsin and make her way around the country pushing the false narrative that abortion is health care. As vice president, Harris has made abortion her main gig, so a tour like this only continues that pattern. But it is unfortunate, to say the least, that this is what she has decided to prioritize. Especially as this nation suffers from other crises: **open southern borders** allowing in millions of illegal immigrants and even **terrorists**, homelessness and **rampant crime**, and debates over the **war** in Gaza and the anti-Semitism exploding from coast to coast. But yes, let's focus on promoting abortion.

Harris paints a picture of "freedom" as she announces her upcoming tour, when the reality is anything but that. Mary Szoch, director of the Center for Human Dignity at Family Research Council, shared with The Washington Stand, "Kamala Harris's tour championing 'reproductive freedom' isn't about freedom at all. True freedom isn't doing whatever you want," she argued, "it's having the ability to do what is right."

Szoch explained how "the pro-abortion industry has been working tirelessly for over 50 years to make certain that women feel as if they don't have the ability to carry a child to term and care for that child later." In the wake of this battle, she said, "We have seen countless examples of athletes being told to abort or lose their scholarship and employees being told to abort or lose their job. To say that this is somehow 'freedom' is laughable."

So, what will this abortion tour accomplish, exactly? Well, Harris has characterized abortion as a "**key issue**" for the 2024 presidential election, which means she's at least hoping to rack up votes for those who care about abortion as much as she does. But Szoch believes we can expect this tour to shed light on the tragic realities of abortion. She said, "During Kamala's tour, I am certain that we will see heartbreaking stories of pregnant mothers in truly tragic circumstances talking about their desire to pay an abortionist to kill their unborn child."

She continued, "As members of the pro-life movement, our hearts should break over the situations these women are in." But ultimately, Szoch emphasized that the pro-life mission is to "change the situation" by offering alternative solutions. The focus has always been on life — for both the mother and the child.

"As vice president, Kamala Harris could choose to use her power for good," Szoch concluded, "to decrease poverty, improve maternal health care, or even advance fetal medicine. Instead, she's choosing to use her power to promote killing unborn children. How sad."

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Cosmopolitan Is Promoting a Satanic Abortion Ritual, and It's as Evil as You'd Expect

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Tucked between the fashion news and terrible life advice found in Cosmopolitan magazine, the November/December 2023 issue also features a lengthy article promoting abortion as a Satanic ritual. The piece centers around The Satanic Temple (TST), an elaborate stunt of an organization which describes itself as a non-theistic religious movement and is involved in litigation aimed at removing Christian symbols from the public square and **opposing** state-level pro-life laws. The group's virtual abortion center received glowing treatment from one of America's best-known magazines.

Samuel Alito's Mom's Satanic Abortion Clinic (yes, it's really called that) ships dangerous **abortion pills** by mail after only a Zoom call with expecting mothers in New Mexico. The **article** states that the TST-run enterprise "prescribes abortion pills (at $91 per set, a competitive price) up until the eleventh week of pregnancy and offers 24/7 phone access to licensed medical personnel to anyone in need. It's just that they're also Satanists…"

Always looking to apply a religious veneer on their progressive activism and thereby justify its **disingenuous claims** to religious freedom protections, TST's remote abortion center encourages women to perform a ceremonial "Satanic abortion ritual." So, what do these Satanists want vulnerable women going through the pain and trauma of aborting their own children alone to do exactly?

First, women are told to find a quiet space, hopefully one with a mirror. Then, "ust before taking the medication, gaze at your reflection and focus on your personhood. Home in on your intent, your responsibility to you." The abortion ritual encourages women to concentrate on themselves and reflect on whatever fearful or selfish justification they might have for ending the life of someone else. The personhood of an unborn child is completely disregarded. Also disregarded is our responsibility to others, especially those we are in a relationship with or are biologically related to.

After taking a few breaths, women are told to read this "tenet" out loud: "*One's body is inviolable, subject to one's own will alone*." When autonomy is the primary principle to live by, it fosters a defensive, insecure, and selfish way of life. Christians will recognize this tenet as rejection of God's sovereignty in our lives. The simple fact is that almost nothing in our lives is subject to our will alone — our plans and desires bump up against the actions of other people and are subject to chance. Even our own bodies are subject to diseases or medical conditions we do not consent to. Yet, we can lead more grateful and less insecure lives by submitting to the will of a God who loves us. Accepting a new baby that may be unplanned can be seen as a beautiful part of life, like so many other twists and turns in our journeys that work out for the best.

According to Cosmopolitan, immediately after taking the first abortion pill, women will "immediately afterward, recite, *Beliefs should conform to one's best scientific understanding of the world. One should take care never to distort scientific facts to fit one's beliefs*." This is an especially odd thing to tell oneself. It speaks to the need for abortive mothers to justify abortion to themselves — and not even on the basis of scientific fact, but on "one's best scientific understanding of the world." How sad.

The most heinous part of the ritual occurs after the pain and cramping and bleeding, when an innocent and dependent child has been forced out of the safety of his mother's womb to an early death. Cosmopolitan writes:

> Later, once your body expels the aborted tissue, return to your reflection. Focus again on your personhood, your power in making this decision. Complete the ritual by reciting a personal affirmation: *By my body, my blood; by my will, it is done.*

The words of Jesus are distorted, twisted from Jesus' description of His sacrifice for us (Luke 22:19-20; Luke 22:42; John 19:30) to indicate not that we, too, ought to sacrifice ourselves and will the good of the other, but that someone else — an innocent child — must die for our own benefit. This is the opposite of Christ's attitude and is the opposite of love.

Nothing in this empty and self-centered ritual will comfort the wounded heart of a woman who is doing the unthinkable and killing her own child. Platitudes about autonomy and "scientific understanding" fall flat. Post-abortive women need the forgiveness of a divine Savior, as we all do (Romans 3:23).

The members of TST might think they are being ironic and edgy by calling themselves "Satanists." The sad reality is that they're just being truthful. They worship Satan with their actions, and they adopt the devil's values when they destroy innocent lives on the altar of autonomy. The founders of TST were inspired, in part, to **create** a faux religion that was "repugnant" to Christians. On that, they have succeeded. However, both in this life and the next, I fear the joke will ultimately be on them.

While TST admittedly makes for an interesting subject for analysis, the group is relatively small and insignificant, as is its virtual abortion center. That Cosmopolitan decided to feature it in a special report might say more about the magazine than it does about a rise in Satanism. Cosmopolitan has long been at the forefront of promoting vice and immorality to its female audience, but this is a new low.

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Biden Takes the Military Hostage to Abortion: Will Congress Surrender?

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There's no such thing as a drama-free December in D.C. — even without a government shutdown on the holiday horizon. Before Congress calls it quits on 2023, there are plenty of things for the parties to squabble over, including the mammoth National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). In a city where consensus is rarer than a Santa sighting, the troop bill is probably the only area of consistent compromise. In fact, the military's budget passes so reliably that it hasn't missed a year since "West Side Story" was in theaters and gas cost $.27 a gallon. But that six-decade streak is on the line right now, and there's no one to blame but radical Democrats.

As most people in D.C. have learned, getting the military funded is usually a battle in itself. "I'm optimistic we will find a reasonable compromise that both chambers can support," House Armed Services Chair Mike Rogers (R-Ala.) **told** reporters this week. It was a sanguine view for a debate mired in everything from abortion politics to cryptocurrency fights.

As onlookers know, the House and Senate each passed versions of the NDAA earlier in the year — the trouble now is finding language that the two chambers, both led by different parties, will support. For the last several weeks, one of the most significant snags centers around a 2022 decision by President Joe Biden to put taxpayers on the hook for military abortions, a policy that Republicans (rightly) fume is illegal without Congress's approval. It's that same White House decision that sparked Alabama Senator Tommy Tuberville's (R) move **to put a hold on high-ranking military promotions**. He'd hoped his stand, now nine months strong, would force Democrats to the negotiating table.

Instead, the White House has preferred to battle it out in the press, absurdly **blaming Tuberville** for everything from the military's recruitment woes to readiness issues. Realizing the Left has no interest in actually solving the problem, conservatives are turning to the NDAA in the hopes that they can not only break the logjam on military promotions but also stop the Biden administration from crossing a bright red statutory line.

Fortunately, there's language in the House bill that rolls back Biden's taxpayer-funded abortion con. But as both sides of the Capitol hammer out the final text, the big question is whether Republicans will have the stomach to hold the line on what Family Research Council President Tony Perkins calls "a very, very significant issue."

"If Republicans fold on this basic principle of life, post-Roe, it's a policy disaster — and it's also a political disaster," he told The Washington Stand. "Because the pro-life community will see the Republicans surrender, and it will cause more elected officials to walk away from the life issue, which means more pro-lifers will walk away from the ballot box. So this is very, very significant."

The predominate view among Senate Republicans, Perkins said, "is that after a little pressure, we'll wave a white flag on social issues and move on." It's a trend pro-lifers have watched unfold as more GOP liberals **openly attack Tuberville**. "I don't think it's that way in the House," Perkins insisted.

Rep. Chip Roy (R-Texas) was living proof of that on "**Washington Watch**" Wednesday, when he reemphasized his support for the House NDAA. Asked if the amendment he and Rep. Ronny Jackson (R-Texas) attached to stop the Pentagon's radical policy would have sufficient support, he replied, "That is certainly my position. It's certainly the position of the Freedom Caucus, and I hope it will continue to be. … The position of the current administration, the Biden administration, has been to expand — contrary to law — the ability of members of the military and the Department of Defense to travel to go get abortions, all at taxpayer expense. … Well, that's against the law," he argued.

"We worked in July to pass in the National Defense Authorization Act limits on that to constrain the abuse of the law by the Biden administration. And unfortunately, they're trying to ignore that in the Senate," Roy explained. "What's happening right now is that Chuck Schumer and some of

the Republicans in the Senate are trying to pregame out a compromise on this to water it down, take out the abortion protections, take out the transgender surgeries restrictions, take out the critical race theory and DEI that we put in there to limit the abuses and the woke stuff." Walking away from that bill, the Texas congressman agreed, should be a "nonstarter."

What's different this time around, Roy pointed out, is that the House has a very strong conservative as Speaker of the House. "And so I'm hopeful that … will adhere to those agreements that we made in January and force the Senate to do their job. … We need to make sure that we're fighting to defend the House's position. We passed a good bill."

For Democrats and squishy Republicans, who are desperately looking for a way to move the 350-plus military promotions forward, this is an easy fix. "Is this not the off-ramp they've been looking ?" Perkins asked. "Just adopt the NDAA as passed by the House that addresses this issue. This takes care of the promotion issue as well."

"One hundred percent," Roy agreed. "And let's be clear to everyone out there listening. Coach Tuberville deserves praise for having the courage to stand up and try to taxpayer funding of abortion and abortion tourism. I wish more of his Senate colleagues were standing alongside him." Then, after a pause, he said, "I want to be very clear. There are a lot of senators who run as pro-life senators who are not standing with Coach Tuberville and who are all too happy to move an NDAA that removes our protection for life."

Presumably, he was pointing the finger at the outspoken social liberals in the Senate GOP: Joni Ernst (R-Iowa), Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska), Todd Young (R-Ind.), and Mitt Romney (R-Utah), who not only **voted to redefine marriage** but **openly sided with Biden** on this issue of taxpayer-funded abortion.

And yet, as Perkins pointed out, there's absolutely no reason for Republicans to cave on this issue. "No reason. This is a 60, 65, 70% issue across the board in America."

Roy agreed. "I know that the vast majority of the American people, regardless of where they fall on the spectrum on abortion … don't want taxpayer funding. They want us to stay focused on a military doing its job. So let's pull all that out. It's Democrats who want to politicize our defense, and we're the ones who want to get it focused on its job."

FRC's Quena Gonzalez has been disgusted by the media's biased characterization of this debate. "We didn't change the ground rules, President Biden did. We did not inject these issues into the military, Democrats did. Voters need to remind their senators and congressmen of that and **tell them** to keep taxpayer-funded abortion out of the Defense bill."

It's been an uncontroversial, bipartisan principle for decades that Americans shouldn't be on the hook for the killing of innocent unborn life. "And we shouldn't be the ones that have to surrender

that stated policy," Perkins insisted. And yet incredibly, Roy said, "Democrats are complaining that we're the ones injecting social issues into this." He shook his head. "No, they're the ones that injected cultural and social issues. And Coach Tuberville stood up. We stood up in the House. And, dadgummit, the Senate needs to stand up and … help us hold the line with the House-passed bill from July."

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Virginia: Democrats Move to Unrestricted Abortion in State Constitution

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Victoria Cobb, President

It shouldn't be any surprise that the new Democrat majority's top legislative priority for the 2024 session is to enshrine unrestricted abortion into our state constitution.

After all, Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry spent $70 million on pro-abortion candidates this election cycle to protect their business. Not only that, but they also brought a version of this bill during this past year's session, and even when the bill failed in committee on a party line vote, pro-abortion liberals attempted a parliamentary maneuver to force a vote on the House floor.

HJ1 and **SJ1** would create a new section in the Virginia Bill of Rights that states in part:

*"That every individual has the **fundamental right** to reproductive freedom. This right to make and effectuate one's own decisions about all matters related to one's pregnancy shall not be denied,*

burdened, or infringed upon, unless justified by a compelling state interest and achieved by the least restrictive means ***that do not infringe an individual's autonomous decision-making."***

This amendment, if approved, would treat the taking of an unborn child's life as fundamental as the freedom of conscience and speech, which in turn would make the practice of abortion ever more accessible and without any restraints. As worded, this amendment would also void Virginia's current law requiring a parent to con

sent to a minor child's abortion, and the current requirement that two physicians sign off before a woman gets a third-trimester abortion.

Note also that the language uses the phrase "one's pregnancy," which can span from the moment of conception until the moment of birth, again without any restrictions. Essentially, this amendment doesn't treat the baby in the mother's womb as an actual life, making it expendable at any stage of development.

In fact, the chief patron of SJ1, Senator Jennifer Boysko (D-Fairfax), boldly admitted this on the floor of the Senate earlier this year when speaking to the issue, saying "*I believe life begins at birth.*" Click on the image below to hear for yourself.

The consequences of this kind of amendment are too numerous to list here, but no doubt it further diminishes the value of women, which is already taking place through transgender ideology, and it will definitely lead to even more unsafe practices, and even more pressure from men who are unwilling to take ownership of their actions.

However, not all is lost and there is a light through the cracks that can allow us to stop this amendment. But it takes you to be a voice for the voiceless. In Virginia, in order for the state constitution to be amended there are several stages: the language must be passed by both chambers of the legislature; then there must be an election of the House of Delegates; then both chambers of the legislature must pass the exact same language again; and then it goes to the ballot in the next election for the citizens to decide.

Our Policy team will fight hard in the General Assembly in 2024 to change the hearts and minds of legislators on this issue and attempt to stop this amendment knowing that it will be an uphill battle. If it does pass, then we will work hard at the next stage to stop it, and we won't give up because life is too precious to hand over to the abortion industry.

As we prepare for the 2024 legislative session, please continue to pray that legislators will make wise decisions that protect all life and strengthen families.

Lawmakers File Radical Anti-Life Bill For Consideration In 2024

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The Republican Standard

Lawmakers are busy preparing legislation to be considered next January, including a proposal to enshrine the "right" to an abortion in the Virginia state constitution.

Delegate Charniele Herring, a Democrat serving as the House's new majority leader, introduced the bill that seeks to add the following text to the constitution via an amendment:

> This right to make and effectuate one's own decisions about all matters related to one's pregnancy shall not be denied, burdened, or infringed upon, unless justified by a compelling state interest and achieved by the least restrictive means that do not infringe an individual's autonomous decision-making.
>
> A state interest is compelling only when it is to ensure the protection of the health of an individual seeking care, consistent with accepted clinical standards of practice and evidence-based medicine. The Commonwealth shall not discriminate in the protection or enforcement of this fundamental right.

The Virginia Society For Human Life **wasted no time calling attention** to the matter:

The group said that the legislation would mean the following for the Commonwealth.

> "This would mean the removal of the parental consent law and partial-birth infanticide law as well as ultimately requiring Virginia taxpayers to fund all abortions under Medicaid programs. Perhaps the most shocking of all will be that unlimited abortion would become legal through all nine months–up until birth–as it has in New York, Vermont, and California.
> "It is obvious that the new Democrat majority in Richmond has no regard for the unborn children who will be killed because of this amendment. This amendment would interpret any commonsense protective regulation, including safety rules about who may perform an abortion, as burdensome," said Olivia Gans Turner, VSHL president.
> "So, we must ask ourselves, are the Democrats more concerned about protecting the abortion business in Virginia that supported their campaigns, or the women and girls who may seek abortions here?" said Turner. "They certainly don't intend to protect their babies."

A complimentary bill has also been filed in the Virginia Senate by Senator Jennifer Boysko.

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Globalist Death Cult's 'TRANS'-Human Digital Agenda Demands Your Submission, or Else...

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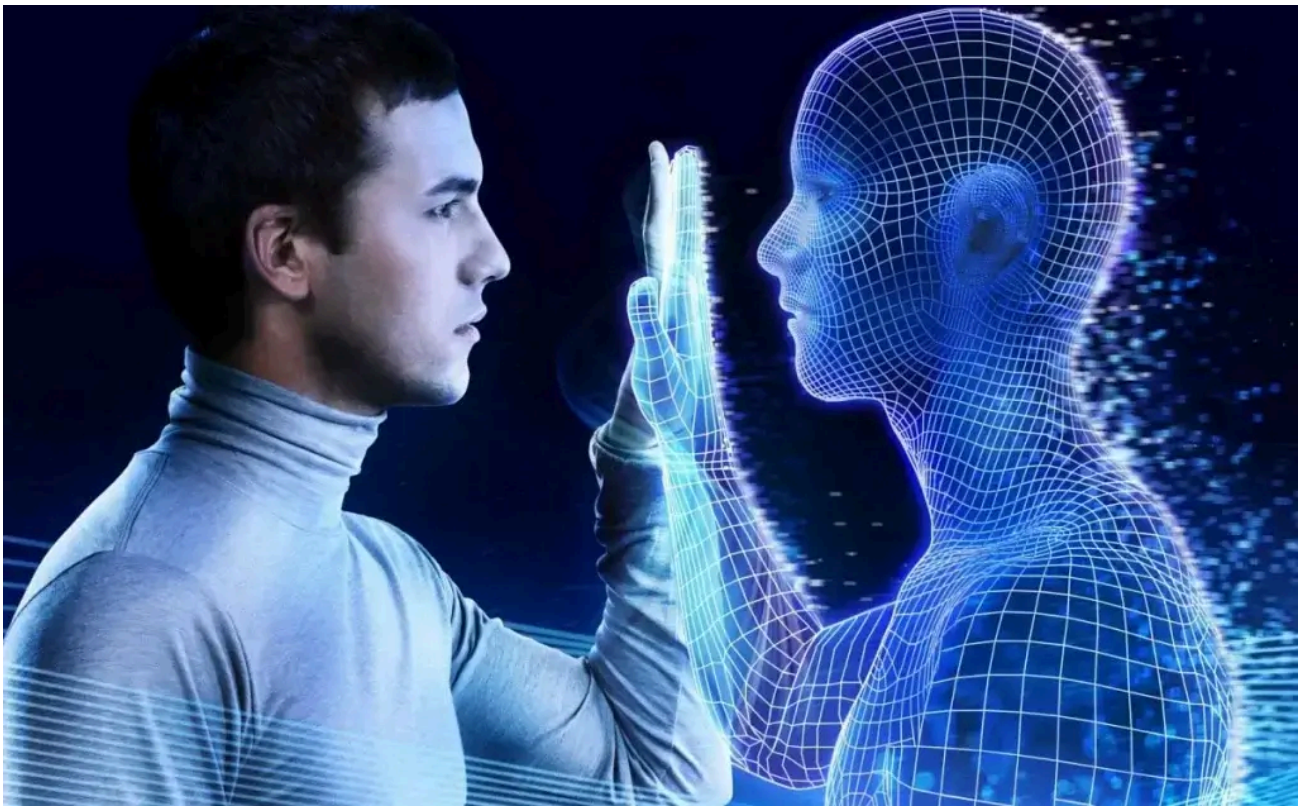

> Editor's note: Aboli gave a speech on the transhumanist agenda that seeks to replace Christian civilization and biblical values with an antichrist, anti-human dystopia. We urge our readers to listen to her, see below.

It's rare, but every now and then you come across someone who seems to fully understand the anti-human nature of the globalist agenda being pushed on society today by the United Nations, World Health Organization, World Economic Forum, Club of Rome, Trilateral Commission, et al.

It's an agenda which I believe is a form of global techno-fascism.

Imagine the Nazi Third Reich with the power of today's artificial intelligence run by super-computers. If that same ideology were alive today, and I believe it is, what you would ultimately end up with is a rising Fourth Reich positioning itself for total domination of all tribes and tongues. We've seen the antisemitism that is inherent in this system in recent weeks. We've seen

it on college campuses, where the whole "trans" movement has been fueled. We've seen the ugly chants being spouted on our city streets. We see it in the world's fastest-growing religion, Islam. All of these various factions share one thing in common, they demand our *submission*.

We also saw during the pandemic how the globalists positioned their minions to exert almost full control over human activity, clamping down on our freedom of movement, telling us where we could and could not meet, with how many and for how long. They told us which businesses were "essential" and which were not. They exerted control over our gathering together to worship. They tried to control our economic activity (only shop at big-box stores not those dirty independent shops). They discouraged the use of cash, and controlled our healthcare decisions (you must get a never-ending schedule of injections of a mystery substance with secret ingredients). Talk about *submission*, they wanted us to all have an app on our phones that would identify us as one of their slaves, who is perpetually up to date on our shots and approved for travel and entry into various public venues. The mantra of UN Agenda 2030 is "No person will be left behind" by this system.

Few people see the whole ugly picture of what's happening. They cannot connect the dots. They're confused by all the players and their many demands.

Laura Aboli is a citizen of the UK with a background in entrepreneurial business and intelligence gathering.

In response to this emerging spirit of global control demanding mass *submission*, Aboli founded the United Democratic International Movement for Awareness and Freedom in 2020. She said something was needed to counteract the fear and the mind control that was leading people to willingly accept the unacceptable – the loss of their freedom, the restriction of civil rights and the imposition of a "new normal" based on separation, alienation, disconnection and total control by a group of elite globalist billionaires.

At the **Better Way Conference** in June 2023 in Bath, England, Aboli gave a speech on the transhumanist agenda that seeks to replace Christian civilization and biblical values with an antichrist, anti-human dystopia. If her speech resonates with you as much as it did with me, please share it with your friends and family.

Must Watch: Laura Aboli Delivers Epic 4-Minute Speech on the Transhumanist PsyOp of…

Aboli says the transhumanist goal is to get us to question the most fundamental distinction of human identity: our gender.

In the 1980 book *The Socialist Phenomenon*, Russian author Egor Shafarevich, who was a contemporary and working partner of the great Alexander Solzhenitsyn, points out that the end goal of all socialist ideologies, since the beginning of time, has been a chronic death wish. Death of culture. Death of meaning. Death of beauty. Death of the family. Death of the human existence. Although it employs different methods, modern technocracy is, like socialism, a collectivist movement that claims to be working for "the greater good" of society while actually working to destroy it. That's why abortion and the LGBTQ movement are the left's two biggest obsessions right now — both lead to death of the human race.

Aboli recognizes this when she commented in the above video:

> “If you don’t know who you are. If you already identify as a hybrid between a man and a woman, you will easily be convinced to become a hybrid between human and a machine. Gender ideology is the 2 plus 2 equals 5 from George Orwell’s *1984* dystopian novel. It’s the final test, to see whether we will follow the most absurd party line towards our own extinction. But 2 plus 2 equals 4, and no mater how you choose to dress, call yourself, or change your physique, you will not change that. The sad reality, though, is that in the gaslighting process to get us closer to a post-human future, they have mentally and physically harmed an increasing number of children and young people. And it’s only getting worse. This, must be stopped.”

The Problem With Life is This...

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It's not available to dead people

"We can ignore even pleasure. But pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but ***shouts*** *in our pains: it is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world."* (C.S. Lewis, *The Power of Pain*)

Beware of the Woke and the zealots

For those who haven't been paying close attention, this is the mission of the woke: upending the world where love of life itself has become, not the primal and unifying source of purpose, but instead, a life replaced by a very disturbed and distorted version of empty, angry subsistence.

The Woke have allied with the earthly form of demoniacs—those terrorists who, inspired by the **Hadith of Islam**—the prophet Mohammed's traditions—have one fundamental, hideous objective: the genocide of **all** Jews.

Islam allies with no one. The Woke, who ironically give no quarter to *their* critics and adversaries, just haven't figured this out yet.

The day will come when they will, but it will likely be too late.

The Woke are conditioned to be who they are by a massive, efficient, and ruthless mechanism designed to rob from those who can't help themselves, from those who weren't prepared, and for those who fill the void in their own hearts with something else—anything else—that substitutes for what the void was always designed to contain: the love of God.

- ***He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.*** (Ecclesiastes 3:11 ESV)

Islam means **submission** and Muslim means one **who has submitted**. However, submission is political, as well as religious: Islam demands that *Kafirs* (all who aren't Muslim) submit in every aspect of public life. Every part of *Kafir* culture is an offense to Allah. (**Center of the Study of Political Islam International**)

The Woke, on the other hand, demand submission through penance for those who have not yet attained the enlightenment of their ideology. Penance is forced upon those who do not submit by **cancellation**. The Woke are those who **have submitted** to the ideology of Cultural Hegemony—the chief doctrine of cultural Marxism.

There is but **one thing** that unites the Muslim with the Woke: **the absence of the love of life**—the full and abundant life that they can never know unless, and until, they experience life from the Creator of life: **Jesus Christ** who is the giver of life, and the author and finisher of our faith in Him.

This is why we are witness to such furious, even demonic hatred: the Muslim terrorists following countless generations of submission, and the Woke, conditioned by the hatred of this life at the feet of intellectual frauds and ideologues.

- ***The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.*** (John 10:10 NKJV)

Two historically pivotal events of the modern era come to mind in explaining the reason for the situation we find ourselves in at this moment in time. The first is the **genocide of the Armenian**

people in 1915-16.

The Armenian genocide refers to the physical annihilation of **ethnic Armenian Christian people** living in the **Ottoman Empire** from spring 1915 through autumn 1916. There were approximately 1.5 million Armenians living in the Empire. **At least 664,000 and possibly as many as 1.2 million died during the genocide.** Armenians call these events *Medz Yeghern* (the great crime) or *Aghet* (catastrophe). This horror has been all but forgotten. It was not well reported at the time, and it's all but forgotten now.

When I was in the fourth grade, one of our substitute teachers whose family was one of the very few survivors of this genocide, briefly shared the story of what happened to her family with the class. Later, I learned that she was very "lucky" to even be alive. But her childhood must have been marred by the horror stories her parents told her of the starvation, the beatings, and humiliation at the hands of the Ottoman soldiers, irregular troops, and civilians—**all of whom were Muslims**.

*"The second example of genocide occurred within little more than a generation. Between 1941 and 1945, **Nazi Germany and its collaborators systematically murdered** some **six million Jews across German-occupied Europe**, around two-thirds of Europe's Jewish population. Following the invasion of the Soviet Union in June 1941, 1.5 to 2 million Jews **were shot** by **German forces and local collaborators**."*

*"Later in 1941 or early 1942, the highest levels of **the German government*** (following **Adolph Hitler** pictured) *decided to **murder all Jews in Europe**. Victims were deported by rail to extermination camps where, if they survived the journey, most were killed with poison gas."* (From **Wikipedia**)

This was genocide in the modern era. But the linkage between these two periods in history relies on these events not just being recorded, but in their retelling, and how they're retold and—most importantly—how they're remembered… or how they're forgotten. This brings us to the genocide intended in this generation.

In our own Woke culture, comparing someone to Hitler has become just another casual epithet tossed at the opponents of the politically empowered elite; the intelligentsia, and their callow students and sycophants.

This must be the age where people replace life with only the drive to dull their pain, pursue their selfish immediate pleasures, and avoid all of the pain that fully lived life is bound to offer them.

This latest attempt of another genocide is literally knocking at the door. Millions of people, who most would never have thought would align themselves with brutality and hellish mass murder, are in the streets waving signs and chanting, "From the River to the Sea Palestine Will be Free." Do they really know what they want?

I can only imagine some pink-haired, tattooed, transgendered university student, dedicating herself to the cause of "freeing" the Palestinians and rushing to join them in their fight by taking the next flight out to the Holy Land.

She wouldn't even make it to baggage claim.

One day, Jesus rebuked the Pharisees—the college professors of His day, and said, ***"You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies."*** (John 8:44 ESV)

Marx, Mao, Hitler, Mohammed… all are liars because their lying father put it in their hearts through proxy to act on what they want to believe: to remove from the face of the earth those whom God originally gave the word of life. *L'Chaim*.

Pray for peace by all means, but be willing to acknowledge the horror such people have created, acting and speaking out against it, because horror is God's attempt to get our attention, and it is a necessary part of living fully—depending on the One who desires you to live it abundantly.

Photo by **Hasan Almasi** on **Unsplash**

The Elephant in the Room… and I don't mean Republicans. Abortion.

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Victoria Cobb, President | The Family Foundation

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

The election is over. As it stands now, Democrats have regained a majority in both the House of Delegates (51 D to 49 R) and the Senate (21 D and 19 R).

Sadly, this election cycle, much like the 2022 midterm elections, abortion seemed to be top of mind for many voters instead of Bidenomics or better education, and if it wasn't, then liberals along with the pro-abortion crowd spent an exorbitant amount of money to convince them that it was.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "… public sentiment is everything. With it, nothing can fail; against it, nothing can succeed. Whoever molds public sentiment goes deeper than he who enacts statutes or pronounces judicial decisions."

When it comes to abortion, the hearts and minds of the people must reject abortion before any legislative victories can ever be realized and maintain staying power.

Pro-abortion Democrats and Planned Parenthood together spent over $70 million convincing Virginians that legal unrestricted abortion is not only necessary, but somehow a societal good. This is not a hard sell as abortion has become an insurance policy against the nonmarital sex culture that emerged in the sixties. Republicans spent a little over $50 million to counter with what was presumed to be a modest proposal to restrict abortion beginning at the moment a child feels pain in the womb (around fifteen weeks), which many "experts" believed was a consensus in

our state. That strategy clearly failed, and much more can and will be said about that going forward.

Today, we hold fast to the great words of Dr. John Mark Reynolds, "Losing an election means conservative ideas are unpopular, not wrong. If they are correct, then we must persuade and argue not give in."

The Family Foundation Action Team

Despite the outcome, we want to congratulate our TFF Action team, led by Bruce Schlesman and Jessi Blakely. They knocked over 40,000 doors, made nearly 9,000 calls, and sent over 390,000 texts. They also held our very first election night results live stream show – *Battleground: Virginia Votes 2023*. They are passionate and dedicated to their work, and we are thankful they are on our team!

While we did not achieve the desired outcome, there was Good News.

First, **conservatives gained a seat in the state senate by sending an anti-parent incumbent home.** Senator Monty Mason, known of late for his trash-talking of parental rights on a hot mic, was replaced by conservative Yorktown sheriff Danny Diggs.

Second, **City of Richmond voters beat back the second effort for a casino to be established in their city.** The Family Foundation, with the support of some key Richmond donors, ran several commercials and directly connected voters with the negative ramifications of a casino. Two years ago, when we led a coalition to stop as casino coming to Richmond, we were deeply outspent and won by 50.95% – 49.05%. This year, the casino forces increased their spending by at least $9 million, but the referendum was defeated by 62%.

Third, **Susanna Gibson was not rewarded for her online pornographic stunts.** In a deeply blue area of Henrico County, where nearly every decision given to a voter resulted in a liberal being elected, the voters still determined there is a line that can be drawn on behavior fit for office. Congratulations Delegate-elect David Owens and to the TFF Action staff and volunteers who motivated lower propensity conservatives to vote.

Fourth, **another huge victory came in a Commonwealth's Attorney (CA) race in Loudoun County**. Despite Loudoun County becoming deep blue in recent years, Soros-backed incumbent Buta Biberaj was upset by a law-and-order challenger Bob Anderson. Earlier this year, our Founding Freedoms Law Center went toe-to-toe against Biberaj, who decided to personally prosecute our client, Jon Tigges, for criminal trespassing simply for remaining in a school board meeting room in Loudoun after officials tried to kick out hundreds of parents from the meeting for simply trying to voice their concerns during the recess. We got a "not guilty" verdict for Jon Tigges. Now, Biberaj will no longer be putting a target on the backs of parents like our client.

Fifth, **there were three conservative additions to the Loudoun County School Board – Karen "Kari" LaBell, Deana Griffiths, and Lauren Shernoff.** All three won their races to bring commonsense and transparency to the Loudoun school board which has been embroiled in controversy caused by leftist policies.

Sixth, **the composition of the Goochland School Board changed and will be run by new members who want to be transparent with parents about what's going on within their schools.** Because this is so deeply intertwined with our FFLC plaintiff, Angela Allen, we'll be sending a separate update on it very soon.

Seventh, **we want to congratulate former Family Foundation intern Mark Earley for his victory as he joins the House of Delegates.** He follows a long history of TFF staff, board members, and interns being elected to public office. On that note, we send hearty congratulations to Sharon Griffin who took a pause from our Board of Directors to run for school board in Augusta County and won. We can't wait to see her work for parents!

Eighth, **Hanover voters rejected a local referendum to change their school board from being appointed to being elected.** Why is that significant? Because the existing appointed Hanover school board has been diligently resisting dangerous transgender-issue policies and working to align their policies with Governor Youngkin's model policies protecting parental rights. Had Hanover voted against this method of appointment, it would have eventually been taken over by the LGBT advocates as an indictment on their actions.

Want to tell us about another silver lining in the election? Send in your local victory to familyfoundation@familyfoundation.org

Your DNA in the Hands of Big Pharma: The Dark Side of Genetic Testing

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The Genetic Conspiracy: DNA Tests Are Sold to Highest Bidder

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) will pay 23andMe $20 million to extend its five-year contract to mine the company's consumer DNA data for another year.
- The drugmaker is searching for hints about genes that might be at the root of disease. 23andMe will get royalties on any drugs developed.
- 23andMe also recently launched a new DNA-sequencing service called Total Health, which sequences your entire exome, the protein-coding part of your genome, which is thought to be responsible for most disease-causing genes. The move is another step in 23andMe's plan to transform itself into a full-fledged health care company that also treats patients.

- 23andMe acquired a telehealth and drug-delivery startup called Lemonaid Health in 2021. Lemonaid doctors are being trained by 23andMe on how to interpret DNA results and provide tailored health advice.
- 23andMe's concept of "health care" is all about expanding the use of drugs by getting people on them earlier, before they even have symptoms, based solely on genetic risk factors.

Do you know who has access to your genetic data? If you've used a DNA testing company like 23andMe, chances are your genetic data is in the hands of insurance companies and drug companies. It may also be in the hands of hackers. Either way, your DNA could be used against you.

GlaxoSmithKline Extends Data Mining Contract With 23andMe

As reported by Bloomberg,[1] GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) will pay 23andMe $20 million to extend its five-year contract to mine the company's consumer DNA data for another year:

> *"The idea for drugmakers is to comb the data for hints about genetic pathways that might be at the root of disease, which could significantly speed up the long, slow process of drug development.*

> *GSK and 23andMe have already taken one potential medication to clinical trials: a cancer drug that works to block CD96, a protein that helps modulate the body's immune responses.*

> *It entered that testing phase in four years, compared to an industry average of about seven years. Overall, the partnership between GSK and 23andMe has produced more than 50 new drug targets …*

> *The new agreement changes some components of the collaboration. Any discoveries GSK makes with the 23andMe data will now be solely owned by the British pharmaceutical giant, while the genetic-testing company will be eligible for royalties on some projects. In the past, the two companies pursued new drug targets jointly."*

In case this wasn't obvious, YOU pay to have your DNA tested, and then 23andMe sells the mining rights of those data, and makes royalties on new drugs. Quite the profit model, having customers

pay for their own exploitation. And GSK isn't the only drug company mining your data. The deal is nonexclusive, so any number of other companies may be mining your genetic data as well.

23andMe Seeks to Transform Into a Health Care Company

23andMe also recently launched a new DNA-sequencing service called Total Health, which sequences your entire exome, the protein-coding part of your genome, which is thought to be responsible for most disease-causing genes. While their basic DNA test for health and ancestry has a price tag of $229,[2] this expanded test will set you back $1,188 — per year.[3]

The move is another step in 23andMe's plan to transform itself into a full-fledged health care company that also treats patients. With this goal in mind, 23andMe acquired a telehealth and drug-delivery startup called Lemonaid Health in 2021.[4] Lemonaid doctors are reportedly being trained by 23andMe on how to interpret DNA results and provide tailored health advice. According to Bloomberg:[5]

> *"Total Health is designed to pinpoint genes 23andMe views as 'actionable' — those that some combination of lifestyle changes and medication can affect.*

> *The list includes the more than 80 genes the American College of Medical Genetics consider actionable, including those for cancer, cardiovascular disease, metabolic disease and neurological disorders …*

> *Someone who finds out they're at risk for early heart disease would want to closely monitor their cholesterol levels and consider going on cholesterol-lowering drugs as soon as those levels become unsafe, said Abul-Husn, giving an example of how the information can be used …*

> *The Total Health package's biannual blood tests give customers a look at more than 50 biomarkers, helping them track progress in managing risks identified by sequencing. Clinicians will provide patients with personalized risk assessments and preventive health plans, along with an annual virtual visit and ongoing messaging …"*

Genetic Predisposition — A Tactic to Increase Drug Sales

This is an excellent example of why Americans are so mired in chronic illness, and why genetic testing, as it currently stands, will do nothing to ameliorate the situation.

If you have genetic risk factors for early heart disease, the last thing you want to do is go on cholesterol-lowering drugs as they destroy heart tissue and act as mitochondrial toxins,[6,7] **Statins** also raise your risk of diabetes and dementia.

Unfortunately, if you do an online search for "statins damage heart" or something similar, the first page or two of results will be articles "debunking" claims that they can harm your heart. This is Big Tech censorship at work, and it's only going to get worse from here. You have to dig deeper into the search results to actually find what you're looking for. Eventually, you may not find it at all.

23andMe's concept of 'health care' is all about expanding the use of drugs by getting people on them earlier, before they even have symptoms, based solely on genetic risk factors.

The point here is that cholesterol has little to do with the development of heart disease, so the entire premise of this kind of "prevention" is flawed from the get-go. Basically, 23andMe's concept of "health care" is all about expanding the use of drugs by getting people on them earlier, before they even have symptoms, based solely on genetic risk factors.

Your Genetic Data Can Be Used Against You in Many Ways

Adding insult to injury, your genetic data may be sold to insurance companies that may then charge you extra for a "preexisting condition" you don't actually have but might potentially develop in the future. Life insurance companies may also charge you more, or decline coverage altogether. As reported in a September 7, 2023, article in The Conversation:[8]

> *"In Australia, life insurance companies can legally use the results of genetic tests to discriminate. They can decline to provide life insurance coverage, increase the cost of premiums, or place exclusions on an individual's cover …*

> *This week, a number of federal parliamentarians argued for a ban on genetic discrimination by life insurance companies … The Disability Discrimination Act 1992 prohibits discrimination on a number of different bases, including genetic risk factors.*

> *However, there is a specific carve-out in the Act that allows life insurers to discriminate in ways other entities are prohibited from doing. This means companies providing insurance for death, income protection, and disability can discriminate on the basis of genetic risk of disease.*

> *Other companies that provide risk-rated insurance (where insurers assess an individual's risk factors and change coverage or premiums based on this risk) can also use genetic test results to discriminate. This includes travel insurance."*

23andMe, the Google of Gene-Based Medicine

As noted in a November 2013 article by Scientific American,[9] 23andMe poses a unique threat to the public that few ever discuss. While sold as a medical device, its true function is that of a massive information-gathering operation, just like Google turned out to be.

While it took a while, it's now become crystal clear that Google is using all that personal data gathered from users to control and suppress information that doesn't benefit its advertisers. Will 23andMe end up being a repeat of Google's bait and switch? As reported by Scientific American:[10]

> *"Although 23andMe admits that it will share aggregate information about users genomes to third parties, it adamantly insists that it will not sell your personal genetic information without your explicit consent. We've heard that one before …*

> *Even though 23andMe currently asks permission to use your genetic information for scientific research, the company has explicitly stated that its database-sifting scientific work 'does not constitute research on human subjects,' meaning that it is not subject to the rules and regulations that are supposed to protect experimental subjects' privacy and welfare.*

> *Those of us who have not volunteered to be a part of the grand experiment have even less protection. Even if 23andMe keeps your genome confidential against hackers, corporate takeovers, and the temptations of filthy lucre forever and ever, there is plenty of evidence that there is no such thing as an 'anonymous' genome anymore.*

> *It is possible to use the internet to identify the owner of a snippet of genetic information and it is getting easier day by day. While the FDA concentrates on the question of whether 23andMe's kit is a safe and effective medical device, it is failing to address the real issue: what 23andMe should be allowed to do with the data it collects.*

> *For 23andMe's Personal Genome Service is much more than a medical device; it is a one-way portal into a world where corporations have access to the innermost contents of your cells and where insurers and pharmaceutical firms and marketers might know more about your body than you know yourself.*

> *And as 23andMe warns on its website, 'Genetic Information that you share with others could be used against your interests. You should be careful about sharing your Genetic Information with others.' Present company excepted, of course."*

For the record, that warning no longer exists on 23andMe's website. In the end, we may well see DNA testing companies like 23andMe share everyone's genetic data with insurance companies,

which in turn may force you into pharmaceutical solutions for problems you don't yet have.

The CIA Connection

Interestingly, the connection between Google and 23andMe is closer than you might think. 23andMe cofounder Anne Wojcicki was married to Google founder Sergey Brin for eight years and the couple have two children together. They divorced in 2015.

Wojcicki's sister, Susan Wojcicki, was one of Google's first employees. In 2006, she convinced Google to acquire YouTube and served as YouTube's CEO from 2014 until 2023. She's now an adviser to Google and its parent company Alphabet.[11,12]

As reported by Quartz magazine, Google came about largely thanks to research grants for mass surveillance technologies from the CIA and NSA.[13]

Similarly, Wojcicki was finally able to take 23andMe public after raising more than $1 billion in funding from, among others, Google, GlaxoSmithKline, Johnson & Johnson and Sequoia Capital,[14,15] the latter of which is also heavily invested in artificial intelligence and has drawn scrutiny from Washington for having "significant operations" in China that might benefit the Chinese military.[16]

Google — probably the biggest spy machine ever built — the CIA, NSA, Big Pharma and a Chinese-linked AI investment firm. These are all either directly invested in, or linked to through investments, a company (23andMe) that is harvesting the genetic code from millions of Americans. Does that really sound like a good idea?

You don't need predictive AI to figure out that the beneficiaries of 23andMe's data will be the drug industry and the intelligence agencies that are working to further the **transhumanist and technocratic goals and ambitions** of the globalist deep state.

Data Breaches Are Inevitable, and Have Already Occurred

Data breaches and hacks are becoming ever more prevalent, and 23andMe is not immune to that threat. In fact, in late October 2023, the company notified customers that a breach into its "DNA relatives" databank had occurred. As reported by Reuters:[17]

> *"Genetics testing company 23andMe … sent emails to several customers to inform them of a breach into the 'DNA Relatives' feature that allowed them to compare ancestry information with users worldwide …*

> *Since news of the hack, many customers have expressed worries their ethnicity and other sensitive information could be used against them if leaked."*

While that might sound paranoid, Thor Benson, in a June 2020 IEEE Spectrum article[18] argued that "DNA databases in the U.S. and China are tools of racial oppression," and that "What is initially presented as a public good can easily be used for evil ends."

Your DNA Could Be Used to Pin a Crime on You

Benson's article focuses not on the use of DNA in medicine but rather its use in law enforcement. DNA samples are routinely collected when you're arrested, and that DNA database is then used during other crime investigations.

But DNA samples are also collected from victims of crime, and in late 2021, a California rape victim was charged with an unrelated crime based solely on the DNA from her rape kit sample, taken five years earlier. Public outcry ensued, and once the district attorney learned of the source of the DNA, the charges against her were dropped. As reported by Mission Local:[19]

> *"Under the Fourth Amendment, law enforcement must obtain a warrant or written permission from a court to lawfully seize evidence. And, in this case, 'It's very clear that they're not consenting to their DNA being collected to use five, 10, 15 years later on in a law enforcement investigation,' Boudin said."*

California lawmakers have also approved a bill to prohibit the use of DNA collected from victims for any other purpose than to identify the perpetrator of the crime against them.[20]

Now, if DNA samples from victims can later be used to tie them to another crime, how do you think DNA samples voluntarily handed over to a DNA testing company may be used? Anyone can essentially be framed for any crime.

DNA Can Be Used Against Dissidents of All Stripes

Going back to Benson's article:[21]

"A report that was published by the Australian Strategic Policy Institute in mid-June claims that China is operating the 'world's largest police-run DNA database' as part of its powerful surveillance state.

Chinese authorities have collected DNA samples from possibly as many as 70 million men since 2017, and the total database is believed to contain as many as 140 million profiles. The country hopes to collect DNA from all of its male citizens, as it argues men are most likely to commit crimes.

DNA is reportedly often collected during what are represented as free physicals, and it's also being collected from children at schools. There are reports of Chinese citizens being threatened with punishment by government officials if they refuse to give a DNA sample.

Much of the DNA that's been collected has been from Uighur Muslims that have been oppressed by the Chinese government and infamously forced into concentration camps in the Xinjiang province …

James Leibold, a nonresident senior fellow at the Australian Strategic Policy Institute and one of the authors of the report on China's DNA database, tells Spectrum that he is worried that China building up and utilizing this database could normalize this type of behavior.

'Global norms around genomic data are currently in a state of flux. China is the only country in the world conducting mass harvesting of DNA data outside a major criminal investigation,' Leibold says. 'It's the only forensic DNA database in the world to contain troves of samples from innocent civilians.'

> *Leibold says ethnic minorities like the Uighurs aren't the only ones threatened by this mass DNA collection. He says the database could be used against dissidents and any other people who the government sees as a threat …*

> *'We know the Chinese police have planted evidence in the past, and now it is conceivable that they could use planted DNA to convict 'enemies of the state.'"*

In this post-COVID era, you can replace "China" with most Western countries, and "Uighur Muslims" with "anti-vaxxers," whom intelligence agencies have declared "a national security threat."

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Is the government secretly acquiring and storing the blood of newborn babies in its quest to build a DNA ‘registry’?

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The state of Texas was caught selling babies’ blood samples to the Pentagon while several other states have also been caught stealing and selling the DNA of newborn babies to third parties

There’s something not quite right about that little “heel-prick” test that hospitals routinely do on newborns. They say it’s to detect disease but, if that’s the case, why do some states try to keep the DNA samples taken during these procedures and store them for decades without ever telling the parents? After doing a bit of research and reading over a recently filed lawsuit, I have some information to share that presents a clearer picture as to why it’s almost impossible to get a newborn baby out of a hospital without having its little heel jabbed.

Thankfully, some parents are wising up and going on the legal offensive against the hospitals and states who are colluding in secret.

A lawsuit has been filed by the Institute for Justice over a state program in New Jersey that has been obtaining, and secretly holding onto, blood from newborn babies.

The **Institute for Justice** explained in a press release it is representing two sets of parents in the case.

The state claims it can use the DNA from the babies' blood samples for any reason, without informed consent from parents.

The case charges that state law in New Jersey demands that when babies are born, blood be taken and tested for various diseases. This same demand exists in all states.

But, according to the attorneys representing the parents, what makes New Jersey different is that, "after the testing is over, New Jersey's Department of Health keeps the leftover blood for 23 years. The state does not ask parents for their consent to keep their babies' blood, failing to even inform parents that it will hold on to the residual blood. The only way parents could learn about such retention is by proactively looking it up on one of the third-party websites listed on the bottom of the card they're given after the blood draw.

"And, once the state has the blood, it can use it however it wishes, including selling it to third parties, giving it to police without a warrant, or even ***selling it to the Pentagon to create a registry***—as previously happened in Texas." (emphasis mine)

That bit about selling DNA to the Pentagon "to create a registry" jumped out at me.

It's a documented fact that part of United Nations Agenda 2030 is to create a birth registry for all people. Look it up.

Sustainable Development Goal 16.9 of Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development states, "**Create a legal identity for all, including birth registration, by 2030**," and this "has been acknowledged as crucial for advancing the 2030 Agenda commitment to leave no one behind," according to the website of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). On that same web page, they state:

> Article 6 of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights states that everybody has the right to a legal identity. Sustainable Development Goal Target 16.9 ("legal identity for all, including birth registration, by 2030") has been acknowledged as crucial for advancing the 2030 Agenda commitment to leave no one behind. However, hundreds of millions of people still lack proper identification, and about half of the world's countries do not have a universal system for registering births and deaths.
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> The United Nations Legal Identity Agenda Task Force, co-chaired by UNDP, UNDESA, and UNICEF, is working with Member States to ensure that more than 300 million people acquire a legal identity by 2025. UNDP is strengthening the capacity of Member States to develop holistic, country-owned, sustainable and interoperable civil registration, vital statistics and identity management systems. UNDP is working to increase the number of countries that address legal identity issues as a foundational pillar of national development plans and strategies and ensure that everyone, without exception, has access to essential public goods and services.

The UNDP site then steers those wanting more information "On UNDP's work in this important area," to visit the following websites:

- The **UN Legal Identity Agenda Task Force**
- **Digital Legal ID Governance**

So, with just a little researching we find that this drive to scoop up DNA from newborns is tied to creating a global ID system, and a *global digital ID* at that.

It's highly likely that the overarching reason this DNA is being taken and secretly stored has little or nothing to do with fighting disease and everything to do with fulfilling the U.N. mandate for all nations to create a unique biometric identifier on every person, which then can be digitized and filed away for future use in a fully digitized society. With every newborn having a DNA sample already on file with the government, think how easy it would be to create a biometric digital ID for all humans, in full compliance with U.N. Agenda 2030 and a future global government.

If New Jersey has a program to turn over DNA to the federal government, you can bet it's happening in other states as well. We just haven't found out about it yet. And why would the U.S. Department of Defense, of all agencies, want to get its hands on this DNA from every newborn baby?

In fact, the New Jersey legal team said similar lawsuits already have been brought against Texas, Minnesota and Michigan, and in those cases settlements have ordered the destruction of blood

samples held by the states, or the state has voluntarily destroyed them. **California is also collecting and storing the DNA of infants** without parental consent.

The New Jersey Monitor reports that more than 100,000 babies are **born each year** in New Jersey, meaning the state has stockpiled millions of blood spots from its decades-old newborn screening program. Yet, a **handout** given to new parents fails to disclose that the state stores the samples for 23 years, nor does it explain why.

Rob Frommer, a senior lawyer for the Institute for Justice, stated:

> "Parents have a right to informed consent if the state wants to keep their children's blood for decades and use it for purposes other than screening for diseases. New Jersey's policy of storing baby blood and DNA and using that genetic information however it wants is a clear violation of the Fourth Amendment rights of all New Jersey parents and their newborns."

The plaintiffs are two Boonton, N.J., parents, Erica and Jeremiah Jedynak, and the Rev. Hannah Lovaglio, a mother of two sons in Cranbury, N.J.

Patrick Wood, editor in chieef of Technocracy.News, says the hospital industry has a history of selling our personal data to the highest bidder.

Wood stated in response to my research:

> "The hospital industry has largely been taken over by Technocrats who practice 'evidence-based medicine.' You see the Technocrat mind at work when it selectively collects certain data while ignoring other data. Thus, collecting DNA from newborns for sequencing and permanent storage should be seen as a prime directive for Technocrats. Why? Because this is foundational for the soon-and-coming global digital system that will control all humans on Earth."

Wood said this propensity of the medical industry toward technocratic chicanery is seen all over the professional literature.

"The Holy Grail of a digital ID system is DNA," he said.

For instance, **Biometric Updat**e wrote in July,

Biometric identification solutions have become firmly established in our everyday lives, whether at security checks at airports or through facial recognition on smartphones – and ***the next generation is***

already waiting. DNA-based processes not only ensure precise identification of individuals but also raise data protection to a completely new level.

In addition to common biometric methods such as fingerprints, iris scans or facial recognition, **DNA ID heralds the coming evolutionary step in personal identification and verification.** The groundbreaking results of rapid DNA technologies will inexorably increase their acceptance, and it is foreseeable that the technology will find its way into further areas of life. **In the future, citizens and governments will benefit equally from the advantages of fast and reliable DNA-based personal identification.**

So, Wood asks, should we dismiss the collecting of newborn blood to harvest DNA for ulterior purposes?

One final tell that the technocrat mindset is at work is the fact they have hidden this practice right under our nose. That is, until a few parents stumbled across it and blew the whistle

Four Seconds?

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Alex McFarland | **The Stand**

Why calls for Israel to cease fire are tied to the liberal devaluing of human life.

The schoolyard bully who bruises the little girl. The thug who pushes an old woman to her death on the subway rails. The gang that robs a jewelry store and stabs the owner. The coward who carjacks and shoots the driver. They're all guilty of crimes against innocent lives. The abortionist who wields forceps may kill a preborn baby legally, but the end is the same – innocent and alive moments earlier, dead and discarded now because someone had the power to do it.

The war in Israel is only the latest example of the cheapening of human life. The abortifacient pill, gun, or missile aimed at civilian centers all say that might equal right. My superior ideals or brute force justify any action I take. If no one can stop me, I'm right.

Political rhetoric suggests support for the innocent, but street protests belie the philosophy that anything is acceptable if it furthers your cause.

- Israel has the right to defend herself … but only if no innocent people die. Well, except for Jews.
- Israel has the right to defend herself … but only if it allows aid to "innocent civilians." Ignore the **$4.8 billion dollars Hamas and the PA have stolen** already.
- Israel has the right to defend herself … but only if it promises to harbor refugees. Since *NONE* of the neighboring Arab states will.
- Israel has the right to defend herself … but it would be so much easier for everyone if the Jews would just agree to die. I'm sure the UN would arrange a nice bronze plaque: "This land, briefly known as Israel during its flourishing years, we now officially designate as a Palestinian heritage site."

This is not a war over land and never has been. Israel has given up land repeatedly.

The PLO, then the PA, then Hamas, missed each opportunity for peace. The Palestinians have never missed an opportunity to miss an opportunity. Why? Because the warlords and wealthy theocrats who claim to represent the Palestinian people do not want a two-state solution; they want the final solution.

"From the river to the sea, Palestine must be free!" Anyone who has ever visited the land, as I have, knows the chant's meaning: Israel is bordered by the Jordan River to the east and the Mediterranean Sea to the west. "From the river to the sea" only means one thing: "Exterminate all Jews!"

The day after the Black Sabbath massacre, Al Jazeera interviewed a Hamas spokesman. The host asked why Hamas attacked "innocent civilians." The spokesman bristled, "We never target civilians…" pausing, he added, "…only settlers." To the interviewer's credit, he pressed. "But your rockets target Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. Those aren't Gaza settlements." The Hamas mouthpiece replied: "All Jews are settlers." Read: All Jews are legitimate targets.

In a November 1 **MEMRI TV interview**, Hamas spokesman Ghazi Hamad said, "Nobody should blame us for the things we do. On October 7, October 10, *October one-million*, **everything we do is justified**." (Emphasis added).

Reminder: "Everything" included gunning down 200 concertgoers, dozens of beheadings, burning a baby in an oven (the morgue recovered the charred body with the oven element melted into the baby's spine), shooting fleeing civilians, raping, taking 250 hostages (only 20 military). By Geneva Convention rules, all of those: desecrating bodies, raping, murdering children, burning homes with people inside, torturing, and attacking non-military targets, are all **war crimes**, and all happened 10/7.

This is not taking sides or speculation. Several dozen international reporters **saw the videos.** These acts (and more) were live-streamed via body cams worn by the terrorists as they celebrated the "everything we do is justified" philosophy! One terrorist filmed himself calling his parents from a dead Jewish woman's phone, "I killed 10 Jews… See, the blood is still on my hands."

The war against the Jews is being waged in the media and on college campuses across America. Pro-life battles for the unborn were waged in the same places. In each, real lives are at stake. Peace, human rights, and decency are all at risk. Like any battle over the right to live, the fight in Israel, murder on American streets, and in clinics around the world is more spiritual than material.

Call it the devil or use terrorist acronyms; evil exists, and human life is always the target.

Biden and other weak or war-weary world leaders and UN puppets are calling for Israel to enact a "humanitarian ceasefire." This is not only premature since the murderous Hamas-ISIS terrorists have not been destroyed; it is also just plain stupid. Why?

Because a ceasefire by Israel would last exactly four seconds. Four seconds? How do I know? It takes 2 seconds to say *betel* in Hebrew, "cease." And 2 seconds to shout *tasrih* In Arabic, *"FIRE!"* (6 seconds if including the obligatory "allah akbar.")

God established His pro-life stance when He created the first life. He affirmed it through Christ when He died on the Cross, giving His life for ours, demonstrating the immeasurable value of life. We participate in that evil when we devalue, desecrate, abbreviate, or preempt human life.

Natural law – the understanding that some things are universally evil and should be prohibited, has never been clearer or more necessary.

I'm Alex McFarland. I stand with Israel, and I stand for life.

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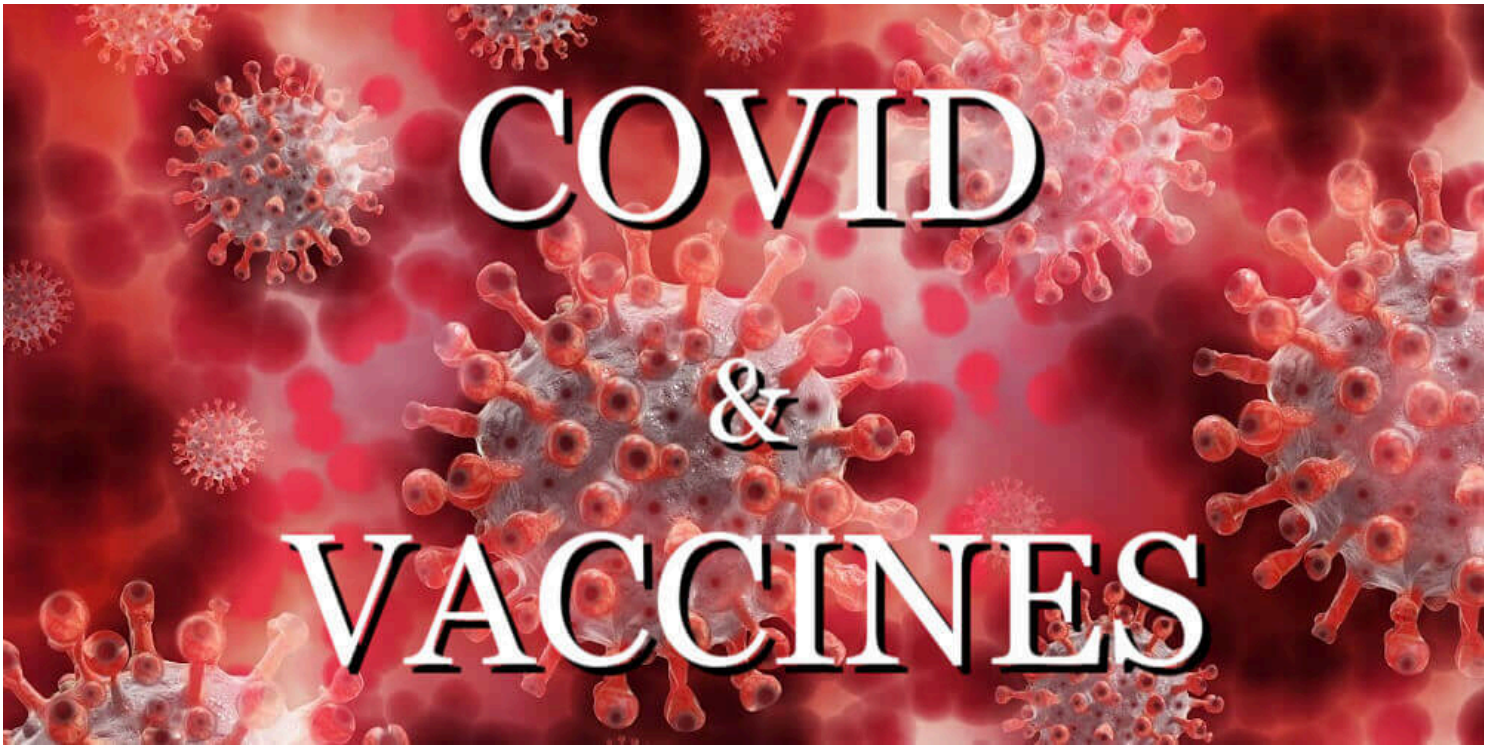

Blacklisting and Censorship Violates Freedom of Thought, Speech and Conscience

Analysis by **Barbara Loe Fisher**

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- This is a commentary about a special report that was researched and written on the systematic abuse of parents with vaccine injured children and the silencing of information published by NVIC.
- Entitled "The Silencing of Barbara Loe Fisher and the National Vaccine Information Center in the Digital Public Square: A Violation of Freedom of Thought, Speech and Conscience," the report is anchored with more than 300 live linked references.
- In my report, I take the reader on a chronological step-by-step journey from 1982 through 2023, giving an overview of the history of the vaccine safety and informed consent movement in America against the backdrop of the creation of a global mass vaccination infrastructure facilitated by public-private business partnerships encouraged and funded by Congress.

- I have connected the dots so the reader can appreciate the scope and influence of the great wealth and political power held by those who have built the spider web of a global infrastructure institutionalizing censorship of freedom of thought, speech and conscience about vaccination and health, especially in the new digital public square.
- Please read my report and share it with everyone you know. Join NVIC's mission and take action to educate your friends, family and community about vaccination, health and autonomy.

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Freedom [redacted] nized in America [redacted] [4,5] places limits on [redacted] ericans have the [redacted] grievances."[6]

The freedom to use our intelligence and follow our conscience[7,8,9] is absolute when we make a decision that involves taking a risk of injury or death for ourselves or on behalf of our minor child,[10] and the freedom to speak in the digital public square about what that means should be absolute as well.

This is a commentary about a special report I have researched and written on the systematic abuse of parents with vaccine injured children and the silencing of my voice and information published by the charitable National Vaccine Information Center in the digital public square both before and after the declaration of a coronavirus pandemic in 2020. I have submitted the report to the US House Judiciary Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government.[11]

Entitled "The Silencing of Barbara Loe Fisher and the National Vaccine Information Center in the Digital Public Square: A Violation of Freedom of Thought, Speech and Conscience," the report is anchored with more than 300 live linked references.[12]

It contains information about the collaborative actions taken by government officials, political operatives, corporations, academic and financial institutions, media, philanthropic foundations, and global governmental organizations to target, discredit, discriminate against and censor me and NVIC for our mission since 1982 to prevent vaccine injuries and deaths through public education, and to defend the legal right of Americans to make voluntary decisions about vaccination without being coerced or sanctioned for the decision made.[13]

NVIC's Long Record of Vaccine Safety and Freedom Advocacy Targeted for Censorship

In researching this report, I was shocked and saddened by the evidence I found to substantiate that I and NVIC have been blacklisted, even though we have a long, transparent credible public record of working responsibly in the U.S. with the federal and state governments, and urging others to do the same.[14,15,16,17,18,19]

It is clear that we have been subjected to demonization and sanctions because for four decades we have exercised our right to dissent and criticize the safety and effectiveness of government recommended vaccines, and we have asked federal health officials to fill in vaccine safety science knowledge gaps, and we have worked in the states to reform U.S. public health policies and vaccine laws.[20]

I spent three months researching and writing this report because I wanted to understand who, what, when, how, and why NVIC was ghosted on the Internet and my voice was silenced.

While we were being demonized and our presence on the Internet was slowly being suppressed — particularly between 2009 and 2019 — which was followed by de-platforming from four major social media platforms and Pay Pal in 2021,[21,22,23] I and NVIC's staff and volunteers were so busy trying to deal with the blocking of public access to our information that we did not have time to stop and analyze exactly who was responsible.

We poured all of our resources into educating and empowering Americans at the grassroots level in support of the legal right to make informed and voluntary decisions about vaccination.[24,25]

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The decades of grassroots education and advocacy that NVIC has performed, particularly at the state level between 2010 and 2020 through the online NVIC Advocacy Portal, culminated in a national rejection of proposed COVID vaccine mandate bills for children to attend school in America.[26]

All 50 state legislatures refused to mandate the federally recommended COVID-19 vaccine for children as a condition of receiving a private or public school education, even though the government mandated the vaccine for federal employees and large private corporations as a condition of employment.[27]

It is an historic milestone in the history of state-based grassroots advocacy that no legislature in America forced parents to choose between denying their children a school education or injecting them with a biological product recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), a product which has proven to be highly reactive and unreliable in preventing infection and transmission.[28,29,30,31]

The Rise of the Censorship/Disinformation Industrial Complex

In my report, I take the reader on a chronological step-by-step journey from 1982 through 2023, giving an overview of the history of the vaccine safety and informed consent movement in America against the backdrop of the creation of a global mass vaccination infrastructure facilitated by public-private business partnerships encouraged and funded by Congress.[32]

I describe the major players who, for the past decade especially, have sought to block online conversations about vaccination that do not conform with government and World Health

Organization policy, and have used public opposition to vaccine mandates as a political tool to help build what is being aptly characterized as the "Censorship Industrial Complex" or the "Disinformation Industrial Complex."[33,34,35,36,37,38]

In the early 1980s, parents of DPT vaccine injured children went head-to-head with the mandatory vaccination lobby led by the pharmaceutical industry, public health and medical trade, and we managed to secure historic acknowledgement in the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 that vaccine safety should be made a national priority.[39,40]

That accomplishment was based on the fact that federally licensed and recommended vaccines for children, which are mandated by states, can and do injure and kill a minority of them.[41]

Acknowledgement of that inconvenient truth in the late 20th century, a truth still often denied by those conducting the business of vaccination, planted the first seeds that grew into a national and international Censorship Industrial Complex in the 21st century, which targets not only "vaccine hesitancy," but a cross-section of political, economic, cultural value and belief issues.

Connecting the Dots on the Silencing of Vaccine Policy and Law Critics in the Digital Public Square

In this report, I have told the story from an eyewitness perspective of a mother whose child was brain injured by a crude pertussis vaccine in 1980 that could have been made safer;[42] and as co-founder of a charity that worked for 14 years to get a less reactive pertussis vaccine licensed for America's babies in 1996;[43,44] and as the author of referenced articles and books; public presentations and television debates; congressional and state legislature testimony; and video commentaries that have been posted on NVIC.org's four websites and in other forums on the Internet since 1995.[45]

I have connected the dots so the reader can appreciate the scope and influence of the great wealth and political power held by those who have built the spider web of a global infrastructure institutionalizing censorship of freedom of thought, speech and conscience about vaccination and health, especially in the new digital public square.

I provide readers with live links to papers, articles and documents using language to denigrate individuals and groups that criticize vaccine policy and law that were published by or under the guidance of individuals associated with the United Nations,[46,47,48,49,50] U.S. Department of Homeland Security,[51,52,53,54] Director of National Intelligence,[55] Department of State,[56] Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation;[57] Department of Defense;[58] Department of Health and Human Services;[59,60,61] the US Surgeon General,[62] and other government agencies.

There are links to published evidence that big philanthropic foundations and think tanks, such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation,[63,64,65] Rockefeller Foundation,[66] Bloomberg Philanthropies,[67] World Economic Forum[68] and Aspen Institute,[69] as well as organizations representing Big Pharma, like the Sabin Vaccine institute[70] and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance,[71,72,73] have funded and collaborated with universities and government agencies and for-profit media companies like NewsGuard[74,75,76,77] to urge censorship of free speech.

There are live links to reports by a foreign political operative, Imran Ahmed, who founded the Center for Countering Digital Hate (CCDH) in the United Kingdom,[78] and has spread false information and engaged in defamatory attacks on me, NVIC and a number of speakers, who presented at NVIC's Fifth International Public Conference on Vaccination: Protecting Health and Autonomy in the 21st Century, that was held online in October 2020.[79,80]

He created the first blacklist of individuals and organizations like NVIC targeted for defunding and elimination from Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and You Tube,[81,82,83,84,85] a blacklist that was used by government officials and media outlets to put pressure on social media companies to silence my voice and NVIC's presence on the Internet.[86,87,88,89,90,91]

In my report, there are live links to medical literature and media articles in which professors at major universities and medical organizations hurl abuse at parents of vaccine injured children and call for those they label "anti-vaxxers" to have their freedom of speech taken away, including professors and doctors affiliated with Johns Hopkins University,[92,93] University of Pennsylvania,[94,95,96] Emory University,[97] Baylor University,[98,99] New York University,[100,101] Stanford University,[102,103] Brown University,[104] University of Washington,[105] University of California,[106] Mayo Clinic,[107] George Washington University,[108] Harvard University,[109] and more.[110,111,112]

Some have called for physicians sharing information with patients about vaccine risks and failures that does not conform with government policy to lose their medical licenses,[113,114] and for Americans who decline vaccines for themselves or their children to be sued and fined and arrested.[115,116]

When I finished and reviewed the report, I thought to myself: it reads like a crime novel. That is because the blacklisting and censorship of ordinary Americans, who are treated like enemies of the state simply because they exercise freedom of thought, speech and conscience, is a crime that should never have happened.[117,118,119]

NVIC Struggling to Overcome Blacklisting, Needs Help

Today, NVIC is struggling to survive. We are doing everything we can to stay on course and connect with parents desperately searching for information they need to protect their children from harm, information we did not have when we were young parents and had been kept in the

dark by the very same players who are operating the global Public Health Empire and Censorship Industrial Complex today.

We need your help because people tell us over and over again, that when they conduct online searches, it is almost impossible to find NVIC.org, a website we established in 1995 and today is the oldest and largest consumer operated website on the Internet publishing information about vaccines and diseases.

They tell us they don't know about the NVIC Advocacy Portal, a free online communications network that helps residents of every state work to protect their legal right to make vaccine choices for themselves and their children; and to protect their medical privacy from being violated in electronic vaccine tracking systems; and to protect their right to hold a job without getting every government recommended vaccine.

Most people don't know that NVIC publishes a digital weekly journal newspaper at TheVaccineReaction.org, which was re-launched online in 2015 after being founded in print published form in 1995.

And they don't know they can read descriptions of vaccine reactions filed in the federal vaccine adverse event Reporting System by going to the MedAlerts.org website, a user friendly search engine that NVIC has sponsored since 2006.

Before being blacklisted, NVIC was in touch with hundreds of thousands of Americans every day on major social media platforms and we had a stable donor base. Now, if anyone shares NVIC's well referenced vaccine information or talks about vaccine safety concerns on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube, their accounts are in danger of being cancelled so they can't have conversations with friends and family members online.

Mothers tell us that, if they ask a doctor a question about vaccine reactions, or want to alter the CDC's vaccination schedule and give their infants and children fewer vaccines on one day, they are thrown out of the doctor's office and their children are denied medical care.[120]

A lot of people tell us they are afraid that one day, they will be forced to get vaccines they don't want, or be fired from their jobs, or denied medical insurance or a passport, or blocked from entry to a hospital when they or loved ones become ill — or worse.[121]

We all remember what was done to Americans in the name of public health and national security during the COVID19 pandemic emergency declaration. We remember how sick we or someone we cared about felt after suffering a COVID vaccine reaction.[122]

Many are still suffering from the long-term effects of those vaccine reactions, just like many of us are still suffering from the long-term effects of having been infected with SARS-CoV-2,[123] a

mysteriously mutated virus that appears to have leaked from a Chinese biohazard lab that received U.S. federal agency funding.[124]

We want to be free to talk about what we think about all of that with our friends, family and colleagues in the virtual public square, which is the First Amendment right of every American. And when we realize our cell phones and computer searches are being secretly monitored by government and Big Tech, and we are blocked from speaking freely on the Internet about health and vaccination issues we care deeply about, we know something is very, very wrong.

This Shameful Era in US History

I never imagined that after I had spent more than two decades serving as a consumer member on federal vaccine advisory committees and responsibly participating in public engagement projects, begging government officials to do the science to identify genetic, epigenetic, and other biological high risk factors that make some individuals more vulnerable to suffering vaccine reactions so their lives could be spare, that I would be thanked with overt discrimination and abuse.

I was devastated to learn that government officials have worked with political operatives, corporations, the media and academic institutions to characterize public conversations about vaccine risks and failures as a threat to national security in order to pejoratively label me and others as "anti-vaxxers," using words like "malignant" and "domestic threat actor," for the purpose of blacklisting and justifying the silencing of our voices in the public square.[125,126,127,128]

This is not the America my parents and I grew up in. It is not the America I want my children and grandchildren to grow up in. And I am not alone.

I know that my life's work and the mission of NVIC in memory of the vaccine injured is — and has always been — just. And I know the truth will shine bright and clear when all the evidence about this shameful era in U.S. history is revealed by others with access to far more information than I have.[129]

In the meantime, I and the staff and volunteers at NVIC will not be silent and surrender to the Censorship Industrial Complex. As we have done for 41 years, we will stand and defend the natural right of all Americans to freely choose when and for what reason we are willing to risk our life or the life of our minor child without being punished by the state.

Because if the state can tag, track down and force individuals against their will to be injected with biologicals of known and unknown toxicity today, then there will be no limit on which individual freedoms the state can take away in the name of the greater good tomorrow.

Please read my report and share it with everyone you know. Join NVIC's mission and take action to educate your friends, family and community about vaccination, health and autonomy. Please

make a donation to NVIC during this 14th Annual Vaccine Awareness Week.

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Be the one who never has to say you did not do today what you could have done to change tomorrow. With your help, NVIC's mission will continue: No forced vaccination. Not in America.

Why are Western leaders so eager to go to war with nuclear-armed Russia and China? It's about DEPOPULATION

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With A.I. and robots, Israeli historian and WEF mouthpiece asks: 'What do we need so many humans for?'

Israeli historian and World Economic Forum adviser Yuval Noah Harari is back in the public eye, making the Forum's case for a depopulated world. Harari doesn't come right out and say, *let's kill off half or more of the human beings on the planet*. No, he's much more subtle and cagey in the way he approaches the subject. He backs into it.

Listen carefully to the philosophy of the most dangerous organization on the planet that most Americans have never heard of, the World Economic Forum, and it's chief philosophical adviser, Yuval Harari.

Elitist WEF mouthpieces like Harari must have a seething hatred for the human race. Perhaps someone should remind Harari that he is also human, and in desperate need of a more human

worldview. Instead of technocracy and its depopulation agenda, perhaps Harari should set his eyes on Jesus Christ and what He teaches about the value of human life.

The philosophy you heard espoused in the above video is not some fringe ideology. It is the philosophy of nearly every government in the Western NATO alliance, the same alliance now angling for war with Russia, China, Iran and others. The WEF also has the allegiance of many globalist U.S. governors, from both blue and red states, who have traveled to Switzerland over the years to pander to Klaus Schwab, Harari, and the rest of the Davos death cult. Governors Brian Kemp of Georgia, Gretchen Whitmer of Michigan, and JB Pritzker of Illinois attended the WEF's 2023 summit earlier this year. Eleven members of Congress also checked in at Davos this year along with Senators Joe Manchin of West Virginia, Chris Coons of Delaware, and Krysten Synema of Arizona. Billionaire business leaders from all industries joined the party.

The **most represented countries** at the 2023 WEF summit, not including the host Switzerland, were the U.S. (27.2 percent of all attendees) and the U.K. (9.1 percent), followed by Germany (4.3 percent).

Today's leaders in Western governments and businesses — incestuously enmeshed in public-private partnerships — are obsessed with "net zero carbon emissions" and a worship of technology, especially artificial intelligence and quantum computing (*Patrick Wood expounds on this in his latest article* **here**). They are desperately looking for ways to eliminate large swaths of the very humans they have always disdained and now no longer need. Eliminating carbon will cause mass die-offs in the years to come. Plants require carbon. Humans and livestock emit carbon. "Net zero" will bring famine and starvation to the world.

But they can't wait on climate hysteria to do its job. If they can use the deep-seated hatreds ingrained in various geopolitical hotspots — Russia-Ukraine, China-Taiwan, Serbia-Kosovo, India-Pakistan, and Israel-Gaza — to accomplish their depopulation goals, they will not pass on the opportunity. In each one of these flashpoints, you see almost no effort to negotiate a peaceful resolution. The dogs are out of the doghouse and they are circling the wagons, salivating for human blood.

In the eyes of the Obamas, Bidens, Bushes, Clintons, Lindsey Graham, Mitch McConnell, Mike Pence, Mike Pompeo, Nikki Haley, Justin Trudeau, Emanuel Macron, Olaf Scholz, Klaus Schwab, King Charles and the rest of the Davos death cult, the more bloody and destructive the coming World War III, the better. They crave it like a vampire in need of a fresh vein. They cannot wait to get the killing started.

Unless these psychopaths are somehow miraculously removed from power, the U.S. and its allies will engage in another world war, and it will likely kill more people than World Wars I and II

combined. The technology has advanced so much since the 1940s that these monsters are able to be much more efficient in their eradication of human life. On the other side of this coming calamitous event, they plan to usher in their new digital reset, eliminating all cash, fossil fuels, and freedom.

And it doesn't have to be so. America faces no threat from abroad. The only threat we face is from inside our borders, where sleeper cells have been allowed to infiltrate by globalist traitors in our government supporting disastrous immigration policies for decades.

Let us pray that our new Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson, will be a positive force for change in Washington. He can do nothing alone, but this is the first good news I've had to report out of Washington in years, and, God willing, it can be a first step toward the full exposure and removal of the blood-thirsty globalist neocon war-hawks who currently rule the roost.

Is This a Key for Population Control?

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18th century economist Thomas Malthus seeded the narrative about the need for population control, arguing that population growth must be curtailed so as not to surpass the available food supply, lest we all die from starvation and strife. Examine the societal shifts, population control agendas and their potential consequences that shaped the development and widespread use of birth control pills.

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- One of the properties of estrogens is their ability to increase the cells' ability to hold water, which is why women with estrogen dominance are prone to edema (water retention). Cellular swelling is both a characteristic of the cellular stress response and a signal for cellular proliferation. Cellular swelling and proliferation are also hallmarks of cancer
- Estrogen has been shown to replicate the shock phase of the stress reaction in animals
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- Synthetic progestins, while having some of the activity of progesterone, do not have the same physiological effects as endogenous progesterone. In fact, in some cases, they can have the opposite effect

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- The Women's Health Initiative, which began in 1991, found women who used either Premarin alone or in combination with Provera, the synthetic progestin used in birth control shots, had elevated rates of vascular diseases, cognitive decline, cancers and more

The video above reviews the shady backstory of the birth control pill, the roots of which can be traced back to the eugenics and population control movements. As noted in this video, birth control pills do not "just prevent ovulation by mimicking hormones." They do a whole lot more. They also destroy women's health.

The Disturbing Truth Behind Birth Control
https://youtube.com/watch?v=GbI4mo0inKA

Estrogen and Progesterone

Chapter 1 of the video reviews the biological roles of estrogen and progesterone, the two sex hormones associated with contraception. While estrogen is routinely referred to as "the female hormone," this is misleading, as it's not exclusive to women. Moreover, there's not just one estrogen but several.

Estrogens do play a role in female sexuality and reproduction. The word originates from "estrus," which signifies an animal's receptivity to being mounted by a male.

In the early 1900s, the use of animal tissues and substances to correct deficiencies in humans started taking off. For example, we discovered we could use insulin from dogs and thyroid hormones derived from porcine tissue to treat diabetes and hypothyroidism.

Estrogen and progesterone were also initially isolated from animal tissue, but it was difficult, time-consuming and costly. One ton of animal organs were required to obtain a single gram of progesterone, forcing researchers to start looking for alternatives, as a therapeutic daily dose of progesterone is typically 30 mg. As explained in the video:

> *"In the coming decades, the pursuit to create synthetic analogues of these hormones was driven by the pharmaceutical industry's idea that they would have many beneficial effects for women: restoring their youth and fertility and, of course contraception, just to name a few.*

> *However, various esteemed academics warned about the potential of estrogens to cause cancer and other health issues, heavily cautioning its use even at low doses.*

> *It was already shown in the 1930s that the very estrogen that was set to be marketed as a method to prevent miscarriages, known as DES , was capable of inducing miscarriage or abortion in animals even at small doses … It was also known to cause a host of other problems, including cancer, in animals as well."*

The Physiological Role of Estrogen

One of the properties of estrogens is their ability to increase the cells' ability to hold water, which is why women with estrogen dominance are prone to edema (water retention). Cellular swelling is both a characteristic of the cellular stress response and a signal for cellular proliferation.

During the follicular phase of the menstrual cycle, estrogen stimulates the uterine lining and follicles to swell and multiply in preparation for the fertilization of an egg. Similarly, during and after pregnancy, breast tissue swells and grows larger to facilitate milk production.

But cellular swelling and proliferation is also a hallmark of cancer. Indeed, the word oncology comes from the Greek word "oncos," which simply means swelling.

In his 1997 book, "From PMS to Menopause: Female Hormones in Context,"[1] biologist Ray Peat[2] stated that estrogen had been shown to replicate the shock phase of the stress reaction in animals. According to Peat, the physiological purpose of estrogens is to stimulate cell division by triggering water uptake by the cell.

Peat also suspected that estrogen was a metabolic inhibitor that slows down energy production in the cell. Otto Warburg, after whom the Warburg Effect was named, stated that "the prime cause of cancer is the replacement of the respiration of oxygen in normal body cells by a fermentation of sugar."

In simpler terms, this is when your body has more than enough oxygen to burn (oxidize) glucose in your mitochondria but instead shuttles glucose outside the mitochondria into the cytoplasm to oxidize or burn in glycolysis and produce lactate. This is the classic form of energy production in cancer cells.

It is not that cancer burns sugar for fuel; it is that cancer burns glucose inefficiently in glycolysis and not mitochondria, despite having enough oxygen present. This is typically due to mitochondrial metabolic dysfunction.

Essentially, this means anything that limits or prevents your cells' ability to efficiently burn glucose in your mitochondria is capable of causing cancer, and according to Peat, estrogen may be doing just that. As noted in the video:

> *"These properties of estrogen are often overlooked, as research narrowly tends to focus on the actions of cell receptors. However, it's been shown that cancers that do not contain receptors for estrogen still grow when exposed to estrogen, and subside when estrogen is lowered, so the actions of receptors cannot explain everything."*

The Physiological Role of Progesterone

Progesterone and estrogen are antagonists, meaning progesterone is anti-estrogen and estrogen is antiprogesterone. Progesterone, a progestational molecule, nourishes the embryo and is essential to prevent miscarriage. However, because it signals that your body is already pregnant, which prevents ovulation, it also acts as a contraceptive. This makes perfect sense if you think about it.

Once you're pregnant, you cannot ovulate and get pregnant again until after the pregnancy is completed. It's not the absolute amount of progesterone that counts, though. Rather, it's the ratio of progesterone to estrogen that determines their effects.

The Estrogen Explosion

Menopause used to be viewed as a natural part of a woman's life cycle. Sometime after the age of 50 or so, women stop menstruating and are no longer fertile. Rarely, if ever, was this considered a condition that needed treatment.

That started to change in the early 1940s with the advent of DES, the first estrogenic compound used to protect against miscarriages in women with a history of fetal loss and to "revitalize" women who were past their prime. As explained in the video:

> *"The first estrogen to be used as a drug, DES, was not patented. Due to this, there was no incentive for the companies to compete against one another to sell it.*

> *By instead colluding together, these companies were able to successfully lobby the FDA, and in 1941 DES was approved for therapy of menopause, now under the elegant name of menopausal hormone replacement therapy or HRT, a landmark moment in history that essentially birthed 'Big Pharma' as we know and hate today …*

> *Women were now told they could restore their youth: increasing their energy for chores, their attractiveness and their sex drive. This was true to an extent. Estrogen had been recognized to be a powerful stimulant and brain excitant, again characteristic of stress and shock."*

Since then, many synthetic compounds, especially plasticizing compounds, have been developed that have estrogenic properties. Today, we know them as endocrine disruptors or xenoestrogens. DES, the first endocrine-disrupting chemical, is strikingly similar in composition to bisphenol-A (BPA), which the FDA banned for use in baby bottles and sippy cups in 2012.[3]

Many pesticides, preservatives, organic pollutants, drugs and even textiles also have estrogenic activity. Polyester, for example, mimics estrogen, and in one study, eight female dogs dressed in polyester dog clothing became unable to reproduce, due to insufficient progesterone levels.

Plants can also have estrogenic activity and are known as phytoestrogens. Interestingly, it's been proposed that one of the roles of phytoestrogens is to discourage herbivores from eating them by inhibiting their reproduction. Clover, for example, can cause permanent infertility in sheep, and this has been known since the 1930s.

How Estrogen Works in Contraceptives

In his Ph.D. thesis, "Age-Related Oxidative Changes in the Hamster Uterus,"[4] Peat detailed the effects of estrogen on aging, menopause, stress and fertility. He found that older animals had

insufficient amounts of oxygen in the uterus to keep the embryo alive long enough for successful implantation, and younger animals given estrogen experienced the same problem.

As a result, Peat argued that estrogen prevents implantation of the embryo by reducing oxygen in the uterus. What's more, a sufficiently large dose can kill the embryo or fetus at any stage of the pregnancy. On the flip side, he found that older animals that would normally be infertile due to age remained fertile when given a supplement of vitamin E and progesterone. As noted in the video:

> *"Mifepristone, also known as the abortion pill, actually works by blocking the effects of progesterone, which means it effectively enhances the effect of estrogens. Of course, now mifepristone is making national headlines for its highly questionable safety, which seems to be in line with relative estrogenic excess and progesterone deficiency.*

> *It's likely that we are now seeing history repeat itself, as childbirth is becoming medicalized, and women are being experimented on with estrogenic pharmaceuticals for greater agendas."*

Synthetic Progestins — A Timeline

In 1943, chemist Russell Marker started extracting progesterone from wild Mexican yams. However, progesterone is poorly absorbed when taken orally, so women had to take inconveniently large doses.

In 1951, Syntex S.A (later acquired by Roche) developed norethindrone, the first synthetic progestin (progesterone analogue). A year later, G. D. Searle (now a Pfizer subsidiary), came up with its own synthetic progestin, called norethynodrel. Both norethindrone and norethynodrel are derivatives of testosterone, the primary androgenic hormone.

Progestins tend to lower and can completely shut down endogenous progesterone production, leaving estrogen unopposed.

Syntex and Upjohn Pharmaceutical also co-developed medroxyprogesterone acetate, which is still widely used, both in HRT and contraceptives, including Depo Provera. Ironically, all these progestins received FDA approval for gynecological disorders caused by excess estrogen to begin with.

Synthetic Progestins Do Not Act Like Endogenous Progesterone

Adding insult to injury, synthetic progestins, while having some of the activity of progesterone, do not have the same physiological effects as endogenous progesterone. In fact, in some cases, they can have the opposite effect. As explained in the video:

> *"Medicine has always taken the approach that synthetic progestins are like progesterone until proven otherwise. As we will continue to see, history has shown us that they should be assumed not to act like progesterone until proven otherwise.*

> *The term 'progestin' is only relevant in pharmacology, as a synthetic substance that can bind and activate the progesterone receptors in cells. Due to the prevailing dogma of receptors in biology, this overlap in function has led many to believe they are the same as endogenous progesterone.*

> *Even researchers and large academic institutions have been using the terms progestin and progesterone interchangeably for decades, adding to the confusion.*

> *This is a critical distinction to make, since these compounds tend to lower or even completely shut down endogenous progesterone production, leaving estrogen unopposed."*

In the 1950s and '60s, for example, medroxyprogesterone acetate was assumed to have no estrogenic effect, which has since been proven false. It potentiates the proliferative effects of estrogen even though it doesn't activate the estrogen receptor.

Dozens of other synthetic progestins are now on the market, each of which acts on receptors that endogenous progesterone does not. Norethynodrel and norethindrone, for example, have significant androgenic properties, which is not surprising considering they're both derivatives of testosterone.

Medroxyprogesterone acetate also has androgenic activity, even though it's derived from progesterone, and it also has affinity for glucocorticoids such as cortisol. Many progestins, including norethynodrel and norethindrone, also bind to and activate the estrogen receptor, and are converted into estrogens! Endogenous progesterone does not do this.

Progesterone Vs. Progestins

On the flipside, natural progesterone has several unique and beneficial effects that synthetic progestins cannot replicate. Importantly, endogenous progesterone is one of your primary anti-stress hormones. As explained in the video:

> *"Estrogens normally enhance the glucocorticoid response to stress, which had been observed nearly a century ago. Progesterone tends to circumvent this, acting as one of our primary endogenous anti-stress hormones.*

> *Progesterone also antagonizes — and estrogen promotes — the mineralocorticoids, a set of stress hormones that respond to changes in mineral balance and are critical players in the development of high blood pressure.*

> *his is likely one of the reasons why progesterone has demonstrated antihypertensive effects, while the synthetic progestins increase blood pressure. These stress systems play a crucial role in insulin resistance … a root cause of various diseases. This is also why birth control is associated with glucose metabolism issues and weight gain.*

> *Many of the benefits exclusive to progesterone are due to its effects on the brain, which controls many of these downstream processes. In the brain, progesterone — but not the progestins — can be converted into another steroid called allopregnanolone.*

> *Allopregnanolone is known for its stress-reducing properties through the GABA system, and by increasing dopamine, producing relaxation and a clearer state of mind … Meanwhile pharma has been quietly pushing patented versions of allopregnanolone to treat postpartum depression, which is associated with … progesterone deficit …*

> *Going along with this, estrogens are capable of promoting serotonin at every level, and serotonin has an antagonistic relationship with dopamine. This produces symptoms of anhedonia, general numbness and helplessness, and makes people want to give up.*

> *Serotonin is actually named as such because it regulates the tone of the serum, and it was first identified as an inflammatory mediator and vasoconstrictor playing an important factor in blood clotting. One of its original names was enteramine, relating to its inflammatory activity in the GI tract.*

> *Uncoincidentally, synthetic progestins, regardless of which specific type, have been shown to contribute to all of these processes. It should then come as no surprise that the side effects of moodiness, nausea and headaches are present in around one-third of birth control users."*

Estrogen Dominance Can Wreak Havoc

High estrogen also has a negative effect on other organs. In the video, they cite data showing birth control users have a 50-fold higher risk of liver tumors, for example, and a six-fold higher risk of liver cancer. Synthetic progestins are also associated with poorer outcomes for pregnant mothers and their babies — another clue that progestins do not function like progesterone.

For example, low progesterone is a risk factor for autism, and animal studies have demonstrated that offspring of mothers given progestin in lieu of progesterone exhibit autistic traits.

The only thing these two compounds have in common is that they activate the progesterone receptor at relatively similar intensities. The good news is there's bioidentical progesterone that doesn't have the downsides of progestin.

The reason drug companies don't sell it is because they can't patent it. **Health Natura** makes a high-quality bioidentical progesterone called Simply Progesterone mixed with vitamin E, which is what Peat also recommended. This is the one I use.

You could theoretically mix 30 mg of USP progesterone powder in one-third of a vitamin E capsule to make sure it is absorbed but, to the best of my knowledge progesterone powder is not available.

The company recommends using 3 drops two to three times a day, but an alternative regimen is to rub 10 drops on the inside of your cheeks about 20 to 30 minutes before bedtime as progesterone

will also increase GABA, which improves sleep and also inhibits the production of aldosterone, which can limit the number of times you wake up to urinate.

Social Movements and the Birth of Hormonal Birth Control

During the post-World War II era, the U.S. experienced an unprecedented economic upswing that led to a surge in marriage and birth rates (the baby boom era) as well as industrial growth. Christian family values predominated and there were restrictions on both contraception and abortion.

At the same time, the feminist movement started emerging, with feminist activists encouraging women to enter the workforce rather than being "barefoot and pregnant." This societal tidal change also aligned with the interests of big business, which saw an opportunity to expand their consumer base by encouraging women to earn their own money. As noted in the video:

> *"The estrogenic menopausal hormone replacement therapy played a huge role in capitalizing on and fueling the surge in women entering the workforce. However, this proved to be a challenge, particularly for women with children.*

> *Feminists advocated for greater liberation in career choices and expanded contraceptive options. Simone de Beauvoir, a prominent feminist of the time, controversially stated:*

> *'No woman should be authorized to stay at home and raise her children. Society should be totally different. Women should not have that choice, precisely because if there is such a choice, too many women will make that one.'*

> *The number of working mothers quadrupled between 1940 and 1960. While the motivations of big business benefiting from increased labor and consumption … may seem evident, there were other forces at play behind the scenes."*

Population Control and Eugenics

Two of those forces were the eugenics and population control movements. Thomas Malthus seeded the narrative about the need for population control, arguing that population growth must be curtailed so as not to surpass the available food supply, lest we all die from starvation and strife.

Eugenics was inspired by Charles Darwin's theory about survival of the fittest and the idea that the evolution of mankind could be directed to achieve the "perfect" human. In fact, eugenics was popularized by Darwin's cousin, Sir Francis Galton.

Under this ideology, weak and sick individuals, and those lacking desirable genetic traits, should not reproduce and ideally should be disposed of altogether, to speed up the evolution of the "Übermensch" (superman).

Inbreeding within wealthy families is an outgrowth of this ideology, which in many cases have had less than desirable results, as too close a genetic match between parents (such as married cousins) often results in children with intellectual disabilities and health problems that lead to premature death.

Today, **eugenics has been rebranded as transhumanism**, which sounds more progressive and hides its sinister core. But, just like eugenics, transhumanism is about separating the worthy from the unworthy, and getting rid of the latter as expeditiously as possible.

The technological (and eventually, genetic) upgrades being developed will be for the rich, while the slave class (the population at large) have been placed on a path of devolution and mass infertility, the ultimate goal being our permanent extinction.

Some of the wealthiest individuals on the planet, past and present, have dedicated their lives to the eugenics/transhumanist agenda, and their charitable foundations have funded work in this area for over 100 years. As explained in the video:

> *"John D. Rockefeller Jr., who had been leading the Rockefeller Foundation since 1897, held a strong interest in eugenics and population control. Rockefeller became involved with the American Eugenics Society and served as a trustee of the Bureau of Social Hygiene.*

> *The research on population control and eugenics set the stage for these ideas to be integrated into American law. Focusing on reproductive health was a primary objective, as court rulings allowed for forced sterilization of the 'unfit.'*

> *The Rockefeller Foundation ended up being the biggest financial contributor of the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute of Anthropology, Human Heredity, and Eugenics in Berlin throughout the '20s and '30s. Margaret Sanger, a prominent feminist and the founder of Planned Parenthood, began advocating for birth control in 1916 when she established an illegal clinic in Brooklyn …*

> *Sanger aimed for a more accessible and convenient birth control method. She envisioned a birth control pill that would simplify the practice and began lobbying the government for its legalization through a doctor's prescription …*

> *While Sanger could not garner much support in the 1940s advocating for women's rights as a means for promoting birth control, she would get exactly what she needed by aligning with these more popular and lucrative ideologies. She requested contraceptive research funding from the Rockefeller Foundation, who would fulfill Sanger's request.*

> *The Rockefeller family, spearheaded by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., enthusiastically embraced Margaret Sanger's controversial work on birth control under the guise of improving maternal and public health."*

Population Control Through Fertility Control

In 1952, John D. Rockefeller III laid the plans for a non-profit organization called the Population Council, which aimed to curb population growth through fertility control. As noted in the video:

> *"Planned Parenthood, supported by population control advocates, sought to merge the ideas of family planning, eugenics, feminism, and population control seamlessly.*

> *These covert actions aimed to manipulate the prevailing societal norms, transitioning from an era that celebrated robust families with numerous children to one that deliberately hindered population growth. What could be a better way to do this than an introduction of easily accessible birth control methods?"*

The video goes on to detail the key characters involved in the development of the first oral contraceptive, and the questionable ethics involved in the choice of ingredients and its testing. For example, the possibility of cancer formation was never investigated, despite the clear risks.

The pill, Enovid, made by G.D. Searle, was approved by the FDA in 1960, even though it had not undergone the required 25 years of safety testing. The FDA approved Enovid using a loophole that allowed drugs to be approved for two-year intervals instead.

In 1963, Ortho Pharmaceutical launched Ortho-Novum, and the next year, Parke-Davis introduced Norlestrin and Syntex launched Noriny.

By the end of 1961, 88% of Planned Parenthood clinics were providing the pill to patients and within five years, an estimated 95% of OB-GYNs were prescribing it to their female patients. By 1966, 71% of Planned Parenthood patients were on the pill. Around the same time, estrogens were also being promoted as a cure for menopause.

Safety Concerns and Shifting Blame

In 1969, Barbara Seaman published the "The Doctor's Case Against the Pill," in which she detailed the many health risks of oral contraceptives, such high blood pressure, heart attacks and blood clots. Eventually, a warning label for increased blood clot risk was added, and some brands lowered their dosages but replaced the estrogens with more estrogenic compounds to make up the difference.

By 1976, researchers had established a clear link between menopausal HRT, endometrial cancer and blood clotting disorders. The answer? More warning labels. As HRT sales dwindled, the drugmakers shifted gears and started adding synthetic progestins to the protocol, ostensibly to counteract the side effects of estrogen.

Still, studies kept bringing bad news. The 1965 to 1985 Coronary Drug Project terminated two of its study arms after it was found that Premarin, a weak estrogen, increased cancer, heart disease

and mortality rates.

The Nurses' Health Study, which began in 1976, found that HRT increased the risk of ischemic stroke and cancer, and the Framingham Heart Study, which had begun in 1948, by then also showed an increased risk of heart disease for estrogen users.

Oral contraceptives can also deplete essential nutrients like B vitamins, zinc, selenium, magnesium and vitamin E, the latter of which has anti-estrogenic effects. In 1991, the Women's Health Initiative, which included tens of thousands of women, was launched. After several years, the dangers of HRT was unmistakable.

Participants were using either Premarin (the weakest estrogen HRT product) alone or in combination with Provera (medroxyprogesterone acetate), the synthetic progestin used in birth control shots. Both interventions were stopped before the study concluded due to elevated rates of vascular diseases, cognitive decline, cancers and more.

In 2000, Yaz came out. Made by Bayer, Yaz contains the synthetic progestin drospirenone and ethinyl estradiol. It was a huge commercial success, but by 2019, nearly 20,000 lawsuits had piled up and the contraceptive had been linked to more than 100 deaths. Bayer ended up paying nearly $2 billion in settlements.

In closing, it's not just the millions of women who are on contraceptives or HRT who are at risk. Today, an ever-growing number of young boys who feel like girls are also being placed on estrogen therapy under the guise of "gender-affirming care." The future of these boys may be grimmer than we dare conceive at the moment.

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Documentary implicates Schwab, Gates, WHO, UN and other globalist entities in massive crime of 'democide'

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The world must 'Cut Off the Head of the Snake' or devolve into a new Dark Age of tyrannical global government

I reported last week on the **arrest of a prominent international lawyer** who has been investigating and exposing the criminal intent surrounding the unleashing of toxic Covid "vaccines" on the world population.

Today, I discovered another influential man, along with a woman, who might want to watch their backs.

They are Swiss banker Pascal Najadi and Swiss scientist turned **WHO-whistleblower** Dr. Astrid Stuckelberger.

Najadi is a prominent former Swiss banker who has called for the arrest of corporate elites and unelected globalist bureaucrats over allegations of "democide."

According to **Wikipedia**, *democide* is a term coined by American political scientist Rudolph Rummel to describe "the intentional killing of an unarmed or disarmed person by government agents acting in their authoritative capacity and pursuant to government policy or high command." This definition covers a wide range of deaths, including mass deaths due to governmental acts of criminal omission and neglect by governments or those with defacto government powers.

Pascal Najadi

Pascal Najadi, a Swiss merchant banker of Persian discent, has joined forces with Dr. Astrid Stuckelberger to demand criminal prosecutions of those behind Big Pharma's Covid injections, which they describe as "bioweapons."

They make their case in a new documentary titled ***Cutting off the Head of the Snake.***

You can watch a 5-minute clip from the documentary **below**, introduced with a chilling warning from Najadi: "Everything evil in the world as relates to democide, unfortunately, comes from Geneva."

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In the film, Najadi and Stuckelberger pull no punches. They confront the new technocratic dark age being cultivated by an evil host of globalist organizations headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Najadi focuses on the World Economic Forum, which his late father, Hussain Najadi, co-founded along with the globalist German technocrat Klaus Schwab.

Hussain Najadi was assassinated by a gunman in 2013 in Malaysia. His son, Pascal Najadi, became a leading Swiss banker and served as an adviser to global heads of state on financial matters. He continues to wield considerable influence over Switzerland's political landscape, as evidenced by the fact that he was largely responsible for the recent **resignation** of Switzerland's President Alain Berset.

The resignation came after Najadi filed a lawsuit at the Supreme Court of Switzerland against Berset, accusing Berset of making false statements about the safety and efficacy of Covid mRNA injections.

In the documentary, Najadi reveals his late father's utter disdain for the Geneva-based World Economic Forum that he helped found in 1971 along with Klaus Schwab. His father left the organization in the early 1980s, and Schwab has run it ever since under the initial tutelege of Dr. Henry Kissinger.

Pascal Najadi said:

> "Everything evil in the world related to democide unfortunately comes from Geneva. You have WHO in Geneva, you have GAVI , then you have the WEF, which my father was a co-founder and left Klaus Schwab out of disgust in the early 80s that has diplomatic immunity."

He added that:

"I, as a Swiss citizen right here, now declare that the WEF is not eligible anymore for diplomatic immunity."

In the documentary, Najadi urges Swiss authorities to arrest those responsible for advocating a "global humanity injection by a bioweapon."

This includes the CEOs and top leaders within Big Pharma, Big Tech, Bill Gates, the WEF, the WHO, and other globalist predators.

In fact, Najadi says he, at the age of 56, and his mother are victims of these bioweapons. He says they are both dying after receiving the injections.

"I call on the Swiss authorities and security to arrest those people immediately. Why? The WEF, WHO, GAVI, Big Pharma, Big Tech, and Bill Gates all advocated a global humanity injection by a bioweapon injecting lipid nanoparticles into 5.7 billion people."

"And we Swiss are hosting them. That's terrible.

“We cannot tolerate any entity that promotes poison to be injected into humanity.

“But you have done it. I’m the victim.

“I’m dying from it, and my mother, too.

“**It’s a democide** and will be judged,” he added. “It will be corrected, in the name of humanity.”

The documentary then switches to Dr. Stuckelberger, who discusses the role of the United Nations in leading the world into global government in partnership with nefarious groups like the WEF, GAVI and the WHO.

Most people inside the United Nations aren’t aware of its purpose, and those who are aware “keep quiet” out of fear, she said. She says the silence is catastrophic for world freedom and calls for both global awareness and action.

Stuckelberger says the Swiss government granted immunity to Bill Gates’s Global Alliance for Vaccine Immunization, or GAVI.

GAVI has been funded to the tune of $8.8 billion by more than 50 governments and organizations around the world. **Even former President Donald Trump** sent the globalist organization hundreds of millions of dollars in 2020.

The U.K. government is the world’s largest donor to GAVI and in June 2020 it committed to giving more than $2 billion over the five-year period through 2025. Representatives from both the Chinese government and the **World Health Organization** were present at the kickoff event, which also saw a surprise appearance by U.S. President Donald Trump, who said he was persuaded to join the GAVI initiative by UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

Dr. Stuckelberger described the push to vaccinate the world with Covid injections as a global coup d’état.

“We are trying to build a ‘We the People’ movement that is very global, something completely different,” Stuckelberger says. “But what is going on in Geneva is the opposite.”

At the moment, she said, “there is no right to the WHO to give any orders, to dictate to the whole world like they have done. And the Global Alliance for Vaccine Immunization (GAVI) got total immunity from the Swiss government.”

“This is coup d’etat. Clearly, it’s a global crime scene, and we are bringing little pieces of evidence to people with humility. Because in science you always have a doubt. It’s a healthy doubt, and I think that is a very important attitude.”

Their call to action is clear and resonates throughout the documentary: for individuals to stand up, seek the truth, and challenge the status quo, under the banner of guarding humanity against the present and clear danger stemming from Geneva.

They say it will take a collective awakening, urging the masses to rise up against the injustices perpetuated by unelected globalists.

Najadi, in a powerful ending to the documentary, states:

> "Swiss neutrality has to be restored. We have no future not being neutral. The young people who survuvie through this, will be the guarantors, hopefully, that such institutions can never again take foothold in our blessed country. Never again. The snakehead is in Geneva. I call it a direct, clear, and present danger to the Swiss population. But I can tell you it is being cut off.
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> "If you have a house of cards, and this is a house of cards of a criminal, one card pulled by justice and the whole cardhouse collapses.
>
> "But from hope alone, it is not done.
>
> "Everybody must now change their spirit.
>
> "And all the vaccinated, the injected, knowing that they are poisoned… We are the masses.
>
> "We are billions of people.
>
> "Let's just stand up and say Stop. We will not comply."
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> Because we are the guardians of humanity and our light obliterates the darkness of evil. Always.

Israeli boy featured in COVID vaccine campaign dies of heart attack at age 8

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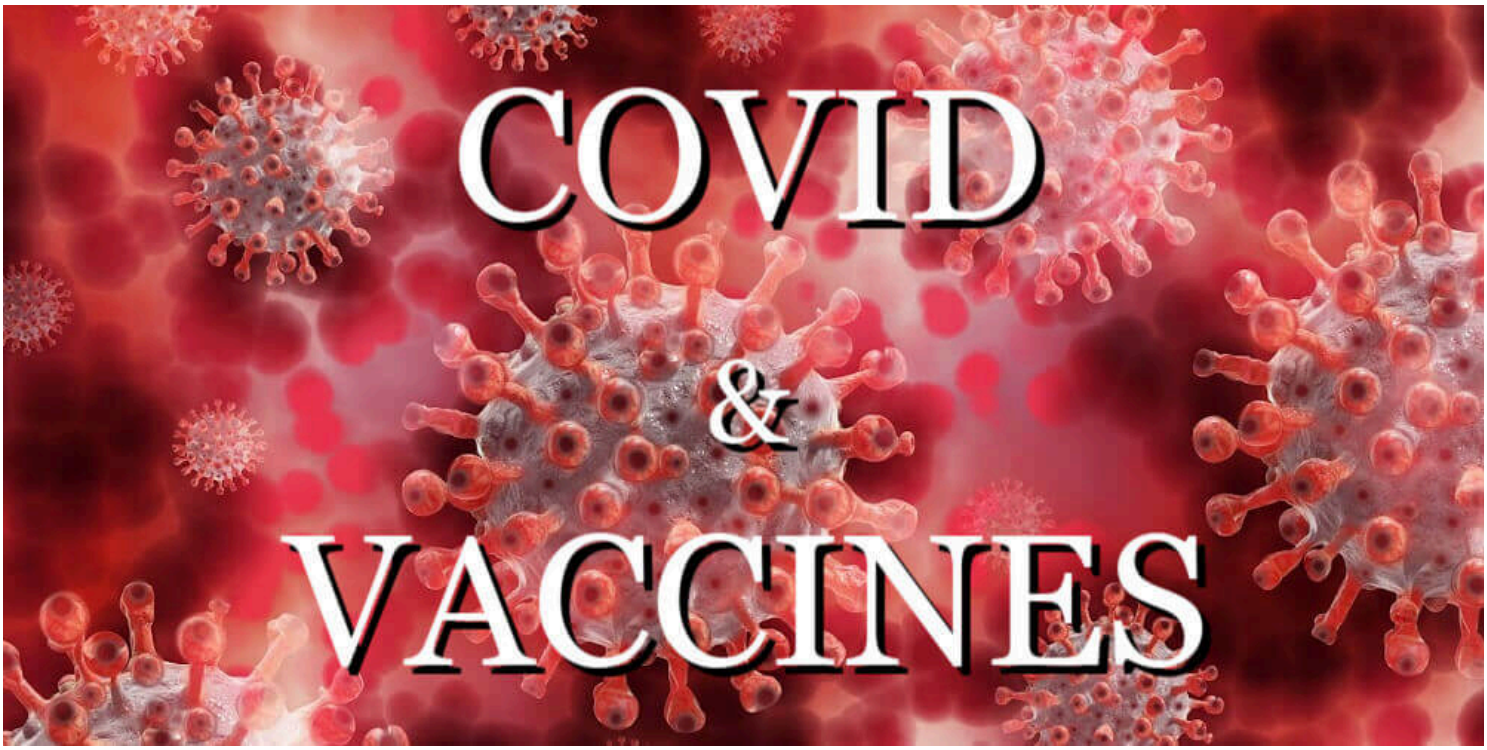

ERUSALEM, Israel (**LifeSiteNews**) – An Israeli boy featured in a video used to push **COVID vaccines on children** in a nationwide campaign **died tragically** from a sudden heart attack in late September. The boy was only 8 years old.

According to **reports,** Yonatan Moshe Erlichman, grandson of a distinguished physician in Beit El, Dr. Mati Erlichman, "died unexpectedly of cardiac arrest while taking a bath."

The 8-year-old boy is said to have "slipped under the water after his heart suddenly stopped beating, causing him to drown." After being rushed to Hadassah Hospital on Mount Scopus, Yonatan died a few days later on Sept. 28.

In 2020, at the age of 5, the child had appeared in a video produced by the regional council of Mateh Binyamin. The video was part of a government program aimed at pushing COVID vaccines on children, despite the nearly universal immunity of children to COVID-19.

The video made Yonatan a "poster child" for the vaccine campaign in Israel, which became one of the most draconian nations in the world for vaccine measures. The video aired just before the nationwide vaccine campaign began.

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After the boy's tragic death, the Erlichman family issued the following **statement**:

> Our Yonatan Moshe passed away recently. On the eve of Yom Kippur, Yonatan suffered a cardiac arrest in our home, and since then we have fought by his side after he collapsed. With love we thank all those who are dear to us and who were by our side in the last days of his life.

Lamenting the tragedy, one Israeli commentator on social media asked indignantly, "Where are the headlines? The investigations? How many more children will die on the golden altar? In particular, there are already two controlled studies indicating that mRNA vaccines cause heart problems … Remember that at any given moment this can happen to your beloved children and grandchildren."

Last year, an Argentine boy who had similarly served as a national poster child in an ad pushing Covid vaccination for children died suddenly at age 4. According to reports, Santino Godoy Blanco was rushed to the hospital because of a fever and vomiting and died of "bilateral pneumonia."

"Before passing his mom says he took off his mask and gave her little kisses because he couldn't talk anymore," one post on X stated.

The tragedy of the boy's death is underscored by the fact that the Argentine government uses his photo on their website to still push the vaccination of children. The boy is pictured holding up his

fist, with a slogan stating, “Vaccines protect us.”

Dr. Robert Malone, inventor of the mRNA technology employed by the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, **has said** that inoculating 28 million children 5 to 11 years old could lead to “1,000 or more excess deaths” while the risk from COVID-19 for healthy children is “about zero” and appears to be lower than the seasonal flu.

Dr. Peter McCullough, MD, professor of medicine at Texas A&M University Health Sciences Center, called for an “unbreakable resistance” against children receiving the jab. In **a 2021 lecture,** McCullough cited numerous studies while arguing that “the chance of myocarditis, and hospitalization with myocarditis, for one of these children who is going to be forced into vaccination … is greater than being hospitalized for COVID-19.”

In an October 2021 **article for the Brownstone Institute**, Dr. Paul Elias Alexander, who served in the Department of Health and Human Services during the COVID-19 pandemic under the Trump administration, called the push to vaccinate young children “dangerous” and “absolutely reckless.”

“The risk-benefit discussion for children with these Covid-19 injections is a very different one than that for adults,” Dr. Alexander said. “The fact is that this is a completely novel and experimental **injection therapy** with no medium or long-term safety data (or even definitive effectiveness data). If we move forward with the vaccination of our children without the proper safety testing, then we will present them with potentially catastrophic risk, including deaths in some.”

Testimony Exposes Vax DNA Disaster: It Enters Your Nucleus

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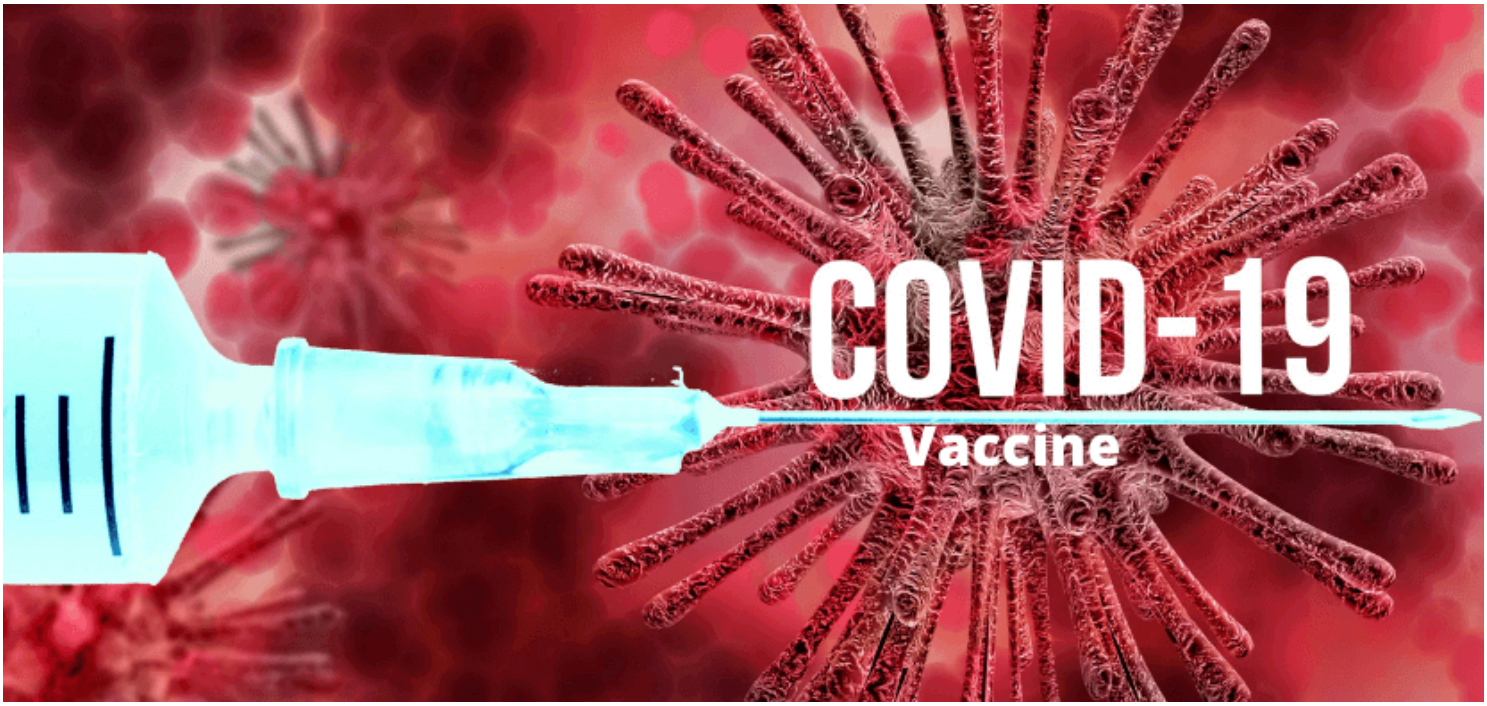

Health authorities and fact checkers vehemently denied it, writing it off as 'impossible.' Yet the inconvenient facts from this testimony are staring us in the face yet again. Make no mistake, this is how the COVID mRNA shots enter your nucleus – and wreak havoc on your DNA.

Alarming COVID Jab Contamination Shocks Scientists

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- In early April 2023, microbiologist Kevin McKernan detailed finding massive DNA contamination in Pfizer's and Moderna's bivalent COVID booster shots. The highest level of DNA contamination found was 30%, meaning nearly one-third of the content of the shot was plasmid DNA, the presence of which dramatically increases the likelihood of DNA integration and cancer.
- An in vitro experiment found that the modified RNA in the Pfizer jab has the ability to enter human liver cells and reverse transcribe into DNA in as little as six hours post-exposure
- The lipid nanoparticles that the mRNA and DNA contaminants are encased in facilitate getting the DNA inside the cell. Once it's in the cytoplasm, bits of DNA can enter the nucleus by random chance.

- Mice injected with the COVID mRNA shot passed on their acquired immune traits — both good and bad — to offspring, which not only suggests that the mRNA can enter the nucleus of the cell, but also that it can be permanently integrated into chromosomal DNA and have intergenerational effects.
- Pfizer's bivalent jab has also been found to contain simian virus 40 (SV40) promoter, an oncogenic piece of the virus' DNA known to drive very aggressive gene expression. Combined with pieces of DNA, the presence of SV40 promoter make the risk of cancer all the more likely.
- The SV40 promoter is a sequence used in gene therapy to drive DNA into the nucleus of cells. If the shots aren't supposed to alter the human genome, why do they contain bits of DNA and an SV40 promoter that can drive that DNA into the nucleus?

In early April 2023, microbiologist Kevin McKernan — a former researcher and team leader for the MIT Human Genome project[1] — posted a preprint paper[2] detailing massive DNA contamination in Pfizer's and Moderna's bivalent COVID booster shots.[3,4,5,6] As explained in the abstract:[7]

> *"Several methods were deployed to assess the nucleic acid composition of four expired vials of the Moderna and Pfizer bivalent mRNA vaccines. Two vials from each vendor were evaluated …*

> *Multiple assays support DNA contamination that exceeds the European Medicines Agency (EMA) 330ng/mg requirement and the FDAs 10ng/dose requirements …"*

The highest level of DNA contamination found was 30%, meaning nearly one-third of the content of certain vials was plasmid DNA, the presence of which dramatically increases the likelihood of genomic integration and cancer.

What this means, in plain English, is that the shots could potentially alter your DNA, which is something vaccine makers, health authorities and fact checkers have vehemently denied and written off as "impossible." Yet here we are, with inconvenient facts staring us in the face yet again.

Regulatory Agencies Were Aware of the Problem

In a May 20, 2023, Substack article,[8] McKernan pointed out that regulatory agencies were clearly aware of this problem early on, as Pfizer submitted documents to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) showing sampled lots had a broad range of double-stranded DNA (dsDNA) in them.

The EMA's limit for dsDNA is 330 nanograms per milligram (ng/mg), and Pfizer's data show sampled lots had anywhere from 1 ng/mg to 815 ng/mg of DNA. And, according to McKernan,[9] the EMA's limit may be too high to begin with, as "lower limits should be applied if the DNA is packaged in transfection ready lipid nanoparticles," as they are in the shots.

In a sane regulatory environment, this kind of contamination would have resulted in a massive recall, considering the known and suspected dangers of dsDNA contaminants. Yet nothing was done about it.

Since McKernan's paper was posted, others have confirmed the presence of dsDNA contaminants in the COVID shots. To be clear, DNA should not be present in a commercial product that has been made under good manufacturing practices.

Obviously, Pfizer and Moderna have not perfected their commercial process, or have taken shortcuts they shouldn't have. As a result, countless millions have been injected with unnecessarily risky COVID shots.

DNA Contamination Confirmed

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University of South Carolina professor Phillip Buckhaults has since confirmed the presence of dsDNA in the COVID shots. September 13, 2023, he testified[10] to this before the South Carolina Senate Medical Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).

Buckhaults is a molecular biologist and cancer geneticist with extensive experience in DNA sequencing, and initially set out to debunk McKernan's claims. To his shock, he replicated McKernan's findings instead.

In his testimony, he explained how these DNA contaminants can integrate into your genome and disrupt the function of other genes, either long term or permanently, and may be passed on to

offspring for generations.

He told the senators he was “alarmed about this DNA being in the vaccine,” as “there is a very real hazard” of the dsDNA integrating into a person’s genome and becoming a “permanent fixture of the cell” that can result in autoimmune problems and cancers.[11]

Buckhaults suspects high levels of DNA contaminants may also be causing some of the more serious side effects of the jabs, such as lethal cardiac arrest.[12] Of the two lots he analyzed, he found between 5 nanograms and 20 ng of plasmid DNA — ranging from one to 200 base pairs long — per 300 microliter dose, and he points out that having a multitude of tiny fragments is far riskier than having one big piece of DNA.[13]

The risk of genome integration by dsDNA has been known for decades,[14] so the individuals who decided to allow this contamination to remain cannot claim they didn’t know public health would be put at risk.

Buckhaults stressed that we need to collect and analyze DNA from various tissues of those who have received the COVID jabs — at least a few hundred people — to determine whether genomic integration is taking place, and what changes are occurring.

He also explained how the DNA contamination occurred in the first place. In summary, the products used during the clinical trials and the commercial products were not made in the identical way. The commercial product grew the modified RNA using a mix of DNA plasmid and E. coli, and the DNA were not properly filtered out — a clear sign of poor manufacturing processes.

COVID Shots May Cause Cancer in Several Ways

The presence of DNA isn’t the only way in which the mRNA COVID shots can cause cancer. mRNA can also reverse transcribe into DNA under the right circumstances. For example, one in vitro experiment,[15,16] published in 2022, demonstrated that the modified RNA in the Pfizer jab has the ability to enter human liver cells and reverse transcribe into DNA in as little as six hours post-exposure. As reported in that peer-reviewed study:[17]

> *"… a recent study showed that SARS-CoV-2 RNA can be reverse-transcribed and integrated into the genome of human cells. In this study, we investigated the effect of BNT162b2 on the human liver cell line Huh7 in vitro. Huh7 cells were exposed to BNT162b2, and quantitative PCR was performed on RNA extracted from the cells.*

> *We detected high levels of BNT162b2 in Huh7 cells and changes in gene expression of long interspersed nuclear element-1 (LINE-1), which is an endogenous reverse transcriptase.*

> *Immunohistochemistry using antibody binding to LINE-1 open reading frame-1 RNA-binding protein (ORFp1) on Huh7 cells treated with BNT162b2 indicated increased nucleus distribution of LINE-1 …*

> *Our results indicate a fast up-take of BNT162b2 into human liver cell line Huh7, leading to changes in LINE-1 expression and distribution. We also show that BNT162b2 mRNA is reverse transcribed intracellularly into DNA in as fast as 6 h upon BNT162b2 exposure."*

COVID Jab mRNA Can Enter the Cell Nucleus

According to a 2022 study,[18] both the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein and the spike protein mRNA translocated into the nucleus of infected human cells. According to the authors, "the nuclear translocation of both S mRNA and S protein reveals a novel pathogenic feature of SARS-CoV-2."

If the spike mRNA in the natural virus (and I use that term loosely, considering SARS-CoV-2 was most likely manmade) can enter human cells, might the mRNA in the COVID shots do the same? Probably.

As noted by Buckhaults,[19] the lipid nanoparticles that the mRNA and DNA fragments are encased in "facilitate getting the DNA inside the cell — just inside the cell membrane. But once it's in the cytoplasm, bits of DNA go to the nucleus just by random chance." He told investigative journalist Maryanne Demasi:[20]

> *"We do this in the lab all the time. We take pieces of naked DNA, put them in lipofectamine which is a solution that delivers genetic material into cells, and by magic, some of the pieces integrate into the cellular DNA, and permanently modified the cells.*

> *I've been doing this since I was a graduate student, so I know that this happens. The only question is, what is the frequency of this happening across a vaccinated population? …*

> *IF genome modification is happening, It's just a matter of time before one of these fragments hits a tumor suppressor gene and initiates the beginning of cancer in a single stem cell.*

> *Also, there have been reports of myocarditis. I'm wondering if it's possible that these little bits of DNA actually encode pieces of the spike protein … There's a lot of open reading frames in these pieces of DNA that code for peptides that don't belong in humans and are neo-antigens.*

> *My concern is that some of these pieces of DNA could transform long lived stem cells in, maybe the myocardium, or pericardium, or maybe the liver, or lymph nodes … and now that tissue makes a long-lived expression of some neo-antigen that could be causing a long-term autoimmunity type response like myocarditis.*

> *So, they are the two things that immediately come to mind — the small possibility of cancers in people in the next five years down the road, or the possibility of autoimmunity from the production of these peptides."*

So, the claim that the mRNA in the COVID shots — which is based on but not identical to the spike protein mRNA found in SARS-CoV-2 — cannot enter the nucleus of human cells and therefore cannot be integrated into the human genome, is simply false. Science tells us genome integration can occur in several ways.

COVID Jab Can Have Intergenerational Effects

Another 2022 study[21] found that mice injected with the COVID mRNA shot passed on their acquired immune traits — both good and bad — to offspring, which not only suggests that the mRNA can enter the nucleus of the cell, but also that it can be permanently integrated into chromosomal DNA and have intergenerational effects. As reported in this study:

> *"Hundreds of millions of SARS-CoV-2 mRNA-LNP vaccine doses have already been administered to humans. However, we lack a comprehensive understanding of the immune effects of this platform.*

> *The mRNA-LNP-based SARS-CoV-2 vaccine is highly inflammatory, and its synthetic ionizable lipid component responsible for the induction of inflammation has a long in vivo half-life.*

> *Since chronic inflammation can lead to immune exhaustion and non-responsiveness, we sought to determine the effects of pre-exposure to the mRNA-LNP on adaptive immune responses and innate immune fitness.*

> *We found that pre-exposure to mRNA-LNPs or LNP alone led to long-term inhibition of the adaptive immune response … On the other hand, we report that after pre-exposure to mRNA-LNPs, the resistance of mice to heterologous infections with influenza virus increased while resistance to Candida albicans decreased …*

> *Interestingly, mice pre-exposed to the mRNA-LNP platform can pass down the acquired immune traits to their offspring …*

> *In summary, the mRNA-LNP vaccine platform induces long-term unexpected immunological changes affecting both adaptive immune responses and heterologous protection against infections. Thus, our studies highlight the need for more research to determine this platform's true impact on human health."*

FDA Responds to DNA Contamination Concerns

McKernan presented his findings to the FDA in June 2023. After Buckhaults confirmed the presence of dsDNA in Pfizer's and Moderna's shots, Demasi asked the FDA "if it had begun an investigation into the issue of DNA contamination and whether it would review its guidance to industry about residual DNA in vaccines."[22]

She also asked if the agency "had instructed Pfizer and Moderna to conduct further testing to demonstrate the absence or presence of genome modification and whether it would issue new warnings to the public about the potential risks, now that DNA contamination in the vaccines had been established and replicated." This was the FDA's response:[23]

> *"The mRNA COVID-19 vaccines authorized or approved for use in the United States are not defined as a gene therapy. The FDA is confident in the quality, safety, and effectiveness of these vaccines. The agency's benefit-risk assessment and ongoing safety surveillance demonstrates that the benefits of their use outweigh their risks."*

In other words, the FDA has taken no action on the matter and has no intention of doing so.

Cancer Promoter Also Found in Pfizer's Bivalent Jab

In addition to DNA fragments that can more readily integrate into the human genome, and the possibility of mRNA reverse transcribing into chromosomal DNA, McKernan's team also discovered simian virus 40 (SV40) promoter in the shots, which have long been suspected of causing cancer in humans.[24]

The SV40 promoter is a sequence used in gene therapy to drive DNA into the nucleus of cells. If the shots aren't supposed to alter the human genome, why does it contain bits of DNA and an SV40 promoter that can drive that DNA into the nucleus?

SV40 promoter is an oncogenic piece of a virus known to drive very aggressive gene expression for cancer. Combined with pieces of DNA, the presence of SV40 promoter make the risk of cancer all the more likely. What's more, according to McKernan,[25] the SV40 promoter is a sequence used in gene therapy to drive DNA into the nucleus of cells!

If the shots aren't supposed to alter the human genome, why do they contain bits of DNA and an SV40 promoter that can drive that DNA into the nucleus?

Considering these facts, is it not reasonable to suspect, then, that the "turbo cancers"[26] oncologists around are now reporting might indeed be a side effect of the COVID jabs? "Turbo cancer" is an invented term to describe cancers that grow at such unprecedented rates that patients often die before a treatment plan can be implemented.

Repeat Dosing May Promote Cancer and Autoimmune Problems

So, that makes three ways in which some of the shots can contribute to or directly cause cancer. A fourth way the jabs may trigger cancer is simply by repeat dosing. As detailed in a May 2023 paper in the journal Vaccines:[27]

> *"To date, 72.3% of the total population has been injected at least once with a COVID-19 vaccine … ncreasing evidence has shown that … they do not produce sterilizing immunity, allowing people to suffer frequent re-infections.*

> *Additionally, recent investigations have found abnormally high levels of IgG4 in people who were administered two or more injections of the mRNA vaccines …*

> *merging evidence suggests that the reported increase in IgG4 levels detected after repeated vaccination with the mRNA vaccines … constitutes an immune tolerance mechanism to the spike protein that could promote unopposed SARS-CoV2 infection and replication by suppressing natural antiviral responses.*

> *Increased IgG4 synthesis due to repeated mRNA vaccination with high antigen concentrations may also cause autoimmune diseases, and promote cancer growth and autoimmune myocarditis in susceptible individuals."*

SV40 Promoter Contamination Confirmed

Buckhaults has also confirmed the presence of SV40 promoter in the plasmid DNA, as has Yusuke Murakami, a professor at Tokyo University. In an interview, Murakami explained:[28]

> *"The Pfizer vaccine sequence contains part of the SV40 sequence … This sequence is known as a promoter. Roughly speaking, the promoter causes increased expression of the gene.*

> *The problem is that the sequence is present in a well-known carcinogenic virus. The question is why such a sequence that is derived from a cancer virus is present in Pfizer's vaccine.*

> *There should be absolutely no need for such a carcinogenic virus sequence in the vaccine. This sequence is totally unnecessary for producing the mRNA vaccine. It is a problem that such a sequence is solidly contained in the vaccine …*

> *If a sequence like this is present in the DNA, the DNA is easily migrated to the nucleus. So it means that the DNA can easily enter the genome. This is such an alarming problem. It is essential to remove the sequence. However, Pfizer produced the vaccine without removing the sequence. That is outrageously malicious."*

Excess Deaths in 2023

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If the COVID pandemic was real, we would have seen the highest excess mortality rates in 2020, when the most problematic strain of the virus was in circulation. But that's not the case. Instead, excess mortality rates didn't really take off until the rollout of the experimental COVID shots — and rates are still going up, two years later.

In the video above, John Campbell, Ph.D., a retired nurse educator, reviews the latest mortality statistics from the Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD).[29] He also compares the OECD data with that from Our World in Data, and the two data sets are in agreement — excess deaths continued to be far above normal in 2023, and there's no pandemic to blame it on.

For the U.K., there were 36,316 excess deaths during weeks 1 through 30 (January 1 through July 30, 2023[30]). A telling trend is that deaths in private homes and "other settings" are above the five-year average, whereas deaths in hospitals and care homes are both below average.[31,32]

What does that mean? It means that more people than normal are dying unexpectedly, at home and in places other than a hospital. It also suggests that younger people are dying at a higher rate. The higher excess death rate is not because more elderly are dying in care homes.

In the U.S., there were 147,828.8 more deaths than expected during the first 30 weeks of 2023. Other interesting data reveal that, in Minnesota, excess deaths involving blood disorders began in 2020 but then skyrocketed in 2022, nearly doubling from the 2020 rate.[33]

The original Wuhan strain of SARS-CoV-2 was associated with blood disorders, but that strain had mutated into a mild cold by 2022. What we did have in 2022, however, were the COVID jabs, which are also associated with blood disorders.

Got the Jab? Take Action to Safeguard Your Health

If you already got one or more jabs and now have concerns about your health, what can you do? Well, first and foremost, never take another COVID booster, another mRNA gene therapy shot or regular vaccine. You need to end the assault on your system.

If you developed symptoms you didn't have before your shot, I would encourage you to seek out expert help. At present, the Front Line COVID-19 Critical Care Alliance (FLCCC) seems to have one of the best treatment protocols for post-jab injuries. It's called **I-RECOVER** and can be downloaded from covid19criticalcare.com.[34]

Dr. Pierre Kory, who cofounded the FLCCC, has transitioned to treating the vaccine injured more or less exclusively. For more information, see **DrPierreKory.com**. Dr. Peter McCullough is also investigating post-jab treatments, which you can find on **PeterMcCulloughMD.com**.

The World Health Council has also published lists of remedies that can help inhibit, neutralize and eliminate spike protein, which most experts agree is the primary culprit. I covered these in my 2021 article, "**World Council for Health Reveals Spike Protein Detox**."

Scientists Have Created A Human “Entity” That Has No Mother Or Father

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Scientists all over the world continue to “play God”, and we are all going to have to live with the consequences. Every single day, incredibly bizarre experiments are being conducted in secret laboratories all over the planet. I have frequently warned my readers about the very deadly diseases that are being developed in such laboratories, but other types of extremely sick experiments are happening as well. For example, it is being reported that one team of researchers has now been able to create a human “entity” that does not have a mother or a father. In fact, it was created **“without using sperm, an egg or a womb”**…

> Scientists report they have grown the early stages of a human embryo-like entity without using sperm, an egg or a womb.
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> The ’embryo model’ even releases hormones that triggered a positive pregnancy test.

This is like something out of a science fiction novel.

Why in the world would they even consider doing something like this?

They are telling us that using such "entities" will make medical research easier, and frankly that makes me want to vomit.

There is no way that doing this sort of thing should be legal.

But it is.

This team of researchers was able to create a human "entity" without a mother or a father by starting with **naive stem cells**…

> Instead of a sperm and egg, the starting material was naive stem cells which were reprogrammed to gain the potential to become any type of tissue in the body.

According to the BBC, chemicals were used to encourage these stem cells to develop **into four unique cell types** that are involved in the earliest stages of human embryo development…

- epiblast cells, which become the embryo proper (or foetus)
- trophoblast cells, which become the placenta
- hypoblast cells, which become the supportive yolk sac
- extraembryonic mesoderm cells

Those cell types were then **"mixed in a precise ratio"**, and what happened next is extremely alarming…

> A total of 120 of these cells were mixed in a precise ratio – and then, the scientists step back and watch.
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> About 1% of the mixture began the journey of spontaneously assembling themselves into a structure that resembles, but is not identical to, a human embryo.

Professor Jacob Hanna of the Weizmann Institute is the leader of the team that conducted this research, and he claims that the "entity" which was produced **"is really a textbook image of a human day-14 embryo"**…

> ‘This is really a textbook image of a human day-14 embryo, hasn’t been done before,’ said Professor Hanna.

If such an entity can survive to that stage, could it go all the way and actually become a full-blown baby?

Now that this breakthrough has been achieved, it is just a matter of time before someone tries to do that.

And just imagine the implications if this eventually starts happening on a widespread basis.

Babies could literally be grown on a massive scale all over the globe.

Instead of having children the natural way, parents could just order a baby that meets certain specifications.

And any babies that came out with “defects” would inevitably be discarded.

Alternatively, it is easy to imagine entire armies being “grown” by tyrannical rulers just like we have seen in certain science fiction movies.

Would such “entities” be truly human?

Would they even have souls?

There is so much that we don’t know, and hopefully this sort of work will be banned so that we will never find out.

Unfortunately, there is very little holding the scientific community back at this point.

Most of the general population has no idea what is going on in these secret labs, and most of our politicians don’t seem to care.

And so “science” will continue to advance all over the globe with very little resistance at all.

In addition to experiments that are creating new life, researchers are also searching for ways to cheat death.

In recent years, swapping blood with the young has become a very hot trend among America’s billionaires. Here is **just one example**…

> Until recently, Bryan Johnson was paying hundreds of thousands of dollars to infuse one litre of his teenage son's youthful plasma into his own ageing blood stream every month. "I've never paid more attention to what he's eating … because that was going into my body," the 46-year-old American tech entrepreneur says on new podcast The Immortals. He also pumped his own plasma into his 70-year-old father's body to help improve his declining physical and cognitive health: "It was one of the most meaningful moments in his entire life. And it was the same for me." Johnson continues to pay $2m a year for a research team to investigate how we can live longer – and he is certainly not the only rich guy in Silicon Valley dedicated to the search for eternal life.

Guys like Johnson have more money than they will ever need.

But they know that their days are limited.

So in a desperate attempt to "buy more time", they are literally injecting the blood of young people into their own veins.

This is another thing that shouldn't be done.

And it is probably dangerous.

But nobody is going to stop them.

In fact, the pace of scientific change will continue to march forward at an exponential rate.

Given enough time, our world would be transformed into something stranger than anything that Hollywood has ever dreamed up.

But our scientists won't have enough time to do that, because the truth is that **time is running out for our society**.

Our self-destructive tendencies will soon absolutely overwhelm us, and no amount of "research" will be able to turn things around at that point.

Michael's new book entitled "End Times" is now available in paperback and for the Kindle on Amazon.com, and you can check out his new Substack newsletter right here.

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Lunchable Lunacy: New School Lunches Raise Serious Concern

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Are chemical-laden processed foods better than no lunch at all?
Changes to school lunches just about guarantee an increase in chronic disease and obesity.

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED ✓**

Kids Intentionally Poisoned by Artificial School Lunches

- Two Kraft Heinz ready-to-eat prepackaged Lunchables are being added to K-12 school lunch programs across the U.S. this fall.
- Kraft Heinz — which is primarily owned by institutional shareholders, the top four being Berkshire Hathaway, BlackRock, Vanguard and State Street — is a partner of the School Nutrition Association, and has been pushing to get their wares into the lunch program for some time.
- According to Katie Wilson, executive director of the Urban School Food Alliance, the fact that a processed, packaged food meets school lunch standards points to problems with the federal nutritional guidelines.
- Topping my list of concerns for the Lunchables extra cheese pizza product is the presence of soybean oil, which is loaded with harmful omega-6 linoleic acid (LA). Evidence suggests LA is a key contributor to chronic diseases, as it impairs mitochondrial function and energy production.
- "Vital wheat gluten" is another concern. This is pure gluten, which can contribute to or cause leaky gut. Other questionable ingredients include artificial flavors, preservatives, food coloring and "cellulose powder," which is a fancy name for refined wood pulp. In addition to

being an anticaking agent, wood pulp also provides bulk (cutting down on the amount of "real" ingredients required) and can have a laxative effect in sufficient quantity.

The quality of school lunches has been deteriorating for decades, and it just got another downgrade. As reported by CNN,[1] two Kraft Heinz ready-to-eat prepackaged Lunchables are being added to K-12 school lunch programs across the U.S. as of this fall semester.

Improved Nutrition?

The school Lunchables have reportedly been reformulated to meet the National School Lunch Program's (NSLP) nutritional requirements, which include higher grain content and lower sodium, compared to the Lunchables sold in stores.

But if you have even the slightest knowledge about diet and nutrition, you'll realize that NSLP nutritional requirements really don't amount to much. They certainly do not guarantee that your children are being well-fed.

Schools are required to offer students five meal components: fruit, vegetable, protein, grain and milk, and students must take at least three, including a fruit or vegetable option, as part of their lunch.

While that seems sound, once you start looking at what qualifies as fruit, vegetable, protein, grain and milk, you quickly realize that what the kids are actually getting is ultraprocessed junk food loaded with artificial ingredients.

Pizza, for example, has been a staple in schools for a long time, with tomato sauce qualifying as "vegetable." The Lunchables "extra cheesy pizza" isn't even regular pizza. It's basically an ultraprocessed imitation of an ultraprocessed junk food.

Not surprisingly, Kraft Heinz is a partner of the School Nutrition Association, and has reportedly been pushing to get their wares into the lunch program for some time.[2]

Meanwhile, the Kraft Heinz Company is primarily owned by institutional shareholders.[3] As of this writing, the top four owners are Berkshire Hathaway, BlackRock, Vanguard and State Street[4] — the same entities that have a **monopoly on the world's resources** in general.

Balanced Nutrition?

Kraft Heinz has also partnered with Del Monte to provide a Lunchables with Fresh Fruit option, where the processed lunch meat and cheese is served with pieces of fruit (apples, pineapple, grapes or clementines) rather than crackers.

According to foodsided.com,[5] the fruit-based Lunchables is an effort to create a more "balanced eating school lunch option."

These products are not being rolled out as part of the school lunch program, however. They'll be available in grocery stores across the South-Central region of the U.S. this fall, and are being marketed to children who bring their own lunches.

Lunchables Raise Concern Among Child Nutritionists

According to The Washington Post,[6] the new Lunchables offerings "could appeal to schools that are struggling with labor shortages in cafeterias and supply chain kinks that have limited their menu options." However, "many nutrition experts greeted the news with a heaping side of skepticism" — as they well should. The Washington Post writes:[7]

> *"Katie Wilson, the executive director of the Urban School Food Alliance, said the approval of Lunchables points to bigger problems with federal guidelines. 'The fact that a processed, packaged food meets school lunch standards is part of what needs to change in the national school lunch program,' she said …*

> *Dariush Mozaffarian, a cardiologist and professor at the Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition, said he wouldn't have a problem with Lunchables — if they didn't include processed meat or high sodium levels.*

> *The World Health Organization considers products such as sandwich meats, hot dogs and bacon to be 'Group 1' carcinogens, the same category as cigarettes and asbestos, he noted …*

> *'These are products that could be used in an emergency situation, but I certainly hope they don't become the norm in school meals,' Wilson said. 'What message are we sending our children about healthy eating?' And then there's the packaging — plastic trays and wrappers — which some critics say is wasteful."*

Plastic Contamination — Another Pressing Concern

Indeed, each Lunchables product comes in a plastic tray with plastic wrap cover, so just how much plastic trash will be added by serving Lunchables to 30 million students, every day of the school year?

Without getting bogged down in actual math, we can conclude it's going to be quite a lot, so where's the environmental concern? Aren't we eliminating livestock and cutting agriculture to save the planet? Shouldn't we leave the cows and rice paddies alone and eliminate processed foods wrapped in plastic instead?

Both food and water are becoming increasingly contaminated with these toxic bits. Microplastic particles, which are less than 5 millimeters long, are literally clouding the oceans in spots.

Carried along with the ocean's currents, swirling gyres of "plastic smog"[8] now cover about 40% of the world's ocean surfaces.[9] Plastic bits are eaten by fish and other marine life, which are then eaten by us.[10]

Remarkably, the annual release of plastics to land is estimated to be four to 23 times greater than that released to oceans.[11] Eighty-three percent of tap water samples tested worldwide, and 94% of samples in the U.S., are also contaminated with plastic.[12]

Pure Garbage

While media report the content of these Lunchables in terms of the amounts of grains, meat/meat alternatives, saturated fat and sodium in them, most nutritionally-aware people know that there's more to nutrition than that. Just what is in these products?

Here's the Nutrition Facts label and list of ingredients for the Lunchables Extra Cheesy Pizza (4.2-ounce package) sold in U.S. grocery stores:[13]

Nutrition Facts

servings per container
Serving Size 1.0 package

Amount per serving
Calories **260**

	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 10g	13%
Saturated Fat 5g	26%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 25mg	9 %
Sodium 530mg	23 %
Total Carbohydrate 29g	11 %
Dietary Fiber 2g	7 %
Total Sugars 5g	
Includes 3g Added Sugars	6 %
Protein 15g	
Vitamin D	0 %
Calcium 430mg	35 %
Iron 2.1mg	10 %
Potassium 220mg	4%

*The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.

Ingredients
Pizza Crust (Wheat Flour [Enriched Bleached Wheat Flour {Flour, Niacin, Reduced Iron, Thiamin Mononitrate, Riboflavin, Folic Acid}, Whole Wheat Flour], Water, Sugar, Glycerin, Soybean Oil, Contains 2% Or Less Of: Yeast, Vital Wheat Gluten, Mono- & Diglycerides, Salt, Xanthan Gum, Calcium Propionate, Sorbic Acid, Natural And Artificial Flavor, Enzyme), Contains: Wheat; Pizza Sauce (Water, Tomato Paste, Sugar, Contains Less Than 2% Of Food Starch Modified, Garlic Powder, Salt, Onion Powder, Citric Acid, Spice, Xanthan Gum, Sodium Benzoate And Potassium Sorbate [Added As Preservatives], Dried Basil, Natural Flavor); Mozzarella Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product (Pasteurized Part-Skim Milk, Water, Milk Protein Concentrate, Milk Fat, Contains Less Than 2% Of Salt, Cheese Culture, Sodium Citrate, Sorbic Acid As A Preservative, Enzymes, Cellulose Powder Added To Prevent Caking), Contains: Milk; Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product (Pasteurized Part-Skim Milk, Water, Milk Protein Concentrate, Milk Fat, Contains Less Than 2% Of The Following: Salt, Cheese Culture, Sodium Citrate, Sorbic Acid As A Preservative, Apocarotenol [Color], Enzymes, Cellulose Powder Added To Prevent Caking).

The school lunch program version comes in a 5.05-ounce container and is formulated to contain 2 ounces of meat/meat alternative, 2 ounces of grains, one-eighth cup of red vegetable (tomato sauce), 7 grams of saturated fat and 700 milligrams of sodium.

Aside from those details, I've not been able to locate a full list of ingredients for the school version, but I believe it's reasonable to assume that most of the individual ingredients will be the same as the grocery store version.

Soybean oil is loaded with harmful omega-6 linoleic acid — a key contributor to chronic diseases, as it impairs mitochondrial function and energy production.

Topping my list of concerns for the "pizza" version is the presence of soybean oil, which is loaded with harmful **omega-6 linoleic acid (LA)**. Evidence suggests LA is a key contributor to chronic diseases, as it impairs mitochondrial function and energy production.

"Vital wheat gluten" is another concern. This has been described as "normal wheat flour on steroids."[14] It's basically pure gluten, which can contribute to or cause leaky gut. Other questionable ingredients include artificial flavors of unknown constitution, sodium benzoate preservative and food coloring.

It's worth noting that they're not using real mozzarella cheese but rather two kinds of "cheese product." The food coloring (apocarotenal) is a yellow-red compound used to give it a familiar yellowish cheese color.

They also add "cellulose powder" as an anticaking agent, which is a fancy name for refined wood pulp.[15] Bon Appetit! Wood pulp also provides bulk (cutting down on the amount of "real" ingredients required) and can have a laxative effect in sufficient quantity.

Even Worse Garbage

Taking a look at Lunchables Uploaded, which are sold in stores but not part of the school lunch program, provides an even more revolting read. These 15.12 ounce trays come with an artificially-flavored, artificially- and naturally-sweetened drink, a bag of Cheez It and Trolli gummy candy. And Kraft Heinz wants you to think they're concerned with "balanced nutrition."

Here's the complete ingredients list for Lunchables Uploaded Ultimate Deep Dish Pepperoni Pizza with Cheez It & Trolli Candy:[16]

> *"Purified Drinking Water; Pizza Sauce (Water, Tomato Paste, Sugar, Contains Less than 2% of Modified Food Starch, Garlic Powder, Salt, Onion Powder, Spice, Citric Acid, Dried Basil, Sea Salt, Sodium Benzoate and Potassium Sorbate , Xanthan Gum, Natural Flavor)*

> *Pizza Crust: (Enriched Flour , Water, Whole Wheat Flour, Soybean Oil, Yeast, Sugar, Contains 2% or Less of: Reduced Sodium Salt Blend , Dough Conditioner , Vital Wheat Gluten, Natural and Artificial Flavors, Mono-Diglycerides, Sodium Stearoyl Lactylate, Rice Bran Extract, Calcium Propionate, Dough Conditioner , Dehydrated Garlic, Cellulose Powder)*

> *Baked Snack Crackers (Enriched Flour , Vegetable Oil , Cheese Made with Skim Milk , Contains Two Percent or Less of Salt, Paprika, Yeast, Paprika Oleoresin for Color, Soy Lecithin)*

> *Gummy Worms: (Corn Syrup, Sugar, Gelatin, Modified Corn Starch, Fumaric Acid, Lactic Acid, Citric Acid, Sodium Citrate, Calcium Lactate, Sodium Lactate, Natural and Artificial Flavors, Titanium Dioxide , Red 40, Yellow 5, Yellow 6, Blue 1)*

> *Cheese Blend (Mozzarella Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product*

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> *Pepperoni Made with Pork and Chicken (Pork, Mechanically Separated Chicken, Salt, Contains 2% or Less of Pork Stock, Spices , Dextrose, Lactic Acid Starter Culture, Oleoresin of Paprika, Flavoring, Sodium Ascorbate, Sodium Nitrite, BHA, BHT, Citric Acid)*

> *Tropical Punch Artificial Flavored Soft Drink Mix (Sugar, Fructose, Citric Acid, Contains Less than 2% of Ascorbic Acid , Natural and Artificial Flavor, Acesulfame Potassium and Sucralose , Calcium Phosphate, Artificial Color, Red 40, Blue 1, BHA).”*

Vegetable oils, pure gluten, refined wood pulp, soy, corn syrup, sugar, artificial flavors, artificial colors, nitrites, preservatives and artificial sweeteners — this is what passes for “food” for growing children whose development and IQ depend on proper nutrition. It’s beyond sad. And it certainly helps to explain the explosion of chronic diseases in childhood.

Processed Food Diets Are Deadlier Than Smoking

Research has shown refined high-carb diets are as risky as smoking, increasing your risk for lung cancer by as much as 49%,[17] while other estimates suggest processed foods kill more people prematurely than cigarette smoking.[18]

Many studies have also demonstrated that the more processed a food is, the worse it is for your health, and more than $1 trillion is spent on treating junk food-related diseases in the U.S. each year.[19]

Processed foods promote a wide variety of chronic health problems, including obesity,[20] cardiovascular diseases, Type-2 diabetes, metabolic syndrome, irritable bowel syndrome, depression and cancer.

A 2018 study published in BMJ,[21] which included 104,980 participants who were followed for an average of five years, found that each 10% increase in ultraprocessed food intake raised the cancer

rate by 12%. This works out to nine additional cancer cases per 10,000 people per year. The risk of breast cancer, specifically, went up by 11% for every 10% increase in ultraprocessed food.

Processed foods also raise your risk of premature death,[22,23,24,25,26] which makes sense, considering how health issues like heart disease and cancer can shave years, if not decades, off your life span.

French research[27] published in 2019 found that for each 10% increase in the amount of ultraprocessed food consumed, the risk of premature death rose by 14%. This then also means you have a significant degree of control over your expected life span. Cut your processed food consumption by half and you're already 70% less likely to die early than you were before.

Ultraprocessed Defined

Food processing occurs on a spectrum, with traditionally canned or fermented foods being "processed" but minimally so, whereas ultraprocessed foods have not only been cooked or altered, but also contain unnatural ingredients — such as those found in Lunchables.

Generally, ultraprocessed foods can be defined as food products containing one or more of the following:

- Ingredients that are not traditionally used in cooking.
- Unnaturally high amounts of sugar, salt, processed industrial oils and unhealthy fats.
- Artificial flavors, colors, chemical sweeteners and other additives that imitate sensorial qualities of unprocessed or minimally processed foods (examples include additives that create textures and pleasing mouth-feel).
- Preservatives and chemicals that impart an unnaturally long shelf-life.
- Genetically engineered (GE) ingredients, which in addition to carrying potential health risks also tend to be heavily contaminated with toxic herbicides.

As described in the NOVA classification of food processing,[28] "A multitude of sequences of processes is used to combine the usually many ingredients and to create the final product (hence 'ultraprocessed')." Examples include hydrogenation, hydrolysation, extrusion, molding and preprocessing for frying.

Ultraprocessed foods also tend to be far more addictive than other foods, thanks to high amounts of sugar (which has been shown to be more addictive than cocaine[29]), salt and fat. The processed food industry has also developed "craveabilty" into an art form. Nothing is left to chance, and by making their foods addictive, manufacturers ensure repeat sales.

Processed Food and the Obesity Epidemic

For a clear illustration of what processed food has done to public health, just look at photos of beachgoers in the 1960s and '70s and compare it to a beach scene of today. Even as recently as my childhood in the 1970s, obesity was uncommon and even older people were relatively trim.

The obesity rate among adults through the 1960s and '70s was only 13%.[30] In 2020, the U.S. obesity rate hit 42%,[31,32] and another 30% of adults were overweight.[33] Combined, that means more than 7 out of 10 people are carrying excess weight, placing them at increased risk for preventable health problems, mental health issues, chronic disease and early death.[34]

A main culprit behind this obesity epidemic is the omega-6 fat, linoleic acid (LA), which is found most abundantly in seed (commonly referred to as vegetable) oils that processed foods are loaded with.

As the takeover and transformation of our food system ramps up, the problems associated with processed foods will only get more severe, as the globalists' goal is to replace most natural and whole foods with unhealthy patented ultraprocessed products.

Animal farming will be regulated into oblivion in order to be replaced by insect farms (so-called micro livestock), gene-edited food, lab grown meat and synthetic animal-free dairy products — all in the name of safeguarding public health and protecting the environment.

Back in 2016, the World Economic Forum (WEF) published an article titled "What Will We Eat in 2030?"[35] The article proposed to improve the food system by increasing food processing and the engineering foods in "ways that are better for our health."

"'Ultraprocessed' foods need not be unhealthy," the WEF claimed. But this is as big a lie as "Roundup is safe enough to drink," "Smoking is safe for pregnant women," "DDT is good for me" and "COVID vaccines are safe and effective." There is no way to make ultraprocessed food healthy. Period. And the sooner people realize this, the sooner we can turn the obesity and childhood disease trends around.

Healthy Eating Habits Start at Home

In my view, eating a diet consisting of 90% whole (ideally organic) food and only 10% or less processed foods is an achievable goal for most that could make a significant difference in your weight and overall health, and that of your children. You simply need to make the commitment and place a high priority on it.

Remember, your children's eating habits are formed at an early age, at home. If they're used to eating healthy whole food at home, they may be less inclined to opt for Lunchables at school,

especially if they've been told why one is better than the other.

And, if you're tucking Lunchables into your child's lunch bag out of sheer convenience, please consider the long-term ramifications to your child's health. Review the disease and mortality statistics for processed food diets again. The fact is, eating healthy isn't all that complicated.

Simply focus on whole foods. Your child's lunch could consist of some white rice with a piece of cooked chicken from last night's dinner, for example, along with some fresh fruit and/or vegetable.

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UK “Health” Service Murdering People, Says Whistleblower Nurse

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The United Kingdom’s “National Health Service” is deliberately killing growing numbers of people as part of documented programs to save resources, explained world-renowned nurse-turned-whistleblower Kate Shemirami in this interview with The New American magazine’s Alex Newman at Red Pill Expo in Des Moines. Shemirami, who has the documents proving her allegations, has been ruthlessly persecuted and even arrested for exposing these crimes and speaking out, she said. And unfortunately, it is all about to get worse in the years ahead—at least if these Nazi-style programs are not stopped.

No More Natural Affection

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Lucifer's drive to destroy humanity has, from the time he was found to be with iniquity, been his priority. His incessant drive to kill and destroy is his ceaseless endeavor. We are warned of his never-ending campaign to eradicate humankind in the following:

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour. (1 Peter 5:8)

We and others have many times looked at this all-consuming hatred Lucifer has for us. It seems that when God created us in His own image, it was more than the most gloriously arrayed angel could bear; he couldn't stand that there was a creation more God-like than himself.

From this jealous rage, the mystery called "iniquity" flared within the mighty cherub, and the result, as we know, was the rebellion of one-third of the angels and their eviction from Heaven.

Apparently, the first hate-filled act Lucifer undertook was to plan a way to separate humans from their Creator, then destroy them.

Now known as *Satan,* Lucifer not only continues the assault against humanity begun in the Garden of Eden, but steps on the accelerator in his drive to destroy us during these times so near

the moment when Christ will call believers to Himself in the Rapture.

Satan has increased his attempts at terminating humankind, having been at the center of the world's two most destructive wars. Of course, we are told through Bible truth that wars come from the hearts and minds of fallen people, but at the nucleus of that war-making proclivity is the "father of lies"—the chief instigator of death and destruction, Lucifer.

Only God's restraining hand has prevented the eradication of the human race. With the advent of atomic weaponry, Satan no doubt thought he had at his disposal the means of doing us in through inciting conflicts and, ultimately, total nuclear annihilation.

Satan knows Bible prophecy, but he, in his supreme arrogance and now total anti-God, reprobate mind, still believes he can defeat God's foreknowledge. That foreknowledge has promised us, that through belief in His Son, Jesus, we will on one eternal day be in the Father's house forever.

So the devil tries not only war-making but, more subtly, more deceptively, to take humankind down through, primarily, two other ways.

One of those ways is through the sin of homosexuality. He has worked feverishly to encourage the practice that guarantees, if carried to the full, that the human race will disappear. Homosexuality can never procreate, so the "lifestyle" fits Satan's plans perfectly. This is really a "death-style, not a "lifestyle," for the human race.

The second way, and even more egregious, perhaps, is through the evil of abortion. Through this wickedness, Satan has convinced those who should be the fiercest defenders of life within themselves to literally murder babies in their wombs.

This shedding of innocent blood–a thing God says He hates—fits perfectly, for example, within the designs of the human minions of Ephesians 6: 12 to achieve their goals for their so-called New World Order.

The plans for those who want to implement the Great Reset, those of the World Economic Forum and other one-world builders, include the intention to bring earth's population down to five hundred million people or less. This was engraved on the recently removed Georgia Guidestones, you perhaps remember.

The following item encapsulates how Satan has convinced the child-bearing members of the human race to participate in his hellish scheme to seek and destroy all of humankind.

> A Nebraska teenager was recently sentenced to 90 days in jail after she burned and buried the remains of her aborted baby, a case U.S. Rep. Ilhan Omar called a "frightening violation of privacy and autonomy."
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> Omar published a screenshot of a New York Times article about the case of 19-year-old Celeste Burgess, who was not charged "under Nebraska's abortion law," the article notes. At the time, Nebraska prohibited abortions after 20 weeks; that has now been moved up to 12 weeks.
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> Instead, she "pleaded guilty in May to removing or concealing human skeletal remains, a felony. Prosecutors agreed to drop two misdemeanor charges against her: concealing a death and false reporting," the *New York Times* reports.
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> Burgess, 17 at the time, was "almost 30 weeks pregnant" in April 2022 when she used abortion pills obtained by her mother to terminate her pregnancy, according to the article. Her mother, Jessica, has pleaded guilty to violating Nebraska's abortion restrictions along with providing false information to police and removing or concealing human skeletal remains, according to the Times.
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> Courthouse News reports that the mother and daughter tried to hide the remains, "at one point attempting to burn the remains with apple-flavored charcoal briquettes." The baby was "buried, moved and reburied," Courthouse News says.
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> Police obtained Facebook messages between Celeste Burgess and her mother where the daughter talked "about how she can't wait to get that 'thing' out of her body," according to the Associated Press. ("Omar expresses support for woman who burned and buried aborted baby's remains. Courthouse News reports that the mother and daughter tried to hide the remains, "at one point attempting to burn the remains with apple-flavored charcoal briquettes." Anthony Gockowski, Alpha News, 8/9/23)

Of all signals that this generation is bumping up against the very end of the age, it is the mounting evidence that many fall under Paul's prophetic warning that gives proof:

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be… Without natural affection. (2 Timothy 3:1, 3a)

There can be no greater "natural affection" than that of a mother for her child. But millions have been deceived into believing that the baby within is a *thing* that is to be gotten rid of from within their bodies, as the above tragic story of the young woman's experience attests. This burgeoning, without-natural-affection slap in the face of God evil, like homosexuality, is surely a

profound sign that God who created us in His own image is about to say, “Enough,” and begin the divine process of bringing back heavenly order.

But there is still redemption for those who will but turn to God’s way–the only way—to forgiveness and acceptance into His eternal family. Here is how to be forgiven, even of the sins of homosexuality and abortion:

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Romans 10:9–10)

Fresno Lab: China's Operation to Exterminate Americans

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- There were on site at least 20 potentially infectious pathogens including those causing coronavirus, HIV, hepatitis, and herpes.
- We know enough to be alarmed, however.
- The lab was supposed to be producing COVID-19 and pregnancy tests, but the facility contained items inconsistent with that explanation. The seizures at the lab strongly suggest China's regime is preparing to spread disease in America, undoubtedly in the months before a war.
- In all probability, it is from locations like this one where China will "fire the first shot" in the next war.
- General Chi Haotian, when he was China's defense minister two decades ago, reportedly gave a secret speech advocating the extermination of Americans with disease. His plan was

to clear out the hills, plains, and valleys of North America so that the Chinese people could settle in the vast spaces left uninhabited.

- Since then, the mass murder of Americans has been a popular theme in Chinese society. The Communist Party, which tightly controls discourse in the People's Republic of China, permits and even encourages incitement to kill Americans . "We are ahead of schedule in terms of overtaking the United States.... There will be no problem reaching this goal in 2027. The U.S. will not survive." — LI Yi, prominent Chinese sociologist, October 2020.

- Americans now have to assume that China's Communist Party is executing a plan to exterminate Americans.

- Will Americans, now warned, act to protect their society? After the discovery of the kamikaze lab near Fresno, they should act first and ask questions later.

- Americans now have to assume that China's Communist Party is executing a plan to exterminate Americans.

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Threats Don’t Go Well in a Small Town

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Once again, Democrats can behave like Democrats… provided Republicans don’t behave like Democrats. Why is that? What are they missing?

Just in case you haven’t seen the music video yet, Jason Aldean’s anthem is screaming to the top of the country music charts and subsequently has been banned by CMT as “too controversial” — after the political left expressed their indignation.

Try that in a small town? White supremacy.
Try that in the hood? *Just keepin’ it real…*

There really isn’t a kind or delicate way of putting the problem.

One half of this country believes that violence and coercion in service to progress is acceptable; the other half of the country is tired of Lucy and the Football.

In short, folks are tired of being decent in the face of the rude and vulgar — and they are starting to draw some very clear lines.

Why?

Jason Aldean - Try That In A Small Town (Official Music Video)
https://youtube.com/watch?v=b1_RKu-ESCY

The Problem Isn't Both/And, It's Action/Reaction

Imagine for a moment if Tea Party activists shut down three dozen major cities over a period of six weeks, caused billions of dollars in property damages, killed 25 people, hurt and harmed hundreds more, resulted in the arrest of 14,000 people and saw over 2,000 law enforcement personnel injured.

We wouldn't call that a "peaceful protest" — we would call that a revolution.

Consider what has happened after Roe v. Wade was overturned. Since May 2020, there have been over 300 attacks on Catholic parishes; 59 in 2023 alone after the Catholic Church itself was targeted as a source of domestic terrorism by none other than the FBI. The pro-life movement faced 22 times as many violent attacks than abortion groups in 2022 and 70% of the caseload for the FBI.

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Consider January 6th when protesters interrupted the peaceful transference of power. The sheer hypocrisy of the political left when compared to how they behaved during the Kavanaugh hearings in 2018 where leftists stormed Senate office buildings and attempted to stop the Senate Judiciary Hearings?

Or imagine for a moment if President Trump engaged in a program pushed by the White House to call out his political opponents and silence them in the public square.

Anyone remember this?

It's not Republicans doing this.

Democrats are doing this.

Want To Know Who Truly Governs? Identify Whom You Are Not Allowed to Criticize...

Yet over the last 20 years, it seems as if Republicans have conceded on a great deal:

- the definition of marriage,

- definitions on life,
- definitions on gender and sexuality,
- the slow then fast erosion of social and cultural standards,
- violence in film and media,
- the prevalence of abortion culture,
- the sexualization of minors,
- Critical Race Theory,
- diversity training and DEI apparatchiks,
- the corporatization of everything,
- the Internet of Everything,
- editing the classics of literature in order to conform to the spirit of the age in true Orwellian newspeak,
- words you cannot use,
- opinions you may not express,
- the return of segregated spaces as safe spaces,
- the fetishization of socialism,
- the rewriting of history,
- the iconoclasm against our monuments,
- the grunging of America both in our workplaces and public spaces,
- the lack of respect for the elderly where euthanasia is viewed as a duty rather than with horror.

I've missed a few things, I'm sure.

Democrats may point to Dobbs as a defeat, but apart from this milestone — and with the alarming rise of chemical abortion in its wake, one finds it difficult to see how the balkanization of a human rights question is a victory in and of itself — where precisely are the Democrats losing?

Preserving the March Through the Institutions Through Violence and Coercion?
The left controls five of the seven major institutions — media, entertainment, education, academia, and the bureaucracy. As a matter of policy, Obamacare is a thing now. Social Security isn't going anywhere. Faith institutions are bending; the military and first responders remain institutionally right-leaning (but for how much longer?)

The cities have carried the day against the country. Pride gets a whole month. America is talking about race relations in a way that once was only whispered on college campuses — and Americans of every ethnicity and background continue to do well in America despite the narrative.

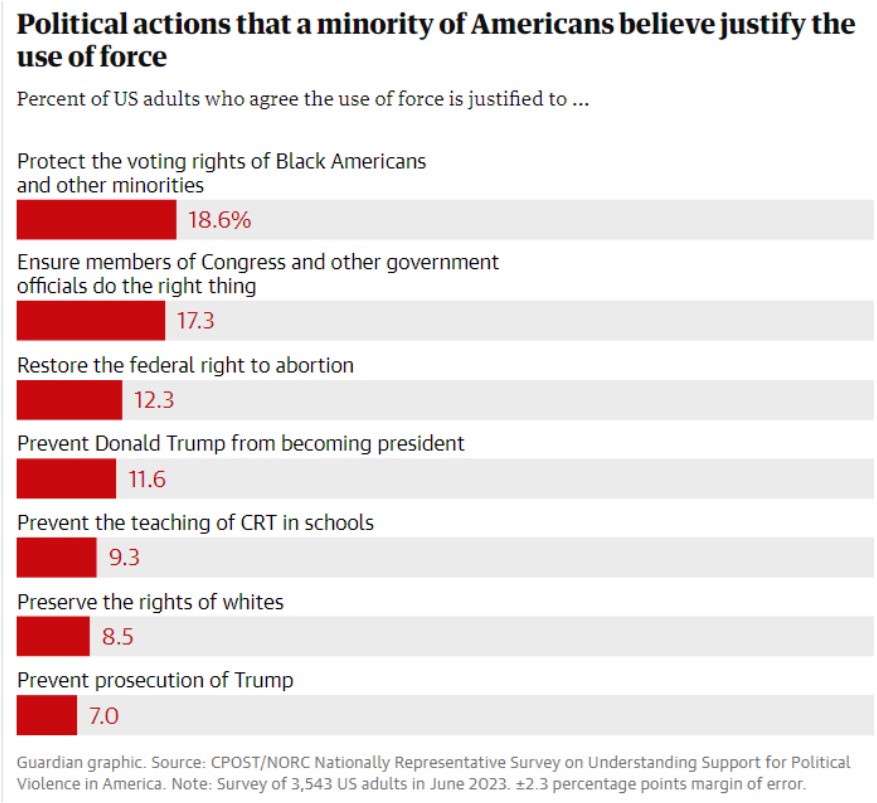
So total is the Democratic victory at this rate that progressives find themselves combatting — not conservatives — but their own liberal institutions as harbingers of structural racism.

Which might beg the following question: Why is the political left so apt to lean into violence to preserve their gains?

Lest we fall into the trap of whataboutism and point to instances of right wing violence, let's remember the statistics here.

22:1.

The UK Guardian attempted to cage the problem as left-wing progress vs. right-win reaction, but the reactionaries here aren't on the right. In fact, the numbers suggest that the predilection towards violent action in pursuit of the political remains a feature — and not a bug — of the political left, and overwhelmingly so:



One out of six US Americans? Which — if one were to transpose that number directly on the political left? That's one out of three who are willing to opt for violence in order to "ensure members of Congress do the right thing" and "protect voting rights" — which one must admit is an extremely broad mandate.

Here's a number that should shock you.

11.6% of Americans — let's say, 22.6% of Demcorats? — are willing to consider violent action should Donald Trump become president of the United States again in 2024.

To restore Trump to the presidency? 6.9% of Americans are willing to enforce the popular will should it come to that.

This should raise the inevitable question as to whether the problem of violence in politics a right-wing problem at all? Or more accurately, is it a problem where the political left is willing to use extra-democratic means (i.e. violence) to preserve their 50-year march through the institutions?

Setting the New Rules for Political Engagement?
Just last week, National Review's Kathryn Jean Lopez frowned upon the message of trying that in a small town:

> There's something remarkably and alarmingly cynical to responding to poison with more poison — which is what Aldean is doing.
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> Again, Aldean is right that we have our challenges. I've watched more robberies in stores in the past year than in my entire life. But one of the other things I've seen is the obvious sadness and hopelessness that people feel.
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> The day after Donald Trump was elected president, women at the women's abortion march on Fifth Avenue had handwritten signs that read "#sad." They couldn't even be more creative than that, so forlorn were their hearts. Another day years later, a woman protested an event I was moderating. She swore at a Catholic nun who simply thanked her for being there and listening to what we had to say. She swore at me, too, and the emptiness in her eyes, I would hope, would beg Jason Aldean to write something that would bring some joy to her life. Otherwise, she is probably left with the impression that anyone who is of a more conservative point of view hates her. I don't hate her. My Sister of Life friend doesn't hate her. We want her to know that her life has value. Part of the reason abortion is so prevalent in America is that people don't know what a gift their own lives are. That's why we don't need songs about pulling out guns to take care of problems that come from a deficit of love.

For writing this, Lopez was hammered with nothing less than vitriol and hate via Twitter (now X).

Not in drips, but in a torrent of mockery and contempt that had the detectible presence of being piled on by bots, fake accounts, and useful idiots.

From the right.

One of the complaints against conservatives over the last 20 years from either the populist or nationalist set is that despite the conservative pretense to big ideas and the noble, conservatism lost the culture war to the progressive left and their liberal allies on all the things listed above. To a fine point, they argue that if conservatism cannot stem the tide, then nationalism can — and will.

Thus we tore down anti-communist conservative fusionists such as Ronald Reagan from his pedestal and replace him with newer monuments — to Trump. Free minds, free markets, and a free society were replaced with borders, language, and culture as the mantra of the right.

Conservatives were toppled in a 10-year campaign by populist and nationalist candidates whose sole purpose was to outflank Republicans to their right, not because they could actually enact policy that would upend Democratic gains, but rather for the sole litmus test of but they fight.

Yet the end result? The left found it easier to push their agenda. More has been conceded over the last 10 years than in the previous 40 years. Yet the nationalist movement had an ace that conservatives would never (and could never) play — that being a willingness to meet the progressives on their own terms.

Violence.

Which if I could just snap off one bit of knowledge and gift it to anyone else, it is this: Violence is the failure of politics.

That's it.

Reminds me of the old WallBuilders videos which turned the argument of political ideology on its head. The good guys weren't on the right or the left — the good guys were those who maximized human freedom without surrendering to anarchy. The bad guys were the totalitarians — communists, fascists, authoritarians — who sought to control the human spirit. Once you see politics that way, it is hard to go back.

The same is true with the option for violence.

Once you consent to the idea that politics can be adjudicated by the argument of force rather than the force of argument? The Greeks — specifically Thucydides — called such a condition stasis or civil war. Such a condition was compared to consumption or tuberculosis, where the body politic literally began consuming itself.

Now the left may not consent to such things. They may riot in our cities, firebomb our places of worship, burn our pregnancy resource centers, and physically attack those who show up to counterprotest.

Yet there is a difference between violence and self-defense. There is a difference between a conception of violence which enforces a political ideology and a conception of self-defense in the best spirit of the Second Amendment. There is a difference between being a subject to the laws — whether that is a secular religion masked in ideology or a foreign king — and being a citizen in a free nation.

I'm not quite sure that our friends on the left understand how their equivocation and rush to excuse violence during the Summer of 2020 broke a certain understanding of America. Indeed, there seem to be two sets of rules — leftist violence is the highest form of democracy; right-wing reaction is insurrection. They impede our elected officials and call it democracy; we do likewise and it is a coup. Democrats can threaten public officials and it is merely emotion; Republicans ask why their daughters are being raped in transgendered bathrooms in public schools and they get arrested.

Try That In Your Inner City

What concerns me most is that Democrats allow themselves the methods of coercion and violence while denying the same to Republicans.

If CRT stood for Christian Reason Theory, would Democrats bend the knee?

If DEI stood for Drag Everyone Inside with the goal of holding everyone to a fair standard regardless of background, would Democrats bend the knee?

If public schools "edited out" offensive lines from books, would Democrats bend the knee?

Of course they wouldn't. They'd fight you — physically.

…and we all know it.

Yet coercive process seems to be the exclusive province of the political left in this country. Any attempt to reform this on the right — school choice, pluralism, the Great Books — is immediately decried as Christian nationalism — the monster under the bed and a proverbial bogeyman if there ever was one.

This is the truth — indeed, the epistemic closure and lack of empathy for others — that too many Democrats refuse to want to hear about themselves. One cannot even mention it in polite society for fear of offending otherwise sensible and open-minded (to a point) Democrats.

Yet Republicans — conservatives especially — know this and for those of us who remember the conservative intellectual tradition, grow increasingly alarmed as Democrats refuse to even consider this reality. Failure to have even so much as an olive branch extended only breathes life

into the nationalist reaction, that the left isn't interested in pluralism or discussion, merely crushing dissent. Their fears? That the right might very well behave like the left.

So we are back to a truism.

Democrats can behave like Democrats, so long as Republicans do not behave like Democrats.

If that stings? Then perhaps a little bit of empathy to erode that epistemic closure is warranted. Again — imagine if the political right engaged in a Summer of 2020. What then?

Yet if that rings true? Remember that behaving like the bad guys doesn't make you a good guy — it makes you a bad guy. That doesn't mean the option for self-defense isn't available, but the option for self-offense is off the table now and forever (as it was for our Founders).

Violence is the forfeiture of politics, ladies and gentlemen. That those who champion democracy opt for coercion is the very reason why the Founding Fathers hated the demos+kratia (the brute force of the mob).

We should be a lot more allergic to it than we are at present. That one half of America isn't does not portend well.

SOURCE: **THE REPUBLICAN STANDARD**

WATCH VIDEO: U.S. ‘3-letter agencies’ involved in child-sex trafficking says Star of ‘Sound of Freedom’, the most powerful whistleblower movie released in decades

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I spent part of my Fourth of July holiday inside a movie theater, something I haven’t done in many

years, and I did it not because I wanted to be entertained but because I wanted to be informed.

The film *Sound of Freedom*, a true story based on the life and work of ex-Homeland Security agent Tim Ballard and his “Operation Underground,” was way more than I expected. I ended up being informed, enraged, moved to tears, inspired. I strongly encourage everyone to see it.

Everything makes more sense now as to why the Biden regime has opened up the U.S.-Mexico border and invited the world to come to it. He is cooperating with the human trafficking cartels

who are making more money than ever, and they've been at this a long time.

The United States is the biggest producer of child porn and the biggest consumer in the child sex-slave industry. This is both shameful and damning. Sound of Freedom was completed five years ago but the producers had to overcome countless hurdles, including being blackballed by those who finance films, distribute films and promote films. At least one major studio agreed to finance the film and then backed out. But they finally got this masterpiece to market and it's in theaters now. If enough people see it, I see the potential for major change in America. Let us pray it is so.

Jim Caviezel, who plays the role of Ballard, calls the child sex trade "the biggest evil known to mankind," and it's "going on right now."

And the U.S. government is covering up for this industry, as is the corrupt mainstream media and its hired "fact checkers."

If you were a politician, or someone with influence over a politician, I would think all other issues pale in comparison to this one. Yet, they are silent.

The neocons cannot stop scheming and posturing for war with Russia, but they don't want to talk about this dark stain on America's moral standing in the world.

Why are they silent? Because selling children for profit is big business in America and the wealth gets spread around to many other nations as well.

This is a $152 billion a year business, Caviezel said. It has surpassed the illegal arms trade and is second only to illegal drug trafficking.

The cartels can sell a kilo of cocaine one time. But they can sell a child five to 10 times per night.

Below is an interview Caviezel did last week with War Room podcaster Steve Bannon.

Caviezel also talks about the connection between the child sex trade and the U.S. biolabs in Ukraine and other countries.

The U.S. government's "three letter agencies" are involved, he said, adding: "It's my opinion that this is something that they don't want to solve."

This must stop. As the film states at the end, "God's children are not for sale."

Revelation 18:11-13 talks about this type of demonic activity going on in the last days. It says a revived Babylonian system will be mercilessly destroyed when a coalition of nations turn on it and

burn it to the ground. “The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn” over Babylon’s destruction, “for no one buys their merchandise anymore.” It then lists a number of items that were bought and sold by the end-times Babylonian system, which includes, among other things, “cinnamon and incense, fragrant oil and frankincense, wine and oil, fine flour and wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, ***and the bodies and souls of men***.”

Mel Gibson is also reportedly working on a film about the sex-slave business and says his life has been threatened.

The first step in eradicating this problem is awareness, Gibson said, adding “Go see Sound of Freedom.”

If you’ve seen it, let me know your thoughts in the comments below.

They’re Coming for Your Children

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From the Farthest East of Eden

Adam Harwood writes, *“People are created by God for relationship, primarily with God, and secondarily with others. He has been in relationship with Himself eternally, and, consistent with His relational nature, He created people for relationship with Himself and others.”* 1 As John Hammett writes, *“We are created for community.”* 2

God is without sin. He did not create sin, yet sin abounds. Since He did not create it, from where did it come? It emerges from deep recesses of the will of His created people. It is evidence of why the concept of free will should not be so easily dismissed. Sin is any corruption of God’s creation. This shouldn’t be a matter only for theologians to ponder, but rather the issue all of us ought to comprehend. This requires examination on a level many people will either avoid asking, or, simply, avoid confronting. Sin is inescapable and has been a permanent feature of man’s condition for all of human history. Yet it’s not permanent to our relationship to God and with God. Man’s nature was made for God, and apart from God, a man misses his true identity. Sin creates loss, confusion, and chaos.

It creates evil.

Once, the national conversation revolved around the war on drugs, the war in Viet Nam, and the war of the sexes. Those things not only shaped the conversation, but in many ways, shaped an entire generation and, ultimately, their descendants. From there, the change in attitudes, habits, and priorities was steady, and, it turns out, relentless. Even so, no one was preparing for the conversations we are having now.

They're coming for your children.

Historically, men dressing as women have been a feature of society for hundreds of years.

During Shakespeare's lifetime, the role of Desdemona, the loving and devoted wife murdered by her husband in "Othello," wasn't performed by a woman until 1660, some sixty years after he wrote the play. King Charles II eventually issued a proclamation to make it official after the first known performance by a woman. Later, the legendary actress, Sarah Bernhardt, played Hamlet in 1899, and Jessika D. Williams, in a literal role-reversal, played Othello in 2020. Apart from the stage, cross-dressing was considered a social illness—a pathology, and derided as such in western culture. Fifty years ago, we used to laugh at Milton Berle because we knew it was wholesome fun, and he looked hysterical.

The newsmakers of today are playing it for real. In fact, it's not play-acting at all, but something far more sinister. Unlike legitimate theater, we cannot—we must not—suspend disbelief. Words matter, it's been said, and when someone says something really sinister about our kids, it ought to send up distress flares. The transgender movement has become extraordinarily militant and aggressive. While there were some who warned us about this coming day, sadly, too many of us weren't listening. The Apostle Paul warned us:

24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen. (Romans 1:24-25 ESV)

If we have seen the images of men out on the streets of major cities, stripped bare, painted, and chanting, "We are coming for your children," we are seeing men possessed. There is no other way to put it. We need to take them seriously, **because there is no reason to believe they are just joking**. 3

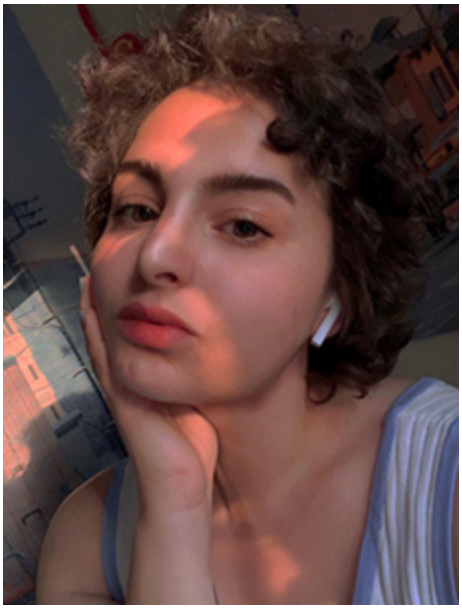
So, how is it that a sitting president can host such people at the White House, or draping the gay pride flag between the American flags, and declaring, *"These are our kids. These are our neighbors. Not somebody else's kids; they're all our kids?"* Why would a governor veto a bill protecting children from transgender surgeries? Because they're coming for your children.

It doesn't take a village to raise our children anymore than it takes the **Village People**. 4 That idea of community does not at all comport with the biblical model of community. The first community for anyone who is born on this earth is, or ought to be, a loving family. Absent a family, a biblically based community is difficult to find, and healthy relationships rarely develop; therefore, the newborn will ultimately and inevitably suffer. Because sin is the unavoidable state of being for all humankind, a child without a healthy family, will often suffer needlessly.

But does sin necessarily result in evil? Evil is not created by God; evil is the corruption of any and all things that God did create. We know that God created sex, and so It is good. Sexual sin though, is widespread, and particularly so in this present generation owing to the ubiquity of available pornography—especially "gay porn," which has loosened even further most moral restraints in mainstream entertainment, and now, social media sites have only exacerbated this.

Only recently, has the phenomenon of transgenderism become such a potent threat to healthy families, because our children are, and always have been, its concluding target. The transition from "good old-fashioned predation" has moved from the child molester scouting for his victims outside the schoolyard, to the public and privately funded clinics and hospitals. The new child molester now has the imprimatur of major corporate businesses for the benefit of diversity, equity, and inclusion. There are quite literally billions of dollars at stake in incentives.

Identifying men as women using the term transgender is an utter corruption of the creation of sex, and this is the where evil part comes in. The terms leading to transgender were introduced into the English lexicon by Dr. John Money.



Editor-in-Chief for Reduxx, **Anna Slatz** (pictured) writes, *"Dr. John Money, a sexologist and psychologist from New Zealand who practiced at Johns Hopkins, is considered the first to coin the terms 'gender identity' and 'gender role,' describing the 'internal experience of sexuality' and the 'social expectations of male and female behavior' respectively.* ***These concepts are prominently featured in trans activism today, and are used to bolster claims of 'gender fluidity.'"*** 5 These same claims are based on the so-called theories of an admitted pedophile. But worse, they have the political imprimatur of the ruling class in America and abroad to advance them as accepted science; however, ***"European countries increasingly discourage automatic deference to a child's self-declarations while making long-term psychotherapy a prerequisite for transgender treatments."*** 6

- ***"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward."*** (Psalm 127:3)

Our children are a gift and a blessing from God. We not only have the joy of it, but the moral imperative to revere His gift; to protect our children from evil. Because we are made in His image, we hard-wired to willingly suffer the slings and arrows that are hurled at our children with our very lives. This is the hill on we which we fight spiritual warfare; because God has given only us, as parents, the ability to be the only parents our children have: not the state, or anyone else.

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Biden admin: Child-killing cluster bombs are only used by ‘war criminals,’ until they’re used by us

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The Biden regime has **approved cluster bombs** for Ukraine, under the justification that *“**but Russia used them first**.”*

Watch below as former White House press secretary Jen Psaki condemns the use of cluster bombs as “war crime” in 2022. The overall thrust of her comment suggests that only the “bad guys” would use these little bomblets that tend to be left lying on the ground, unexploded, until little children come along and pick them up, blowing their little bodies to smithereens.

> BREAKING: Here is Jen Psaki in 2022 saying that using cluster bombs is a war crime
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> The Biden Admin is sending cluster bomber to Ukraine today **pic.twitter.com/dSMKqumDm1**
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> — Jack Poso 🇺🇸 (@JackPosobiec) **July 7, 2023**

Cluster bombs are widely banned around the world.

The US is sending controversial cluster bombs to Ukraine.
https://youtube.com/watch?v=RT07IF_9Wwg

The Effect Of Cluster Munition On Cars & Concrete
https://youtube.com/watch?v=GYDUN_e9Xis

Sarah Yager, the Washington director at Human Rights Watch, called the U.S. decision "devastating."

"They are absolutely awful for civilians," Yager told **Al Jazeera** in a television interview. "I think when legislators and policymakers here in the United States see the photos coming back of children with missing limbs, parents injured, killed by our own American cluster munitions, there's going to be a real awakening to the humanitarian disaster that this is."

Remember, this is the same wicked administration that has recently approved radiological depleted uranium shells to be used in Ukraine, potentially poisoning some of the world's most fertile black soil for decades to come.

Revelation 18 speaks of the great Harlot, modern Babylon, being destroyed in the latter days, smashing its ability to traffic in all manner of luxury products including "the bodies and souls of men," which I explored in my **previous article** about the story of Tim Ballard in Sound of Freedom.

But another characteristic of the end-times revived Babylonian system, which the Bible says in Revelation 18 will be destroyed "in one hour" is that it wreaks havoc on the earth's natural environment. The Luciferian oligarchs who run the world love to talk about "saving the plant" with their policies leading to total surveillance and control, but that's just a Hegelian trap. They don't care about the environment. They are all about destroying it. From Bill Gates' effort to dim the sun's light and various other geoengineering tactics, to the destruction of farmlands, to the polluting of the oceans and lakes and the eventual use of nuclear weapons, the globalists have no regard for the environment. They are hypocrites.

“And the nations were enraged, and Your wrath came, and the time came for the dead to be judged, and the time to reward Your bond-servants the prophets and the saints and those who fear Your name, the small and the great, and to destroy those who destroy the earth.” Rev. 11:18

Will This Spider Web of 'Experts' Destroy the USA's Freedom?

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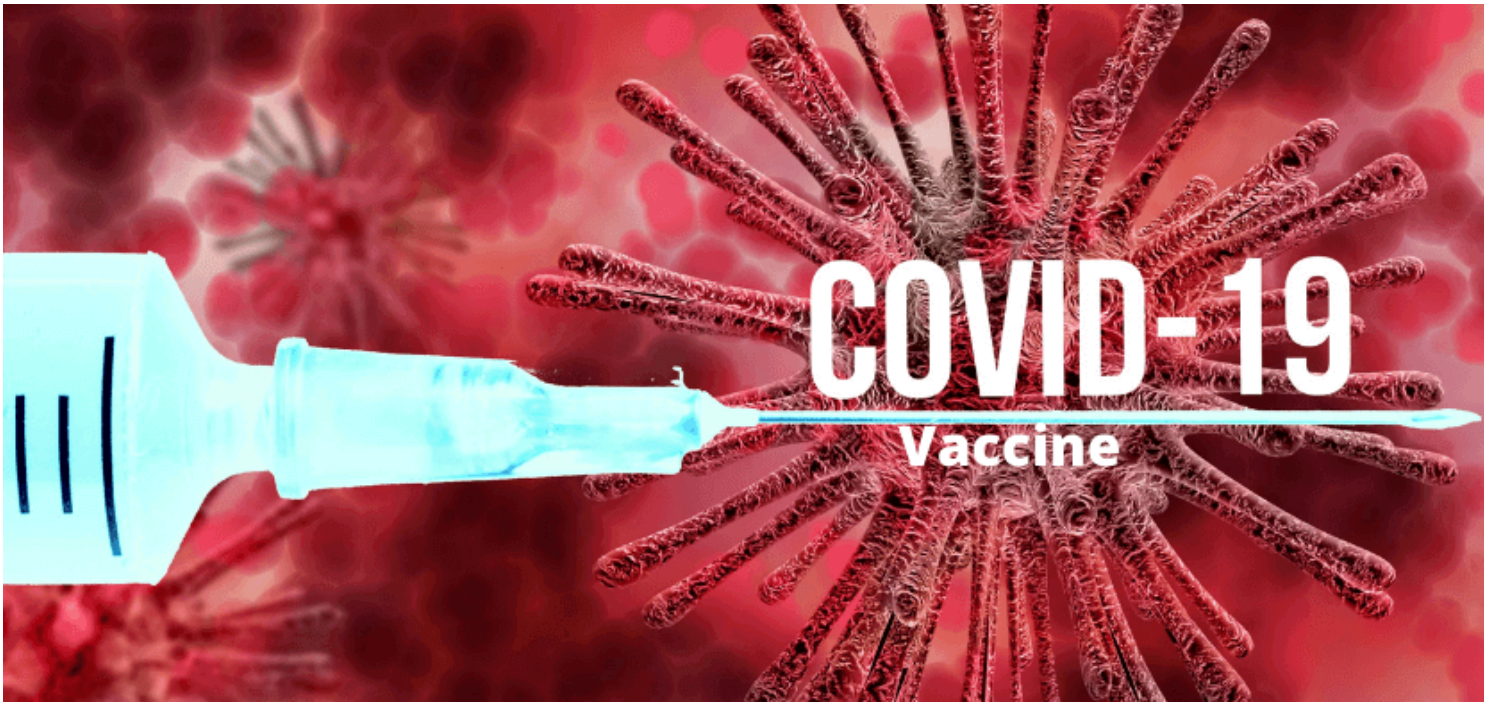

It Is Time to Declare Our Independence From the Vaccinators

This Analysis by **Barbara Loe Fisher** has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- On July 4, 2023, it will have been 247 years since the Declaration of Independence was drafted by Thomas Jefferson and signed by delegates of 13 American colonies formally declaring independence from political control by the King of England.
- One of the most primal human fears is fear of death, and the science experts calling the shots in government health agencies and at the United Nations, especially the World Health Organization, along with their Big Pharma, Big Tech and other Big Money partners, know that.
- Vaccine products atypically manipulate the immune system by stimulating an acute inflammatory response in the body but, in an unknown number of people, that inflammation does not resolve.
- If the last three years taught us nothing else, we now know it is time to declare our independence from the Vaccinators and take back individual sovereignty, our right to

autonomy, before it is too late.

- There is really only one way to free ourselves from the Vaccinators and that is to eliminate one-size-fits-all vaccination laws.

July 4, 1776
States of America
BIG BROTHER IN THE EXAM ROOM
A SHOT IN THE DARK
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DPT
nvic.org

On July 4 [redacted] fted by Thomas [redacted] independence from political control by the King of England.[1]

"Light and liberty go together" said Jefferson[2] and, in his final letter to John Adams before he and Adams both died on July 4, 1826, Jefferson predicted that no despot or tyrannical empire in the future would be able to crush the human spirit of resistance that guards liberty.

A fierce proponent of individual rights,[3] Jefferson said, "The flames kindled on the 4th of July 1776 have spread over too much of the globe to be extinguished by the feeble engines of despotism. On the contrary, they will consume these engines, and all who work them."[4,5]

Was Jefferson's prediction right? Or, as one of the earliest and most influential proponents of smallpox inoculation,[6] could he never have imagined that the scientific and medical professions he loved so well[7] would one day forge lucrative global business partnerships with industry and government and create a public health empire that has become a much greater threat to liberty than the monarchy he and his fellow revolutionaries rebelled against in 1776?[8,9,10]

After my son was injured in 1980 by the crude, toxic whole cell pertussis vaccine in DPT shots,[11] I joined with other parents of DPT vaccine injured children in 1982 to establish the charity known today as the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC) with the mission of preventing vaccine injuries and deaths through public education.[12,13] We have defended the legal right to make voluntary decisions about vaccination for 41 years.[14,15]

Since then, I have watched the public health empire grow and use "no exceptions" vaccination laws as the tip of the spear in the great culture war gripping this and other nations around the world. It is an ideological and political war that has been going on since the 19th century,[16,17] pitting those who believe in the right to autonomy and liberty against those who believe in centralized, authoritarian government control.[18,19,20,21]

How it ends will define what freedom means for human populations around the world during this and many centuries to come. What is at stake is whether or not our physical BODY, which houses our mind and soul, will continue to be regulated, altered and used without our voluntary consent to achieve goals pursued by national governments or, as some are predicting, a future one-world government.[22,23]

The New Aristocracy: Privileged 'Experts' Call the Shots

The most vocal proponents of forced vaccination have always filled the ranks of professions that require possession of an advanced academic degree — such as an M.D., Ph.D., J.D. — or other honorific title that automatically confers an elevated status in society with all the respect, economic and social class benefits that come along with that privilege.[24,25,26,27,28,29,30]

Unlike in the 18th century when the American colonies fought for freedom from a king, power in western societies is no longer wielded by kings and queens and other aristocratic members of hereditary monarchies.

Today, power in most societies with representative democratic governments and constitutional republics is wielded by a new aristocracy, a spider web of highly paid science, medical, legal and business "experts" with big titles working for governments[31] and pharmaceutical,[32] medical trade,[33] Big Tech,[34,35] military-Industrial,[36] corporate media,[37,38] banking,[39,40] and other institutions.[41,42,43,44,45]

Politicians often rely upon these titled experts — like Dr. Anthony Fauci — to tell them what to believe and do, especially when they fly under the "science" flag and declare a public health emergency.[46] And, having the power to make laws that govern the rest of us, politicians are quick to exercise that power when fear of the unknown interferes with rational thinking.

One of the most primal human fears is fear of death, and the science experts calling the shots in government health agencies and at the United Nations, especially the World Health Organization, along with their Big Pharma, Big Tech and other Big Money partners, know that.[47,48,49,50]

When they declared a COVID pandemic emergency in the winter of 2020, they used fear of death and their "expert" status as weapons to persuade people to abandon rational thinking, believe the unbelievable, and give up liberty for the illusion of safety.

During partial or complete lockdowns, at least 4.5 billion people in over 100 countries, including 310 million Americans in 43 states, were suddenly ordered to hide in their homes.[51,52,53,54] We were told to restrict our breathing with paper and plastic masks — even children as young as 2 — and to stay 6 feet away from others if we entered a public space.[55]

In a state of shock, we saw police taser the unmasked and dispatch drones to force people indoors.[56,57] We watched politicians close restaurants, stores, gyms, parks, theaters, churches and schools, which led to isolation, mental illness and economic ruin.[58,59,60]

We grieved with the families blocked from holding the hands of their loved ones dying in retirement and nursing homes, and for the elderly who died in hospitals after they were automatically put on ventilators that killed most of them.[61,62] We felt powerless when government

health officials told doctors they could not repurpose already licensed drugs like ivermectin to prevent COVID complications or help heal the sick.[63,64,65]

But the biggest weapon used during the height of COVID hysteria was a very old one, one that has been around for more than 200 years. Warning that "nobody is safe until everyone is safe,"[66] the experts in charge at the United Nations, World Health Organization and in government health agencies ordered every human in the world to be injected with a pharmaceutical product called a vaccine, a product sold for profit that can injure, kill or fail to work as advertised.

People were tracked, coerced and, ultimately, many were forced to get vaccinated or face severe consequences.[67] No shots, no school.[68] No shots, no medical care.[69] No shots, no job.[70,71,72] No shots, no travel.[73] No shots, no life. The Vaccinators ruled with an iron fist.

According to The New York Times, more than 72% of the world's population — some 5.5 billion people, which reportedly included about 80% percent of the U.S. population — got at least one COVID shot,[74] a biological product that has racked up more than 1.5 million adverse event reports in the U.S. alone.[75,76]

The First Vaccinator Infected Children With Cowpox

The Vaccinators — those individuals who make, sell, license, recommend, administer, promote and mandate pharmaceutical products called "vaccines" — have been around for as long as the United States of America. The most famous Vaccinator, who is credited with inventing the concept of vaccination, was an 18th century medical doctor living in England: Edward Jenner.

As urban legend would have it, in 1796, Dr. Jenner took pus from a cowpox lesion on the skin of a milkmaid and scratched it into the arm of a healthy child in hopes that a milder cowpox infection would protect against serious cases of smallpox. It was an experimental practice that several other doctors in England had been doing for years.[77,78]

By the end of the 18th century, smallpox was already naturally declining in severity in London, but it could still kill between 10 and 30% and leave many scarred with pockmarks.[79] Jenner and the other doctors infecting healthy children with an animal disease to prevent a human disease did not know exactly what would happen to the children they experimented on.

They didn't know anything about what it would do to the body of an individual child at the cellular and molecular level, whether it would cause acute reactions or uncontrolled inflammation in the body[80,81] or whether it would alter immune,[82] heart[83] or brain function,[84] or affect chromosomal integrity.[85]

After all, medical doctors in 1796 were still ritualistically bleeding and purging people sick with smallpox and other diseases, as well as restricting nutrition. They were doing the same thing to many healthy infants and adults before performing arm-to-arm inoculation using smallpox pus, a procedure called variolation.[86,87,88]

How many died of smallpox back then because doctors insisted on limiting food intake and bleeding and purging them until they had little strength left to heal? There is no question that cowpox inoculation was legendary for its ability to cause severe reactions, disability and death,[89] which is also true for smallpox vaccine still given to some soldiers today.[90,91]

With missionary zeal, Jenner and his medical colleagues ignored the protests and pleas by mothers and fathers, who watched once healthy infants and children get inoculated and be covered with open sores, while their feverish bodies became riddled with inflammation and their hearts and brains were permanently damaged, with an unknown number of them wasting away and dying within a few days or weeks or months of vaccination.[92,93,94]

Still, Jenner eventually was able to persuade influential doctors, especially those heading up the new profession of "public health" funded by governments, to use arm-to-arm inoculation to infect all healthy children with cowpox.

Somewhere along the way, a new animal-human hybrid vaccinia virus emerged, which scientists today argue could be part cow or part horse — nobody seems to know for sure — but routine inoculation with the live vaccinia virus was described in early medical journals as "humanized vaccination."[95,96]

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Vaccination Did Not Confer Lifelong Immunity

Even in the 18th century, it was known that recovery from smallpox gave a person what appeared to be lifelong immunity to the dreaded disease.[97,98] Jenner considered himself to be a scientist and his unshakable belief that scratching cowpox pus into the arms of children conferred durable immunity to smallpox was eventually shown to be a myth. In fact, by 1880, the evidence confirmed that Jenner was wrong — vaccination did not confer permanent immunity.

Smallpox outbreaks were occurring in England despite compulsory vaccination laws,[99] just like pertussis,[100] mumps,[101] measles,[102,103,104] and polio[105,106] outbreaks occur today, despite widespread vaccination laws. U.S. industrialist and philanthropist John Pitcairn pointed that out when he testified before the Pennsylvania legislature in 1907 against mandatory smallpox vaccination. He said:[107]

> *"Jenner began by claiming that vaccination made a person immune for life, but the facts of observation soon resulted in the term being shortened to 14 years; then it was made seven; then five; then two; and in the Spanish-American War, six months was the limit of immunity."*

Not only did smallpox vaccination not provide lifelong immunity, but live vaccinia virus vaccination could spread vaccine strain infection to other people.[108] The myth that vaccination is a sure guarantee of immunity is a persistent bit of disinformation about vaccines that has been used by the Vaccinators for two centuries to justify public health policies enforcing the purchase and use of multiple doses of the same vaccines — including COVID vaccine.[109,110]

In 2020, that old myth played a key role in billions of people around the world believing the lie that COVID vaccine would guarantee that vaccinated people could not get infected with or transmit SARS-CoV-2.[111,112]

Poor Children Used in Arm-to-Arm Vaccination Campaigns

After declaring a coronavirus pandemic emergency in 2020, the Vaccinators at the World Health Organization sent out a press release proclaiming that because of smallpox vaccination campaigns, "The world got rid of smallpox thanks to an incredible demonstration of global solidarity, and because it had a safe and effective vaccine." They said, "Solidarity plus science equaled solution!"[113]

But the ugly truth about the history of vaccination is that for a century after Jenner's newfound fame, little children — mostly working class, minority and orphaned children — were used to conduct arm-to-arm anti-smallpox campaigns that had nothing to do with science.

Children were the preferred tools of the new trade because they were thought to be more "pure": their blood usually was not infected with syphilis, tuberculosis and other diseases more common to adults at the time.

Doctors at the height of the British Empire, scratched cowpox pus into the arms of children living in the slums in England and physically transported them, sometimes in baggage holds, to colonized countries like India and parts of Africa so they could be used to infect indigenous

children. Governments, as well as other social institutions, used the arm-to-arm vaccinia virus inoculation campaigns as political and social organizing tools, especially in poor communities.[114]

In 1870 during the Industrial Revolution, entrepreneurial doctors decided to mass produce the vaccinia virus by growing the virus on the skin of young cows, instead of young humans. They called the new product an "animal vaccine." Vaccine "animal farms" populated by calves sprouted up all over Europe and America to make the new vaccine trade more profitable for chemical companies and doctors alike.

But there was little safety regulation of the virus being grown in calves that doctors were scratching onto the arms of infants and children, who risked suffering high fevers, encephalitis and brain damage, full body eczema vaccinatum that looks a lot like smallpox, and the lethal progressive vaccinia, which can lead to bacterial superinfection and death within weeks of months of vaccination.[115]

After nearly two centuries of mass vaccination campaigns, the Vaccinators declared smallpox eradicated in the late 20th century — the first and only infectious microorganism they say vaccination has eliminated from the earth. But it was the more selective approach of quarantining the sick and targeted ring vaccination of close contacts primarily responsible for doing that.[116,117,118]

The Vaccinators Persecute Anyone Opposing Mandatory Vaccination

The valid safety concerns of 19th and early 20th century anti-mandatory vaccination activists, like Lora Little, a Minnesota mother whose 7-year-old son died after smallpox vaccination,[119] and British scientist Alfred Russel Wallace,[120] co-discoverer of the principle of natural selection, were ridiculed by the Vaccinators aggressively lobbying politicians to pass mandatory smallpox vaccination laws.[121]

Those pioneering thought leaders opposing forced vaccination developed legitimate scientific and ethical arguments that are still valid today.[122,123,124] Yet, they were ridiculed, persecuted and discredited by the Vaccinators protecting the politically powerful, very profitable alliance between medical trade, the chemical industry and governments.

Just like today, the Vaccinators slapped the "anti-science" label on anyone defending medical freedom and opposing mandatory vaccination.[125,126,127,128] By 1905, a Lutheran pastor who had suffered a smallpox vaccine reaction challenged mandatory smallpox vaccination.

In a seminal U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Jacobson v. Massachusetts, the high stakes ideological debate dominated by the Vaccinators based on a utilitarian "greater good" rationale popular in academic circles at the time prevailed.

The Supreme Court majority affirmed the constitutional authority of state legislatures to pass mandatory vaccination laws in the U.S.[129] The Vaccinators took that legal victory at the turn of the 20th century and ran with it all the way to the banks funding the global Public Health Empire in the 21st century.[130]

By 2022, the global market for preventive vaccines was valued at over $200 billion dollars — up from $34 billion in 2017[131] — with much of that revenue guaranteed to multinational drug corporations by vaccination laws. And the global pharmaceutical market had become a 1.4 trillion-dollar business, with the U.S. population paying for and using 50% — or 550 billion dollars' worth — of all drugs and vaccines consumed in the world.[132]

The Vaccinators Have Waged a Two-Century War on Microorganisms

Crippled by ignorance, blinded by hubris, for more than two centuries the Vaccinators have waged a war on microorganisms, insisting that the only way to win that war is to create more and more vaccines and compel everyone to buy and use them.[133,134,135] It started out with one vaccine targeting one organism.

Today the Vaccinators have declared war on 17 more microorganisms, insisting every child be given over 70 doses of vaccines[136] to try to prevent infectious diseases like chickenpox[137] that do not come close to being in the same category as smallpox.[138] And now they want everyone to get an annual COVID shot along with an annual flu shot,[139] while creating a long list of new vaccines for all kinds of infectious — as well as chronic diseases — they want everyone to take.[140,141]

Instead of spending money to tackle historic causes of poor health — like poverty,[142] poor sanitation,[143] poor nutrition,[144,145] and environmental pollution,[146] and developing effective ways to help people get through infections without suffering complications, the Vaccinators continue to put all their eggs in one basket.

Abandoning the precautionary principle to "first, do no harm," with tunnel vision they desperately hold on to the 19th century vaccination paradigm and march forward in the name of consensus science[147,148] and "the greater good," taking down anyone who stands in their way.[149,150,151,152,153]

What Else Do Vaccines Do?

Vaccine products atypically manipulate the immune system by stimulating an acute inflammatory response in the body[154] but, in an unknown number of people, that inflammation does not resolve.[155,156,157,158]

And nobody knows how many of the hundreds of millions of children and adults — with 1 in 2 in America now suffering with a chronic inflammatory disease[159] that damages the heart, brain,

lungs, joints, immune system and other parts of the body[160,161] — can trace the beginning of their poor health conditions back to vaccinations that begin on the day of birth[162] and continue throughout childhood and during pregnancy[163] until the last year of life.

We've done what the Vaccinators have told us to do for two centuries. The vaccination rate among school aged children in the U.S. has been close to 95% since the 1980s.[164,165]

And yet, today the United States of America has the worst maternal and infant mortality rate[166,167] and the worst life expectancy rate compared to other developed nations,[168] while 1 child in 6 is learning disabled;[169] 1 in 10 has allergies,[170] ADHD[171,172] or an anxiety disorder;[173] 1 in 36 develops autism;[174] 1 in 150 has epilepsy;[175,176] 1 in 285 is diabetic;[177] and millions more are suffering with poor health conditions marked by chronic inflammation in the brain and other parts of the body.[178]

It is a chronic disease and disability epidemic that accounts for 90 percent of the 4.1 trillion dollars in annual US health care costs.[179]

Where Is the Real Science?

Where are the large, prospective, long-term scientific studies comparing all morbidity and mortality outcomes in unvaccinated and highly vaccinated humans that parents of vaccine injured children asked for more than 25 years ago?[180,181]

Where is the big library of biological mechanism science investigating what happens to the cells and mitochondria[182,183] and chromosomes?[184,185]

What happens to the microbiome[186] and function of the heart and brain and other organs when a pharmaceutical product containing parts of live or genetically engineered human and animal viruses and bacteria, plus foreign proteins, chemicals, metals, DNA and synthetic mRNA is injected into the human body over and over and over again?[187,188,189,190]

No two human beings are exactly the same, so where ARE the methodologically sound studies that explain how genetics,[191] epigenetics,[192,193,194] environmental factors[195,196] and other influences raise or lower an individual's risk for complications from both infectious diseases or vaccination?[197,198]

Where IS the REAL science that Jenner didn't know how to do, but could have been done by now, if the Vaccinators really wanted to know the truth about "scientific" assumptions made when doctors were still slicing open veins and purging the life out of both sick and healthy people two centuries ago?

Why have we accepted vaccination as the greatest medical invention in the history of medicine[199] instead of holding the Vaccinators accountable for what may be the biggest lie in the history of medicine?

And even if vaccination IS the greatest invention in the history of medicine, anyone with the power to force you to alter and risk damaging your body or the body of your minor child without your voluntary, informed consent has too much power,[200] because if the state can tag, track down and force individuals to be injected with biologicals of known and unknown toxicity today, then there will be no limit on which individual freedoms the state can take away in the name of the greater good tomorrow.

Taking Back Individual Sovereignty From the Vaccinators

If the last three years taught us nothing else, we now know it is time to declare our independence from the Vaccinators and take back individual sovereignty,[201] our right to autonomy,[202,203,204] before it is too late. Right now, we have an opportunity to free ourselves from the chemical chains that empower the Vaccinators to change who we are, how we think, what we believe and what we can and cannot do.[205,206]

But we cannot liberate ourselves from those very expensive chemical chains at the national or global level unless freedom of speech is restored to its rightful place as a non-negotiable fundamental liberty for all. Under the U.S. Constitution, freedom of speech means you have the right to speak, write and share ideas and opinions without facing punishment from the government.

Freedom of speech has been muzzled in the U.S. and many other countries since 2020 at the direction of the Vaccinators controlling policymaking in governments and at the United Nations, who have put pressure on private corporations operating the WorldWideWeb and media to end all public debate about mandatory vaccination.[207,208,209]

If the Vaccinators have to resort to censoring freedom of speech because they are so afraid of what the people really think about vaccination, then they have already lost the debate.

I believe Jefferson was right. The flames of liberty kindled on the 4th of July 1776 have spread over too much of the globe to be extinguished by petty tyrants in governments and at the United Nations determined to exploit the people for power and profit.

It is time to publicly question why mandatory vaccination has been made the cornerstone of preventive health programs since the 19th century, when highly vaccinated populations are sicker than ever in the 21st century. It's time to clear the way for more rational, enlightened approaches to maintaining health and wellness that work in harmony with nature instead of branding every infectious disease as an enemy to be eradicated from the earth.[210,211,212]

What Can Be Done?

There is really only one way to free ourselves from the Vaccinators and that is to eliminate one-size-fits-all vaccination laws.[213,214] Like every other pharmaceutical product sold in the marketplace, vaccines should be subject to the law of supply and demand, and no one should be penalized in any way for making an informed choice about use of a product that can injure, kill or fail to work, and is sold by drug companies with no liability when people die or are disabled by the product.[215]

In the U.S., most vaccine laws are state laws and at NVIC, we have been working with families and state legislatures since 2010 through the free online NVIC Advocacy Portal to stop vaccine mandates and electronic vaccine tracking systems, and to expand medical, religious and conscientious belief vaccine exemptions.[216]

We are committed to helping you protect the legal right to get a school education, receive medical care, have health insurance, hold a job and move about freely in society without being coerced or sanctioned for exercising informed consent to vaccination.

The years of hard work we have been doing in the states paid off big time in 2021 when every one of the 50 state legislatures in the U.S. refused to mandate the COVID-19 vaccine. It was a victory that should not be underestimated.

There has never been a better time to take action, so please sign up and take action at **NVICAdvocacy.org** today and join this historic fight for independence.

What else can you do? You can educate your community and participate in improving government at every level — from getting involved in elections for school boards, city and country councils and sheriffs — to showing up at the polls in state and federal elections. You can run for office yourself or make sure those who do run have integrity and are committed to defending civil liberties, including the right to make voluntary decisions about vaccination.

We need to elect lawmakers who will call a halt to the pay-for-play scheme that Congress gave the pharmaceutical industry decades ago and stop drug companies from paying the FDA[217,218] to cut corners and fast-track their experimental drugs and vaccines to market — like the notoriously reactive and ineffective mRNA COVID vaccine that already has netted Pfizer and Moderna a staggering $100 billion.[219,220,221]

We need a law to stop the revolving door between Big Pharma and government agencies[222,223,224,225] so the Vaccinators can't go to work for drug companies and then work for government, and then go back to working for drug companies, whose products they were regulating and promoting when they worked for government.

We need a law prohibiting research scientists employed by government agencies in public-private business partnerships with Pharma from holding patents on vaccines they create with drug companies,[226,227] so they can profit from sales of those vaccines whether they continue working for government or quit and work for drug companies.

The U.S. is only one of two countries that allows direct-to-consumer advertising by drug companies,[228,229] which is why every other ad on TV is selling prescription drugs and promoting vaccines. We need a law that unhooks mainstream media from their Pharma paymasters, so the media have more incentive to tell the truth instead of spewing out disinformation produced by the Vaccinators.

We need Congress to restore the civil liability provisions that were originally in the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act when it was passed in 1986 holding negligent doctors accountable for medical malpractice and holding drug companies liable for defectively designed vaccines.[230]

It is shameful that the historic law, which acknowledged government licensed and recommended childhood vaccines can cause injury and death, was gutted after it was passed by weakening amendments and rule-making by federal agencies that eliminated many of the vaccine safety, liability and federal compensation provisions that parents had worked so hard to secure in it.[231]

We need Congress to conduct an investigation into and overhaul operation of the Department of Health and Human Services, including taking away oversight on vaccine safety and public health research priorities and putting it into an independent agency that reports directly to Congress.[232,233]

We need state legislatures to stop mandating vaccines and stop creating electronic vaccine tracking systems lacking informed consent protections,[234] and stop passing laws that allow doctors to pressure young children to get vaccinated without the knowledge or consent of their parents.[235]

We need elected state representatives to take back their power to make public health law instead of turning over that power to unelected employees working in public health departments.[236] And, we need laws prohibiting doctors from denying medical care to children and adults solely based on their vaccination status.[237,238,239]

There is a lot that can be done to break the chemical chains that tie the people to the Vaccinators from the day of birth to the last year of life — but only if we stop taking our freedom for granted and expecting someone else to do it for us.

You have the God-given right to autonomy, the right to protect the biological integrity of your body and that of your minor child. You have the natural right to exercise freedom of thought and to use your gut instincts, mother's intuition and common sense when making a benefit-risk

decision about taking a medical risk. Don't be afraid to say "no" to a doctor or anyone pressuring you to take a vaccine or give your child a vaccine you do not consider to be safe or effective.

You have the civil right to exercise freedom of speech. Don't be afraid to talk to your family, friends and lawmakers about why you think it is important to defend freedom of speech and the ethical principle of informed consent to medical risk taking, which includes vaccine risk taking.

We can all do something every day — no matter how big or small — to protect the beating heart of liberty. Contact NVIC and join the revolution. Make a donation. Take action.

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The Sound of Freedom (Film) by Angel Studios, July 4th God's Children are Not For Sale

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Sound of Freedom, a new Angel Original, is a thriller based on the incredible true story of a former government agent turned freedom fighter who embarks on a dangerous mission to rescue dozens of children from modern-day slavery. This emotionally riveting narrative is a powerful story of heroism and stands as a testament to the tenacious spirit of those who refuse to let evil triumph.

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This movie shines a light on one of the most horrific crime industries in the world: child trafficking. The movie stars Jim Caviezel (*The Count of Monte Cristo, The Passion of the Christ*) as Tim Ballard, a man who spent over a decade working as a special agent at the Department of Homeland Security. *Sound of Freedom* highlights one of his first missions to free dozens of children from sex trafficking and exploitation. It is a story of the fight for freedom and hope, even in the darkest of places.

Please go to the Sound of Freedom Website and Pay it Forward.

More about the film can be found on Wikipedia

Sound of Freedom is an upcoming American **action drama film** written and directed by **Alejandro Monteverde**. It stars **Jim Caviezel**, **Mira Sorvino**, and **Bill Camp**. Caviezel plays **Tim Ballard**, a former government agent turned vigilante who embarks on a dangerous mission to rescue children from sex traffickers in Colombia

Sound of Freedom was inspired by the story of Tim Ballard and the events that led him to become an activist against child trafficking before founding **Operation Underground Railroad**.

Eduardo Verastegui met Ballard and felt called to make the film to raise awareness of the sex trafficking industry.

Tim Ballard personally requested that **Jim Caviezel** portray him in the film; the producers were taken aback by the request and tried to convince him to select an actor who more closely resembled him. However, Ballard was steadfast, saying that he was affected by Caviezel's roles in ***The Passion of the Christ*** and ***The Count of Monte Cristo***.

Caviezel, before the shooting of the film, spent several days shadowing Tim Ballard and learning about **Operation Underground Railroad**'s operations. He says that he was able to go to Latin America and witness an operation led by Ballard himself.

The film was scored by the Spanish **composer Javier Navarrete**.

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FRC's Tony Perkins, Senator Lindsey Graham Join Pro-Life Leaders Townhall on GOP POTUS Nominee

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FRC's Tony Perkins, Senator Lindsey Graham Join Pro-Life Leaders in Sharing What Pro-life Voters Want To See in the 2024 GOP Nominee For POTUS

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Last night, ahead of the one-year anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization,* U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), pro-life leaders, and Iowa voters gathered at Experience Church in Des Moines for a **Townhall Meeting** for Life.

Senator Graham was joined by Marjorie Dannenfelser, president of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, Bob Vander Plaats, president of The Family Leader, Mayra Rodriguez, former Planned Parenthood director and whistleblower, and Family Research Council President Tony Perkins who moderated the townhall discussion.

The event's focus was to communicate that pro-life voters in churches across America expect Republican leaders, including presidential candidates, to champion the protection of the unborn.

As Senator Graham stated, the price of admission to be competitive in Iowa was at a minimum to agree to support legislation that would protect an unborn child when it feels pain and can suck its thumb.

During the townhall, Perkins pointed out there remains a federal role in protecting the unborn. "The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* did not eliminate abortion in America, it simply put the issue into the hands of the people and their elected representatives — at every level of government."

Dannenfelser stated: "When it comes to life and death, and you have called yourself a pro-life public official, you don't get to the starting line after 50 years of blood, sweat, tears, prayers and 63 million children dying…you don't get to the starting line and say: 'I'm done.' …What I'm afraid that we are seeing is a lot of fear at the starting line and what we want to see is…running the race well to the end. And the end means, every single child in this country is protected. That's the end of the race."

Rodriguez shared: "In reality, the majority of people, the citizens in the streets, the normal working people, especially the Hispanic community, you know, we are very protective of our families. That's who we are. That's how we were raised, you know. We don't put our grandparents into hospice homes, we keep them with us. And we do the same thing with our children. So, to come and tell the Latino community: 'kill your children' goes against everything we believe on."

Vander Plaats said: "Iowans are really good about authenticity. Do you believe what you say to be really real? And that's what we're looking at for the sanctity of human life. We want a champion for the sanctity of human life because they believe in it, not because of what the polls say. Instead of reacting to the polls, we want this person to shape the polls, to shape Americans' thinking on ."

To watch the townhall, please see: **https://prayvotestand.org/townhall**

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Rising Death Toll Mystery: Can ‘Experts’ Connect the Dots?

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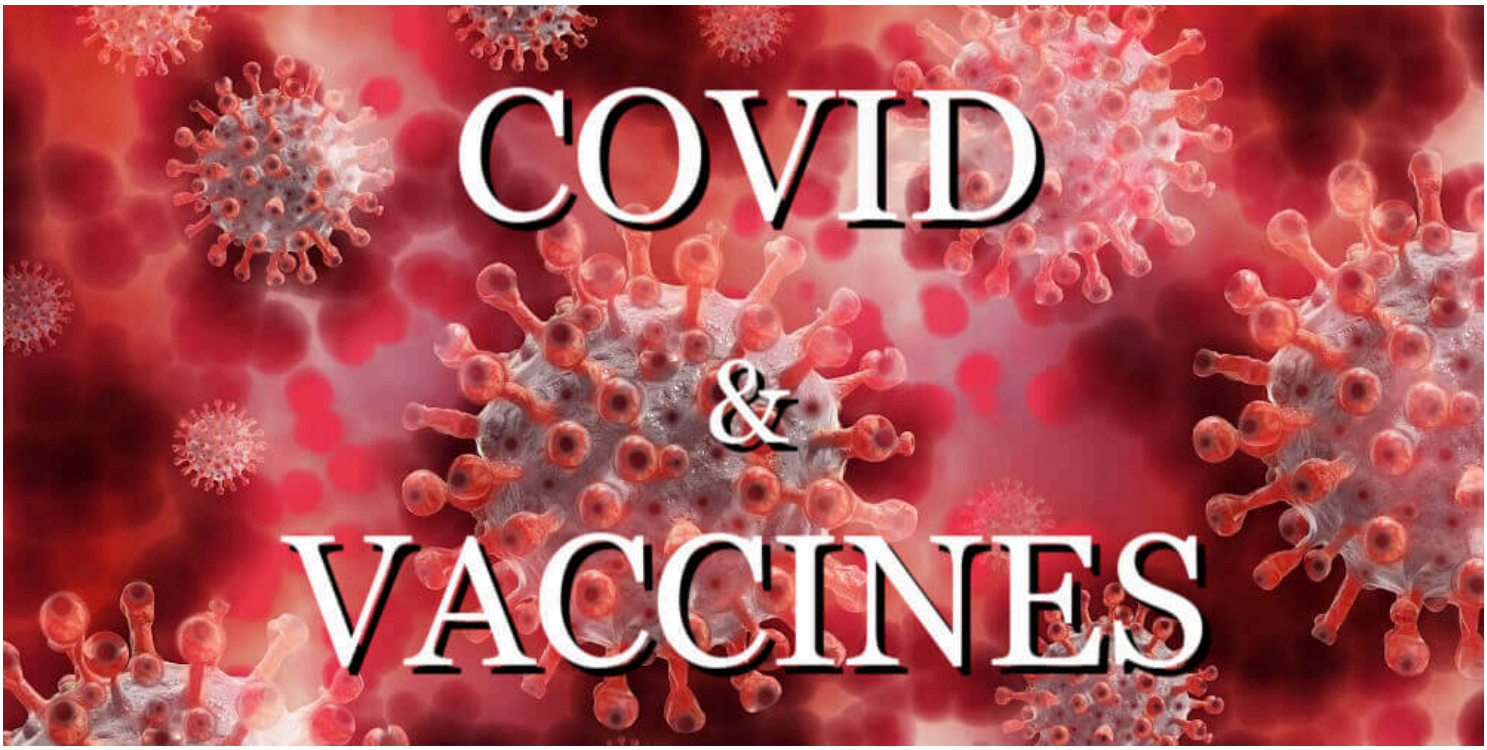

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Excess Deaths Are Exploding, Experts Remain Stumped

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

Story at-a-glance

- According to a May 11, 2023, report by the British Express, Britons are dying by the tens of thousands, "but no one knows why".
- Between May and December 2022, there were 32,441 excess deaths in England and Wales, according to data released by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), and that doesn't include COVID-related deaths.
- In 2022, the No. 1 cause of excess deaths in the U.K. was signs and symptoms of "ill-defined conditions." In England, this nebulous cause of death was 36.9% above the five-year average, and in Wales, it was 30.4% above average.
- The U.K. was the first European country to approve the Pfizer COVID jab and began its mass injection campaign December 8, 2020. It currently has the highest COVID-19 jab rate in all of Europe.
- The misuse of mechanical ventilation created the appearance that COVID was exceptionally deadly, which in turn helped promote acceptance of the experimental COVID shots that are now a leading cause of frequent sickness, chronic disability and excess deaths.

According to a May 11, 2023, report by the British Express,[1] Britons are dying by the tens of thousands, "but no one knows why." Between May and December 2022 alone, there were 32,441 excess deaths in England and Wales, according to data[2] released by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), and that doesn't include COVID-related deaths. As reported by the Express:[3]

> *"Excess deaths are defined as the number of people who died above the five-year average — worked out excluding 2020 due to how COVID spiked death figures that year … The shock revelation has raised alarm bells amid health professionals …*

> *Professor David Coleman, Emeritus Professor of Demography at Oxford University, told the Mirror that no one knew for certain what had caused so many deaths throughout last year.*

> *He pointed out that, post COVID, the UK's population had been changed through the deaths of a significant proportion of the elderly due to the virus. He explained: 'Once those poor people have been packed off, the remaining population should be healthier, there should be a period afterwards where deaths are lower than usual but that hasn't happened.'"*

No. 1 Cause of Excess Deaths: 'Ill-Defined Conditions'

According to the Express, two of the primary causes of excess deaths were ischemic heart diseases and dementia. This, the article suggests, might be an indication that obesity and an increasingly older population are to blame for the excess mortality.

However, if the population was altered due to a significant portion of the elderly dying from COVID in 2020, leaving a younger and supposedly healthier population, as stated by professor Coleman, those puzzle pieces don't exactly fit together.

What's more, the Express failed to specify that dementia and Alzheimer's were only the leading causes of death during the month of December 2022. For 2022, the No. 1 cause of excess deaths was signs and symptoms of "ill-defined conditions."[4]

In England, this nebulous cause of death was 36.9% above the five-year average, and in Wales, it was 30.4% above average.[5] Now, what does that remind you of? "**Sudden adult death syndrome**" perhaps — a historically rare cause of death that suddenly skyrocketed after the COVID jabs came on the scene.

As illustrated in the video above, during 2021 and into 2022, mainstream media kept drilling the false and incredibly offensive narrative that the unvaccinated were the enemy, that every COVID death meant they had blood on their hands and ought to be punished accordingly.

And now, as countries where most people have been jabbed experience skyrocketing excess death rates unrelated to COVID, they feign mind-numbing ignorance.

An experimental gene transfer injection was introduced as a vaccine and death rates continue to climb even as COVID is vanishing. What a mystery! Everyone is stumped. The scientific consensus is at a standstill. No one knows why people are dying.

Possibly, not enough people got the jab. That's what the BBC insinuated in early 2023.[6] No one wants to admit that medical experimentation on the public was a terrible idea. No one wants to consider the possibility that too many took the toxic jab, and that's why excess mortality is so far above norm.

As cardiologist Dr. Peter McCullough has repeatedly stated, we had a clear safety signal all the way back in February 2021, and it's only gotten more pronounced over time. Despite that, not a single safety review has been conducted, and our health authorities refuse to address the astronomical death toll.

UK Has Highest COVID Jab Rate in Europe

In the U.K., 2020 was the deadliest year on record since 1918. More than 695,000 deaths were logged that year. The culprit at that time was COVID, or suspected COVID. But what happened next?

The U.K. was the first European country to approve the Pfizer COVID jab and began its mass injection campaign December 8, 2020. It currently has the highest COVID-19 jab rate in all of Europe, in large part due to having "the most positive attitudes to vaccine safety in Europe," according to Statista.[7]

If the COVID shots were safe and protective, you'd expect excess mortality to decline from there on, but that didn't happen. The third week of January 2021 saw a huge spike above norm, and the rate has dipped and peaked ever since.[8] In 2022, excess deaths exceeded 650,000, which was 9% higher than 2019. So, why are so many people dying? And why are so many dying from inexplicable causes or "ill-defined" conditions?

In January 2023, BBC news blamed the excess death rate in 2022 on "pandemic effects on health and NHS pressures."[9] Ambulance response times were more than doubled, hospital waits were long, and "people are more likely to have heart problems and strokes in the weeks and months after catching COVID," the BBC said.

The BBC also claimed there was "no evidence of vaccine effect," and that cases of myocarditis and pericarditis were "too rare — and mostly not fatal — to account for the excess in deaths."

But myocarditis and pericarditis are FAR from the only side effects caused by these shots, so the fact that these conditions aren't among the top causes certainly doesn't mean that the shots are safe and aren't causing people to die prematurely.

Aside from foolhardy medical experimentation, the excess death rates may also have something to do with the fact that hospitals around the world have been killing "suspected" COVID patients with lethal treatment protocols, as detailed in "**How COVID Patients Died for Profit**."

Massively Anomalous Data Put COVID Shots in the Crosshairs

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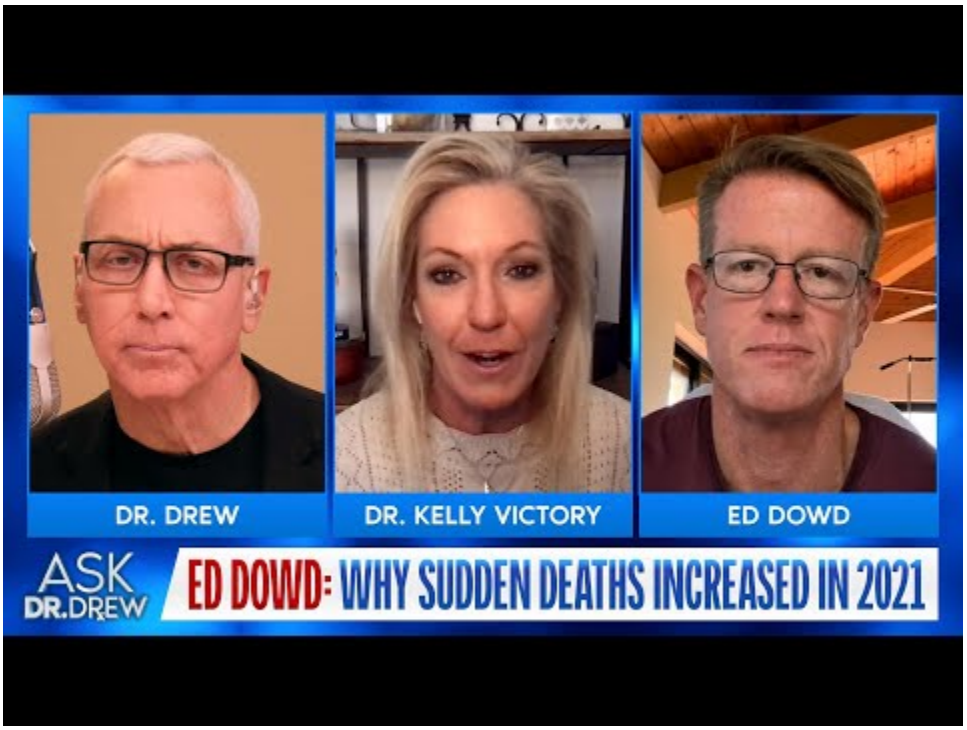

In the March 24, 2023, "Ask Dr. Drew" interview above, Drew interviewed Ed Dowd, author of "Cause Unknown." As noted by Dowd, data from the insurance industry, funeral home industry and various government databases strongly indicate that the COVID shots are killing people, primarily working age adults, many of whom had to get the shot to keep their jobs.

While some countries are now pulling back from the shots, in the U.S., the COVID injections have been added to the childhood and adult vaccination schedules, and no one has proposed removing them.

According to Dowd, Denmark, for example, stopped recommending COVID boosters for anyone younger than 50, as their excess deaths in 2021 and 2022 shot up to around 20% above norm. Clearly, decision-makers there connected the dots and decided it was better to be safe than sorry.

Dowd goes on to review absence rates and lost worktime data[10] for the U.S. Among full-time employees aged 25 to 54, there was a stark deviation in 2020, 2021 and 2022 from the 2002 through 2019 trend. In 2020, it was a three-standard deviation, which is reasonable considering governments were shutting down businesses. But then, in 2021, it rose to five standard deviations and in 2022, it skyrocketed to 11 standard deviations, which makes no sense whatsoever.

Compared to 2019, the absence rate for working age adults was only 3.6% higher in 2020, when lockdowns were in effect and many businesses were closed. In 2021, the absence rate was 10.7% higher than 2019, and in 2022, it was 28.6% higher. In short, in 2022, nearly one-third more employees missed days of work compared to 2019, which amounts to an enormous loss of productivity, and this at a time when there were no lockdowns in the U.S.

Looking at the number of hours lost per absence, the 2022 numbers were 13 standard deviations higher than 2019, which Dowd says is "unheard of." Compared to the 2019 baseline, lost worktime rates were 28.6% higher in 2020 and 2021, and then suddenly jumped to 50% in 2022. This too equates to a major loss of productivity and therefore economic losses.

So, what is going on? In short, people are missing work due to vaccine-related sickness. As noted by Dowd, we have studies showing the shots impair your immune function, and these data show that, yes, people are getting sick and calling out from work at an unprecedented frequency and they're out sick 50% longer than normal.

mRNA COVID Jabs Had No Effect on Mortality

In related news, we now also have evidence[11] showing the mRNA COVID jabs have no mortality benefit. As reported by Epoch Health:[12]

> *"The Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines did not impact overall mortality, a reanalysis of clinical trial data found.*

> *The two vaccines, both based on messenger RNA (mRNA) technology, protected against deaths from COVID-19 but that effect was offset by vaccinated trial participants being more likely to die from cardiovascular problems, Christine Stabell Benn, a health professor at the University of Southern Denmark, and other researchers reported in April in the Cell journal.*[13]

> *The research analyzed data from randomized clinical trials (RCTs) reported by the companies that manufacture the vaccines. 'In the RCTs with the longest possible blinded follow-up, mRNA vaccines had no effect on overall mortality despite protecting against some COVID-19 deaths."*

Meanwhile, the Johnson & Johnson shot, which uses an adenovirus-vector, was associated with lower non-COVID-19 mortality and overall mortality, but had NO effect on COVID-19 mortality. So, in essence, all the COVID shots are useless in one way or another. The mRNA versions cause greater overall mortality, and the adenovirus-vector ones don't protect against COVID-related death. Take your pick.

Interestingly, out of all the brands, AstraZeneca's adenovirus-vector shot performed the best, and that's the one that was maligned the most by health regulators and media across the world, as it

was associated with lethal blood clots early on.

More Evidence COVID Jab Does More Harm Than Good

Another reanalysis of randomized COVID jab trials concluded that the shots are far more likely to land you in the hospital than COVID-19 itself. This study,[14] which focused on serious adverse events highlighted in a World Health Organization-endorsed priority list[15] of potential adverse events relevant to the COVID-19 shots, found Pfizer's shot was associated with an increased risk of serious adverse events at a rate of 10.1 events per 10,000.

The rate for Moderna's jab was 15.1 events per 10,000. The researchers also stressed that this level of risk for a post-injection event was significantly greater than the risk reduction for COVID-related hospitalization, which was only 2.3 per 10,000 participants in the Pfizer trial and 6.4 per 10,000 in the Moderna trial.

In short, for every 800 jab recipients, one person will suffer a serious injury. Meanwhile, some 5,000 must get the Pfizer jab to prevent a single COVID hospitalization. This is what risk-benefit analysis is all about — comparing and weighing the benefit against the risk — and when it comes to the mRNA COVID shots, they clearly do more harm than good.

Considering the high rate of injury, is it hard to believe that people are calling out sick from work more often or that excess mortality is skyrocketing? There's not a single piece of evidence so far that exonerates the COVID shots, yet the media want you to believe it's an inexplicable mystery.

AI Links COVID Deaths to Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia

Another piece of news that's been making the rounds is that artificial intelligence (AI) has linked COVID mortality to unresolved ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP), basically, a secondary bacterial infection caused by intubation that didn't respond to treatment. As described in the abstract, published April 27, 2023, in the Journal of Clinical Investigation:[16,17]

> *"We performed a single-center prospective cohort study of 585 mechanically ventilated patients with severe pneumonia and respiratory failure, 190 of whom had COVID-19, who underwent at least one bronchoalveolar lavage .*

> *Given the relatively long ICU length of stay among patients with COVID-19, we developed a machine learning approach called CarpeDiem, which groups similar ICU patient-days into clinical states based on electronic health record data.*

> *CarpeDiem revealed that the long ICU length of stay among patients with COVID-19 is attributable to long stays in clinical states characterized primarily by respiratory failure. While VAP was not associated with mortality overall, mortality was higher in patients with one episode of unsuccessfully treated VAP compared with successfully treated VAP (76.4% versus 17.6%, $P < 0.001$).*

> *In all patients, including those with COVID-19, CarpeDiem demonstrated that unresolving VAP was associated with transitions to clinical states associated with higher mortality.*

> *Conclusions: Unsuccessful treatment of VAP is associated with greater mortality. The relatively long length of stay among patients with COVID-19 is primarily due to prolonged respiratory failure, placing them at higher risk of VAP."*

Use of Ventilation Is Likely the Core Problem

While many have argued that this study shows secondary infections are to blame for many a COVID death, Modern Discontent[18] on Substack calls for prudence when interpreting these results, stating that upon closer scrutiny, the study doesn't offer much in terms of substantial evidence.

Moreover, whenever you're using AI, what comes out depends on what was put in, and in this case, CarpeDiem did not supply important data variables, and this may have skewed the results. Since "key factors have been excluded from the analysis there's going to be several flaws in interpreting the correlative power of some of CarpeDiem's results," Modern Discontent warns, adding:

> *"Overall, I'll argue that the study has serious issues in outlining their data. There's a ton missing here, including which bacteria were cultured from BAL samples.*

> *The timing of BAL collection is up in the air, and the study also doesn't make it clear early on how many patients actually experienced an episode of VAP, whether in the COVID group or the other groups (you have to dig into the actual body to find a reference to VAP episodes).*

> *The lack of organization makes the study rather difficult to read, and I won't say that I have it figured out yet … It's quite clear that many of these individuals are already in various states of severe respiratory distress and failure as noted by the clinical states and relative mortality rates, making these people more at risk of death irrespective of from SARS-COV2 or a bacterial infection …*

> *It's not necessarily the secondary infection that is cause for concern, but the fact that many patients require ventilation.*

> *Upon ventilation, the secondary concern may be the secondary bacterial infection, although the researchers don't provide any insights into why some patients were not able to resolve their VAP episode. This is, again, an issue with the lack of data provided by the researchers themselves."*

COVID Jab Accepted Due to Ventilator-Driven Death Toll

Now, aside from the massively coercive PR campaign, one of the reasons that many accepted the COVID shot without much deliberation was the fact that hospitalized COVID patients were dying in droves. They didn't want to end up on a vent and die, and all the pundits said the shots would prevent you from getting seriously ill and dying.

The problem, of course, is that mechanical ventilation should not have been a standard treatment for COVID, and some doctors realized this within a few weeks. High-flow cannulas and proning were far more effective.[19]

The reason mechanical ventilation was promoted as an early intervention was not because it was helpful for the patient, but because it was thought to protect the staff from the virus. It was a strategy to reduce contagion.[20] This was detailed in provider guidance[21] from the World Health Organization in March 2020.

The guidance recommended[22] escalating treatment to mechanical ventilation as rapidly as possible to isolate the virus inside the mechanical vent machine. In other words, they put patients on a treatment they knew would likely kill them to "save" staff and other, presumably non-COVID, patients.

Considering this context, blaming the death of vented patients on secondary infections may be little more than an attempt to shift blame away from hospitals that adhered to these ineffective and dangerous protocols.

I disagree with Modern Discontent when he or she says that the primary concern is "the fact that many patients require ventilation." There's plenty of evidence that says they don't, and without ventilation, the risk of ventilator-associated secondary bacterial infection drops to zero, does it not? Secondary bacterial infections may still occur, but they won't be VAP.

So, in conclusion, the misuse of mechanical vents created the appearance that COVID was exceptionally deadly, which in turn helped promote acceptance of the experimental COVID shots, which are now a leading cause of frequent sickness, chronic disability and excess deaths.

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New, Alarming Problems Found With mRNA COVID Shots

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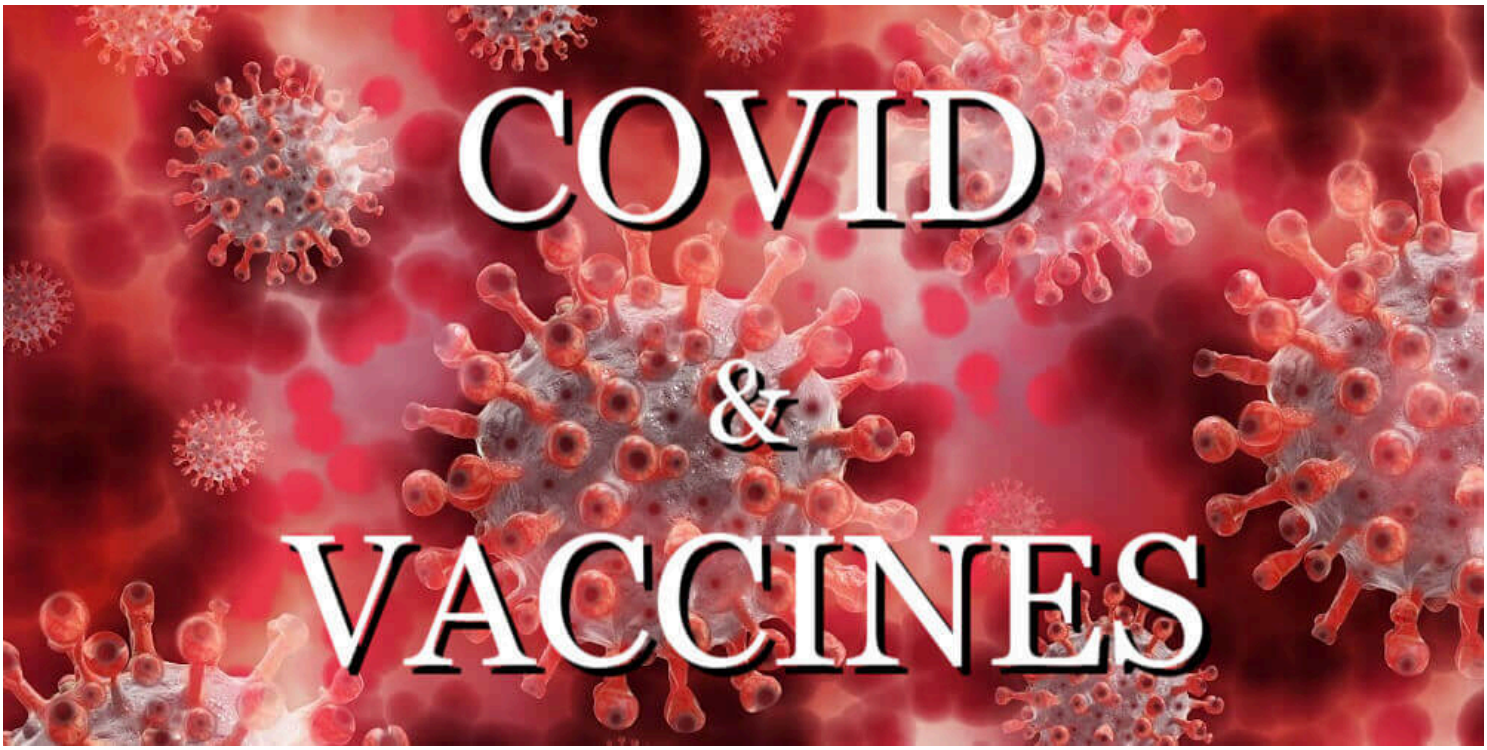

The COVID-19 shots are turning out to be more of a time bomb than ever imagined. This new discovery of the presence of green monkey DNA, including tumor-linked viral promoters, in the jabs has this microbiologist and immunologist calling for an immediate halt in the use of mRNA 'vaccines.'

Green Monkey DNA Found in COVID-19 Shots

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Story at-a-glance

- Microbiologist Kevin McKernan — a former researcher and team leader for the MIT Human Genome project — has discovered massive DNA contamination in the mRNA COVID shots, including simian virus 40 (SV40) promoters.
- SV40 has been linked to cancer in humans, including mesotheliomas, lymphomas and cancers of the brain and bone. In 2002, the Lancet published evidence linking polio vaccines contaminated with SV40 to Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. According to the authors, the vaccine

may be responsible for up to 50% of the 55,000 Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma cases diagnosed each year.

- The level of contamination varies depending on the platform used to measure it, but no matter which method is used, the level of DNA contamination is significantly higher than the regulatory limits in both Europe and the U.S. The highest level of DNA contamination found was 30%.
- The finding of DNA means the mRNA COVID shots may have the ability to alter the human genome.
- Even if genetic modification does not occur, the fact that you're getting foreign DNA into your cells poses a risk in and of itself. Partial expression could occur, or it might interfere with other transcription translations that are already in the cell. Cytoplasmic transfection can also allow for genetic manipulation, as the nucleus disassembles and exchanges cellular components with the cytosol during cell division.

In the video[1] above, Dr. Steven E. Greer interviews microbiologist Kevin McKernan — a former researcher and team leader for the MIT Human Genome project[2] — and Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi about the DNA contamination McKernan's team has found in the Pfizer and Moderna mRNA shots.

As it turns out, spike protein and the mRNA are not the only hazards of these injections. McKernan's team have also discovered simian virus 40 (SV40) promoters that, for decades, have been suspected of causing cancer in humans, including mesotheliomas, lymphomas and cancers of the brain and bone.[3] The findings[4,5,6,7] were posted on OSF Preprints in early April 2023. As explained in the abstract:[8]

> *"Several methods were deployed to assess the nucleic acid composition of four expired vials of the Moderna and Pfizer bivalent mRNA vaccines. Two vials from each vendor were evaluated … Multiple assays support DNA contamination that exceeds the European Medicines Agency (EMA) 330ng/mg requirement and the FDAs 10ng/dose requirements …"*

As noted by Greer,[9] this means that governments and drug companies "have misled the world to a far greater extent than previously known." If these findings are correct, it would also mean that "the so-called 'vaccines' are actually altering the human genome and causing permanent production of the deadly spike protein," and this internal production of spike protein would, in turn, "trigger the immune system to attack its own cells," Greer says.

In the interview, McKernan explains how the DNA contaminants found in the COVID jabs can result in the genetic modification of the human genome, and Bhakti reviews how and why the shots can trigger autoimmune diseases.

Background: What Is SV40?

In 2002, the Lancet published[10] evidence linking polio vaccines contaminated with SV40 to Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. According to the authors, the vaccine may be responsible for up to half the 55,000 Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma cases diagnosed each year.

How did this simian (monkey) virus get into the human population? According to the late Dr. Maurice Hilleman, a leading vaccine developer, Merck inadvertently unleashed the virus via their polio vaccine.[11] It's unclear exactly when SV40 was eliminated from the polio vaccine. The timing also varies from country to country. For example, SV40-contaminated polio vaccines were administered in Italy as recently as 1999.[12]

As reported in a Lancet book review of "The Virus and the Vaccine: The True Story of a Cancer-Causing Money Virus, Contaminated Polio Vaccine and the Millions of Americans Exposed":[13]

> *"By 1960, scientists and vaccine manufacturers knew that monkey kidneys were sewers of simian viruses. Such contamination often spoiled cultures, including those of an NIH researcher named Bernice Eddy, who worked on vaccine safety … Her discovery … threatened one of the USA's most important public-health programs …*

> *Eddy tried to get word out to colleagues but was muzzled and stripped of her vaccine regulatory duties and her laboratory … Merck researchers, Ben Sweet and Maurice Hilleman, soon identified the rhesus virus later named SV40 — the carcinogenic agent that had eluded Eddy.*

> *In 1963, U.S. authorities decided to switch to African green monkeys, which are not natural hosts of SV40, to produce polio vaccine. In the mid-1970s, after limited epidemiological studies, authorities concluded that although SV40 caused cancer in hamsters, it didn't seem to do so in people.*

> *Fast forward to the 1990s: Michele Carbone, then at NIH, was working on how SV40 induces cancers in animals. One of these was mesothelioma, a rare cancer of the pleura thought in people to be caused mainly by asbestos. The orthodoxy held that SV40 didn't cause human cancers.*

> *Emboldened by a 1992 NEJM paper that found DNA 'footprints' of SV40 in childhood brain tumors, Carbone tested human mesothelioma tumor biopsies at the National Cancer Institute: 60% contained SV40 DNA. In most, the monkey virus was active and producing proteins.*

> *He published his results in Oncogene in May, 1994, but the NIH declined to publicize them … Carbone … moved to Loyola University. There he discovered how SV40 disables tumor suppressor genes in human mesothelioma, and published his results in Nature Medicine in July, 1997. Studies in Italy, Germany, and the USA also showed associations between SV40 and human cancers."*

mRNA COVID Jabs Contaminated With Double-Stranded DNA

With that background, let's get back to McKernan's findings, which in addition to the featured video are also discussed in Daniel Horowitz's podcast above. In short, his team discovered elevated levels of double-stranded DNA plasmids, including SV40 promoters (DNA sequence that is essential for gene expression) that are known to trigger cancer development when encountering an oncogene (a gene that has the potential to cause cancer).

The level of contamination varies depending on the platform used to measure it, but no matter which method is used, the level of DNA contamination is significantly higher than the regulatory limits in both Europe and the U.S., McKernan says. The highest level of DNA contamination found was 30%, which is rather astounding.

As explained by McKernan, when using a typical PCR test, you'll be considered positive if the test detects the SARS-CoV-2 virus using a cycle threshold (CT) of about 40. In comparison, the DNA contamination is detected at CTs below 20.

That means the contamination is a million-fold greater than the amount of virus you'd need to have in order to test positive for COVID. "So, there's an enormous difference here with regards to the amount of material that's in there," McKernan says.

In his Substack article,[14] he also points out that people who argue that double-stranded DNA and viral RNA is a false equivalency because viral RNA is replication competent, are wrong.

> *"The majority of the sgRNA you are detecting in a nasal swab in your nose is NOT REPLICATION COMPETENT as shown in Jaafar et al.[15] It is just an RNA fragment that should have lower longevity in your cells than dsDNA contaminating fragments,"* he writes.

In that Substack article, McKernan has also copied a 2009 study discussing how DNA in vaccines can cause cancer and highlighted the most relevant parts. It's a helpful resource if you want to learn more.

Quality Control Is Sorely Lacking

As for how SV40 promoters ended up in the mRNA shots, it appears to be related to poor quality control during the manufacturing process, although it's unclear where in the development SV40 might have sneaked in. Quality control deficiencies may also be responsible for the high rate of anaphylactic reactions we've been seeing. McKernan tells Greer:

> *"It's in both Moderna and Pfizer. We looked at the bivalent vaccines for both Moderna and Pfizer and only the monovalent vaccines for Pfizer because we didn't have access to monovalent vaccines for Moderna. In all three cases, the vaccines contain double-stranded DNA contamination.*

> *If you sequence that DNA, you'll find that it matches what looks to be an expression vector that's used to make the RNA … Whenever we see DNA contamination, like from plasmids, ending up in any injectable, the first thing people think about is whether there's any E. coli endotoxin present because that creates anaphylaxis for the injected.*

> *And, of course … there's a lot of anaphylaxis going on, not only on TV but in the VAERS database. You can see people get injected with this and drop. That could be the background from this E. coli process of manufacturing the DNA …"*

Regulatory Agencies Knew There Was a Contamination Problem

In a May 20, 2023, Substack article,[16] McKernan points out that Pfizer itself submitted evidence to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) showing sampled lots contained vast differences in the levels of double-stranded DNA contamination.

The concern that people, even at the FDA, have noted in the past whenever injecting double-stranded DNA, is that these things can integrate into the genome. ~ Kevin McKernan

The arbitrary limit for dsDNA that the EMA came up with was 330 nanograms per milligram (ng/mg). Data submitted to the EMA by Pfizer shows sampled lots had anywhere from 1 ng/mg to 815 ng/mg of DNA. McKernan adds:[17]

> *"This limit likely did not consider the potency of this dsDNA contamination if it was packaged in an LNP . Packaged dsDNA is more potent as a gene therapy. We now know this DNA is packaged and transfection ready.[18] Even lower limits should be applied if the DNA is packaged in transfection ready LNPs …*

> *Even with Pfizer being able to cherry pick the data they provided to the EMA for 10 lots, they see a 1 to 815ng/mg variance. If you were to expand this study to 100 or 1000 lots, you'd likely see another order or two of magnitude variance."*

Double-Stranded DNA May Integrate Into Your Genome

The presence of double-stranded DNA also brings up another major concern, and that is the possibility of genomic integration.

> *"At least on the Pfizer side of things, it has what's known as an SV40 promoter. This is an oncogenic virus piece. It's not the entire virus. However, the small piece is known to drive very aggressive gene expression.*

> *And the concern that people, even at the FDA, have noted in the past whenever injecting double-stranded DNA, is that these things can integrate into the genome,"* McKernan says.

While McKernan's paper does not present evidence of genome integration, it does point out that it's possible, especially in the presence of SV40 promoters:[19]

> *"There has been a healthy debate about the capacity for SARs-CoV-2 to integrate into the human genome … This work has inspired questions regarding the capacity for the mRNA vaccines to also genome integrate. Such an event would require LINE-1 driven reverse transcription of the mRNA into DNA as described by Alden et al.*

> *dsDNA contamination of sequence encoding the spike protein wouldn't require LINE-1 for Reverse Transcription and the presence of an SV40 nuclear localization signal in Pfizer's vaccine vector would further increase the odds of integration."*

Manifold Risks

That said, even if genetic modification does not occur, the fact that you're getting foreign DNA into your cells poses a risk in and of itself, McKernan says. For example, partial expression could occur, or it might interfere with other transcription translations that are already in the cell.

Bhakti also points out that the SV40 promoters do not need to be present in the nucleus of the cell for problems to occur. Cytoplasmic transfection can, in and of itself, allow for genetic manipulation, because the nucleus disassembles and exchanges cellular components with the cytosol during cell division.

In addition to having DNA floating around and causing potential problems, the RNA in the COVID jab is also modified to resist breakdown. "So, we have TWO versions of the spike protein floating

around that can persist longer than anticipated," McKernan says, and the spike protein, of course, is the most toxic part of the virus that can cause your body to attack itself.

Both McKernan and Bhakti are adamant that ALL mRNA "vaccines" must be immediately stopped, whether for human or animal use, due to the magnitude of the risks involved.

'Alarming Problems'

Video Link

In the video above,[20] Yusuke Murakami, a professor at Tokyo University, expresses alarm over the finding of SV40 promoters in the COVID jabs. The interview is in Japanese but has English subtitles. I've included it because I think he does a good job of putting the problem into layman's terms:

> *"The Pfizer vaccine has a staggering problem,"* Murakami says. *"This figure is an enlarged view of Pfizer's vaccine sequence. As you can see, the Pfizer vaccine sequence contains part of the SV40 sequence here. This sequence is known as a promoter.*

> *Roughly speaking, the promoter causes increased expression of the gene. The problem is that the sequence is present in a well-known carcinogenic virus. The question is why such a sequence that is derived from a cancer virus is present in Pfizer's vaccine.*

> *There should be absolutely no need for such a carcinogenic virus sequence in the vaccine. This sequence is totally unnecessary for producing the mRNA vaccine. It is a problem that such a sequence is solidly contained in the vaccine.*

> *This is not the only problem. If a sequence like this is present in the DNA, the DNA is easily migrated to the nucleus. So it means that the DNA can easily enter the genome. This is such an alarming problem.*

> *It is essential to remove the sequence. However, Pfizer produced the vaccine without removing the sequence. That is outrageously malicious. This kind of promoter sequence is completely unnecessary for the production of the mRNA vaccine. In fact, SV40 is a promoter of cancer viruses."*

Resources for Those Injured by the COVID Jab

The more we learn about the COVID jabs, the worse they appear. While they suck as vaccines, they're truly masterful bioweapons, as they're capable of destroying health in any number of ways, through myriad mechanisms.

If you got one or more jabs and are now reconsidering, first and foremost, never ever take another COVID booster, another mRNA gene therapy shot or regular vaccine. You need to end the assault on your body. Even if you haven't experienced any obvious side effects, your health may still be impacted long-term, so don't take any more shots.

If you're suffering from side effects, your first order of business is to eliminate the spike protein that your body is producing. Two remedies that can do this are hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin. Both of these drugs bind and facilitate the removal of spike protein.

The Front Line COVID-19 Critical Care Alliance (FLCCC) has developed a post-vaccine treatment protocol called **I-RECOVER**. Since the protocol is continuously updated as more data become available, your best bet is to download the latest version straight from the FLCCC website at covid19criticalcare.com[21] (hyperlink to the correct page provided above).

For additional suggestions, check out the **World Health Council's spike protein detox guide**,[22] which focuses on natural substances like herbs, supplements and teas. To combat neurotoxic effects of spike protein, a March 2022 review paper[23] suggests using luteolin and quercetin. **Time-restricted eating (TRE)** and/or sauna therapy can also help eliminate toxic proteins by stimulating autophagy.

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Door Opening to Mass Medical Experimentation on Humanity

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With funding from Bill Gates and others, the WHO is plotting to take control over the world, courtesy of carefully crafted IHR amendments. What this means is unprecedented experimentation on humanity without informed consent and saying goodbye to human dignity, rights and freedoms.

International Health Regulations

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The WHO Will Have Authority to Mandate Vaccines Globally

Story at-a-glance

- The 2005 International Health Regulations (IHR) is the instrument that empowers the World Health Organization to declare a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC).
- Hundreds of amendments to the IHR are being proposed, and these amendments will empower the WHO to become the de facto governing body of all member states, including the U.S.
- As currently written, the IHR amendments will be legally binding and will supersede local and national laws. They even include enforcement tools to ensure that member nations comply with the WHO's edicts.
- Areas of life that are being added in under the umbrella of "health" include climate, food production and even poverty, so the WHO will be able to claim sole global authority over anything to do with those issues as well.
- Importantly, the IHR amendments will abolish bodily autonomy and personal choice and replace these God-given rights and freedoms with one-size-fits-all medicine.

In the video above, John Campbell, Ph.D., a retired nurse educator, reviews the proposed amendments to the 2005 International Health Regulations (IHR), which is the instrument that empowers the World Health Organization to declare a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC).

If these amendments go through, however, the WHO will be empowered to do a whole lot more than that. It will become the de facto governing body of all member states, including the U.S.

Now, according to so-called "fact checkers," the WHO will have no authority to dictate U.S. health policy under the amended IHR or the proposed pandemic treaty, nor will nations be stripped of their sovereignty.[1] But they're completely wrong. The only reason they're denying these truths is because they don't want the public to pressure government to reject these proposals, as they should.

As noted by Campbell and others, including bioweapons expert Francis Boyle, Ph.D., and researcher James Roguski,[2] the pandemic treaty and the IHR amendments are obviously written by experts in both national and international law and appear "airtight."

There's simply no doubt that, as currently written, these instruments will be legally binding and will supersede local and national laws. They even include enforcement tools to ensure that

member nations comply with the WHO's edicts.

Another false propaganda angle is that these instruments only apply to infectious disease pandemics, but that isn't true either. Areas of life that are being added in under the umbrella of "health" include climate, food production and even poverty, so the WHO will be able to claim sole global authority over anything to do with those issues as well.

In his video, Campbell goes through several of the proposed IHR amendments, and how they will impact national sovereignty and public health decisions. The article-by-article compilation of the proposed amendments[3] can be found **here**.

Strikethroughs in the text indicate that the text is to be deleted, and the additions or revisions are underlined in bold. The following are some of the most disconcerting amendments, copied with the deletions and insertions of text showing.

New IHR Will Be Binding and Can Apply to Anything

> Article 1 Definitions — *"'standing recommendation' means ~~non-binding~~ advice issued by WHO for specific ongoing public health risks pursuant to Article 16 regarding appropriate health measures for routine or periodic application needed to prevent or reduce the international spread of disease and minimize interference with international traffic;*

> *'temporary recommendation' means ~~non-binding~~ advice issued by WHO pursuant to Article 15 for application on a time-limited, risk-specific basis, in response to a public health emergency of international concern, so as to prevent or reduce the international spread of disease and minimize interference with international traffic."*

Since the word "non-binding" is removed, this means that any recommendation from the WHO will be binding and member states will be required to follow the WHO's recommendations.

> Article 2 Scope and Purpose — *"The purpose and scope of these Regulations are to prevent, protect against,* ***prepare,*** *control and provide a public health response to the international spread of diseases* ***including through health systems readiness and resilience*** *in ways that are commensurate with and restricted to* ~~*public health risk*~~

> ***all risks with a potential to impact public health****, and which avoid unnecessary interference with international traffic* ~~*and*~~ *trade,* ***livelihoods, human rights, and equitable access to health products and health care technologies and know how****."*

This really opens the door for the WHO to take over for just about any reason. It doesn't even have to be a real public health threat. It could be a potential, unproven or suspected threat.

Human Dignity, Rights and Freedoms Will Not Be Factored In

> Article 3 Principles — *"The implementation of these Regulations shall be* ~~*with full respect for the dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms of persons*~~ ***based on the principles of equity, inclusivity, coherence and in accordance with their common but differentiated responsibilities of the States Parties, taking into consideration their social and economic development****."*

In other words, bodily autonomy and personal choice are being replaced by one-size-fits-all medicine that has no regard for human dignity, human rights or fundamental freedoms. The right to so much as an opinion will also be removed on the national level.

> Article 10 Verification — *"If the State Party does not accept the offer of collaboration* ***within 48 hours*** *, WHO* ~~*may*~~ ***shall*** *, when justified by the magnitude of the public health risk,* ***immediately*** *share with other States Parties the information available to it, whilst encouraging the State Party to accept the offer of collaboration by WHO*~~*, taking into account the views of the State Party concerned*~~*."*

So, if the WHO suspects that an outbreak within a nation might pose an international threat, but the nation in question doesn't want to collaborate with the WHO, the WHO will immediately tell the other members about the suspected threat, which will put pressure on the uncooperative nation, and the views of that nation will be deemed irrelevant.

Other amendments within this and other articles also specifically remove any involvement of the nation in the WHO's decision-making. Article 13 below is but one example. As noted by Campbell, the director-general is repeatedly specified as the sole authority when it comes to making assessments and decisions. The director-general can also impose sanctions on nations that refuse to follow his dictates.[4]

How can a single person be given the authority to make decisions for the entire world? This kind of authoritarian top-down system can only damage public health, as public health is best served by local decision makers that have access to local data.

Director-General Can Act Unilaterally on Mere Suspicion

> Article 12 Determination of a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, **Public Health Emergency of Regional Concern, or Intermediate Health Alert** — *"If the Director-General considers, based on an assessment under these Regulations, that a* ***potential or actual*** *public health emergency of international concern is occurring, the Director-General shall* ***notify all States Parties and seek to*** *consult with the State Party in whose territory the event arises regarding this preliminary determination …"*

The key problem here is the addition of "potential or actual." The WHO can take over if the director-general has a mere suspicion that a health emergency might be brewing. The threat doesn't have to be real or evident.

> Article 13 Public Health Response — *"~~At the request of a State Party,~~ WHO shall ~~collaborate~~* ***articulate clearly defined assistance to a State Party offer assistance to a State Party*** *in the response to public health risks and other events by providing technical guidance ,* ***health products, technologies, know-how, deployment of civil medical personals,*** *and assistance and by assessing the effectiveness of the control measures in place, including the mobilization of international teams of experts for on-site assistance …"*

Again, input from the member state will not be accepted. It's no longer about collaborating with the WHO on health emergencies. It's about obeying it. The WHO will independently decide what's to be done. The WHO may also send in its own medical personnel to address the situation.

Newly Added Articles

Several new articles have also been added to flesh out and describe the WHO's authority, and what member states must do to comply with this new top-down order. Here are two telling ones.

> **NEW Article 13A WHO Led International Public Health Response —** ***"States Parties recognize WHO as the guidance and coordinating authority of international public health response during public health Emergency of International Concern and undertake to follow WHO's recommendations in their international public health response."***

In other words, member nations shall bow down to the WHO and do as they're told. A newly added Article 53 goes on to detail how each member nation must implement a compliance committee to ensure the WHO's directives are adhered to and executed.

> **New Article 13A Access to Health Products, Technologies and Know-How for Public Health Response —** ***"1. Immediately after the determination of a public health emergency of international concern under Article 12, the Director General shall make an immediate assessment of availability and affordability of required health products and make recommendations, including an allocation mechanism, to avoid any potential shortages of health products and technologies …***

> ***3. States Parties shall provide, in their intellectual property laws and related laws and regulations, exemptions and limitations to the exclusive rights of intellectual property holders to facilitate the manufacture, export and import of the required health products, including their materials and components."***

So, once a PHEIC is announced, the director-general will lay claim to all medical resources within the member states. Other additions also spell out that the WHO will control:[5]

The local production of health products	Intellectual property
Cell lines used in the production of biotherapeutics and vaccines	Allocation of medical resources

Biosurveillance	Development of regulatory guidelines for the fast-tracking of health products
Censorship of "false and unreliable information" about public health events, preventive strategies and pandemic countermeasures	A global health database (which is required for the implementation of vaccine passports)

IHR Amendment Greenlights Conflicts of Interest

The amendments also plainly allow for conflicts of interest that might harm public health. Under Article 9, the WHO can declare a public health emergency based on information from undisclosed sources. Those sources could include Big Pharma, WHO funders such as the Gates Foundation and the Gates-founded-and-funded GAVI Alliance, or any number of other players with conflicts of interest.

As reported by The Defender,[6] "One of the biggest changes the WHO has seen in its 75-year history is a shift from funding from sovereign nations to funding from private parties."

At present, the majority of the WHO's funding comes from Bill Gates, through donations from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, GAVI and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI). Gates also funds the World Economic Forum, and his nonprofits are taking money from drug companies.

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What this means is that Gates and drug companies wield enormous power over the WHO. It's not even close to being independent. A majority of the WHO's funding is also "specified," meaning it's earmarked for particular programs. So, the WHO cannot allocate those funds wherever they're needed most, and this also massively influences what the WHO does and how it does it.

There's no getting around this point: The WHO is an organization that does whatever its funders want it to do, and that does not bode well for global health, considering **medical errors are already a leading cause of death**, and have been for decades. The IHR amendments basically open the door wide to mass medical experimentation on humanity without informed consent, and if the COVID pandemic is any indication, nothing good will come from that.

PHEIC Definition Expanded to Include Just About Anything

The amendments also radically expand the situations that can constitute a PHEIC. A PHEIC is currently defined as an "extraordinary event" in one country that constitutes "a public health risk to other states through the international spread of disease and to potentially require a coordinated international response."

Amendments seek to expand and broaden this definition to include things like clusters of infection with potential but unverified human-to-human transmission. The actual risks of such clusters don't even need to be evaluated. What's more, the proposed definition of a PHEIC does not specify that it must involve "severe" or "life-threatening" disease, so it could be invoked for just about anything.

One of the amendments also suggests giving the director-general the ability to declare an "intermediate public health alert" when the situation doesn't fully meet the PHEIC criteria. In such an event, the director-general and/or a regional WHO director would be able to declare a public health emergency of regional concern (PHERC).[7]

As suggested by Campbell, to really understand what they're trying to do here, browse through the **Article by Article Compilation of Proposed Amendments**[8] for yourself. Most definitely, don't believe the "fact checkers" who say there's nothing to see here.

Treaty Will Expand WHO's Power Beyond Pandemics

As mentioned earlier, when you add in the **proposed pandemic treaty**, the WHO's powers expand even further, because in addition to expanding emergency powers during pandemics, the treaty also emphasizes the "**One Health**"[9,10] agenda, and that covers just about everything you can think of.

As illustrated in the graphic[11] below, the One Health agenda is based on the premise that a broad range of aspects of life and the environment can impact health and therefore fall under the "potential" to cause harm.

This graphic below isn't comprehensive. The scope of One Health, according to a One Health Commission document,[12] also includes communications, economics, civil society, global trade, commerce and security, public policy and regulation, research, noncommunicable diseases, agricultural land use (which involves forcing farmers off their land), disaster preparedness and response, disease surveillance, the "human-animal bond" (whatever that means) and much more.

Under the new treaty, the WHO will have unilateral power to make decisions about all of these areas, and its dictates will supersede and overrule any and all local, state and federal laws. For

example, under One Health, the WHO will be able to declare climate change as a health emergency and implement climate lockdowns to address it.

One Health Is Part of The Great Reset Agenda

One Health basically mirrors The Great Reset agenda. It just uses a different name and justifies all these Great Reset changes as a means to "protect health." Not surprisingly, One Health is financed and promoted by a long list of Great Reset backers, including the United Nations, the European Union and various U.S. federal agencies,[13,14] the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, GAVI, the Wellcome Trust, UNICEF, CEPI, the World Economic Forum and the World Bank.

But while these entities are officially funding the pandemic industry, what's really happening is they're using taxes to fund wealthy people, who in turn exploit the poor. It's as far from philanthropic as you can get.

Taxpayers are providing the money while private profiteers are deciding how that money is spent, and it's being spent in ways that will benefit themselves. So, it's a private-public "partnership" where the public is being robbed and all the benefits go to the private sector.

As reported by Paraschiva Florescu and Rob Verkerk Ph.D., with the Alliance for Natural Health International:[15]

> *"The One Health approach is aligned with WHO's linear and reductionist thinking that seeks to distill all potential solutions to one view of the underlying science, one view on the necessary medicines, and only one truth.*

> *This monolithic approach spells grave dangers for humanity given that it is bottom-up, decentralized, regionally specific approaches to complex health problems that have always been shown to work. Top-down, "one size fits all" approaches, especially ones twisted by conflicted interests, are doomed to failure.*

> *Only those who fail to look at the wider scientific picture are prepared to convince themselves that the WHO's first global attempt at managing a pandemic, involving masks, lockdowns and genetic vaccines, was a success.*

> *At its core, the WHO's extended powers will lead to even more censorship and will dismantle the notion of consensus science built on a transparent, scientific method …*

> *Without an international uprising by the grassroots, these amendments will go ahead. Our silence and passivity are our consent. It is, without question, part of the slow descent into totalitarianism, taking us further and further away from principles and values that have characterized many civilizations over recent millennia, namely the right to liberty, the rights of the individual, and the importance of national sovereignty."*

To learn more, check out the Stop Vax Passports Task Force **webinar on One Health**,[16] available on NTD.com.

Global Threat Detection Network Launched

Already, the WHO has launched a global threat detection network, the International Pathogen Surveillance Network (IPSN), to "help protect people from infectious disease threats through the power of pathogen genomics."[17] Apparently, it fully expects to be granted all the powers that the IHR amendments and the **pandemic treaty** will impart.

This network will be used to collect and analyze pathogenic samples, which in turn will drive the WHO's public health decisions. As described in a press release:[18]

> *"The IPSN, with a Secretariat hosted by the WHO Hub for Pandemic and Epidemic Intelligence, brings together experts worldwide at the cutting-edge of genomics and data analytics, from governments, philanthropic foundations, multilateral organizations, civil society, academia and the private sector.*

> *All share a common goal: to detect and respond to disease threats before they become epidemics and pandemics, and to optimize routine disease surveillance …*

> *COVID-19 highlighted the critical role pathogen genomics plays in responding to pandemic threats. Without the rapid sequencing of the SARS-COV-2 genome, vaccines would not have been as effective, or have been made available so quickly.*

> *New, more transmissible variants of the virus would not have been as quickly identified. Genomics lies at the heart of effective epidemic and pandemic preparedness and response, as well as part of the ongoing surveillance of a vast range of diseases, from foodborne diseases and influenza to tuberculosis and HIV."*

The problem, of course, is that the COVID "vaccines," developed at warp speed using genomic sequencing, were neither effective nor safe. Many have died within two weeks of getting their jab, and after several months, the effectiveness become negative. This is the technology they now want to use for everything. The risks moving this agenda forward are near-incomprehensible.

So, to summarize and recap, the globalist takeover hinges on the successful creation of a feedback loop of surveillance for virus variants, declaration of potential risk followed by lockdowns and restrictions, followed by mass vaccinating populations to "end" the pandemic restrictions, followed by more surveillance and so on. The funding for this scheme comes primarily from taxpayers, while the profits go to corporations and their investors.

Current Timeline

Once the amendments are adopted by the World Health Assembly, nations will have only a limited time to reject them. Any nation that hasn't officially rejected the amendments will then be legally bound by them, and any attempt to reject them after the six-month grace period will be null and void.

As it currently stands, the IHR amendments will be voted on in the World Health Assembly (WHA) in May 2024. They only need a majority vote to pass. If that vote happens as planned, then the 10-month deadline for member states to reject the amendments will expire in March 2025, and the amendments will come into force in May 2025. If a member state opts out, then the current 2005 IHR version will apply to that state.

The WHO pandemic treaty will also be voted on by the WHA in May 2024. It requires a two-thirds majority vote to pass, and 30 member countries to ratify it. Thirty days after ratification, the treaty will take force for the countries that signed it.

Bill Introduced to Require Senate Approval, but Is It Enough?

Fortunately, the U.S. Senate is not entirely clueless about the ramifications of this treaty, and 17 Republican senators, led by Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Wis., have introduced a bill to thwart the WHO's power grab.[19]

The "No WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty Without Senate Approval Act,"[20] introduced February 15, 2023, would require a Senate supermajority (two-thirds or 67 senators) to pass the pandemic treaty.

However, according to Boyle,[21] an expert on international laws and treaties, even this bill might not be enough to protect us were President Biden to sign the treaty. The reason for this is because the treaty is written "specifically to circumvent the Senate-approval process."

A far more effective strategy, he says, would be for Congress to withhold its annual contributions to the WHO — and then withdraw the U.S. from the WHO altogether.

I believe it may be worth supporting all of these strategies. So, please, contact your representatives and urge them to support the "No WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty Without Senate Approval Act," to withhold funding for the WHO and, ultimately, support U.S. withdrawal from the WHO.

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Think Globally, Act Locally

National vaccine policy recommendations in the U.S. are made at the federal level but vaccine laws are made at the state level. It is at the state level where your action to protect your vaccine choice rights can have the greatest impact.

It is critical for EVERYONE to get involved now in standing up for the legal right to make voluntary vaccine choices in America because those choices are being seriously threatened.

Not only are lobbyists representing drug companies, medical trade associations and public health officials trying to persuade legislators to strip all vaccine exemptions from public health laws, but global political operatives lobbying the United Nations and World Health Organization are determined to take away the human right to autonomy and protection of bodily integrity.

We must take action to defend our constitutional republic and civil liberties, including the right to autonomy, in America. That includes reforming oppressive mandatory vaccination laws and stopping the digital health ID that will make vaccine passports a reality for us, our children and grandchildren if we don't take action today.

Signing up to use the free online Advocacy Portal sponsored by the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC) at **www.NVICAdvocacy.org** gives you immediate, easy access to your own state and federal legislators on your smartphone or computer so you can make your voice heard.

NVIC will keep you up to date on the latest bills threatening to eliminate — or expand — your legal right to make vaccine choices and give you guidance about what you can do to support or oppose those bills. So, please, as your first step, sign up for the NVIC Advocacy Portal.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN!

Internet Resources Where You Can Learn More

I encourage you to visit the four websites of the National Vaccine Information Center, at **www.NVIC.org**, a nonprofit charity that has been educating the public about the need to prevent vaccine injuries and deaths since 1982. The information you get on their websites is fully referenced and will help you become an effective vaccine choice advocate in your community:

- **NVIC.org** — This website was established in 1995 and is the oldest and largest consumer operated website publishing information on diseases and vaccines on the internet. Learn about vaccine reactions, injuries and deaths and the history and current status of vaccine science, policy, law and ethics in the U.S. on more than 2,000 web pages.
- **NVICAdvocacy.org** — This communications and advocacy network, established in 2010, is your gateway to taking action to protect your right to make vaccine choices where you live.
- **TheVaccineReaction.org** — This weekly journal newspaper published by NVIC since 2015 is dedicated to encouraging an "enlightened conversation about vaccination, health and autonomy."
- **MedAlerts.org** — This is a user-friendly search engine for the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) established under the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act and sponsored by NVIC since 2006. Search for descriptions of vaccine injuries and deaths reported to VAERS on this popular website.

Find a Doctor Who Will Listen and Care

If your doctor or pediatrician refuses to provide medical care to you or your child unless you agree to get vaccines you don't want, I strongly encourage you to have the courage to find another doctor. Harassment, coercion and refusal to provide medical care to someone declining one or more doses of government recommended vaccines is a violation of the informed consent ethic.

Unfortunately, it is becoming routine among members of the medical establishment to be reluctant to share vaccine decision-making power with patients and parents of minor children, especially during the aggressive push for all Americans to get COVID shots.

There are doctors out there who respect the precautionary and informed consent principles, so take the time to locate a doctor who treats you with compassion and is willing to listen and respect the health care choices you make for yourself or your child.

Pandemic Treaty Update Be careful. The new version ("Bureau's Text") is very different than the previous versions.

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Please watch the 6 minute video, listen to the Twitter Spaces conversation and read the articles below...

ANALYSIS OF THE BUREAU'S TEXT

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Fluoridation Poisoned Waters Cover-up & Your Child's IQ

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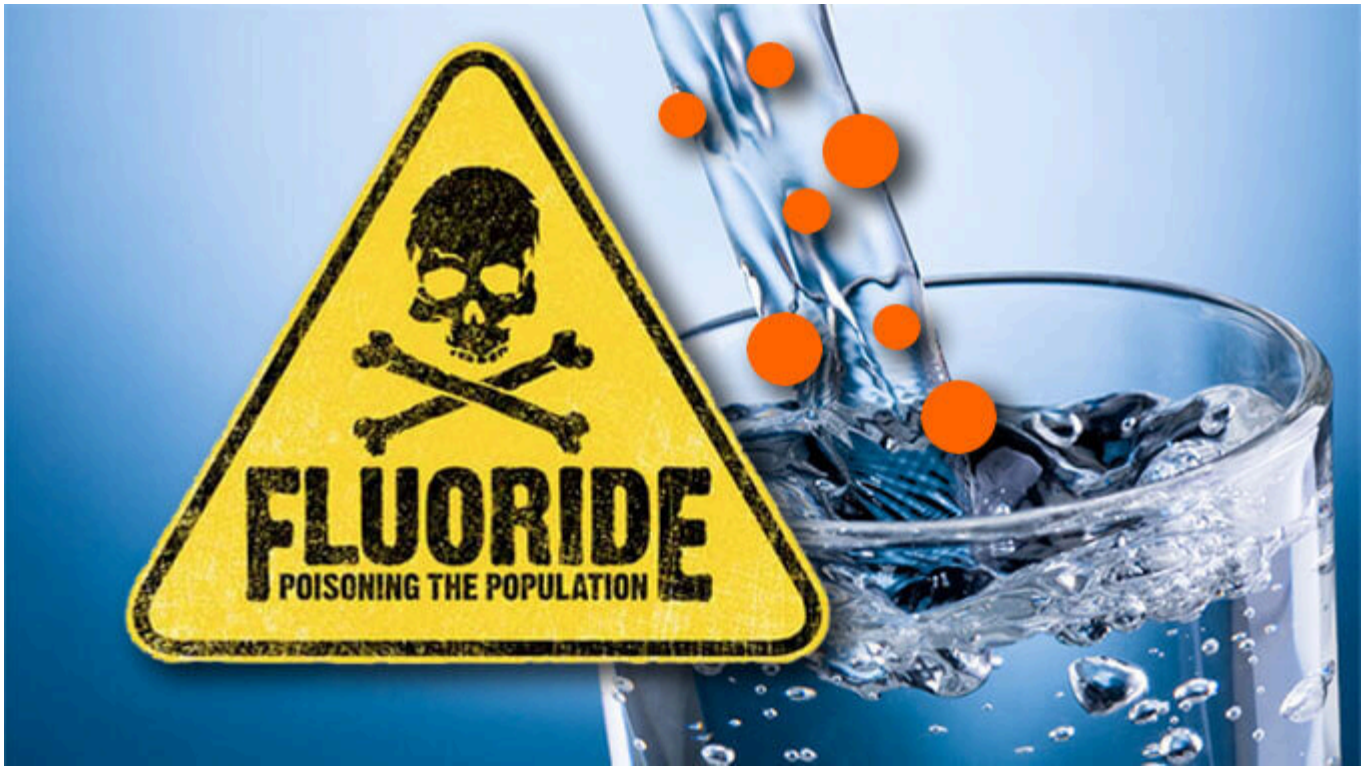
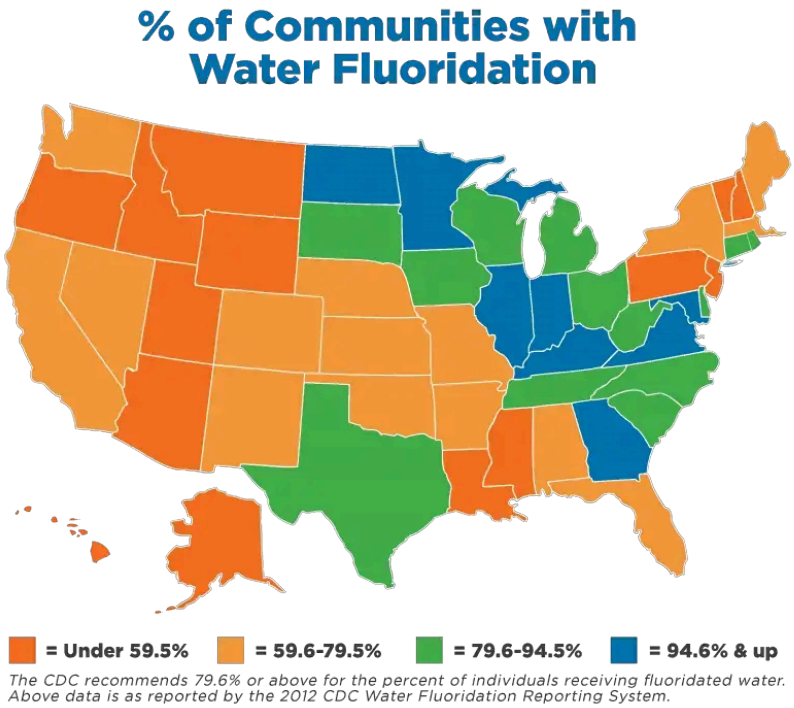


How Rachel Levine tried to block the nasty truth about fluoridation's devastating effect on childhood IQs



Covid showed us how corrupt the medical establishment has become not only in America but worldwide. Doctors know where their bread is buttered and rarely speak out of school or provide advice based on their own independent research. They will support almost any government health narrative if that's what it takes to make sure the money continues to flow, even if it means violating their oath to "do no harm."

Next in line for top honors in terms of corruption, after the biomedical-security complex, is the media.

People say the truth will always prevail, and I agree. But this is a lesson that governments never seem to learn, especially when they have a corrupt media willing to cover for their lies.

We see the government and media colluding to deceive the masses on vaccines (they're safe and effective, safe and effective, safe and effective). We see them colluding on the phony climate change narrative, where to save the planet you've got to grow less food, exchange real meat for fake, eat bugs, curtail freedom of movement, digitize humanity and convert all power generation to the electric grid, which is already overtaxed. We see it with so-called "gun violence" — blame the tool not the evil people who misuse the tool. And the list goes on.

But nowhere has the government-media collusion to deceive been going on longer than when it comes to the deliberate poisoning of America's municipal drinking water. They poison it right at the source, then tell you that it's good for you. *It builds strong teeth!*

The final report of an exhaustive six-year study of fluoride neurotoxicity was **blocked from public release** by Biden appointee ***Dr. Richard "Rachel" Levine*** at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in May 2022, according to the ***Fluoride Action Network***.

Dr. Richard "Rachel" Levine

The exhaustive study, conducted by the National Toxicology Program (NTP), included incontrovertible evidence that fluoride hinders the development of the brain in children who consume it at levels present in most public water systems.

But under an agreement reached in an **ongoing lawsuit** against the EPA, the ***report*** was finally made public on March 15 of this year with **a table of contents**. Included were comments from external peer-reviewers and internal HHS departments, along with responses from the National Toxicology Program.

The review considered all human studies of fluoride's effect on the developing brain. Its conclusion confirmed and strengthened the findings from two earlier drafts released in **2019** and **2020**. External peer-reviewers all agreed with the conclusion that prenatal and early life fluoride exposures can reduce IQ.

The report was issued in two parts, a monograph and a meta-analysis. The meta-analysis found that 52 of 55 studies found lower IQ with higher fluoride exposures, demonstrating remarkable consistency. Of the 19 studies rated higher quality, 18 found lowering of IQ. The meta-analysis could not detect any safe exposure, including at levels common from drinking fluoridated water.

Documents obtained through the Freedom of Information Act show government agencies that promote fluoridation, most allied with dental interests, have tried to water down the report, according to a **release** by Fluoride Action Network.

In the excerpt from the March 15 press release below, the Fluoride Action Network specifically names "**Rachel Levine**," a gender-confused man, as the government official who tried to block the truth from coming out on the havoc fluoride continues to wreak on children's brains. It took a lawsuit to force this information from the secret files of the government. The release states:

> When the NTP held firm, these agencies got HHS Assistant Administrator Rachel Levine to **block its release**. Only **one historical example** exists of an NTP report being blocked from release, a report on the carcinogenicity of asbestos-contaminated talc. Talc industry groups conducted an aggressive lobbying campaign, enlisting friendly congresspeople to intervene. FAN was able to force today's release of the NTP report by using leverage from the **ongoing lawsuit** against the EPA.
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> Fluoridation defenders have falsely claimed draft versions of the report had been "rejected" by a National Academies committee. In fact, the committee recommended that NTP clarify their methods and reasoning for reaching their conclusions because the issue was considered so contentious. The NTP has done that in the report released today. There is now little question that a large body of scientific evidence supports a conclusion that fluoride can lower child's IQ, including at exposure levels from fluoridated water.
>
> With the release of this report, dental interests may have to rethink their denial of the evidence that fluoridation can reduce children's IQ.

Dentists have for decades pressured their customers to use fluoridated toothpaste while lobbying for fluoridated drinking water, despite reams of evidence showing this is a toxic chemical that provides little if any benefit to dental health. Most common water filters do not remove fluoride and the ones that do are more expensive, but worth the money, especially if you have children under your care.

So, where does fluoride come from, anyway? It's an industrial-waste byproduct of the mining industry, explains Frank Zelko, in an article for the Ohio State University website **Origins**.

Zelko writes:

> **"Highly toxic hydrogen fluoride and silicon tetrafluoride gases are by-products of fertilizer production. Prior to the 1970s, these pollutants were vented into the atmosphere and gave central Florida some of the most noxious air pollution in the country. During the 1960s, however, complaints by farmers and ranchers eventually forced reluctant manufacturers to invest in pollution abatement scrubbers that converted toxic vapors into fluorosilicic acid (FSA), a dangerous but more containable liquid waste."**

Zelko further explains that the U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) cautions that FSA, an inorganic fluoride compound, has ***dire health consequences*** for any worker that comes into contact with it.

"Breathing its fumes causes severe lung damage or death and an accidental splash on bare skin will lead to burning and excruciating pain. Fortunately, it can be contained in high-density cross-linked polyethylene storage tanks."

It is in such tanks, Zelko notes, that fluorosilicic acid has for the past half century been transported from Florida fertilizer factories to water reservoirs throughout the United States.

"Once there, it is drip fed into drinking water. This is a practice that the American Dental Association and numerous scientists and public health officials describe as 'the precise adjustment of the existing naturally occurring fluoride levels in drinking water to an optimal fluoride level … for the prevention of dental decay.'"

The Fluoride Action Network has a **fact sheet** on the toxicity of this chemical and the long fight to get it removed from public drinking water systems. Please share the fact sheet, and this article, with all your friends and family.

Biden to end familial DNA testing at the border, opening way for large-scale child trafficking

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Reports indicate as many as one in three illegal immigrant adults suspected of bringing children who weren't their own, turned out not to be related to them

According to a memo obtained by *Just the News*, the Biden administration is about to end yet another Trump presidency policy that helped stop child trafficking. Under the Trump policy, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents conducted DNA testing on children and adults traveling with them who claimed to be parents or other close relatives. This proved to be a serious deterrent to attempts by cartels and illegal aliens to use children not actually related to them to fake a familial relationship to facilitate entry into the United States (U.S.)

The memo obtained by *Just the News* was sent by CBP to its frontline agents, advising them that the DNA testing program would end on 31 May 2023. This will open up yet another serious loophole in border enforcement and worse yet, subject untold thousands of innocent children to trafficking, including sex trafficking….in the United States of America.

Once again, the Biden administration and its lawless Department of Homeland Security, led by Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, are demonstrating an utterly callous disregard for the well-being of children. If this policy, to end DNA testing at the border, is carried out, DHS and the Biden administration must be held accountable for aiding and abetting one of the largest child trafficking operations in the world.

#DefendtheBorder #EveryStateABorderState #SecureBordersSaveLives

Source Referenced Below:

"Biden to end familial DNA testing at border, key deterrent to fraud and child trafficking" By John Solomon and Addison Smith, *Just the News*, May 22, 2023

Biden administration: Abortion restrictions weaken military!

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President Biden's Secretary of Defense **Lloyd Austin claims** (10/20/22) that failure to adequately fund expanded "reproductive health care," (*i.e.* abortion or child homicide before birth) "will interfere with our ability to recruit, retain and maintain the readiness of a highly qualified force." Secretary Austin wants abortions funded **beyond current law** which is limited to circumstances of life of the mother, rape, and incest.

Imagine General Dwight Eisenhower, head of all Allied forces against Nazi Germany, Imperial Japan and Fascist Italy, telling the Senate Armed Services Committee during World War II, that American troops will not invade Normandy (D-Day), Northern Africa (Operation Torch), retaliate for Pearl Harbor (Midway), or Fascist Italy (Sicily) unless troops and dependents have unfettered access to abortion!

On December 9, 2022, Republican Senator Tommy Tuberville (AL) notified Secretary Austin he would block all unanimous consent requests in the Senate to approve multiple military officers' nominations (by a single block vote) unless Secretary Austin's death memo for preborn children is withdrawn. On March 8, 2023, Sen. Tuberville kept his promise and started blocking all of the Pentagon's unanimous consent requests to approve military officer nominations.

Sen. Tuberville has pledged to pull his hold on the nominations as soon as Secretary Austin rescinds his illegal effort to expand abortion funding for military beneficiaries. Sen. Tuberville pointed out that had Senate Democrat Majority Leader Schumer not recessed the Senate for 30 days there would have been enough time for all of the 234 military nominations to have been considered and approved by individual votes.

I have read parts or all of the military books used at West Point (which Secretary Austin attended) including: On War (von Clauwitz), The Art of War (Machiavelli), The Influence of Sea Power Upon History (Alfred Mahan), The Art of War (Sun Tzu) and The History of the Peloponnesian War (Thucydides). I could not find any claim in these books that abortion enhances military readiness or competence.

Of course, it is possible the Biden Administration is taking its cue from totalitarian governments: "One of the first legislative actions after the Russian Revolution resulted in the widespread performance of abortion" (**The Lancet, 12/21/2019)**.

Seven former Democrat and Republican **Secretaries of Defense wrote** (5/4/22) to Congress basically claiming that failure to pay for abortions beyond those now allowed by law "is harming military readiness and damaging U.S national security…and…sends the wrong message to our adversaries and could weaken our deterrence."

These former Secretaries of Defense have suggested that Senators who want to restrict abortions should introduce legislation, conduct oversight hearings, or amend the National Defense Authorization Act. However, as Senator Tuberville pointed out, the Department of Defense is already prohibited by **10 U.S.C. 1093** to fund any abortions other than those resulting, "from rape, incest, or pregnancies that threaten the life of the mother. These rules apply to both service members and their dependents."

Tuberville added that, "The burden is on the administration to stop breaking the law." Under current law, the DOD funded 91 abortions between 2016 and 2021, but that would jump to 4,100 annually under Secretary Austin's illegal proposal. Democrat Senators took an Oath to defend the Constitution which stipulates that the Congress shall write the laws, not Secretaries of Defense.

Secretary Austin might respond that he is only following President Biden's policies. America has never before had such a zealous, pro-abortion president as the current "Catholic" occupant of the White House. Joe Biden may say he is only following what his Planned Parenthood supporters

want, but Joe Biden would be wise to follow what a much higher Authority than Planned Parenthood has stated regarding such matters: "He who sins against me does violence to his own soul; All those who hate me love death" (Proverbs 8:36).

The Department of Defense hopes to circumvent state laws where abortion is restricted. However, the federal Assimilative Crimes Act, 18 U.S.C. § 13 ensures "state law applicable to conduct occurring on lands reserved or acquired by the Federal government as provided in 18 U.S.C. § 7(3), when the act or omission is not made punishable by an enactment of Congress." In other words, in the absence of any federal law to the contrary, any federal military base or hospital situated in a state which restricts abortion would have that same law apply to the military doctor who was aborting women on the military base.

Secretary Austin claims that abortion is health care. He is mistaken. Seventy one years ago in 1952, Dr. William Heffernan and Dr, William Lynch reported that, "the best obstetrical experience justifies the opinion voiced by the senior author at the recent Congress of the American College of Surgeons that, 'Anyone who performs a therapeutic abortion is either ignorant of modern medical methods of treating the complications of pregnancy or is unwilling to take the time to use them'" (**The Linacre Quarterly**, Vol. 19 : No. 1, Article 5).

Additionally, the words "conscience" and "religious objection" appear nowhere in Secretary Austin's memo. Secretary Austin's abortion "rule" does not protect the conscience rights of military personnel or DOD civilian staff who could be forced to participate in abortions or be fired. Under these circumstances could a military court or administrative entity decide that refusal of military or other personnel to facilitate the procuring of direct abortion per Secretary Austin would be a violation of a lawful military order?

In the early 1960s, American state law treated abortion as a type of homicide. Twenty-three states had express provisions in their criminal codes similar to Virginia's law stating that if anyone administers or provides to "a woman any drug or other thing…with intent **to** destroy her unborn child, or to produce abortion or miscarriage and thereby destroy such child, he shall be confined in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than ten years" (VA Code Ann. Sect. 18.1-62, 63)

Also, in the early 1960s before *Roe*, 19 additional states specifically classified abortion either as manslaughter or second degree murder, or punished abortionists with equivalent penalties. At that time, legislators did not claim that abortion was "health care" or anything other than the killing of a human being, a living child. Secretary Austin's widely used phrase, "reproductive health care," is a convenient euphemism for child homicide before birth, and it does not morally sanitize abortion. Women in crisis pregnancies need prayer, assistance and compassion, not abortion.

Before 1868, federal and some state laws allowed certain humans to be designated and treated as "property." But using the term "property" to describe persons did not change the fact that that all

persons are made in God's Image. Persons are not things, should never be treated as such, and cannot be turned into "things" by a simple turn of a phrase by any President or Secretary of Defense mouthing the words "reproductive health care"

Further, there is no reference in Secretary Austin's memo that the DOD office of Legal Counsel agrees with Austin's claim that he can unilaterally rewrite federal law. Senate Democrats are fine with giving away their constitutional powers including the writing of law, if it means expanding abortion. Does the Pentagon's Judge Advocate General's Office agree that Secretary Austin's rule can override current federal law?

President Biden shows his obsession with and his irrational promotion of preborn child sacrifice by now attempting to block the move of the headquarters of the new Spaceforce from Colorado to Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama, because according to **NBC News (5/20/23)**, the Alabama legislature passed very tight restrictions on abortion. This is an unseemly and malicious form of abortion extortion which threatens the loss of many good paying jobs at Huntsville Spaceforce headquarters!

Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Ala., noted that the Air Force chose Huntsville for all the right reasons. "This was affirmed by the GAO and the DOD Inspector General. …hey took into account several factors including quality of life, available infrastructure, and workforce capabilities. Huntsville, Alabama, finished first in both." **Biden's own** "Office of Management and Budget ordered a review of the process for selecting Alabama. Inspectors general for both the U.S. Government Accountability Office and the Defense Department completed the review in 2022 and found that the process to select Redstone Arsenal was legitimate."

While abortion-promoting President Joe Biden, is making ridiculous and immoral public policy decisions, Senator Tuberville and the legislature of Alabama are attempting to protect innocent life. We can ask our US senators to reject President Biden's and Secretary Austin's immoral and coercive policies to expand abortion in the military. We should also thank Senator Tuberville for his brave efforts and encourage him to remain steadfast.

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The Real Reason Your Doctor Wants You Vaccinated?

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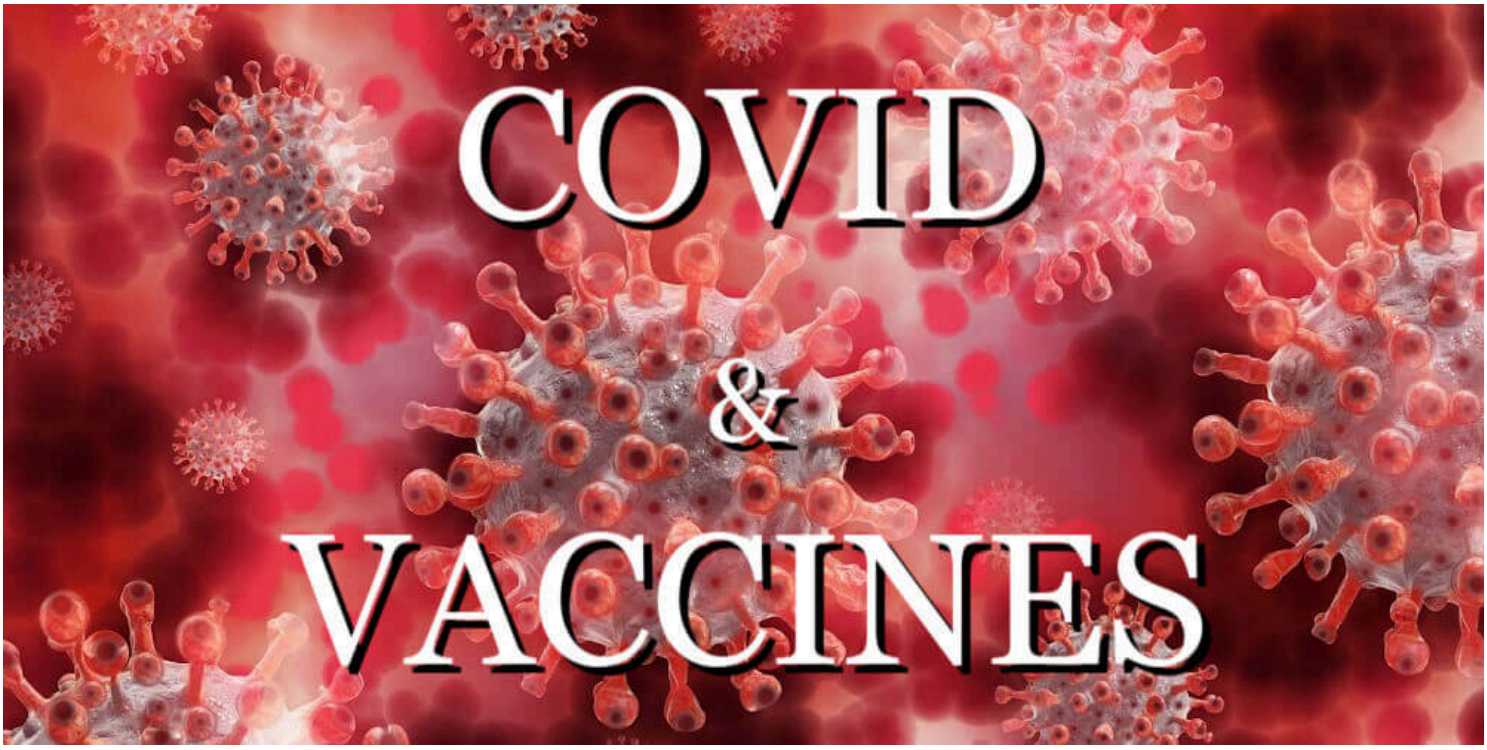

No doubt, doctors are brainwashed into thinking 'vaccination for all' is for the highest and common good – and their employers may mandate vaccination as well. But, according to this inside information, that may not be what's really driving physicians and pediatricians to push jabs.

Is This Why Pediatricians Push Vaccines?

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

Story at-a-glance

- Primary care providers across the U.S. were bribed with incentive programs to coerce patients into getting the toxic COVID shot. Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield paid doctors $50 for each Medicaid patient aged 6 months and older, who got the experimental jab.
- Doctors have been financially incentivized to vaccinate children for a long time. In 2016, Blue Cross Blue Shield paid pediatricians a $400 bonus for each patient that completed 10 vaccinations before their second birthday, provided 63% of their patients were fully vaccinated.

- "Client and family incentives" also exist. In 2015, the Community Preventive Services Task Force recommended boosting vaccination rates by giving small, inexpensive incentive rewards to patients.
- Bribery is also par for the course when it comes to vaccine mandates. Pfizer paid undisclosed sums to front groups that advocated for COVID jab mandates, thereby hiding their conflict of interest.
- While the COVID-19 pandemic furthered many globalist goals, it inadvertently tanked childhood vaccination rates. To get childhood vaccination rates back on track, a global alliance has launched "The Big Catch-Up" initiative. It's touted as the largest childhood immunization effort ever.

n April 2023, I reported how primary care providers across the U.S. were bribed with incentive programs to **coerce patients into getting the toxic COVID shot**. Since there was no medical malpractice liability, doctors profited while patients risked their lives as participants in an unprecedented medical experiment, all while being lied to about the safety and effectiveness of these injections.

Even more egregiously, once the U.S. Food and Drug Administration authorized the COVID shot for children, similar vaccination incentives were extended to pediatricians as well. As detailed in an Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Medicaid provider bulletin[1] dated July 2022, doctors received $50 for each Medicaid patient aged 6 months and older, who got the experimental jab.

Pediatricians Are Financially Incentivized to Vaccinate

As it turns out, doctors have been financially incentivized to vaccinate children for a long time. According to a 1999 JAMA Pediatrics article,[2] the average patient load of American pediatricians is 1,546, although the number of patients was "significantly higher in less populated areas and solo practices."

Of these, 8.3% were younger than 1 year, 9.5% were 1 year old and 8.6% were 2 years old.[3] That means approximately 26.4% of the average pediatrician's patients were 2 years old and younger. More recent data,[4] published in 2021, show 75% of pediatricians have between 1,000 and 1,800 patients and 21% have around 1,200 patients; most practices, 65%, are in the 1,000 to 1,500 range.

As shown in the 2016 provider incentive program document from Blue Cross Blue Shield below,[5,6] pediatricians were getting $400 for each pediatric patient that completed all the 10 vaccinations listed — 25 doses in all[7] — before their second birthday. (Keep in mind that incentives can vary by state. The example provided is part of Michigan's Blue Cross Blue Shield Performance Recognition Program.)[8]

How Much Money Is at Stake?

The math from there is pretty straight-forward (although keep in mind that we're dealing with presumed averages and aged statistics here). Just multiply the number of patients under age 2 times $400. Using the average statistics from 1999, if a pediatrician has 1,000 patients, 264 can be expected to be 2 years old or younger. If all are fully vaccinated, the pediatrician would be eligible for a $105,600 year-end bonus.

2016 PROVIDER INCENTIVE PROGRAM 14

Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Care Network of Michigan

Confidence comes with every card.

HEALTH CARE OUTCOMES: PREVENTIVE HEALTH

CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATIONS – COMBO 10	
Product lines	**BCN Commercial**
Source	HEDIS
Description	The percentage of children 2 years of age who meet the combination 10 criteria on or before their second birthday: • (4) DTaP* vaccinations • (3) IPV* vaccinations • (1) MMR vaccination • (1) VZV vaccination • (3) HiB* vaccinations • (3) Hepatitis B vaccinations • (4) PCV* vaccinations • (1) HepA vaccination • (2 or 3) RV* vaccinations • (2) Influenza** vaccinations *Vaccinations administered prior to 42 days after birth are not counted as a numerator hit. **Vaccinations administered prior to 180 days after birth are not counted as a numerator hit.
Continuous enrollment	Must be continuously enrolled 12 months prior to child's second birthday
Age criteria	Children who turn 2 years of age during 2016
Exclusionary criteria	Children who are documented with an anaphylactic reaction to the vaccine or its components
Numerator	The number of children who completed vaccinations as defined above
Denominator	The eligible population
Level of measure	Provider level
Target: COMM	63%
Payout: COMM	$400 per Combo 10 completed for each eligible member

While $400 per fully vaccinated child might seem incentivizing enough, there's an added pressure here, because Blue Cross Blue Shield also has (or at least had, in 2016) a "target" level of 63%.

This means that if the pediatrician fails to vaccinate 63% of his eligible patients, he or she gets nothing. So, the pediatrician has a VERY high incentive to get as many toddlers fully vaccinated as possible, so as not to miss that target. It's not just $400 that is at stake when parents decline one or more shots. Tens of thousands of dollars could be on the line. As noted by Dr. Bob Sears:[9]

> *"Such incentives … end up forcing a doctor to consider the financial implications of accepting patients who even just want to opt out of one vaccine … Maybe a few such families wouldn't make them fail the chart reviews, but if they have too many, there goes their year-end bonus."*

Why Pediatricians Become Adversaries

Anytime financial incentives are part of the equation, one can reasonably assume that the lure of self-enrichment will win. With tens of thousands of dollars at stake, pediatricians can easily be lulled into complacency when it comes to digging deeper into the science.

After all, who wants to see evidence that what they're doing is causing more harm than good? These kinds of incentives also encourage pediatricians to simply toss questioning parents out of their practice, to make room for more compliant patients that don't put their income at risk. As reported by Children's Health Defense back in 2018:[10]

> *"… the 11 well-child visits recommended by the AAP over a child's first 30 months (with annual visits thereafter through age 21) ensure a steady stream of repeat customers and revenue for pediatricians.*

> *In accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's vaccine schedule, pediatric practices are expected to administer vaccines (often as many as six at a time) at about half of well-child visits through the adolescent years, making vaccination a foundational bread-and-butter component of pediatricians' job description …*

> *It is quite common for pediatricians (and family doctors) to encounter parents who refuse one or more infant vaccines, most often due to safety concerns. These concerns also mean that pediatricians frequently get requests to modify or delay the vaccine schedule — nearly three-fifths (58%) of pediatricians reported such requests in a 2014 AAP survey …*

> *Rather than recognize the validity of parents' safety concerns or admit to their own ambivalence about some of the newer vaccines, many pediatricians — nearly two in five according to some estimates — choose to boot uncooperative families out of their practice …*

> *Ultimately … subtle and not-so-subtle financial incentives and social pressures are likely to maintain widespread adherence by pediatricians to the vaccine schedule — even in instances where contraindications are present.*

> *Although pediatricians have a legal duty to fully inform patients about vaccine risks and side effects, the lure of monetary perks and the desire to fit in may lessen their motivation to do so."*

Patients Are Bribed Too

In addition to the financial incentives given to physicians, "client and family incentives" also exist. A nongovernmental panel of public health and prevention experts called the "Community Preventive Services Task Force"[11] in 2015 published a guide[12] on how to boost vaccination rates using incentive rewards for patients.

The task force was established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in 1996 "to develop guidance on which community-based health promotion and disease prevention intervention approaches work and which do not work, based on available scientific evidence."[13] As explained by this task force:[14]

> *"The Community Preventive Services Task Force recommends client or family incentive rewards, used alone or in combination with additional interventions, to increase vaccination rates in children and adults.*

> *Client or family incentive rewards are used to motivate people to obtain recommended vaccinations. Rewards may be monetary or non-monetary, and they may be given to clients or families in exchange for keeping an appointment, receiving a vaccination, returning for a vaccination series, or producing documentation of vaccination status. Rewards are typically small (e.g., food vouchers, gift cards, lottery prizes, baby products)."*

The scientific evidence supporting bribery of patients with food vouchers, gift cards and other products of limited value was said to be 4 out of 4, meaning very strong. In other words, incentives, even near-worthless ones, work.

Indeed, we saw this during COVID-19 as well. People were lining up for experimental COVID shots in return for a doughnut, hamburger and fries or even a free lap dance at the local strip club. The pattern is the same. Throw the patient a bone and they'll agree to things that bring others big profits.

As patients, we need to get savvier about these kinds of tricks and interpret them for what they are. These kinds of "gifts" are not given out of kindness or concern for your well-being. It's a compliance bribe, and your compliance is making someone rich. Meanwhile, any risks involved are on you.

Bribery and Vaccine Mandates

Bribery is also par for the course when it comes to vaccine mandates. As detailed in a previous article, **Pfizer paid undisclosed sums to front groups that advocated for COVID jab mandates**, thereby hiding their conflict of interest. In part due to the fake "grassroots" work of these groups, Pfizer was able to rake in a record-breaking $100 billion in sales in 2022.[15]

Of course, the U.S. government also paid news media a staggering **$1 billion to promote and build public confidence in the jab**, and Pfizer itself spent $2.8 billion on ads in 2022 alone.

But the pressure from consumer groups, civil rights groups, patient groups and doctors' groups — all of which had been paid off — was probably why COVID jab mandates could even be officially considered by the government. They created a false consensus that people desperately wanted vaccine mandates to keep everyone "safe."

Special interest groups paid by Pfizer[16] to push for COVID jab mandates and coercive vaccine policies included the Chicago Urban league (which argued that the jab mandate would benefit the Black community), the National Consumers League, the Immunization Partnership, the Advertising Council and a long list of universities and cancer, liver diseases, cardiology, rheumatology and medical science organizations.

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Each of these organizations received anywhere from several thousand to hundreds of thousands of dollars from Pfizer in 2021 alone. Is it any wonder, then, that more than 50 major health care organizations called for vaccine mandates that year, including for their own workers?[17]

Childhood Vaccination Rates Tanked During COVID

While the COVID-19 pandemic furthered many globalist goals, it inadvertently tanked childhood vaccination rates, as many parents ended up missing routine well-child visits due to clinic

closures, lockdowns and fear of taking their children outside. As reported by the American Medical Association (AMA) in November 2021:[18]

> *"... recently published research sheds new light on how the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted some of those routine vaccinations, as parents and their children didn't just stay home — they stayed away from the doctor.*

> *The JAMA Pediatrics study[19] ... found that vaccine-administration rates were significantly lower across all pediatric age groups as the pandemic first surged in the U.S. ... For example, only 74% of infants turning 7 months old in September 2020 were up to date on their vaccinations, a drop from 81% in September 2019.*

> *And just 57% of infants who hit the 18-month mark in September 2020 were up to date, down from 61% the year before. The proportion of children up to date for routine vaccinations was lowest among Black children, with inequities more pronounced in the 18-month-old group."*

The Big Catch-Up Initiative

Video Link

To get childhood vaccination rates back on track, Chelsea Clinton is now making the rounds promoting a new vaccine initiative called "The Big Catch-Up." In a recent interview with Fortune Magazine,[20] Clinton promised it would be "the largest childhood immunization effort ever." Over the next 18 months, this initiative will attempt to "catch as many kids up as possible," she said.

Partners in this effort include the World Health Organization, UNICEF, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Immunization Agenda 2030, and several other "global and national health partners." As reported by the WHO, April 24, 2023:[21]

> *"The pandemic saw essential immunization levels decrease in over 100 countries, leading to rising outbreaks of measles, diphtheria, polio and yellow fever. 'The Big Catch-up' is an extended effort to lift vaccination levels among children to at least pre-pandemic levels and endeavors to exceed those …*

> *While calling on people and governments in every country to play their part in helping to catch up by reaching the children who missed out, The Big Catch-up will have a particular focus on the 20 countries where three quarters of the children who missed vaccinations in 2021 live …*

> *The 20 countries where three quarters of the children who missed vaccinations in 2021 live are: Afghanistan, Angola, Brazil, Cameroon, Chad, DPRK , DRC , Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Somalia, Madagascar, Mexico, Mozambique, Myanmar, Tanzania, Viet Nam."*

Vaccine Program Is Run 'Soft Mafia' Style

When you look at all these areas of bribery and financial incentives, doesn't it seem as though the entire vaccine program runs on financial coercion? A sort of "soft mafia" kind of operation, where the threats and promises all revolve around money and public/professional shaming versus accolades.

What would happen if all financial incentives were removed? All the performance bonuses paid to doctors, the freebies given to patients, the "charitable donations" to industry-friendly organizations and payments to front groups?

What would happen if parents were simply given unbiased evidence and no one was financially driven to pressure them either way? I don't have the answer. It's a thought experiment. But I suspect that vaccination rates would drop dramatically.

Think Globally, Act Locally

National vaccine policy recommendations in the U.S. are made at the federal level but vaccine laws are made at the state level. It is at the state level where your action to protect your vaccine choice rights can have the greatest impact.

It is critical for EVERYONE to get involved now in standing up for the legal right to make voluntary vaccine choices in America because those choices are being seriously threatened.

Not only are lobbyists representing drug companies, medical trade associations and public health officials trying to persuade legislators to strip all vaccine exemptions from public health laws, but global political operatives lobbying the United Nations and World Health Organization are determined to take away the human right to autonomy and protection of bodily integrity.

We must take action to defend our constitutional republic and civil liberties, including the right to autonomy, in America. That includes reforming oppressive mandatory vaccination laws and stopping the digital health ID that will make vaccine passports a reality for us, our children and grandchildren if we don't take action today.

Signing up to use the free online Advocacy Portal sponsored by the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC) at **www.NVICAdvocacy.org** gives you immediate, easy access to your own state and federal legislators on your smartphone or computer so you can make your voice heard.

NVIC will keep you up to date on the latest bills threatening to eliminate — or expand — your legal right to make vaccine choices and give you guidance about what you can do to support or oppose those bills. So, please, as your first step, sign up for the NVIC Advocacy Portal.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN!

Internet Resources Where You Can Learn More

I encourage you to visit the four websites of the National Vaccine Information Center, at **www.NVIC.org**, a nonprofit charity that has been educating the public about the need to prevent vaccine injuries and deaths since 1982. The information you get on their websites is fully referenced and will help you become an effective vaccine choice advocate in your community:

- **NVIC.org** — This website was established in 1995 and is the oldest and largest consumer operated website publishing information on diseases and vaccines on the internet. Learn about vaccine reactions, injuries and deaths and the history and current status of vaccine science, policy, law and ethics in the U.S. on more than 2,000 web pages.

- **NVICAdvocacy.org** — This communications and advocacy network, established in 2010, is your gateway to taking action to protect your right to make vaccine choices where you live.
- **TheVaccineReaction.org** — This weekly journal newspaper published by NVIC since 2015 is dedicated to encouraging an "enlightened conversation about vaccination, health and autonomy."
- **MedAlerts.org** — This is a user-friendly search engine for the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) established under the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act and sponsored by NVIC since 2006. Search for descriptions of vaccine injuries and deaths reported to VAERS on this popular website.

Find a Doctor Who Will Listen and Care

If your doctor or pediatrician refuses to provide medical care to you or your child unless you agree to get vaccines you don't want, I strongly encourage you to have the courage to find another doctor. Harassment, coercion and refusal to provide medical care to someone declining one or more doses of government recommended vaccines is a violation of the informed consent ethic.

Unfortunately, it is becoming routine among members of the medical establishment to be reluctant to share vaccine decision-making power with patients and parents of minor children, especially during the aggressive push for all Americans to get COVID shots.

There are doctors out there who respect the precautionary and informed consent principles, so take the time to locate a doctor who treats you with compassion and is willing to listen and respect the health care choices you make for yourself or your child.

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What does the Bible say about Euthanasia, Infanticide and Assisted Suicide?

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One of the foundational 7 key issues the Virginia Christian Alliance **promotes** is the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother's womb.

If someone says they are ready to die, do they have the right to die? When we come to the topic of assisted suicide, also known as, assisted death, assisted dying, euthanasia, mercy killing, or to die with dignity, what does the Bible have to say about these end of life decisions? What does the Bible say about euthanasia? What does the Bible say about assisted suicide? In this video Pastor Nelson with Bible Munch answers these questions from a biblical perspective and Christian ethic.

Euthanasia, sometimes called "mercy killing," can be a difficult issue. On one hand, we do not want to take a person's life into our own hands and end it prematurely. On the other hand, we do not want to prolong the *process* of dying more than necessary—that is, we want to preserve life, but not prolong death. At what point do we simply allow a person to die and take no further action to extend his or her life?

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A related issue is that of assisted suicide. Essentially, a person seeking assisted suicide is seeking to euthanize himself, with the aid of another person to ensure that death is quick and painless. The person assisting the suicide facilitates death by making preparations and furnishing the needed equipment; but the person seeking death is the one who actually initiates the process. By taking a "hands-off" approach to the death itself, the facilitator seeks to avoid charges of murder. Proponents of assisted suicide try for a positive spin by using terms like "death with dignity." But "death with dignity" is still death, "assisted suicide" is still suicide, and suicide is wrong.

We live in what is sometimes described as a "culture of death." Abortion on demand has been practiced for decades. Now some are seriously proposing infanticide. And euthanasia is promoted as a viable means of solving various social and financial problems. This focus on death as an answer to the world's problems is a total reversal of the biblical model. Death is an enemy (**1 Corinthians 15:26**). Life is a sacred gift from God (**Genesis 2:7**). When given the choice between life and death, God told Israel to "choose life" (**Deuteronomy 30:19**). Euthanasia spurns the gift and embraces the curse.

The overriding truth that God is sovereign drives us to the conclusion that euthanasia and assisted suicide are wrong. We know that physical death is inevitable for us mortals (**Psalm 89:48**; **Hebrews 9:27**). However, God alone is sovereign over when and how a person's death occurs. Job testifies in **Job 30:23**, "I know you will bring me down to death, to the place appointed for all the living." **Ecclesiastes 8:8** declares, "No man has power over the wind to contain it; so no one has power over the day of his death." God has the final say over death (see **1 Corinthians 15:26**, **54–56**; **Hebrews 2:9**, **14–15**; **Revelation 21:4**). Euthanasia and assisted suicide are man's attempts to usurp that authority from God.

Death is a natural occurrence. Sometimes God allows a person to suffer for a long time before death occurs; other times, a person's suffering is cut short. No one enjoys suffering, but that does not make it right to determine that a person should die. Often, God's purposes are made known through suffering. "When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider: God has made the one as well as the other" (**Ecclesiastes 7:14**). **Romans 5:3** teaches that tribulations bring about perseverance. God cares about those who cry out for death and wish to end their suffering. God gives purpose in life even to the end. Only God knows what is best, and His timing, even in the matter of one's death, is perfect.

We should never seek to prematurely end a life, but neither must we go to extraordinary means to preserve a life. To actively hasten death is wrong; to passively withhold treatment can also be wrong; but to allow death to occur naturally in a terminally ill person is not necessarily wrong. Anyone facing this issue should pray to God for wisdom (**James 1:5**). And we should all remember the words of former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, who warned that the practice of medicine "cannot be both our healer and our killer" (from *KOOP, The Memoirs of America's Family Doctor* by C. Everett Koop, M.D., Random House, 1991).

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What does the Bible say about Abortion?

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One of the foundational 7 key issues the Virginia Christian Alliance **promotes** is the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother's womb.

From the website a very resourceful website: **Got Questions**, comes this Biblically based article on "What does the Bible" say about abortion. Please read and then share to others.

Jeremiah 1:5 tells us that God knows us before He forms us in the womb. **Psalm 139:13–16** speaks of God's active role in our creation and formation in the womb. **Exodus 21:22–25** prescribes the same penalty—death—for someone who causes the death of a baby in the womb as for someone who commits murder. This law and its punishment clearly indicate that God considers a baby in the womb to be just as much a human being as a full-grown adult. For the Christian, abortion is not a matter of a woman's right to choose to have a baby. The baby is already present and living. Abortion is a matter of the life or death of a human being made in God's image (**Genesis 1:26–27**; **9:6**).
What does the Bible say about abortion? Simply put, **abortion is murder**. It is the killing of a human being created in the image of God.

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A common argument against the Christian stance on abortion is "What about cases of rape and/or incest?" As difficult as it would be to become pregnant as a result of rape or incest, is the murder of a baby the solution? Two wrongs do not make a right. Intentionally killing the unborn child is not the answer. Also, keep in mind that having an abortion is a traumatic experience. It seems nonsensical to add an additional trauma to the woman. Too, abortion can be a means of rapists covering up their crimes. For example, if a minor is molested and becomes pregnant and then is taken to have an abortion, the molestation could continue without penalty. Abortion will never erase the pain of rape or incest, but it very well may add to it.

A child who is conceived through rape or incest is made in the image of God the same as any other human. That child's life should be protected just as much as the life of any other human being. The circumstances of conception never determine the worth of a person or that person's future. The baby in this situation is completely innocent and should not be punished for the evil act of his or her father. Depending on the situation, the mother might choose to raise the child. If she does not already have a community of support, she can turn to many organizations and local churches prepared to walk alongside her. Or she might place the child for adoption. There are many families, some unable to have children on their own, who stand ready to receive and love a child from any background.

It's also important to keep in mind that abortions due to rape or incest account for a very small percentage of total abortions: only 1 percent of abortions can be traced to cases of rape or incest (Torres and Forrest, cited by Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health and the Alan Guttmacher Institute in *An Overview of Abortion in the United States*, October 2001, www.abortionfacts.com/facts/8#cite-1, accessed 9/9/21).

Another argument often used against the Christian stance on abortion is "What about when the life of the mother is at risk?" Honestly, this is the most difficult question to answer on the issue of abortion. First, let's remember that such a situation is exceedingly rare. Dr. Landrum Shettles, a pioneer in the field of in vitro fertilization, wrote, "Less than 1 percent of all abortions are performed to save the mother's life" (Landrum Shettles and David Rorvik, *Rites of Life*, Zondervan Publishing House, 1983, p. 129). Dr. Irving Cushner, Professor of Obstetrics at the UCLA School of Medicine, when testifying before the U. S. Senate, was asked how often abortions are necessary to save the life of the mother or to preserve her physical health. His response: "In this country, about 1 percent" (testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on the Constitution of the United States on October 14, 1981, quoted in *The Village Voice*, July 16, 1985).

Other medical professionals go further, stating that abortion is *never* necessary to save the mother's life. Over 1,000 OB-GYNs and maternal healthcare experts signed a statement in 2012, saying, in part, "As experienced practitioners and researchers in obstetrics and gynaecology, we affirm that direct abortion—the purposeful destruction of the unborn child—is not medically necessary to save the life of a woman" (Dublin Declaration on Maternal Health,

www.dublindeclaration.com, accessed 9/9/21). Further, in 2019, "medical leaders representing more than 30,000 doctors said intentionally killing a late-term unborn baby in an abortion is never necessary to save a mother's life" (www.lifenews.com/2019/03/05/30000-doctors-say-abortion-is-never-medically-necessary-to-save-a-mothers-life, accessed 9/9/21).

Second, let's remember that God is a **God of miracles**. He can preserve the life of a mother and her child despite all the medical odds being against it. Third, even in the small percentage of abortions performed to save the life of the mother, most of those abortions can be prevented by an early induced delivery of the baby or a C-section. It is extremely rare that a baby must be actively aborted in order to save the life of the mother. Ultimately, if the life of the mother is genuinely at risk, the course of action can only be decided by the woman, her doctor, oftentimes the father of the child, and God. Any woman facing this extremely difficult situation should pray to the Lord for wisdom (**James 1:5**) as to what He would have her do.

The overwhelming majority of abortions performed today involve women who simply do not want to have the baby. As indicated above, just 2 percent of abortions are for the reason of rape, incest, or the mother's life being at risk. Even in these more difficult 2 percent of instances, abortion should never be the first option. The life of a human being in the womb is worth every effort to preserve.

For those who have had an abortion, remember that the sin of abortion is no less forgivable than any other sin. Through faith in Christ, all sins can be forgiven (**John 3:16**; **Romans 8:1**; **Colossians 1:14**). A woman who has had an abortion, a man who has encouraged an abortion, and a doctor who has performed an abortion—all can be **forgiven** by faith in Jesus Christ.

The Abortion Facts about Everyone Should Read and Share

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One website that goes right to the core issue is AbortionFacts.com on the Abortion issue within the sanctity of human life and the right to life for the child. Please read and share with family and friends as you see fit. You can read their manifesto **here**.

Fact #1: Every abortion kills an innocent human being.

Every new life begins at conception. This is an irrefutable fact of biology. It is true for animals and true for humans. When considered alongside the law of biogenesis – that every species reproduces after its own kind – we can draw only one conclusion in regard to abortion: every single abortion ends the life of an innocent human being.

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Fact #2: Every human being is a person.

Personhood is properly defined by membership in the human species, not by stage of development within that species. A living being's designation to a species is determined not by the stage of development but by the sum total of its biological characteristics.

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Fact #3: Beginning at conception, every pregnancy involves two or more bodies.

No matter how you spin it, women don't have four arms and four legs when they're pregnant. Those extra appendages belong to the tiny human being(s) living inside of them. At no point in pregnancy is the developing embryo or fetus simply a part of the mother's body.

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Fact #4: It is just, reasonable, and necessary for society to outlaw certain choices.

Any civilized society restricts the individual's freedom to choose whenever that choice would harm an innocent person. Therefore, it is impossible to justify abortion by simply arguing that women should be "free to choose."

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Fact #5: The right to not be killed supersedes the right to not be pregnant.

The comparison between a baby's rights and a mother's rights is unequal. What is at stake in abortion is the mother's lifestyle, as opposed to the baby's life. Therefore, it is reasonable for society to expect an adult to live temporarily with an inconvenience if the only alternative is killing a child.

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Fact #6: Poverty, rape, disability, or "unwantedness" do not morally justify abortion.

There are all sorts of circumstances that people point to as justification for their support of abortion. Since none of these circumstances are sufficient to justify the killing of human beings after birth, they're not sufficient to justify the killing of human beings before birth.

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Fact #7: The differences between embryos and adults are differences of degree not of kind.

Like toddler and adolescent, the terms “embryo” and “fetus” do not refer to nonhumans but to humans at particular stages of development. Human beings inside the womb are smaller, less developed, and more dependent than human beings outside the womb. These are differences of degree, not differences of kind. We can all point to other people who are bigger, stronger, smarter, or less dependent than we are, but that doesn’t make our life any less valuable or any less deserving of protection.

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Fact #8: Less than 1% of all abortions are performed to save the life of the mother.

It is an extremely rare case when abortion is required to save the mother’s life. Of course, when two lives are threatened and only one can be saved, doctors must always save that life. However, abortion for the mother’s life and abortion for the mother’s health are usually not the same issue. Since every abortion kills an innocent human being, it is morally abhorrent to use the rare cases when abortion is necessary to save the life of the mother as justification for the millions of on demand “convenience” abortions.

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Fact #9: To be only “personally pro-life” is to not be pro-life at all.

If abortion doesn’t kill children, why would someone be opposed to it? If it does kill children, why would someone defend another’s right to do it? Being personally against abortion but favoring another’s right to abortion is self-contradictory and morally baffling.

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Fact #10: If there is uncertainty about when human life begins, the benefit of the doubt should go to preserving life.

It is a scientific fact that life begins at conception. However, if one personally has even a shred of uncertainty about when life begins, then they are still morally obligated to err on the side of life and NOT have an abortion. Why? Because to make a mistake about the exact time when life begins is to kill an innocent human being.

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Fact #11: Abortion is more dangerous than childbirth.

Not only does every abortion kill an innocent human being in the womb; but abortion is also more dangerous to the mother than if she were to give birth to the child. The evidence overwhelmingly

proves that the morbidity and mortality rates of legal abortion are several times higher than that for carrying a pregnancy to term.

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Fact #12: Prior to abortion's legalization, 90% of abortions were done by doctors, not by "coat hangers in back alleys."

Some justify abortion on the claim that if it is outlawed, women will abort anyway and may die in the process. There are 3 problems with this hypothesis. First, it doesn't address the ethics of abortion. Second, laws against abortion would deter most women from having one. Third, there is no evidence that illegal abortions are more dangerous than legal abortions. Of course, even if the "coat hanger" argument was true (it's not), then it's still morally ridiculous to legalize procedures that kill innocent babies just to make the killing procedures less dangerous to the mother.

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Fact #13: The 8 week+ unborn baby feels real physical pain during an abortion.

Yes, every abortion kills an innocent human being. Even more alarming is the fact that beginning at the 8th week of development, an unborn baby that is aborted feels pain during the abortion. The baby feels both psychological and real physical, organic pain. Let that sink in. Of course, whether or not abortion is a painful experience to the unborn child being aborted, the child is left no less dead as a result. In talking about the question of fetal pain, we must remember that it ultimately has no bearing on the morality of abortion.

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Fact #14: Abortion is condemnable for the same reasons that slavery and genocide are.

Networks of killing centers across the globe are eliminating "unwanted, unborn" children at a staggering rate. Were the context not abortion, the world would be outraged. Call it what you want, when an innocent group of human beings is targeted and exterminated by the millions, that is an injustice on par with any of history's most egregious atrocities. At the end of the day, if the unborn are people (and they are), then abortion is not only comparable to past crimes against humanity but is also, by sheer volume, the greatest holocaust of all.

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Fact #15: Abortion is not a "women's only" issue.

Abortion affects both men and women. Beyond that, abortion is a human issue, not a gender issue. If abortion kills innocent human life (it does), then everyone, male and female, should stand

against it. One doesn't need to be a young girl to take a position against the sex trafficking of young girls, and one doesn't need to be a woman to take a position against abortion.

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Fact #16: Every legal surgical abortion stops a beating heart and terminates measurable brain waves.

What do we call it when a person no longer has a heartbeat or brain waves? Death. It's a scientific fact that life begins at conception, but even more obvious; what should we call it when there is a heartbeat and there are brain waves? Life. It is an indisputable fact that each and every legal surgical abortion in America today stops a beating heart and stops already measurable brain waves.

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Fact #17: The right to not be killed supersedes the right to privacy.

Some defend abortion by claiming that they have a right to privacy. Whether they have an abortion or not is between them and their doctor. Everyone else should stay out of their business. Of course, if abortion kills an innocent human being (it does), then killing done in private is no more acceptable than killing done in public; and the encouragement or assistance of a doctor does not change the nature, consequences, or morality of abortion.

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Fact #18: Abortion disproportionally targets minority babies.

Whatever the intent of the abortion industry may be, by functional standards, abortion is a racist institution. In the United States, black children are aborted at 5 times the rate of white children and Hispanic children don't fare much better. Abortion is the leading cause of death among black Americans. We can debate the racial intent of Planned Parenthood past and present, but we cannot debate the results. Abortion is by no means an equal opportunity killer.

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Fact #19: Abortion has become a form of gendercide, shrinking the global female population at an alarming rate.

On top of the fact that every abortion kills an innocent human being, abortion has also become the driving force in eliminating females around the globe. Estimates put the global gender gap somewhere between 100 and 200 million people. Abortion has become the most effective means of sexism ever devised, ridding the world of multitudes of unwanted females.

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Fact #20: Laws concerning abortion have significantly influenced whether women choose to have abortions.

Some will concede that every abortion kills an innocent human being. They will also concede that society has a right to outlaw choices that harm innocent human beings. But even after conceding those points, some still do not favor more stringent abortion laws because they think that they don't really work – there would still be too many abortions. Historical data, common morality, and basic legal theory prove this line of thinking to be false.

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Sanctity of Human Life and the Right to Life for the Unborn

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One of the foundational 7 key issues the Virginia Christian Alliance **promotes** is the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother's womb.

VCA's core issue of the sanctity of human life we will discuss the latest ethical issues in greater detail, providing definitions, examples, and facts about their methodologies. It is our hope that God might reveal His deep love and respect for all forms of human life.

In today's humanistic culture, individuals are tinkering with ethical boundaries in science, namely genetics, pushing research and experimentation to the limit. In 1973, the monumental court case, Roe v. Wade, altered the bioethical playing field in the United States forever. For the first time in history, a mother could kill her unborn child without any legal consequences, violating the sanctity of human life.

Years later, a sheep named Dolly was cloned in a Scottish laboratory, and scientists around the world claimed they could clone human beings next. Likewise, stem cell research is one of the pivotal debates of the twenty-first century. In-vitro fertilization poses severe ethical concerns

because it often leads to the destruction of excess embryos. Infanticide, euthanasia, and suicide, while not necessarily "scientific," are issues also facing our modern "culture of death."

We hope to promote the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother's womb. This argument is steeped in Biblical scripture, given to us by God as a testament to His vision for our lives. Later, we will discuss the latest ethical issues in greater detail, providing definitions, examples, and facts about their methodologies. It is our hope that God might reveal His deep love and respect for all forms of human life.

What the Bible Says About the Sanctity of Human Life

Life is one of the most abundant themes of the Bible. Dozens of verses refer to God *providing* life, *creating* life, *defending* life, *delighting* in life, and *restoring* life. The Bible declares that God is the giver (Acts 17:25) and author of life (Acts 3:15).

Furthermore, Jesus states, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10). God created all life on earth. He literally breathed life into Adam (Genesis 2:7). Moreover, He fashioned Adam and Eve in His likeness. Genesis 1:27 states, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." Because "every human being is created by God and in His image, every has *intrinsic* rather than *relative* value."

God Made Them, Life is Sacred

In Answering the Call, John Ensor writes, " are not to be destroyed when "unwanted." God made them. God wants them and he cherishes them! They are not to be discarded, sacrificed, or euthanized because they are useless to others." God appreciates all human life. He sees us from a perspective we can hardly even begin to fathom.

Life is *sacred* to God, and as Christians, we have been given a charge to protect it and uphold the sanctity of life in the public square:

> "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute" (Proverbs 31:8-9).

God especially cherishes innocent human life (Exodus 23:7).

The Bible specifically refers to the baby in the Book of Psalm: "You created my inmost being: you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:13-14). Ensor describes the womb as God's "personal art studio," where He personally

designs every human being. Lastly, God has a plan for every human life, even before conception (Jeremiah 29:11).

Abortion

In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court decided the preborn child did not count as a person. Therefore, it could be "aborted for any reason or no reason." Since then, "Americans have intentionally destroyed more than 40 million human beings in utero." Imagine all the people God created who have been cheated out of their lives.

Aside from what the Bible says about the sacredness of life, one of the oldest Christian documents, the *Didache*, is quite clear on the issue, as well: "There are two different ways: the way of life and the way of death, and the difference between these two ways is great.

Therefore, do not murder a child by abortion or kill a newborn infant." Even more specific is a segment in the *Apologeticus*, stating:

> For us murder is once for all forbidden; so even the child in the womb, while yet the mother's blood is still being drawn on to form the human being, it is not lawful for us to destroy. To forbid birth is only quicker murder. It makes no difference whether one take away the life once born or destroy it as it comes to birth. He is a man, who is to be a man; the fruit is always present in the seed.

An Embryo is an Individual with Rights

One of the biggest obstacles is that many individuals have a difficult time seeing a human embryo as an actual person. They don't recognize the sanctity of human life in one. But, if one looks at the genetic makeup of a human being, though, it becomes easier. Every human has forty-six chromosomes. A female egg has twenty-three of those chromosomes, while a male sperm has the other twenty-three. When the two come together, an embryo is formed with the same forty-six chromosomes he or she will have their entire life.

They now have the genetic makeup of a human being. Also, scientists have recently discovered that babies feel pain during abortion. According to Dr. Kanwaljeet Anand, a pediatrician at the University of Arkansas, "unborn children suffer "severe and excruciating" pain because "the is conscious" during the abortion procedure." Furthermore, Dr. Anand said, "The baby shows increased heart rate, blood flow and hormone levels responding to pain during the abortion."

Brutal Abortion Techniques

There are currently several abortion techniques in use. Suction Aspiration is one. In this procedure, the abortionist tears the baby into pieces and sucks the pieces it into a knife-like hollow tube. In Dilatation & Curettage, the abortionist "inserts a curette, a loop-shaped steel knife, up into the uterus," and cuts the baby into pieces, causing much bleeding. A method recently developed, called "Partial Birth Abortion" or "Brain Suction" seems the most inhumane. Eighty percent of the babies aborted by this technique are healthy, viable children. In this procedure, the abortionist partially delivers the baby. Then, scissors are "jammed into the base of the skull." Next, "a tube is inserted into the skull, and the brain is sucked out." The baby's skull is collapsed, and the abortionist now pulls out the dead infant.

Infanticide violates the Sanctity of Human Life

Another serious ethical issue the world today must face is the slaughtering of innocent children. "**Infanticide** is the killing of a born child – whether that killing is accomplished by a direct act on the part of someone, or whether ordinary care, vital to the child's survival, such as feeding, is refused." In most cases, a child may be allowed to die because he or she is born deformed, perhaps handicapped or mentally retarded. The parents might choose to have their child starved to death so that he or she will never have to live a life of ongoing struggle. But what some parents might consider merciful God considers murder. Who is to decide that a life is not worth living but God, the creator of life? God has a plan for every one, and "disability and unhappiness do not necessarily go together."

Cloning & Embryonic Stem Cell Research

Much like abortion, cloning and **stem cell research** are also at the forefront of modern science. In February of 1997, scientists in Edinburgh, Scotland, successfully cloned the first adult mammal, a sheep named Dolly. This major breakthrough in genetic manipulation shocked the world; as a result, President Clinton assigned the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) to investigate the potentials and dangers of human cloning.

On June 9, 1997, the NBAC revealed its findings, coming to the conclusion: "At this time it is morally unacceptable for anyone in the public or private sector, whether in research or clinical setting, to attempt to create a child." While President Clinton halted federal funds for any such research for the next five years, plenty of private businesses soon expressed their interests in developing the first human clone.

The Right to Life is from God's Design and Through Sexual Reproduction

The President's Council on Bioethics defines cloning as "a form of reproduction in which offspring result not from the chance union of egg and sperm (sexual reproduction) but from the deliberate replication of the genetic makeup of another single individual (asexual reproduction)." From a Christian perspective, it is easy to see the problem with human cloning. The process takes sexual intercourse completely out of the equation. But God intended man and woman to unite as one flesh through sexual reproduction. By creating a human child through asexual means is a slap in the face to God, much like it is when we kill an innocent human baby.

Human Cloning is Destructive

Human cloning is also unsafe and destructive in nature. The President's Council asserts that "given the high rates of morbidity and mortality in the cloning of other mammals, we believe that cloning-to-produce-children would be extremely unsafe unethical." In other words, many human embryos would be destroyed in the experimentation process.

Many advocates of cloning and stem cell research discuss the potential good genetic research has in store. For example, stem cell research might lead to the curing of many diseases, such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease. In short, stem cell research could potentially heal those who are suffering. However, we must be wary of the Humanist mindset that emphasizes the self. It is selfish.

Suffering is a way of life and appears part of God's plan for our lives. As soon as we begin to clone human beings or manipulate and discard human embryos through stem cell research, we will begin to view the "seeds of the next generation as mere raw material for satisfying the needs of our own." This is an afront to the sanctity of human life.

President's Council claims:

Doing so would coarsen our moral sensibilities and make us a different society: one less humble toward that which we cannot fully understand, less willing to extend the boundaries of human respect ever outward, and more willing to transgress moral boundaries once it appears to be in our own interest to do so.

In addition, "all extractions of stem cells from human embryos, cloned or not, involve the **destruction of these embryos**." This is just as bad as abortion. While some supporters of stem cell research have discussed the possibility of only using embryos slated for destruction, it is not our right to sacrifice innocent human lives so that others will live.

The Complications of In-Vitro Fertilization

In-vitro fertilization (IVF) is a means by which unfertile couples can potentially have a child from their own genetic lineages. In the procedure, a woman is given drugs to induce ovulation, so that eggs can be harvested, which will then be mixed in a dish with a male's semen. Fertilization often occurs, and multiple embryos (typically 3 to 5) are implanted in the woman's uterus. Some of these embryos will surely die. In addition, many scientists practice "pick of the litter" selection by only choosing certain embryos.

The remaining embryos are discarded (destroyed). Emedicinehealth.com states that the IVF procedure was first done successfully in the United States in 1981, but since then, 250,000 babies have been born through this technique. It is also unsafe; many children born by IVF end up with severe handicaps and other deformities. Many children do not live through the delivery.

Euthanasia and Suicide

Euthanasia, suicide, and **doctor-assisted suicide**, while not necessarily scientific, are still major concerns that face today's society. With the amount of suffering in the world, there are many individuals lying in hospital beds with terminal illnesses. In some cases, there seems no hope for recovery. Euthanasia and suicide are the result. "Tthe intentional killing by act or omission of a dependent human being for his or her alleged benefit." is the definition of euthanasia.

Euthanasia is only legal in Belgium and the Netherlands. While it is not legal in the United States, assisted suicide is legal in the state of Oregon. Regardless, euthanasia is still practiced in the United States in secrecy and is a crime.

Alternatives to thes Forms of Suicide

One of the most frequently asked questions about euthanasia is whether people should be forced to stay alive, especially when their quality of life has diminished. The answer to this question is no, but euthanasia and any form of suicide is still unacceptable. There is an alternative, because "the law already permits patients or their surrogates to withhold or withdraw unwanted medical treatment even if that increases the likelihood that the patient will die."

Ultimately, euthanasia and suicide pose the same question as abortion and genetic research: has God given us the right to choose who lives and dies? He has not, and by assisting in one's suicide we take their fate into our own hands. Suicide is an afront to God, because He created us. In the end, it is His decision when and how His children should die, and we must respect His judgment.

Conclusion

As the twenty-first century unfolds, technological breakthroughs in genetics will continue to occur. The rise of technology has already broken free of its leash and is running rampant throughout the world. Certainly, not all technology is bad, but genetic technologies – as in abortion, stem cell research, and in-vitro fertilization – pose a direct threat to our integrity and God's will for our lives.

Fight for Life

We must fight for the sanctity of human life, whether someone is dying slowly in a hospitable bed or only beginning his or her journey in a mother's womb.

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The No. 1 Cause of Death and Disability Worldwide?

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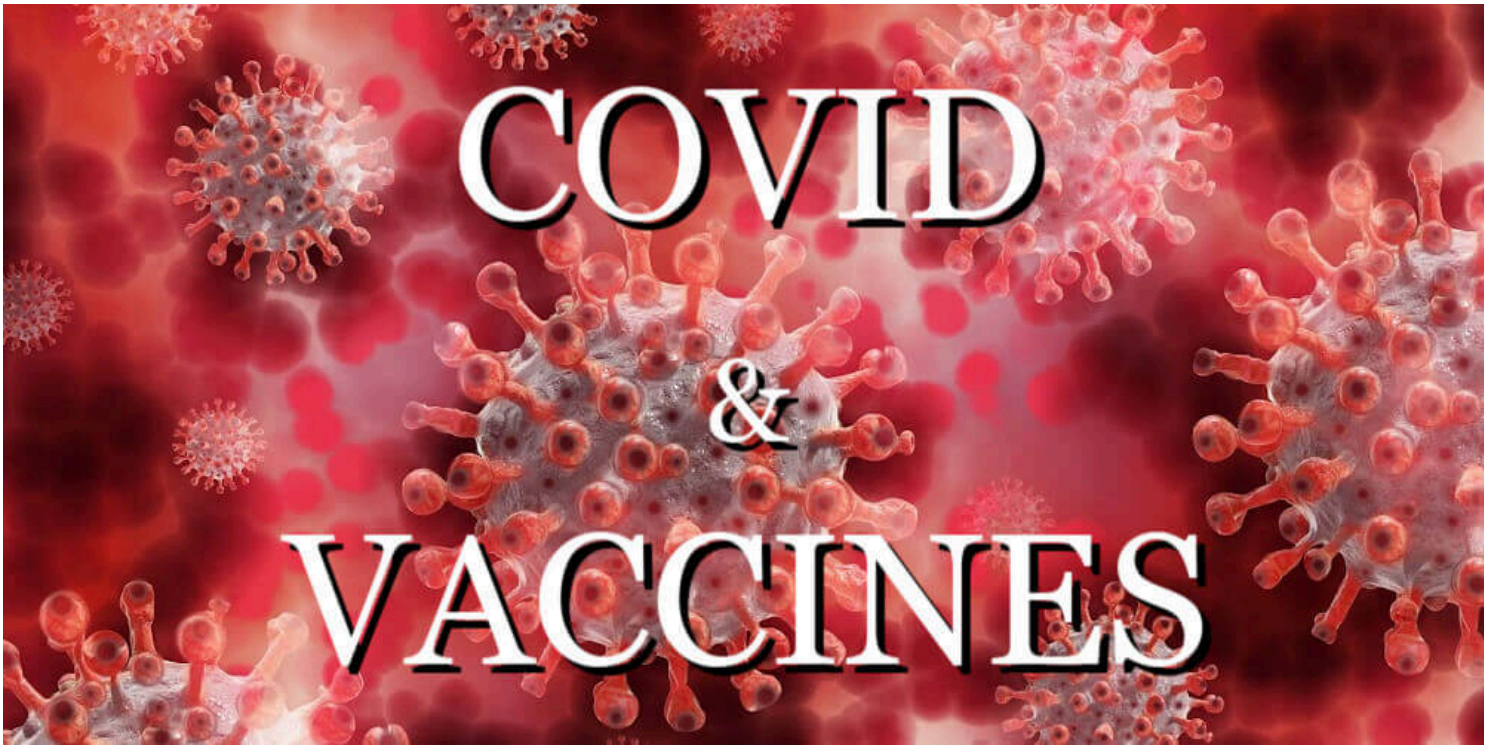

This latest rollout in December 2020 sealed the title, even though it's been building for years. The net effect of the pharmaceutical industry on society the last few decades has been negative. There's no one watching out for the patient, not even doctors or health institutions.

Will Lawsuits Bring an End to COVID Vaccines?

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED** ✓

Story at-a-glance

- Drug companies have a legal responsibility to provide profits for their shareholders. They do not have a legal responsibility to give patients the best and safest treatment. But the biggest scandal is that those with the responsibility to uphold scientific integrity — academic institutions, doctors, medical journals — also collude with industry for financial gain
- Five hundred Australians have joined a class action lawsuit against the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), arguing the agency did not fulfil its duty to properly regulate the vaccines, which resulted in considerable harm to Australians
- Australians who have experienced a serious adverse event following COVID-19 vaccination are invited to register for this class action

- A similar class action is taking place in the U.K., where attorneys representing approximately 75 people injured by AstraZeneca's shot, and family members of those killed by it, are suing the drug company
- There's now overwhelming evidence showing that the COVID shots were a disaster from the start, and that regulatory agencies knew it but went ahead anyway. Now, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky is trying to rewrite history by giving provably false testimony before Congress

In the video above, Joe Rogan interviews cardiologist Dr. Aseem Malhotra about Big Pharma's control over research. What many don't realize is that researchers who do peer-review of drug company-sponsored trials do not get access to the raw data. All they get is the drug company's analysis of that data, which leaves the door wide open for manipulation and obfuscation.

As noted by Malhotra, "It's not scientific, it's not ethical … and it's not democratic." Most doctors, unless they're involved in the peer review process, are not even aware of this, which is why they rarely ever question published science. Yet data analyses by Stanford professor Dr. John Ionnidis show that "the greater the financial interest in a given field, the less likely the research findings are to be true," Malhotra says.

No One Protects Patients Anymore

So, is the drug industry all about satisfying shareholders and increasing profits by any means, with no real regard for public health? Rogan wonders. Basically yes. As noted by Malhotra, drug companies have a legal responsibility to provide profits for their shareholders. They do not have a legal responsibility to give patients the best and safest treatment.

But the biggest scandal here, Malhotra says, is that "those with the responsibility to uphold scientific integrity — academic institutions, doctors, medical journals — collude with industry for financial gain." I would add that our regulatory agencies are also "on the take." They've all been captured by industry, which leaves patients with no one to protect them from Big Pharma's malfeasance.

Malhotra goes on to discuss Dr. Robert Hare, a forensic psychologist who developed the original DSM criteria for psychopathy, and how Hare noted that the way drug companies conduct business, as legal entities, fulfill the definition of psychopath: "callous unconcern for the feelings of others, incapacity to experience guilt, deceitfulness and conning others for profit."

Between 2003 and 2016, drug companies paid fines totaling $33 billion. Many of these cases involved the illegal marketing of drugs, scientific fraud, hiding data on harms and the suppression of negative results. These fines never curtailed the behavior, however, because the fines were a

drop in the bucket compared to the profits they made on these drugs. The fines were just considered the cost of doing business.

What Is the Net Effect of Pharmaceutical Drugs?

While the drug industry has created crucial life-saving drugs, the big question we need to ask is "What is the net effect of them?" Malhotra says. He points out that, in the U.S., of the 667 drugs approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration between 2000 and 2008, 75% were copies of old ones.

Off-patent drugs were repatented after minor tweaks to the formulations, thereby boosting profits from already existing drugs. Of those, only 11% were found to have a clinical benefit over the previous drug.

Similarly, in France, of the nearly 1,000 drugs approved between 2000 and 2011, most were copies and, importantly, 15% of the reformulations were found to be MORE harmful than the predecessor, whereas only 8% had clinical benefit over the previous drugs. So, what does this tell us?

It tells us that "the overall net effect of the drug industry on society in the last few decades a negative one," Malhotra says. Of course, when it comes to dangerous drugs, nothing can match the COVID jabs, rolled out in December 2020. Add them into the equation, and the drug industry becomes the No. 1 cause of death and disability worldwide, hands down.

Australians File Class Action Lawsuit

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For the past three years, I and many others have been shouting warnings from the rooftops to little avail — our voices drowned out in a sea of corrupt "fact" checkers. Now, however, the ramifications of this mass experiment are becoming so glaringly obvious, legal experts are starting to take note, and to file lawsuits.

As reported by Spectator Australia at the end of April 2023, 500 Australians have joined a class action lawsuit filed by Brisbane lawyer Natalie Strijland:[1]

> *"All have suffered serious or life-threatening events or are the relatives of those who have died following COVID vaccination. Many have have been left with significant disabilities. As the news filters out about the class action, the first of its kind in Australia, more people are joining each day.*

> *Dr. Melissa McCann, who instigated the action, is crowdfunding to assist with legal and travel costs. Any compensation awarded will be shared entirely by the injured and the bereaved.*

> *The applicants will argue that the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) did not fulfil its duty to properly regulate the vaccines which resulted in considerable harm to Australians.*

> *The respondents are the Australian government, the Department of Health and Aged Care Secretary Dr Brendan Murphy, who announced in early April that he will retire in July, and the former head of the TGA Adjunct Professor John Skerritt who just retired from the public service in mid-April."*

Strijland told news.com.au:[2]

> *" action arises upon the basis that the government did not truly establish that the vaccines were indeed safe or effective for use by the Australian public, and the claim now proceeds upon the basis that the government in fact acted negligently in approving the vaccines and also by failing to withdraw them after approval based upon the known evidence.*

> *Australians who have experienced a serious adverse event following COVID-19 vaccination are invited to step forward and register for this class action."*

AstraZeneca Sued in UK

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A similar class action is taking place in the U.K., where attorneys representing people injured by AstraZeneca's shot, and family members of those killed by it, are suing the drug company.

Among the plaintiffs in this suit is the husband of BBC North radio broadcaster Lisa Shaw,[3] who died from vaccine-induced immune thrombotic thrombocytopenia one week after her AstraZeneca jab. She was 44. The wife of psychologist Stephen Wright, a National Health Service (NHS) employee who died 10 days after his first dose in January 2021, is also suing.[4] Wright was 32. As reported by The BMJ, March 28, 2023:[5]

"Lawyers have sent the company pre-action protocol letters, the first step in a legal claim on behalf of around 75 claimants. Some have lost relatives and some have survived with catastrophic injuries following blood clots …

2021 the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency confirmed a possible link between the vaccine, known as Vaxzevria, and a rare condition involving blood clots along with abnormally low platelet levels. Those taking legal action have been diagnosed with vaccine induced thrombotic thrombocytopenia.

The claimants are pursuing a two pronged strategy: taking legal action under the Consumer Protection Act 1987 as well as claiming payment under the government run Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme. The scheme … is limited to £120 000 per claim and applicants must prove severe disablement … Those taking action under the Consumer Protection Act must show that the vaccine was not as safe as the public were entitled to expect.

Peter Todd, a consultant solicitor with Scott-Moncrieff & Associates, one of two lawyers handling claims, told The BMJ that the complications included stroke, heart failure, and leg amputations. He said the technology involved in the AstraZeneca vaccine was 'risky.'

Even though the legal claim is against AstraZeneca, the UK taxpayer will have to pay any compensation awarded, under a legal indemnity that the government gave the company early in the pandemic …

Damages for individuals in the court action could be in the millions. Moore added, 'We've been trying to get the government to reform their statutory scheme. We didn't want to litigate but the government has forced us into a corner. The only way these families can get compensation is to fight the battle they didn't want to fight.'"

CDC Director Tries to Rewrite History

There's now overwhelming evidence showing that the COVID shots were a disaster from the start, and that regulatory agencies knew it but went ahead anyway.

Apparently, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky believes the best way to deal with the agency's clear culpability in widespread death and disability is to rewrite history and double down on provable falsehoods. As reported by investigative journalist Maryanne Demasi, April 20, 2023:[6,7]

> *"This week, CDC director Rochelle Walensky provided witness testimony to the House Committee on Appropriations … But serious questions have been raised about the veracity of Walensky's testimony.*

> *Congressman Andrew Clyde (R-Ga) asked Walensky if her March 2021 public statement on MSNBC,[8] in which she unequivocally said that 'vaccinated people do not carry the virus, they do not get sick' was accurate. 'At the time it was ' Walensky replied confidently.*

> *She then proceeded to explain, 'We've had an evolution of the science and an evolution of the virus' and that 'all the data at the time suggested that vaccinated people, even if they got sick, could not transmit the virus.' However, there was no such evidence at the time …*

> *Walensky should have known that when mRNA vaccines were first authorised in 2020, the FDA listed critical 'gaps' in the knowledge base.[9] One of them was the vaccine's unknown effectiveness against viral transmission.*

> *Also, in Pfizer's[10] and Moderna's[11] original pivotal trials, there were 8 and 11 people respectively, who developed symptomatic COVID-19 in the vaccine group, proving the vaccines never had absolute effectiveness, like Walensky had claimed."*

What's more, as detailed in "**'Speed of Science' — A Scandal Beyond Your Wildest Nightmare**," in early October 2022, during a COVID hearing in the European Parliament, Pfizer's president of

international developed markets, Janine Small, admitted that Pfizer never tested whether their jab would prevent transmission because they had to "move at the speed of science to understand what is happening in the market … and we had to do everything at risk."

As the head of the CDC, how could Walensky be unaware that the COVID shot had NEVER been tested for transmission? And how could she, at any point, claim that it would stop transmission when that was never tested? Clearly, Walensky is trying to invent science that never existed.

Walensky Falsely Claims Mask Review Was Retracted

Even more egregiously, Walensky falsely claimed[12] that part of the 2023 Cochrane review[13] and meta-analysis of the available evidence on face masks for prevention of respiratory infections had been retracted. According to this review, the use of face masks in the community "probably makes little to no difference" in preventing viral transmission.

"I think it's notable, that the editor-in-chief of Cochrane actually said that the summary of that review was … … he retracted the summary of that review and said that it was inaccurate," Walensky told Congress.

However, neither the summary nor the review was ever retracted. Nor has any of the language in the summary been altered. So, what the heck is Walensky even talking about? Demasi suspects Walensky may have repeated a falsehood previously published by The New York Times.[14,15] This wouldn't surprise me, seeing how this isn't the first time Walensky has relied on mainstream propaganda rather than scientific data when making public statements. As reported by Demasi:

> *"In response to Walensky's comments, Tom Jefferson, lead author of the Cochrane study said, 'Walensky is plain wrong. There has been no retraction of anything. It's worth reiterating that we are the copyright holders of the review, so* we *decide what goes in or out of the review and we will not change our review on the basis of what the media wants or what Walensky says'…*

> *Bhattacharya was also stunned by Walensky's comments. 'It's irresponsible for her to claim that the Cochrane review was retracted when it was not. It damages her credibility and harms the scientific process, which requires public officials to be honest about scientific results,' he said."*

CDC Artificially Inflated COVID Deaths

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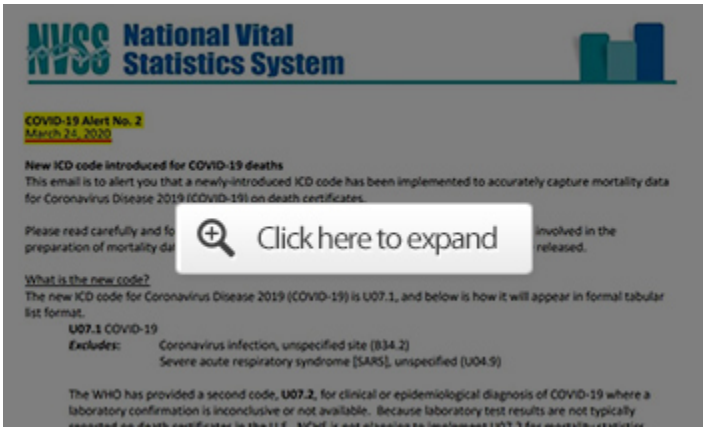
In other news relating to CDC malfeasance, the agency also inflated the number of COVID deaths, as Dr. Scott Jensen told Dr. Jordan Peterson in an April 2023 interview. As explained by Jensen, March 24, 2020, the CDC changed how death certificates were recorded for COVID-19.

"COVID-19 should be reported on the death certificate for all decedents where the disease caused or is assumed to have caused or contributed to death," the notice said.[16] It's important to note that this change was exclusively for COVID. In all other instances, contributing conditions are listed in the Contributing Causes box.



Why would the CDC do this? Jensen suspected the CDC wanted people to be afraid of COVID and needed statistics to support their claims that COVID-19 was a lethal infection. But these data are completely misleading. If someone is dying from cancer and tests positive for COVID, cancer should be listed as the cause of death and COVID-19 should be listed as a contributing factor, not THE cause of death, because they died with COVID (assuming it wasn't a false positive), not from it.

DHHS Incentivized Misdiagnosing COVID-19

But it didn't end there. Two days later, March 26, 2020, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) also issued massive financial incentive — $100 billion, to be exact — to diagnose patients with COVID-19.[17]

Fortunately for doctors and hospitals, it was really easy to cash in on this because the CDC, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the World Health Organization also set such high cycle thresholds for the PCR test that about 90% of the tests came out as false positives. I reviewed this in "**Bombshell Admission — The COVID Tests Don't Work**."

According to a Harvard Medical School study, analyses of the blood oxygen levels of nearly 50,000 hospital patients across the U.S. suggest 48% of all hospitalized "COVID patients" in 2021 were admitted for reasons unrelated to COVID.[18]

That means the number of "hospitalized COVID cases" was exaggerated by some 96%. In short, we had a "casedemic," and an artificially created one at that. As suggested by Peterson, bureaucracy was weaponized to facilitate tyranny. And that's where we're still at, today.

COVID Patients Killed for Profit

On top of all that, the U.S. government also financially incentivized hospitals to exclusively use the most dangerous COVID treatments possible,[19] while banning doctors from using ANY of the many safe and effective remedies that have been shown to work, including off-patent drugs and nutraceuticals. U.S., hospitals lost their federal funding if they failed or refused to administer remdesivir and/or ventilation.

Hospitals even had a financial incentive to log COVID deaths, which meant a COVID patient who left the hospital in a body bag was worth the most money. These "sticks and carrots" also drove up the COVID death toll. I detailed this scandal in "**How COVID Patients Died for Profit**."

How to Save Your Life and Those You Love When Hospitalized

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The good news is we now have a new process, a new strategy, with which you can help save yourself and your loved ones from being victimized by greedy hospitals. In response to overwhelming need, Laura Bartlett and Greta Crawford, with the aid of a hospital administrator insider, came up with a template for a document that puts you, the patient, back in the driver's seat. It's the most powerful way I've seen so far to do that.

Filing a written medical consent form can literally help save your life, because no doctor can override your written decision (consent) declining certain medications or treatments. Verbal communication is not enough. It must be in writing, notarized and delivered in a manner that formally serves the hospital and puts their physicians on notice.

When you enter a hospital, you must sign a general consent authorization form. This is basically a contract between you and the hospital. Since you have bodily autonomy, they need your consent before they can do anything to you.

Typically, the general consent form authorizes hospital staff to test, treat and care for you in whatever way they see fit — and when a patient signs the general consent authorization, physicians feel justified that they can implement a hospital protocol without further explaining the risks, benefits or alternatives of that protocol to the patient.

Now, if you're well enough to read the entire document, and see something in there that you don't agree with, you can strike the sentence or paragraph and initial it, to indicate that you do not consent to that specific detail. However, that still doesn't offer you much protection.

What you need is a much more specific document where you detail the types of treatments you consent to and the ones you don't. You need to carve out a niche from the general consent form that specifies exactly what you do (and do not) consent to. And you need to be clear. Fortunately, the Caregivers and Consent document that Bartlett and Crawford created carves out that niche to communicate clearly to all physicians what your exact consent wishes are. So, there's no confusion.

The template is available for download on OurPatientRights.com. You can find more information on ProtocolKills.com.

This Caregivers and Consent document can be altered in any way you wish. For example, I would recommend to add: "I do not consent to receiving ANY processed food, such as high-fructose corn syrup or seed oils. The only acceptable oil for me is butter, ghee, beef tallow or coconut oil.

Acceptable forms of protein would be eggs, lamb, bison, beef or non-farmed seafood; but they must not be prepared with seed oils. If the hospital is unable to provide this food for me, my family or friends will bring it for me."

Important: Follow Proper Procedure!

How you deliver this document to the hospital is of crucial importance. Here's a summary of all the necessary steps:

1. Complete your customized and personalized Caregivers and Consent document BEFORE you ever need to go to the hospital.

2. Get the form notarized. Make sure you sign the document in front of the notary.

3. Send the completed, signed, notarized document to the CEO of the hospital in two ways: (1) via a professional courier (one that specializes in delivering legal documents); and (2) via the Postal system with certified mail, return receipt requested.

The CEO is responsible for all legal business relating to the hospital, including the medical records, so the CEO, not your attending physician, is the one whose responsibility it is to get your consent forms entered into your electronic medical record.

4. Make at least 10 copies of the signed, notarized form and keep one copy on your person or in your wallet or purse, and another in the glove compartment of your car, in case you ever have an accident. Also provide copies to family or friends. If you happen to be hospitalized before you've had the chance to send the documents, have one of them follow the delivery procedure outlined.

5. Once you're hospitalized, you or one of your contacts will give one copy to your attending physician and another to your nurse and inform them that this document is already in your electronic medical record, or that the hospital will be served the documents shortly. Distribute additional copies to other care providers as needed.

6. Also, upon hospitalization, request to see your electronic medical record to make sure your Caregivers and Consent form has been entered. It is your right to see your electronic medical record, and it's available through an online portal, so don't let anyone tell you otherwise.

Also routinely check your medical record (or have your patient advocate do it for you) to make sure your wishes are being followed and that you're not being given something you've denied consent for.

7. Add the additional statement that I included in my interview on the diet changes in the hospital.

Final Thoughts

Having this document in your medical record virtually guarantees that they cannot harm you by doing something you don't agree with — such as giving you a COVID shot or any other vaccine without your knowledge or consent. Of course, some psychopath might ignore your directives, but they'll have to pay a hefty price, as they're guaranteed to lose a malpractice suit and be stripped of their medical license.

Keep in mind that while you can request and consent to certain treatments, such as ivermectin, for example, this document CANNOT force your doctor or hospital to use that treatment. They can still refuse to administer something you've consented to.

They cannot, however, administer something that you've declined consent for. The ace up your sleeve at that point is that you can still sign out AMA (against medical advice), get out alive, and seek desired treatment elsewhere. Getting out alive is the key goal.

Please share this information with everyone you know. Bring it to your church, synagogue and local community groups. Everyone needs to know they can secure their patient right to informed consent and how to do it so that their wishes cannot be ignored. This is the most effective way to empower yourself when it comes to your medical care. So please, help spread the word.

To circle back to where we started, class action lawsuits over the COVID shots are now getting started, so, hopefully, it's only a matter of time before that house of cards comes crashing down. That doesn't mean we're out of harms way though.

The medical system has clearly become so corrupted that no one is safe. We can only speculate as to what they might come up with for the next pandemic. So, get prepared, and get your current consent wishes into your electronic medical record. If millions of us do it, it might even change the entire system for the better.

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Silent 'Kitchen Killer' Soars 25x, Worse Than Sugar

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Linoleic Acid — The Most Destructive Ingredient in Your Diet

Consumption has increased from 1/100th of total calories to more than 1/4 of total calories – yet while most experts blame the epidemic of chronic disease on sugar, it's relatively minor when you compare it to this.

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola** Fact Checked

Story at-a-glance

- Fats are the primary building block of your cell membranes. This is one of the reasons why eating the right types of fat is so important for your health and longevity
- While most nutritional experts blame the epidemic of chronic disease on the increase in sugar consumption, the role of sugar is relatively minor when compared to the impact of seed oils
- There are two basic types of fatty acids, based on how many of their carbon bonds are paired with hydrogen: saturated fats and unsaturated fats. Unsaturated fats are further subdivided

into monounsaturated fats and polyunsaturated fats (PUFAs), depending on how many pairs of hydrogen atoms they are missing
- Because your tissues are made up mostly of saturated and monounsaturated fats, your body requires more of them than PUFAs
- The main dietary PUFAs are omega-3 and omega-6 fats, and while your body does need these, it needs them in relatively small quantities. The most pernicious toxin in the modern diet, and the fat you need to minimize consumption of, is the omega-6 fat linoleic acid (LA). LA makes up 60% to 80% of omega-6 fats and is the primary contributor to chronic disease

Fats — which are water-insoluble biological molecules also known as lipids[1] — are the primary building block of your cell membranes. This is one of the reasons why eating the right types of fat is so important for your health and longevity.

What distinguishes one fat from another is the specific combination of fatty acids it's composed of, and the properties of fats and fatty acids depend on their hydrogen saturation and the length of their molecules, also referred to as "chain length."

Fatty Acid Basics

There are two basic types of fatty acids, based on how many of their carbon bonds are paired with hydrogen:[2]

• **Saturated fats** are fully loaded with hydrogen atoms forming straight chains, and are typically solid at room temperature (examples include butter and coconut oil)

• **Unsaturated fats** have lost at least one of the pairs of hydrogen atoms from their carbon chain and come in two varieties:

◦ **Monounsaturated fats**, which are missing one pair of hydrogen atoms

◦ **Polyunsaturated Fats (PUFAs)**, which are missing more than one pair of hydrogen atoms, hence the name "poly"

The loss of hydrogen results in molecules that kink or bend at each double bond. The more hydrogen pairs that are missing, the more bent the molecules, which causes the molecules to occupy more space. This is what makes the fat a liquid oil at room temperature.

In addition to varying levels of hydrogen saturation, fats also vary in the length of their carbon chains, leading to another classification scheme based on their number of carbon atoms:[3]

- **Short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) —** Two to four carbon atoms
- **Medium-chain fatty acids (MCFAs) —** Six to 10 carbon atoms
- **Long-chain fatty acids (LCFAs) —** 12 to 26 carbon atoms
- **Very-long-chain fatty acids**[4] **(VLCFAs) —** 26 to 30 carbon atoms

The chain length and hydrogen saturation level control a fat's melting point. As chain length increases, melting point increases. Likewise, fats that are solid at room temperature (butter, coconut oil) have longer chain lengths than fats that are liquid at room temperature (fish oil, olive oil). With chain lengths being equal, the polyunsaturated fats found in seeds oils have lower melting points than saturated fats.

Omega-3 and Omega-6 Basics

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PUFAs can also be subdivided into omega-3 and omega-6 fats. The end of the fatty acid chain that is opposite the acid end is the "omega end." The location of the first double bond from the omega end dictates whether a fatty acid is an omega-3, omega-6, omega-9 (oleic acid) or another member of the omega family.

The most pernicious toxin in the modern diet, and the fat you need to minimize consumption of, is the omega-6 fat linoleic acid (LA). LA makes up 60% to 80% of omega-6 fats and is the primary contributor to chronic disease.

To be clear, it's only toxic when consumed in excessive quantities, but the vast majority of people nowadays consuming far more than the ideal amounts. The history of how seed oils ended up replacing far healthier animal fats is detailed in the video above.

Many still believe that if you have a distorted omega-3 to omega-6 ratio, the solution is simply to consume more omega-3, but that's a serious mistake. While you certainly need a certain amount of omega-3s for good health, adding excessive omega-3s is a prescription for disaster, as omega-3 is also a PUFA.

So, when consumed in excessive quantities, omega-3 will cause metabolic damage similar to that of LA, as it breaks down into dangerous metabolites known as ALEs (advanced lipoxidation end products).

Commonly Confused Fats

It is also important to highlight a primarily plant-based omega-3 fat called alpha linolenic acid (ALA). ALA should not be confused with LA, as they are quite different from a biological

standpoint. LA is an omega-6 fat and ALA is an omega-3 fat.

Also, do not confuse LA with CLA (conjugated linoleic acid). Although CLA is an omega-6 fat and most think CLA and LA are interchangeable, they're not. CLA has many potent health benefits and will not cause the problems that LA does.

The Problem With PUFAs

As a general rule, vegetable and seed oils are high in PUFAs and low in saturated fats while animal fats are the converse. Saturated and monounsaturated fats are more easily used by your body than PUFAs, hence animal fats are generally healthier than seed oils.

One significant problem with PUFAs is that they are chemically unstable, which makes them highly susceptible to being damaged by oxygen species generated from the energy production in your cells.

Because your tissues are made up mostly of saturated and monounsaturated fats, your body also requires more of them than PUFAs. The main dietary PUFAs are omega-3 and omega-6 fats, and while your body does need these, it needs them in relatively small quantities.

One significant problem with PUFAs is that they are chemically unstable, which makes them highly susceptible to being damaged by oxygen species generated from the energy production in your cells. This damage causes them to form ALEs, which in turn generate dangerous free radicals that damage your cell membranes, mitochondria, proteins and DNA.

What's worse, PUFAs are integrated into your cell membranes and can remain so for five to seven years. The missing hydrogen atoms also make PUFAs highly susceptible to oxidation, which causes the fat to break down into harmful metabolites such as OXLAMs (oxidized LA metabolites), which have a profoundly negative impact on your health.

LA Is Not an 'Essential' Fat

"Essential fatty acids" (EFAs) is a term referring to the PUFAs that scientists believe are crucial for health and that your body cannot produce. Hence, you have to get them from your diet. Currently only two types of fats are considered "essential":

- Omega-3 (EPA, DHA, and ALA)
- Omega-6 fat (LA)

The inclusion of LA is unfortunate, as excessive amounts of LA actually wreck your cellular and mitochondrial function. The reality is you need very small amounts of LA, and because it's found

in most foods, it's virtually impossible to become deficient. Moreover, modern research has shown that up to 10 generations of animals can be raised without any LA in their diet whatsoever and remain perfectly healthy.

Research has also shown that when you have a large amount of LA in your diet, an enzyme called delta-desaturase — which converts the plant-based omega-3 fat, ALA, to the long-chain fats DHA and EPA — is inhibited. So, consuming high amounts of LA increases your dependence on sea food as a source of preformed EPA and DHA.

This is important, as DHA and EPA are indeed essential and provide a wide range of health benefits. One of the most important benefits of DHA is lowering inflammation, which is a factor in most chronic and degenerative diseases. EPA, meanwhile, is important for heart and cardiovascular health.[5,6]

The Evidence Why LA Is Not an 'Essential' Fat

However, the first demonstration of essential requirement for LA in animal diets was in 1929-30. Rats receiving the nearly unachievable outside of a lab, 0.5% of their total dietary calories as LA were 30% higher in body weight compared to total fat deficient rats and did not develop skin lesions and tail necrosis.[7,8]

This led to the establishment of the requirement of 1% of total daily calories being omega-6 fat which was later extended to 2% of the total daily calorie intake in humans to ensure sufficiency. This was confirmed by two studies where the physiological symptoms of omega-6 deficiency in human infants, as established by scaling of the skin, were abolished.[9,10]

But careful review of the data used to establish LA being essential to the diet finds that this conclusion was established using control diets that were not only deficient in omega-6 fatty acids, but also omega-3 fatty acids. This dual deficiency in the control diets seems to invalidate the establishment of an omega-6 fatty acid requirement.[11]

Subsequent studies have demonstrated that the dietary omega-3 fatty acid, alpha-linolenic acid (ALA), is able to diminish the symptoms of LA deficiency.[12] This strongly suggests that the absence of ALA in the original studies have probably heightened the significance of the physiological symptoms caused by LA deficiency.

It seems that at least for the rat model, the nutritional requirement for LA has probably been seriously overestimated. A more precise estimation of the LA requirement is likely closer to a 75% reduction or, 0.5% of the dietary energy rather than 2%.[13]

This calls into question how "essential" LA really is in the human diet, especially since, outside of a research lab or parenteral nutrition, it is virtually impossible to avoid getting enough LA to meet

physiological needs. Currently, most adults are consuming far more than recommended amounts of LA.

According to the Institute of Medicine (IOM), the dietary guidelines for LA intake recommend an upper limit of 10%,[14] which is much higher than the optimal level of 1-2%.[15] Despite, the less-than-ideal IOM dietary guidelines, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) reports that most adults are still consuming far above that limit.[16]

Seed Oils Are the Root of All Chronic Diseases

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The video above reviews the health risks associated with vegetable oils and seed oils, which are found in most processed foods. It shows how chronic diseases such as heart disease began to skyrocket after the introduction of these oils to the market.

Before 1866, the Western world for the most part only consumed animal fats. Tallow, suet, lard and butter are examples of these fats. Eastern societies used cold-pressed fats like coconut and palm oil. Vegetable oils like we know them today simply did not exist.

The single-greatest change to the human diet in all of history was the introduction of industrially processed seed oils around 1866.[17] At that time Procter & Gamble used a newly invented hydrogenation process to convert surplus unusable cotton seeds into a synthetic seed oil, sold to this day under the name Crisco.

Shortly after that, margarine, which is made from seed oils, was introduced. In recent years the company has largely converted to using palm, soy and canola oil for its Crisco, but cottonseed oil is still very much in use for cooking, especially in restaurants for their fryers.[18]

Historically, we can see that seed oil use increased from approximately 2 grams per day in 1865, to 5 grams per day in 1909, to 18 grams a day in 1999. As of 2008, the average consumption was 29 grams a day. In terms of percentages, seed oils accounted for approximately 1/100th of total calories in 1865 and increased to more than 1/4th of total calories by 2010 — a 25-fold increase!

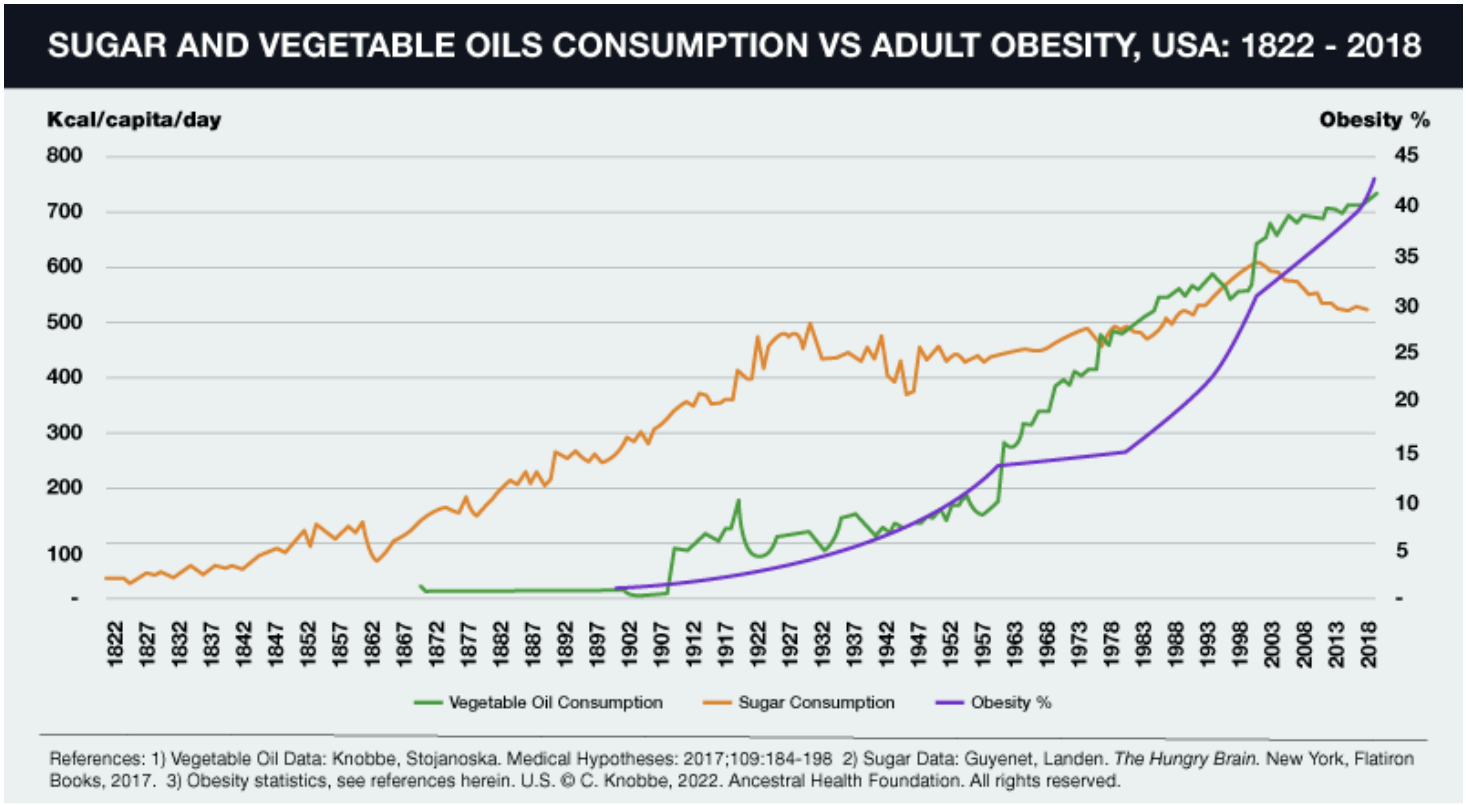
Seed Oils Are Far Worse Than Sugar

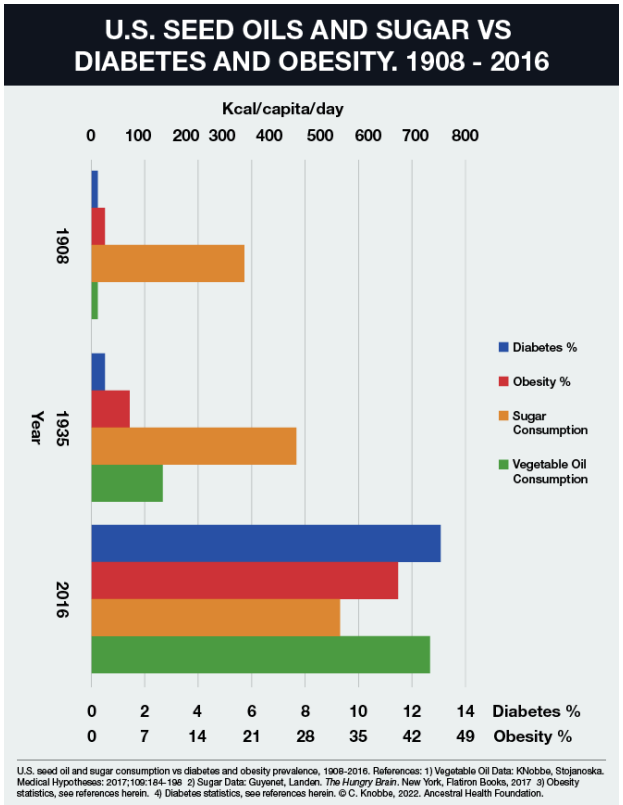
While most nutritional experts blame the epidemic of chronic disease on the increase in sugar consumption, the role of sugar is relatively minor when compared to the impact of seed oils.

In 1822 the average U.S. sugar consumption was 6 pounds per person per year. This rose to a high of 108 pounds per person per year by 1999.[19] This is a 17-fold increase, but seed oils went up 25-fold during that same time period.

In the 1960s and '70s,[20] cardiologist Dr. Robert Atkins was largely responsible for creating the interest in low-carb (low-sugar) diets that seemed to work for many. However, eliminating foods like french fries, potato chips, breads, pasta, pizza and donuts not only eliminates sugar-based carbs, but also seed oils. It is not intuitively obvious, but the carb-loaded foods his diet eliminated are also loaded with dangerous refined seed oils.

Processed foods typically contain about 21% sugar. However, up to 50% or more of the overall calories contained in most processed foods come from seed oils.[21,22] The connection is further confirmed by looking at the U.S. carb consumption. It's been declining since 1997, yet obesity and Type 2 diabetes have steadily increased. Interestingly, this continued rise coincides with the surge of seed oil consumption.





Another major reason why seed oils are exponentially more pernicious to your health than sugar is that they last much longer in your body. The half-life of LA is around 600 to 680 days, or approximately two years. This means it will take you about six years to replace 95% of the LA in your body with healthy fats. This is the primary reason for keeping your LA intake low as possible.

Meanwhile, your glycogen stores will be exhausted in about one to two days. So if you go on a sugar binge, that sugar doesn't stick around for years destroying your health like the LA in seed oils does.

How Excess LA Consumption Can Wreck Your Health

The main reason why excess LA causes disease is that it prevents your mitochondria from working well. Mitochondria are subcellular organelles responsible for producing most of your cellular energy in the form of ATP, and without ATP, your cells cannot function and repair themselves normally.

As mentioned earlier, PUFAs such as LA are easily damaged by oxygen in a process called oxidation,[23] which triggers the creation damaging free radicals.[24] These, in turn, give rise to ALEs[25] and in the case of omega-6 fats, OXLAMs.[26,27]

These ALEs and OXLAMs then go on to cause mitochondrial dysfunction, which is a hallmark of most all chronic disease. In addition to oxidation, inflammation and mitochondrial dysfunction, processed seed oils can also:

Damage the cells lining your blood vessels
Cause memory impairment and increase your risk of Alzheimer's disease (canola oil, in particular, has been linked to Alzheimer's)
Strip your liver of glutathione thereby lowering your antioxidant defenses
Inhibit delta-6 desaturase (delta-6), an enzyme involved in the conversion of short-chained omega-3s to longer chained omega-3s in your liver
Impair your immune function and increase mortality
Make your fat cells more insulin sensitive, thereby causing insulin resistance
Inhibit cardiolipin, an important fat in the inner membrane of your mitochondria

The Importance of Cardiolipin

The inhibition of cardiolipin in the inner membrane of your mitochondria explains much of the damage caused by LA. You have about 40 quadrillion to 100 quadrillion mitochondria throughout the cells of your body. The cristae of the inner membrane of the mitochondria contains a fat called cardiolipin,[28] and its function is dependent on the type of fat you get from your diet.

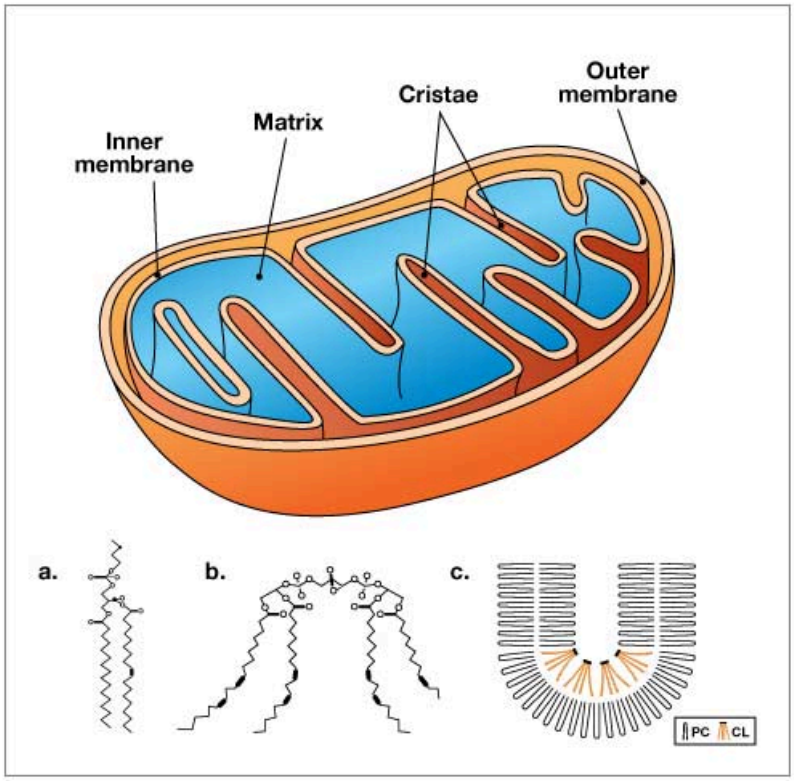
Cardiolipin is important because it influences the structure of the cristae inside your mitochondria, which is the area where energy production occurs. If cardiolipin is damaged, then the complexes will not be close enough together to form supercomplexes and thus the mitochondrial energy production will be impaired.

Cardiolipin also works like a cellular alarm system that triggers apoptosis (cell death) by signaling caspase-3 when something goes wrong with the cell. If the cardiolipin is damaged from oxidative stress due to having too much LA, it cannot signal caspase-3, and hence apoptosis does not occur.

As a result, dysfunctional cells are allowed to continue to grow, which can turn into a cancerous cell. The type of dietary fat that promotes healthy cardiolipin is omega-3 fat, and the type that destroys it is omega-6, especially LA.

The image below illustrates a typical mitochondria on the left. Figure C shows how the folds cause cardiolipin to provide the curve in the mitochondrial cristae. The folding causes the super

complexes in the electron transport chain to get closer together and more efficiently transfer electrons to produce ATP.



The good news is that dietary changes can improve the composition of fats in your cardiolipin in a matter of weeks, or even days. So, even though it will take years to lower your total body burden of LA, you will likely notice improvements well before then.

LA Contributes to Heart Disease and Cancer

Heart disease and cancer are two of the primary killers in the Western world, and LA is a significant contributor to both of these lethal conditions. One of the first things that happens in atherosclerosis, which is the precursor to heart disease, is that your macrophages (a type of white blood cell) turn into foam cells — essentially a macrophage stuffed with fat and cholesterol.

Atherosclerotic plaque is basically dead macrophages and other types of cells loaded with cholesterol and fat. This is why heart disease is blamed on saturated fat and cholesterol. However, researchers have found that for foam cells to form, the LDL (low density lipoprotein cholesterol) must be oxidized, and that is precisely what seed oils do.

Seed oils cause the LDL to oxidize, thereby forming foam cells. So, LDL in and of itself does not initiate atherosclerosis. LDL's susceptibility to this oxidative process is controlled by the LA content of your diet. Excess PUFAs also make cell membranes more fragile, allowing them to be easily damaged by oxidation.[29,30]

Seed oils are also a major contributor to cancer. In fact, a surefire way to induce cancer in many animal models is to feed them seed oils. Animals typically develop cancer once the LA in their diet reaches 4% to 10% of their energy intake.

And, as mentioned, most Americans get approximately 25% of their total daily calories from seed oils, so we're far over the safety threshold for these fats — at least based on the laboratory work in animals. Remember our ancestors typically got less than 2% of their calories in the form of omega-6.

There's even evidence showing that eliminating seed oils from your diet will dramatically reduce your risk of sunburn and lower your risk of skin cancer,[31,32,33] as susceptibility to UV radiation damage is controlled by how much LA is in your diet.[34,35]

What Foods to Avoid, and How

Primary sources of LA include seed oils used in cooking, processed foods and restaurant foods made with seed oils, condiments, seeds and nuts, most olive oils and avocado oils (due to the high prevalence of adulteration with cheaper seed oils), and animal foods raised on grains such as conventional chicken and pork.

Ideally, consider cutting LA down to below 7 grams per day, which is close to what our ancestors used to get. If you're not sure how much you're eating, enter your food intake into **Cronometer** — a free online nutrition tracker — and it will provide you with your total LA intake.

Cronometer will tell you how much omega-6 you're getting from your food down to the 10th of a gram, and you can assume 90% of that is LA. Anything over 10 grams of LA is likely to cause problems. Healthy fat replacements include tallow, butter or ghee, all of which are excellent for cooking.

The table below provides a fairly comprehensive list of the most commonly consumed oils and their approximate LA content.[36,37,38] In general, the lowest LA-containing fats — butter and beef tallow — would be the fats of choice. These excellent cooking fats would not only be the lowest in LA, but will also provide the fat-soluble vitamins, A, D, and K2. Coconut oil is also very low in LA but doesn't provide the important fat-soluble vitamins that tallow and butter contain.

COOKING OILS	% LINOLEIC ACID (LA) AVERAGE VALUE (RANGE IN PARENTHESES)
SAFFLOWER OIL	70%
GRAPE SEED OIL	70%
SUNFLOWER OIL	68%
CORN OIL	54%
COTTONSEED OIL	52%
SOYBEAN OIL	51%
RICE BRAN OIL	33%
PEANUT OIL	32%
CANOLA OIL	19%
OLIVE OIL	10% (3% - 27%)
AVOCADO OIL	10%
LARD	10%
PALM OIL	10%
TALLOW (CAFO)	3%
GHEE/BUTTER (CAFO)	2%
COCONUT OIL	2%
TALLOW (GRASS FED)	1%
BUTTER (GRASS FED)	1%

Vast Majority of Olive Oil and Avocado Oil Are Adulterated

Most people introduced to the topic of omega-6 toxicity have questions about olive oil and avocado oil. Consumption of olive oil has increased more than 10-fold in the U.S. over the past 35 years.[39] Olives and olive oil are well-known for their many health benefits, especially for your heart, but using adulterated olive oil will not do your health any favors.

Tests have revealed that anywhere from 60% to 90% of the olive oils sold in American grocery stores and restaurants are adulterated with cheap, oxidized, omega-6 vegetable oils, such as sunflower oil or peanut oil, or nonhuman-grade olive oils, which are harmful to health in a number of ways.[40]

This is even true for "extra virgin" olive oil Cheap seed oils are added and will not be listed on the label, nor will most people be able to discern that their olive oil is not 100% pure. Chances are, you've been eating poor-quality olive oil so long — or you've never tasted a pure, high-quality olive oil to begin with — you don't even realize there's something wrong with it.

The same applies to avocado oil. Many believe avocado oil is as healthy as olive oil, but this is simply not the case. A 2020 study showed that 82% of avocado oil is adulterated, mislabeled or of poor quality.[41]

In general, people believe the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is policing and regulating food fraud, but that's not the case. Its primary focuses are making sure the ingredient label is accurate and tracking food-related disease outbreaks.

The FDA does little in terms of preventing illegally adulterated foods from being sold. This makes discerning quality a difficult task, and unless you can somehow ensure you're getting 100% pure, unadulterated olive oil and/or avocado oil, you're better off avoiding them altogether.

Go Easy on the Nuts and Seeds

Most people who are interested in health believe that nuts and seeds are "heart healthy" staples.[42] However, as you can see in the table below, most nuts and seeds are exceedingly high in LA. For example, 50% of the fat in pecans is LA.[43] The only exception is macadamia nuts.

So, while nuts and seeds are often unprocessed and are the best type of omega-6 fats to eat, they will still contribute to the LA content of your diet, and once you hit 5 grams of LA per day, the perishable double bonds will begin to oxidize and generate dangerous free radicals that lead to health problems.

So, nuts and seeds need to be significantly minimized or even eliminated if you want to lower your LA. As mentioned, the exception to this rule is macadamia. Since only 2% of their fat is LA, you can have 10 to 30 a day without significantly raising your LA level.

Seeds/Nuts	% Linoleic Acid
Poppy seed	62%
Hemp	57%
Wheat germ	55%
Walnut	53%
Pecan	50%
Pumpkin	45%
Brazil nuts	43%
Sesame	41%
Peanut	32%
Pine Nuts	33%
Chia	16%
Almond	16%
Flaxseed	14%
Pistachio	13%
Hazelnuts	12%
Cashew	8%
Macadamia	2%

LA in Animal Foods

While seed oils are a primary source of LA, a number of animal foods you might not suspect are also loaded with this harmful fat. Ruminant animals such as cows, buffalo, sheep, lamb, goats,

deer, elk and many other game animals have low LA content in their milk and meat, no matter what they eat, thanks to the fact that they have multiple stomachs with bacteria that can convert the high LA fat they eat into saturated and monounsaturated fats.

Animals with a single stomach, however, like chickens and pigs, cannot make this conversion. So, when they're fed corn and soy, which are high in LA, their meat and eggs will also be high in LA.[44] Most chicken and pork have over 25% LA. Chicken eggs are acceptable, though, as each egg has less than 1 gram of LA, and that is assuming they are fed commercial feeds that are loaded with high LA.

Interestingly, the difference in LA in ruminants that are 100% grass-fed and those that are fed corn and soy is only about 0.5%, which is why, from an LA perspective, there isn't much difference between conventional beef and grass fed-only beef. That said, grass fed beef is still preferred as it typically has less glyphosate and hormones.

So, in summary, your best option is to get most of your animal protein from ruminants and avoid or limit all chicken and pork. My favorite meats are bison and lamb, but any of the ones listed above will work. Ideally it should be organic and the animals should not be fed any food that is contaminated with glyphosate or other pesticides.

LA in Seafood

Ideally, you'd get your omega-3s from healthy seafood. However, not all seafoods contain omega-3s. Only fatty, cold-water fish do. Examples include wild-caught Alaskan salmon, sardines, anchovies, mackerel and herring.

Farmed fish, especially farmed salmon, is best avoided altogether due to the exaggerated potential for contamination. At first glance, farmed fish may seem like a good idea to help protect wild seafood populations from overfishing, but in reality, the industry is plagued with many of the same problems surrounding land-based concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs), including pollution, disease, toxicity and inferior nutritional quality.

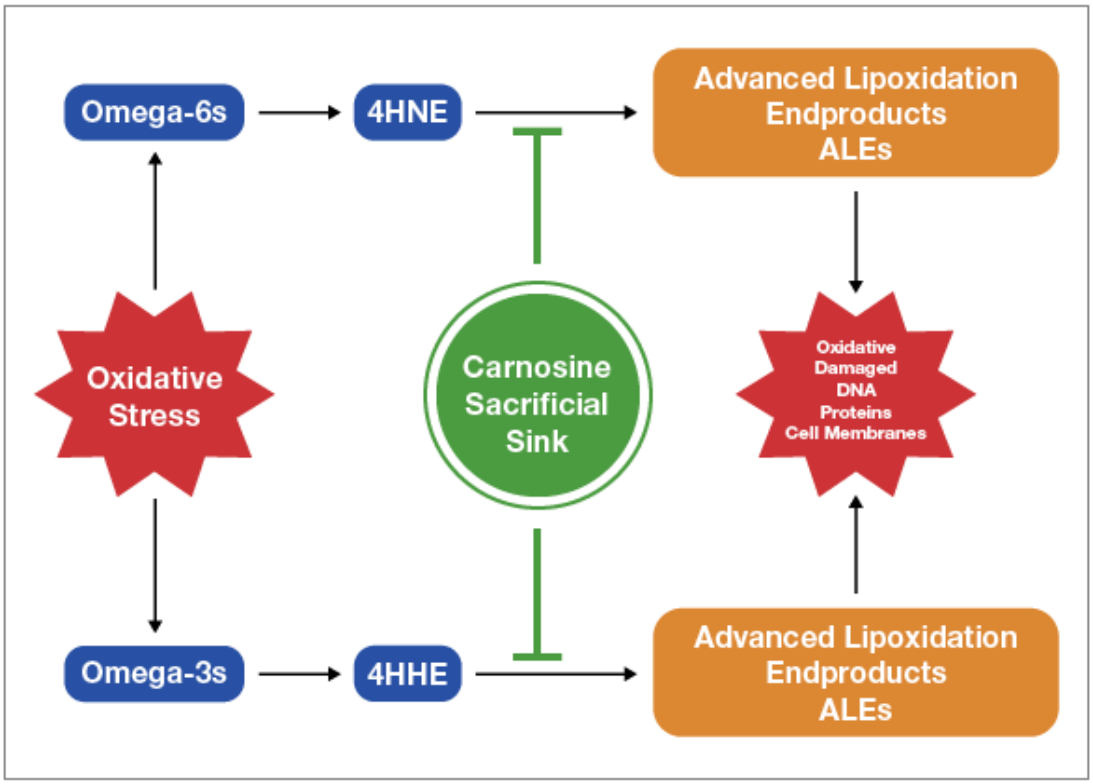
Most farmed fish are fed genetically engineered (GE) corn and soy, which are a completely unnatural diet for marine life and are loaded with hazardous omega-6 fats. Others are fed fishmeal, which is known to accumulate industrial chemicals like PCBs and dioxins.

From a nutritional perspective, farmed salmon also have the drawbacks of containing only half the omega-3 of wild salmon,[45,46,47] and one-fourth the vitamin D,[48] while having more than 5.5 times the amount of omega-6.[49,50] Farmed salmon are also routinely exposed to antibiotics and pesticides.

Carnosine Can Help Reduce LA-Induced Oxidative Damage

While your body will slowly eliminate stored LA over time, provided you reduce your intake, a peptide supplement called carnosine can help reduce the oxidative damage caused by LA while your body is cleaning itself out.

Carnosine is a dipeptide your body makes and it consists of two amino acids, beta-alanine and histidine. It serves as a sacrificial sink for reactive oxygen species (ROS) and ALEs, meaning it lets these very damaging molecules destroy it rather than your mitochondria, DNA or proteins, as depicted in the image below.



Carnosine is found in meats, and eating animal protein is known to efficiently raise carnosine levels.[51] It's not found in any plant foods. Alternatively, you could use a supplement. In this case, beta-alanine is a superior choice, as it's the rate limiting amino acid in the formation of carnosine and raises carnosine levels more efficiently. It's also far less expensive than carnosine.

Summary

Do yourself and your family a favor and embark on a journey of eliminating all seed oils from your diet today to ward off virtually all chronic degenerative diseases. This means avoiding all seed oils, and even fruit oils like olive oil and avocado oils as they are frequently adulterated with cheap seed oils.

Cook with ghee, butter or beef tallow, and avoid all processed foods, as they are typically loaded with seed oils. Also avoid eating in restaurants, as nearly all use massive amounts of seed oils to cook with and put it in their sauces and dressings. Lastly, avoid chicken and pork, and stick to bison and lamb as your primary meat sources.

One significant problem with PUFAs is that they are chemically unstable, which makes them highly susceptible to being damaged by oxygen species generated from the energy production in your cells.

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A Science Experiment Gone Bad, Endless mRNA Jabs Coming Soon

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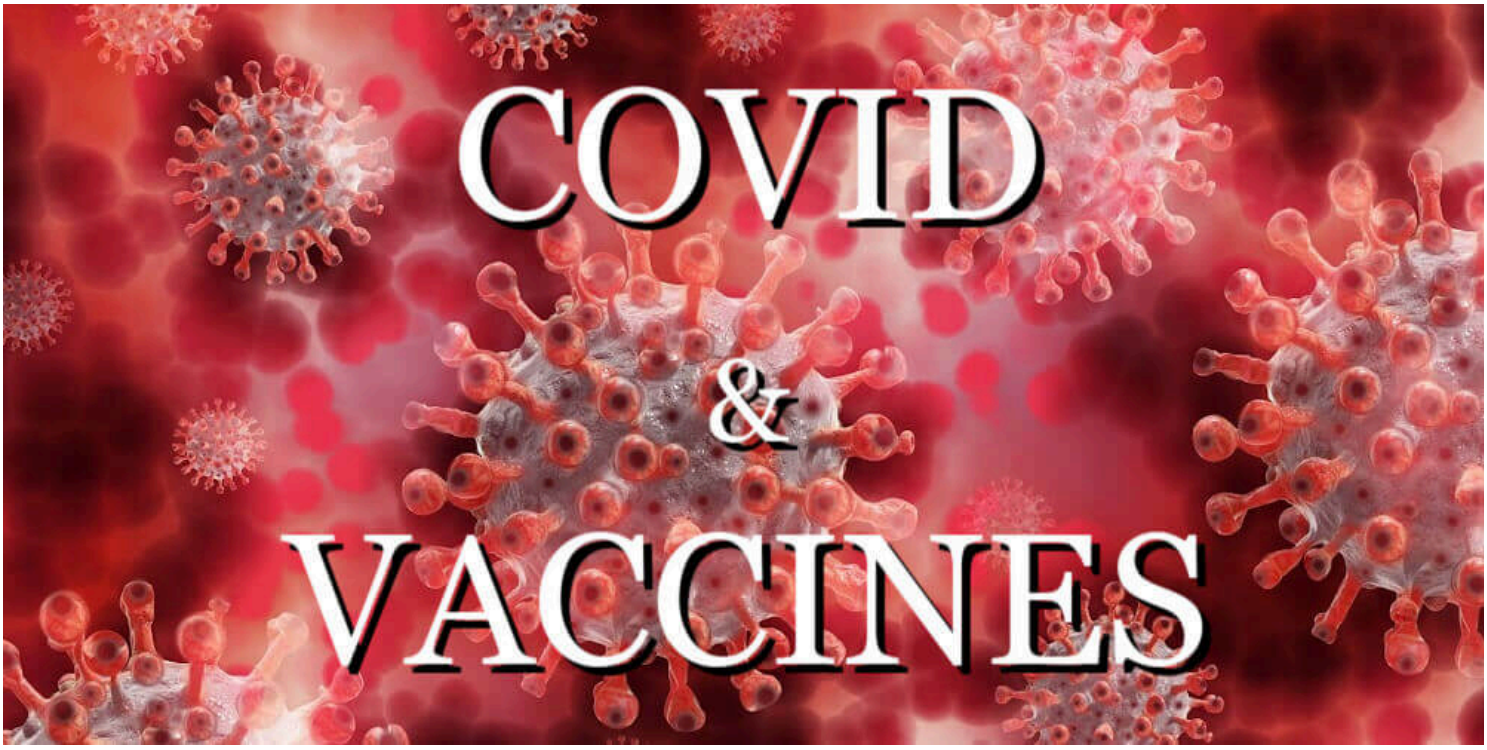

Coming Soon — mRNA Cancer and Flu 'Vaccines'

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola** Fact Checked

Story at-a-glance

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- If the COVID shots are the most dangerous injections we've ever seen, what makes them think mRNA shots for cancer, heart disease, influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), HIV or any other condition will be any safer?
- Moderna is planning to offer a personalized cancer shot by the end of 2028. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has already designated it as a "breakthrough therapy," which means the regulatory review will be expedited. The European Medicines Agency (EMA) is also fast-tracking it under the European "priority medicines" (PRIME) scheme
- mRNA-based influenza shots are also in the works. Pfizer and Moderna both launched mRNA flu jab trials in the fall of 2022

- Moderna is also developing mRNA shots for shingles and genital herpes based on the same platform used for its COVID jab — a technology that doesn't stop infection and can depress your immune function such that you become more prone to infections and chronic diseases of all kinds

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It's a science experiment gone completely off the rails. No one is safeguarding public health anymore. You could say our health agencies have sold out the public to the drug industry, allowing them to conduct wild population-wide genetic experimentation aimed at furthering the transhumanist agenda at breakneck speed.

Personalized Cancer Shot Is Being Fast-Tracked

As reported by The Guardian in early April 2023,[1] Moderna, for example, is planning to offer a personalized cancer shot by the end of 2028. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has already designated it as a "breakthrough therapy," which means the regulatory review will be expedited.

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) is also fast-tracking it under the European "priority medicines" (PRIME) scheme.[2] Here's how Moderna's personalized cancer gene therapy is said to work:[3]

1. A biopsy of your cancerous tumor is collected
2. Mutations in the genetic sequence of the tumor are identified
3. A machine learning algorithm determines which of the identified mutations might be driving the cancer's growth. Abnormal proteins produced by those mutations are also identified
4. A synthetic mRNA molecule is created, containing instructions for your cells to make an antigen that your immune system will respond to
5. Once injected, the mRNA is translated into proteins that are, supposedly, "identical" to those found in your tumor. When immune cells encounter cancer cells that carry these proteins, they destroy them

It sounds good in theory, but as we've seen with the COVID shots, any number of things can go wrong once your cells are turned into toxic protein factories. Contrary to transhumanist belief, your body is not a "hardware platform" and your **immune system is not like a piece of software that can simply be "updated"** with a new set of genetic instructions.

Not even close. It's more like a spider's web of interconnected systems and pathways. Pull on one string and the whole network responds with cascades of activity, much of which we still do not understand. It's beyond foolish to think you can just insert a new genetic instruction on one of the strings and not disturb or impact the rest of the web.

mRNA Flu Jabs Coming Soon

mRNA-based influenza shots are also in the works. Pfizer and Moderna both launched mRNA flu jab trials in the fall of 2022.[4] We now know the COVID shot doesn't protect you against SARS-CoV-2 infection or transmission, so will the flu shot be any different? Are they tweaking it somehow to block infection? Or will it be a repeat of COVID — all risk and no benefit?

In my view, there's cause for additional concern when it comes to mRNA flu shots, because they've already admitted that the viral strains targeted can and will be updated on the fly in the middle of the flu season, should it turn out that the flu strains selected in February are a mismatch to the circulating strains that following winter.[5]

The industry wants you to believe that changing the antigen has no bearing on the potential side effects, but they have no evidence to support that assertion. Whenever you change the antigen, you run the risk of new side effects, because not all antigens affect your immune system the same way.

For example, the reason why no coronavirus vaccine was ever brought to market despite 20 years of research and experimentation was because they kept causing worse infection. Many vaccines against other viruses don't have this effect.

And, even though the mRNA platform is completely different from conventional vaccine manufacturing that uses live or attenuated coronaviruses, the effect on the immune system is still clearly an adverse one. So, changing the method didn't eliminate the problem.

Since the mRNA platform allows for endless customization without additional safety testing to make sure the antigen chosen won't cause unsuspected problems, it poses a unique threat to public health. Millions will likely be injected before a problem is identified.

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Gene Therapies Don't Work Like Vaccines Do

It's important to remember that mRNA-based "vaccines" aren't vaccines. They're gene therapies. The only reason drug companies and health agencies now insist on calling them vaccines is because they **changed the definition** of the word so that a vaccine no longer has to protect you from the infection in question. All it must do is stimulate your body's immune response against the disease.

But if a vaccine doesn't prevent you from infection, what is the point of it? Natural infection also stimulates your immune response, but you develop immunity. So, all the shot is doing is stimulating — and possibly overstimulating and contributing to autoimmune diseases — your immune system without providing immunity.

mRNA Dosing Conundrum Has yet To Be Solved

Originally, modified mRNA was thought to hold the key to a new source of embryonic stem cells that researchers planned to use to treat anything from Parkinson's disease to spinal cord injuries. Using modified synthetic mRNA, they hoped to sidestep the controversy of using stem cells from aborted fetuses.

In animal studies scientists ran into a now-familiar problem with the mRNA doses. The therapy triggered dangerous immune reactions, yet the lower doses were too weak to show benefit, and there's no compelling evidence that this dosing problem was ever solved.

The promise hinged on safe dosing, but in animal studies scientists ran into a now-familiar problem with the mRNA doses. The therapy triggered dangerous immune reactions, yet the lower doses were too weak to show benefit.

There's no compelling evidence that this dosing problem was ever solved. In fact, it appears sloppy COVID jab manufacturing has resulted in varying strengths of the shots, with some

batches being associated with vastly higher rates of injury and death, as detailed on HowBadIsMyBatch.com.[6]

Also, let's not forget that the COVID shots appear to be massively accelerating cancer development, as "**turbo-charged cancers**" are now becoming more common. So, what can we expect from an improperly dosed mRNA cancer jab?

Will mRNA Shots for Herpes and Shingles Prevent Infection?

Moderna is also developing mRNA shots for shingles and genital herpes[7] based on the same platform used for its COVID jab — a technology that doesn't stop infection and can depress your immune function such that you become more prone to infections and chronic diseases of all kinds.

The mRNA COVID shots are also suspected of causing autoimmune conditions by way of molecular mimicry.[8] This occurs when similarities between different antigens confuse your immune system.

So, will mRNA shots against herpes and shingles prevent infection? Or will they increase your risk, just like the COVID shots have done? We'll have to wait and see, but I wouldn't recommend lining up to test them.

mRNA Integrity Is Another Technical Difficulty

Another technical difficulty that is unlikely to have been solved is the mRNA integrity. As detailed in "**Data Leaks Reveal Disturbing Facts About mRNA Instability**," hacked Pfizer COVID jab data show European regulators had significant concerns over the lack of intact mRNA in the commercial batches sampled.

Compared to the clinical batches, i.e., the shots used in the clinical trial, 55% to 78% of the commercial shots had "a significant difference in % RNA integrity/truncated species."

This is important because intact mRNA is essential for efficacy. According to Daan Crommelin, a professor of biopharmaceutics, "Even a minor degradation reaction, anywhere along a mRNA strand, can severely slow or stop proper translation performance of that strand and thus result in the incomplete expression of the target antigen."

For an effective product, mRNA integrity needs to be 100%. Considering how ineffective the jabs are, it seems fair to question whether lack of mRNA integrity might be to blame. We also do not know whether fragmented mRNA might be harmful, and to what degree.

While public health agencies claim fragmented RNA poses no health risk, just how do they know that? The leaked documents revealed they did not have an answer to that question. There's also no evidence that manufacturing processes have been perfected to prevent the fragmentation of mRNA. Like so many other things, the ins and outs of the manufacturing process of mRNA injections are not disclosed or discussed.

The Transhumanist Race Toward Human 2.0

It's hard to assess the recklessness with which drug companies and health agencies approach mRNA therapy as anything other than an attempt to fulfill a transhumanist dream in the quickest way possible. To perfect the genetic manipulation of human beings would under normal circumstances take many decades, perhaps close to a century, or more.

It would seem the globalist cabal driving the transhumanist agenda decided instead to launch population-wide experimentation to speed up the process. Large-scale studies are always required when you want to prove safety and effectiveness, and the global population has basically been turned into guinea pigs. They don't care how many are injured or killed in the process. They've proven this much by ignoring the mounting death toll.

To the cabal, it's probably a numbers game. Inject billions of people with gene therapies of various kinds in varying dosages, see what happens and tweak from there. Ultimately, the general population are not the intended beneficiaries of this large-scale experimentation. The globalists are. The guinea pigs are expendable.

The transhumanists cannot fulfill the dream of Humanity 2.0 without casualties, and what better victims than people whose future **Social Security funds have already been looted** and **squandered**?

Think Globally, Act Locally

National vaccine policy recommendations in the U.S. are made at the federal level but vaccine laws are made at the state level. It is at the state level where your action to protect your vaccine choice rights can have the greatest impact.

It is critical for EVERYONE to get involved now in standing up for the legal right to make voluntary vaccine choices in America because those choices are being seriously threatened.

Not only are lobbyists representing drug companies, medical trade associations and public health officials trying to persuade legislators to strip all vaccine exemptions from public health laws, but global political operatives lobbying the United Nations and World Health Organization are determined to take away the human right to autonomy and protection of bodily integrity.

We must take action to defend our constitutional republic and civil liberties, including the right to autonomy, in America. That includes reforming oppressive mandatory vaccination laws and stopping the digital health ID that will make vaccine passports a reality for us, our children and grandchildren if we don't take action today.

Signing up to use the free online Advocacy Portal sponsored by the National Vaccine Information Center at **www.NVICAdvocacy.org** gives you immediate, easy access to your own state and federal legislators on your smartphone or computer so you can make your voice heard.

NVIC will keep you up to date on the latest bills threatening to eliminate — or expand — your legal right to make vaccine choices and give you guidance about what you can do to support or oppose those bills. So, please, as your first step, sign up for the NVIC Advocacy Portal.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN!

Share Your Story With Your Legislators and People You Know

If you or a family member has suffered a serious vaccine reaction, injury or death, please talk about it. If we don't share information and experiences with one another, everybody feels alone and afraid to speak up.

If you want to protect your legal right to say "no" to vaccines you do not believe are safe or effective, make an appointment to personally talk with someone you have elected to office at the local, state and federal level or write a letter in your own words stating your concerns.

Attend school board and city council and town hall meetings in your community that will impact your right to know and freedom to make decisions about how you or your children will live and stay healthy. If you have a different perspective on a story about vaccination that appears in your local newspaper, write a letter to the editor.

I must be frank with you: You have to be brave because there is a lot of censorship of conversations that challenge "official" narratives about vaccination. You likely will be strongly criticized for daring to talk about the "other side" of the vaccine story and for defending your informed consent rights. Be prepared for it and have the courage to stand your ground.

Only by sharing our perspective and what we know to be true will the public conversation about vaccination open up so people are not afraid to talk about it.

While our rights are being threatened, the vaccine injured are being swept under the carpet and treated like nothing more than statistically acceptable "collateral damage" of one-size-fits-all mandatory vaccination laws. Way too many people are being put at risk for injury and death and

there is nothing scientific or moral about that. We should not be treating human beings like guinea pigs.

Internet Resources Where You Can Learn More

I encourage you to visit the four websites of the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC), at **www.NVIC.org**, a nonprofit charity that has been educating the public about the need to prevent vaccine injuries and deaths since 1982. The information you get on their websites is fully referenced and will help you become an effective vaccine choice advocate in your community:

- **NVIC.org** — This website was established in 1995 and is the oldest and largest consumer operated website publishing information on diseases and vaccines on the internet. Learn about vaccine reactions, injuries and deaths and the history and current status of vaccine science, policy, law and ethics in the U.S. on more than 2,000 web pages.
- **NVICAdvocacy.org** — This communications and advocacy network, established in 2010, is your gateway to taking action to protect your right to make vaccine choices where you live.
- **TheVaccineReaction.org** — This weekly journal newspaper published by NVIC since 2015 is dedicated to encouraging an "enlightened conversation about vaccination, health and autonomy."
- **MedAlerts.org** — This is a user-friendly search engine for the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) established under the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act and sponsored by NVIC since 2006. Search for descriptions of vaccine injuries and deaths reported to VAERS on this popular website.

Find a Doctor Who Will Listen and Care

If your doctor or pediatrician refuses to provide medical care to you or your child unless you agree to get vaccines you don't want, I strongly encourage you to have the courage to find another doctor. Harassment, coercion and refusal to provide medical care to someone declining one or more doses of government recommended vaccines is a violation of the informed consent ethic.

Unfortunately, it is becoming routine among members of the medical establishment to be reluctant to share vaccine decision-making power with patients and parents of minor children, especially during the aggressive push for all Americans to get COVID shots.

There are doctors out there who respect the precautionary and informed consent principles, so take the time to locate a doctor who treats you with compassion and is willing to listen and respect the health care choices you make for yourself or your child.

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Alarming Findings Link COVID Jabs to Increased Miscarriage

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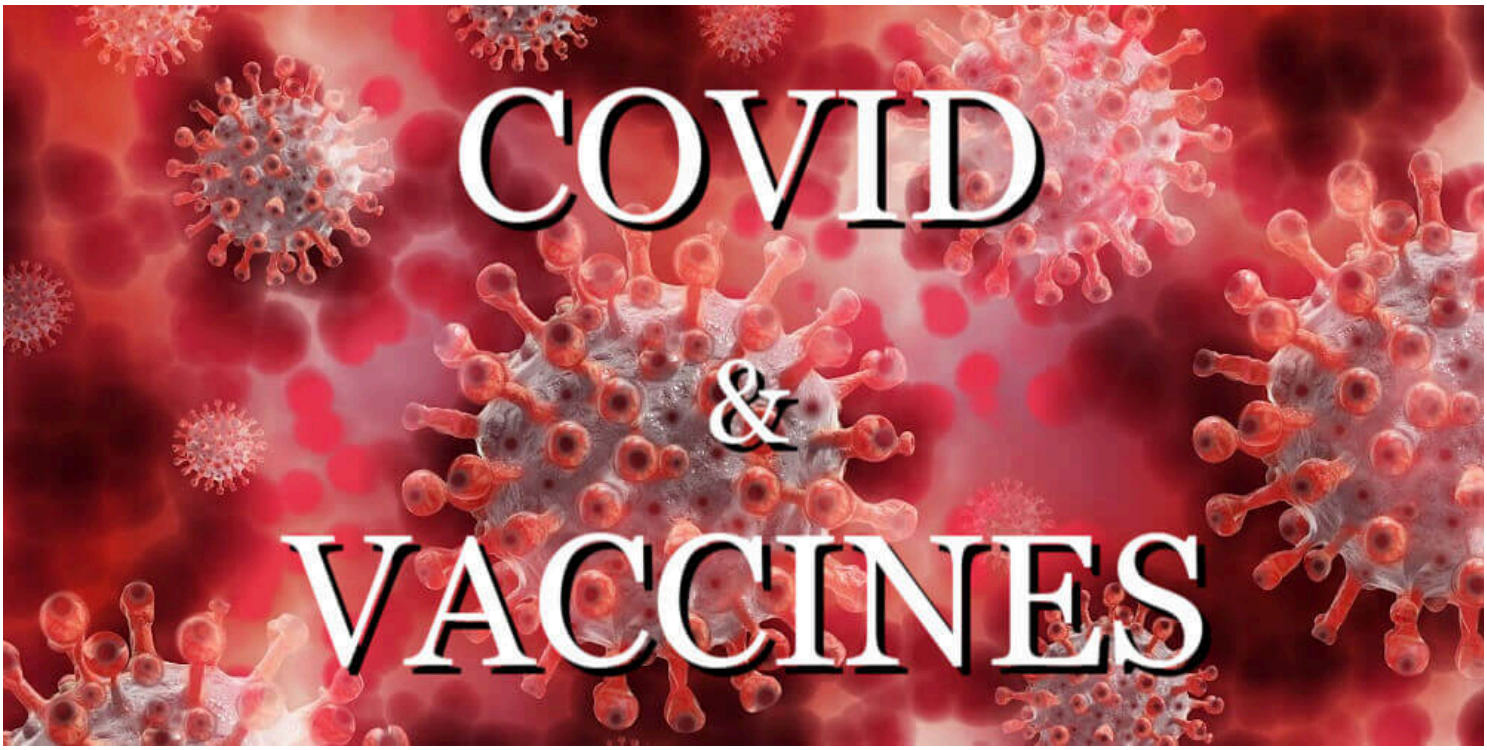

Critics question the safety data used to approve shots as new research sparks debate. Many researchers have called for the immediate suspension of COVID-19 vaccination for all persons of childbearing and reproductive age.

How Are the COVID Shots Affecting Mothers-To-Be?

Analysis by **Dr. Joseph Mercola** Fact Checked

Story at-a-glance

- Compared to the flu vaccine, COVID-19 shots are associated with a significant increase in adverse events among women of reproductive age.
- Data revealed a 27-fold higher risk of miscarriage and a more than twofold increased risk of adverse fetal outcomes across six different categories following COVID-19 shots.
- COVID-19 shot contents are biodistributed into the bloodstream within hours and cross "all physiologic barriers including the maternal-placental-fetal barrier and the blood brain barriers in both the mother and the fetus".

- Birth rates in multiple European countries fell significantly in the end of 2021, months after COVID-19 shots became widely utilized.
- Researchers have called for the immediate suspension of COVID-19 vaccination for all persons of childbearing and reproductive age.

While a typical vaccine must undergo 10 to 12 years of trials before it's released, during the pandemic, COVID-19 shots were made available to the public just 10 months after development, courtesy of an Emergency Use Authorization.[1] Even pregnant women were subjected to the shots, and in many cases were mandated to receive them.

"The pushing of these experimental COVID-19 vaccines globally is the greatest violation of medical ethics in the history of medicine, maybe humanity," Dr. James Thorp, a maternal fetal medicine expert, told Tucker Carlson.[2] Thorp and colleagues published a preprint study that found striking risks to pregnant women who received the shots, along with their unborn babies.[3]

The outcomes were so dire that the researchers concluded pregnant women should not receive COVID-19 shots until further research is completed. "A worldwide moratorium on the use of COVID-19 vaccines in pregnancy is advised until randomized prospective trials document safety in pregnancy and long-term follow-up in offspring," they explained.[4]

COVID Shots Linked to 27-Fold Higher Risk of Miscarriage

Thorp and colleagues used data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) to assess adverse events experienced by women of reproductive age following receipt of a COVID-19 shot, compared to receipt of a flu shot. Compared to the flu vaccine, COVID-19 shots were associated with a significant increase in adverse events (AE), including:[5]

Menstrual abnormality	Miscarriage
Fetal chromosomal abnormalities	Fetal malformation
Fetal cystic hygroma	Fetal cardiac disorders
Fetal arrhythmia	Fetal cardiac arrest
Fetal vascular malperfusion	Fetal growth abnormalities

Fetal abnormal surveillance	Fetal placental thrombosis
Low amniotic fluid	Fetal death/stillbirth

"When normalized by time-available, doses-given, or persons-received, all COVID-19 vaccine AE far exceed the safety signal on all recognized thresholds … Pregnancy and menstrual abnormalities are significantly more frequent following COVID-19 vaccinations than that of Influenza vaccinations," the researchers noted.[6]

Specifically, the data revealed a 27-fold higher risk of miscarriage and a more than twofold increased risk of adverse fetal outcomes across six different categories, according to board-certified internist and cardiologist Dr. Peter McCullough.[7]

Were Nurses Issued Gag Order Against Speaking Out?

Problems began to appear shortly after COVID-19 shots were rolled out, such that a leaked email from a large California hospital was sent out in warning to 200 nurses. The email, from September 2022, contained the subject line, "Demise Handling," referring to an increase in stillbirths and fetal deaths. A TCW report by journalist Sally Beck shared the email's content, which read:[8]

> *"It seems as though the increase of demise patients that we are seeing is going to continue. There were 22 demises in August , which ties the record number of demises in July 2021, and so far in September there have been 7 and it's only the 8th day of the month."*

Beck reports that one nurse, Michelle Gershman, who works in the neonatal ward had her bonus withheld because she spoke out about the rise in fetal deaths. "We used to have one fetal demise per month. That rose to one or two per week," Gershman said. Beck reported:

> *"Her experience, and the experience of doctors working with pregnant women, is contrary to official 'safe and effective' observation and advice, but no one was free to speak out because of a gagging order imposed in September 2021[9] by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG).*

> *... At the beginning of the rollout, in December 2020, pregnant women who were healthcare workers or deemed to be at risk from Covid began receiving the shots. By May 2021, the vaccine was being recommended to all pregnant American women.*

> *This is despite the fact that none of the vaccine manufacturers had completed reproductive toxicology reports in animals, and none had started clinical trials in pregnant women. Two months later, hospitals noticed a huge increase in miscarriage, stillbirth, preterm births, pregnancy complications and menstrual abnormalities."*

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COVID-19 Shots Should Be Category X

The mRNA from COVID-19 shots circulates in the body for 28 days or more, and the spike protein may trigger clotting, bleeding and tissue damage, according to McCullough.

Because of this and other concerns, he states that, conservatively, COVID-19 shots should be given the Category X designation during pregnancy,[10] which means, "The risk of use of the drug in pregnant women clearly outweighs any possible benefit. The drug is contraindicated in women who are or may become pregnant."[11]

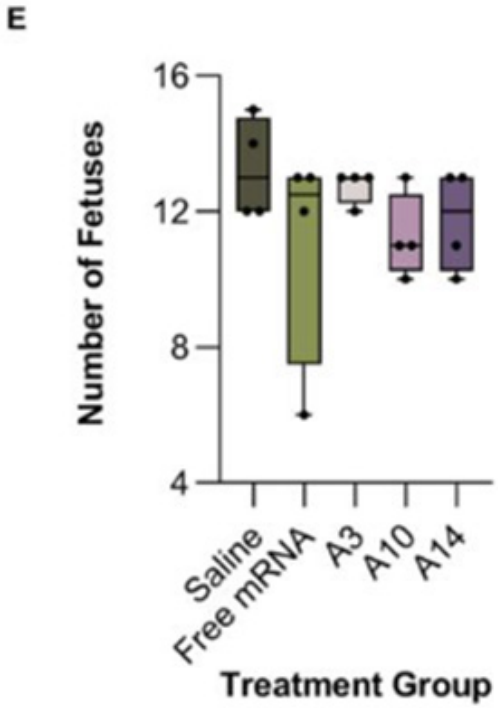
Unfortunately, health officials in the U.S. continue to affirm its safety, even for vulnerable populations such as this, as they have from the very beginning. "Shockingly, in the very first week

of mass vaccination in December of 2020," McCullough wrote, "news reels depicted well-intentioned pregnant mothers getting injected with synthetic lipid nanoparticles laced with long-lasting mRNA coding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology Spike protein."[12]

Thorp's study also reported that Pfizer's data showed COVID-19 shot contents are biodistributed into the bloodstream within hours and cross "all physiologic barriers including the maternal-placental-fetal barrier and the blood brain barriers in both the mother and the fetus."[13]

A separate study is, in fact, looking at using ionizable lipid nanoparticles (LPNs) like those used as mRNA delivery platforms in COVID-19 shots, as tools to deliver drugs to the placenta, because they're so effective at reaching it.

"LNPs enhance mRNA stability, circulation time, cellular uptake and preferential delivery to specific tissues compared to mRNA with no carrier platform," the researchers wrote.[14] But the study contains some concerning data, which was shared on Twitter:[15,16]



User Jikkyleaks tweeted, "This could be one of the biggest scandals in medicine … Can you see that there are fewer fetuses in all the treatment groups compared to saline? It's not dramatic, because the authors published that figure instead of the number of fetal losses."[17]

Health officials made the recommendation that COVID-19 shots are safe and effective for pregnant women based on a 42-day study from Pfizer involving 44 rats.[18] What's more, the Pfizer-BioNTech rat study revealed the shot more than doubled the incidence of preimplantation loss and also led to a low incidence of mouth/jaw malformations, gastroschisis (a birth defect of the

abdominal wall) and abnormalities in the right-sided aortic arch and cervical vertebrae in the fetuses.[19]

Pfizer BNT162b2 animal study # 20256434

Control arm				Treatment arm			
Animal Number	Corpora Lutea	Pre-implant loss	Live fetus	*Animal Number*	Corpora Lutea	Pre-implant loss	Live fetus
1	14	0	11	*1*	16	2	13
2	15	0	15	*2*	18	1	17
3	17	1	16	*3*	16	4	12
4	16	0	14	*4*	12	2	10
5	15	1	13	*5*	20	3	13
6	12	2	10	*6*	14	4	9
7	14	0	14	*7*	16	1	15
8	17	0	12	*8*	16	1	13
9	17	4	13	*9*	20	4	16
10	13	1	11	*10*	15	1	13
11	12	0	12	*11*	15	1	13
12	14	0	13	*12*	15	0	15
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19	13	0	12	*19*	15	1	12
20	17	1	16	*20*	17	0	17
21	14	0	13	*21*	13	2	10
Mean	*14.714*	*0.619*	*13.190*	*Mean*	*15.524*	*1.524*	*13.143*
	Overall mean %		**4.2%**		**Overall mean %**		**9.8%**
					T.test.p	**0.01588**	

"In that study the fetal loss rate DOUBLED (4.2% to 9.8%) but had little impact on the overall number of fetuses," Jikkyleaks tweeted, sharing the chart above. "This is how this information is hidden. That single slide should have been enough to prompt much more investigation, because it showed fewer fetuses in EVERY GROUP."[20,21]

Shocking Decline in Birth Rates Post-COVID Shots

Birth rates in multiple European countries fell significantly in the end of 2021, months after COVID-19 shots became widely utilized. The data,[22] compiled by a team of European researchers, found declines in birth rates in all the countries they studied, including:[23]

Germany	Austria	Switzerland
France	Belgium	Netherlands
Denmark	Estonia	Finland
Latvia	Lithuania	Sweden

Portugal	Spain	Czech Republic
Hungary	Poland	Romania
Slovenia	Iceland	Northern Ireland
Montenegro	Serbia	

The team explained:[24]

> *"In advance it should be noted that every single examined European country shows a monthly decline in birth rates of up to more than 10% compared to the last three years. It can be shown that this very alarming signal cannot be explained by infections with Covid-19.*

> *However, one can establish a clear temporal correlation to Covid vaccinations incidence in the age group of men and women between 18 and 49 years. Therefore, in-depth statistical and medical analyses have to be demanded."*

The declines in birth rates ranged from a low of 1.3% in France to a high of 19% in Romania. Seven countries had a decline in birth rate of more than 10%, while 15 countries had declines of greater than 4%. Switzerland's drop was said to have exceeded the drop that occurred from World War I, World War II, the Great Depression and the release of oral contraceptives.[25]

No connection was found between the declines in birth rates and COVID-19 infections or hospitalizations, with the team noting:[26]

> *"Adverse reactions related to the female reproductive organs and study findings related to male fertility point to a causal interpretation of the association of birth declines and the Covid-19 vaccinations."*

COVID Shots Affect Menstrual Cycles

It remains unknown how COVID-19 shots affect reproductive health in men and women. For instance, as The Vaccine Reaction reported, "To date, the manufacturer's insert for FDA-approved

COVID shots explicitly states that it has not been tested for the potential to impair male fertility." However, data on U.S. infertility after the rollout of COVID shots aren't available.[27]

Meanwhile, women around the globe have reported changes in their menstrual cycles following COVID-19 shots, and health officials largely brushed off the reports or labeled them anecdotal.

But a study published in Obstetrics & Gynecology — and funded by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Research on Women's Health — confirms an association between menstrual cycle length and COVID-19 shots.[28]

Clinical trials for COVID-19 shots did not collect data about menstrual cycles following injection, and VAERS does not actively collect menstrual cycle information either, making it difficult to initially determine whether the shots were having an effect. Anecdotal reports on social media, however, are numerous and, according to the study, "suggest menstrual disturbances are much more common …"[29]

The Obstetrics & Gynecology study involved 3,959 individuals between the ages of 18 and 45 years. Those who had not received a COVID-19 shot noted no significant changes in cycle 4 during the study compared to their first three cycles.

Those who received COVID-19 shots, however, had longer menstrual cycles, typically by less than one day, when they received the shots. The longer cycles were noted for both doses of the injection, with a 0.71-day increase after the first dose and 0.91-day increase after the second dose.[30]

Cycle Changes of Eight Days or More Noted

The overall declines were described as not clinically significant. However, some women, particularly those who received two shots in the same menstrual cycle, experienced significant changes, including a two-day increase in cycle length and, in some cases, changes in cycle length of eight days or more. Considering a regular menstrual cycle is "an overt sign of health and fertility,"[31] any changes could have major ramifications.

Further, the team noted, "Questions remain about other possible changes in menstrual cycles, such as menstrual symptoms, unscheduled bleeding, and changes in the quality and quantity of menstrual bleeding."[32]

Taken together, the links to miscarriage, reproductive changes and declining birth rates raise major red flags about the safety of COVID-19 shots for people of reproductive age. As such, the European research team echoed Thorp in calling for a moratorium on COVID-19 shots for

pregnant women, and took it a step further, suggesting a suspension for everyone of reproductive age:[33]

> *"Given the considerable individual and social relevance of the link between vaccination campaigns and declining birth rates, the immediate suspension of Covid-19 vaccination for all persons of childbearing and reproductive age should be called for."*

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There are doctors out there who respect the precautionary and informed consent principles, so take the time to locate a doctor who treats you with compassion and is willing to listen and respect the health care choices you make for yourself or your child.

How Many Millions Are Disabled or Injured From the Jab?

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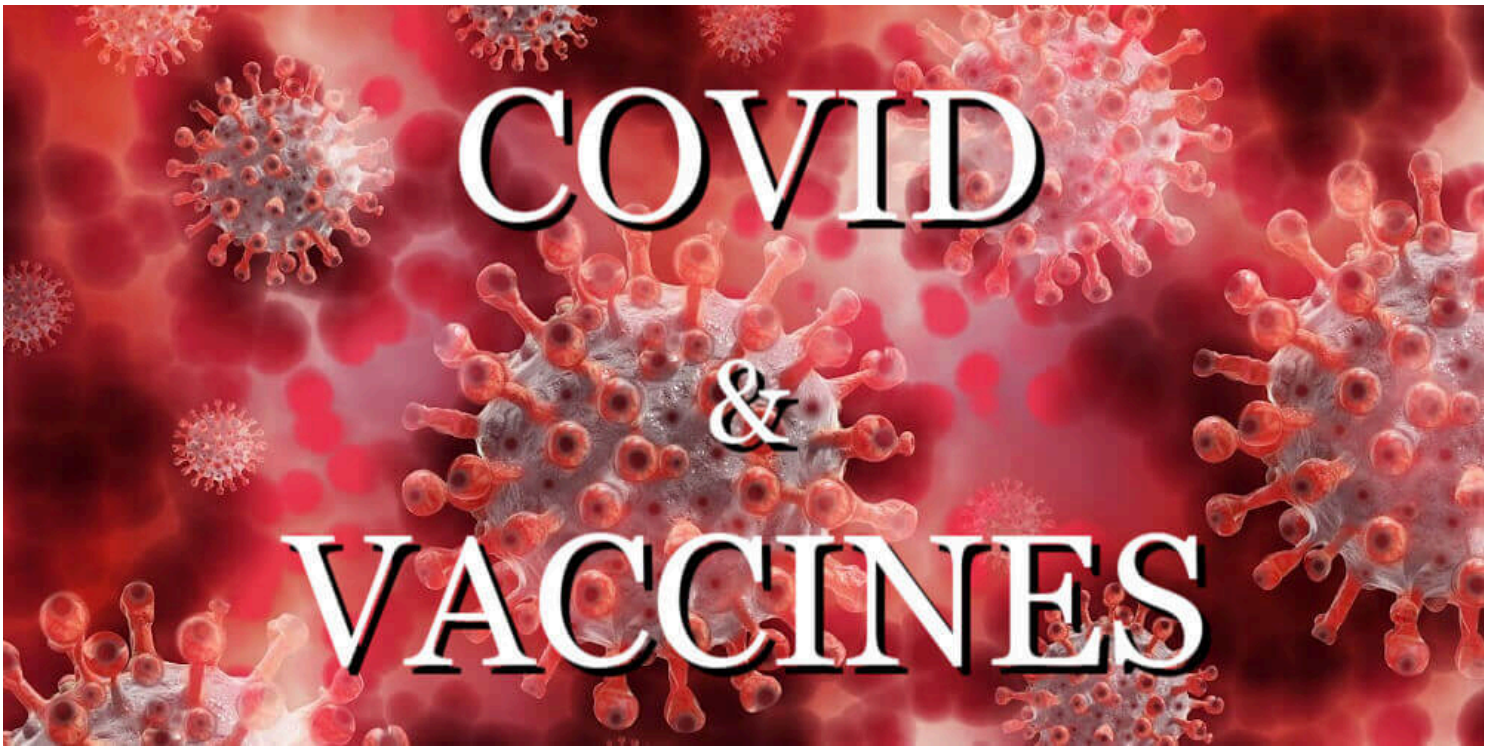

The COVID Jab Effects That Few People Know About.

With the publication of the 2022 Vaccine Damage Report, we now have a clearer picture of the carnage from the COVID-19 jab campaign. While the deadly side effects of this campaign are still on-going, most Americans, surprisingly, don't even know it's happening.

Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola Fact Checked.

Story at-a-glance.

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- Evidence of serious neurological harms, including Bell's palsy, Guillain-Barré syndrome, myasthenic disorder and stroke, which are likely due to an autoimmune reaction, was also found from the shots

We're beginning to see the fallout from the mass COVID-19 shot campaign, which has been referred to as the "greatest violation of medical ethics in the history of medicine, maybe humanity."[1]

Former BlackRock analyst and fund manager Edward Dowd is one of the few trying to get the word out about COVID-19 shot risks, and he's been using data and statistics to prove his point and publicize the undeniable increase in deaths and disability among young, healthy adults that has occurred since the shots' widespread rollout.[2]

This group — the 148 million employed Americans between the ages of 18 and 64[3] — is typically a healthy crowd. This is why private insurance companies love to sell group life insurance policies to large Fortune 500 corporations and mid-sized companies —they hardly ever have to pay out on a claim. But this is changing.

Dowd's 2022 U.S. Vaccine Damage Report[4] revealed a sobering glimpse into the true carnage that occurred at the hands of the COVID-19 shot campaign, and its results are striking.

300K Excess Deaths, Millions of Injuries, Billions in Costs

Dowd and colleagues published their 2022 Vaccine Damage Project at their website, Phinance Technologies.[5] It revealed the following estimated human and economic costs:[6]

Human Cost	Economic Cost
26.6 million injuries 1.36 million disabilities 300,000 excess deaths	Total: $147.8 billion Injuries: $89.9 billion Disabilities: $52.2 billion Excess deaths: $5.6 billion

To put this into perspective, John Leake writes on Courageous Discourse, "Note that this death count in one year is 5.2 times the number of men killed in 10 years of combat in Vietnam," adding:[7]

> *"Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about this state of affairs is that most Americans don't know it's happening. Every day, young people are dying from heart attacks, strokes, and seizures caused by COVID-19 vaccines. Most of their families and friends are led to believe that they just died — suddenly and unexpectedly — of acute conditions that were extremely rare in young people prior to 2021."*

The report included data from employed individuals between the ages of 16 and 64, and categorized the impact into four broad groups:

1. No effect or asymptomatic
2. Mild to moderate outcome including a temporary or short-term, long-term or permanent injury
3. Severe outcome that leads to a disability
4. Extreme outcome leading to death

While group 1 was the largest, comprising an estimated 82% of the population, the authors pointed out that these groups are dynamic, and individuals in one group could move into another, particularly in the case of progressing from no or minor injury to severe injury, such as we've seen with **elite athletes suddenly dropping dead** on the field:[8]

> *"While these groupings characterize different levels of damage from the inoculations, they are not static and could interact with each other. For instance, there might be individuals who had no visible effects after vaccination but nonetheless could still be impacted from the inoculations and could therefore be represented in the sub-group of injured individuals.*

> *In a similar way, individuals with mild injuries from the inoculations could, over time, develop severe injuries to the extent of being disabled, or an extreme outcome such as death. The likely path of outcomes would be from injury to disability to death.*

> *We need to consider, however, that to a lesser extent there could be individuals who suffer extreme outcomes when they had previously only experienced mild injuries until then. We can relate this with the anecdotes of otherwise healthy athletes suffering heart attacks during sports competitions at an alarming rate since the 2021 inoculations."*

'The Multiplier Effects Are Massive'

The effects in the report are only what can currently be measured, and are likely to also be fluid. In terms of economic effects, for instance, the report notes that mortuary companies are likely to benefit while life insurers will be harmed, leading to a reallocation of resources.

Meanwhile, in terms of economic costs, milder damage is associated with greater cost, since a larger portion of working age individuals are affected. For instance, those with mild to moderate injury made up a sizeable 18% of the population. According to the report:[9]

> *"We make the assumption that the pool of potentially vaccine-injured individuals is about 18% of the population, which is, the rate of related adverse events reported in the Pfizer clinical trial (minus the baseline rate). These injuries will likely manifest a loss of productivity since, as these individuals are likely to have higher absentee rates and, consequently, higher lost worktime rates, than the pre-2019 baseline.*

> *In fact, we performed an analysis of absence rates and lost worktime rates[10] in full time workers (using data provided by the BLS). We observed a large increase in absence rates starting in 2020, but accelerating in 2022. Absence rates in 2022 were about 28.6% higher than in 2019, representing a 11 standard deviation variation."*

Further, many other economic costs are harder to account for, such as a worker who's still at work but not able to work to their full potential. When these types of scenarios are factored in, the damages could be even more massive. Dowd tweeted:[11]

> *"Our economic damage estimates are what we can measure. The knock effects such as lost productivity due to a worker being present but working at say 50%-75% of capacity is missed plus burn out from those picking up slack. Also supply chain delays are not captured etc and etc. The multiplier effects are massive."*

Systematic Review Reveals Serious Harms

A preprint systematic review of papers with data on serious adverse events associated with COVID-19 shots again points to significant risks.[12] The review was conducted by Maryanne Demasi, Ph.D., a former medical scientist with the University of Adelaide and former reporter for

ABC News in Australia and Professor Peter Gøtzsche, a Danish physician-researcher who co-founded the Cochrane Collaboration in 1993.

It included 18 systematic reviews, 14 randomized trials and 34 other studies, noting that "most studies were of poor quality" and additional randomized trials are needed. Still, their review revealed multiple red flags, including:[13]

- Adenovirus vector vaccines increased the risk of venous thrombosis and thrombocytopenia
- mRNA-based shots increased the risk of myocarditis, with a mortality of about 1 to 2 per 200 cases
- Evidence of serious neurological harms, including Bell's palsy, Guillain-Barré syndrome, myasthenic disorder and stroke, which are likely due to an autoimmune reaction, was found
- Severe harms, defined as those that prevent daily activities, were underreported in the randomized trials
- Severe harms were very common in studies of booster doses after a full round of shots and in a study of vaccination of previously infected people

Further, not only have drug regulators and public health authorities been slow to follow up on safety signals showing serious harms from the shots, Demasi notes, but, "Population-wide recommendations for COVID vaccination and boosters ignore the negative benefit to harm balance in low-risk groups such as children and people who have already recovered from covid-19 (natural immunity)."[14]

Australian Safety Report — 24-Fold Increase in Adverse Events

It's can be difficult to parse out adverse effects from COVID-19 shots and those due to COVID-19 infection. The Western Australia Vaccine Safety Surveillance (WAVSS) 2021 Report, however, shows a unique viewpoint that made this possible. At the time, there was virtually no COVID-19 circulating in the community, yet the area had a 90% vaccination rate among those 12 years and over.[15] Umbrella News reported:[16]

> *"There are few regions in the world where most of the population was vaccinated before the spread of Covid in the community. Sealed off from the rest of Australia, and the world, for 697 days, WA's closed border earned it the moniker of the 'hermit kingdom'.*

> *State Premier Mark McGowan noted WA's unique role in the global vaccination trial, remarking to a press conference in early 2022, You see, Western Australia is an experiment. We basically have had very few Omicron cases, we have very high vaccination levels, and we have a very compliant population."*

So, what happened in an area of the world that had very few COVID-19 cases and very high rates of COVID-19 shots? An "exponential increase" in reports of adverse events following immunization (AEFI), such that it necessitated changes to the vaccine safety surveillance program at the department in order to manage them.[17] According to the report:[18]

> *"The number of AEFI reported to WAVSS was significantly higher in 2021 than in previous years (10,726 compared with an average of 276 per year for the 2017-2020 period) due to the introduction of the COVID-19 vaccination program."*

As Umbrella News reported, the peak of AEFI reports coincided with the rollout of shot mandates, culminating in a rush of hospitalizations that strained area hospitals:[19]

> *"In 2021, AEFIs for Covid vaccines were reported at almost 24x the rate of AEFIs for all other vaccines combined … In the latter half of the year, as AEFIs peaked, the media regularly reported that WA hospitals were under strain, despite the lack of Covid cases.*

> *The highest month for AEFI reports was October, the same month that vaccine mandates were announced for most of the workforce, the vaccine eligibility criteria were expanded to people aged 18 and over, and walk-in vaccinations became available."*

Other standouts from WA's report include a 35% increase in myocarditis and a 25% increase in pericarditis compared to background rates. "Shockingly," Umbrella News noted, "the risk of pericarditis in the age group in the age group 25 to 29 years old was 53.5 cases per 100,000 doses

of Spikevax. It is perhaps unsurprising that chest pain was the fifth most common reported AEFI for COVID vaccines in 2021."[20]

COVID Shot Efficacy 'Grossly Overestimated'

While the risks of adverse effects have been downplayed, the efficacy of COVID-19 shots has been overstated from the beginning. Writing in the Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice, a research team revealed that multiple biases, including background infection rates and cross-overs from unvaccinated to vaccinated in the early days of the campaign, led to an overstatement of COVID-19 shots' effectiveness.[21]

"We conclude that "real-world" studies using methodologies popular in early 2021 overstate vaccine effectiveness," the study notes.[22] Board-certified internist and cardiologist Dr. Peter McCullough explained that from the lack of efficacy alone, the shots should be removed from the market. And the case gets even stronger when you factor in the significant number of related disabilities and deaths:[23]

> *"Multiple sources of bias created illusion that vaccines worked as they failed in the real world … claims that the COVID-19 vaccines worked to reduce spread of infection, hospitalization, and death must be rejected.*

> *The burden of proof has not been met and threats to validity have not been overcome. All of the COVID-19 vaccines should be removed from the market and we should begin the investigative phase into how this massive program failed to stop COVID-19."*

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There are doctors out there who respect the precautionary and informed consent principles, so take the time to locate a doctor who treats you with compassion and is willing to listen and respect the health care choices you make for yourself or your child.

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The Daily Skirmish – Abortionistas Dirty Tricks Kill the Innocent

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*(Editor's note: See the series on the abortion industry: **Bad Actors #1**, **Bad Actors #2**, **Bad Actors #3**, **Bad Actors #5**, **Bad Actors #6**, **Bad Actors #7**.)*

Democrat abortion supporters will say and do anything to keep the party going. They'll even throw the Rule of Law out the window.

HHS Secretary **Xavier Becerra** and Congresswoman **Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez** suggested the Biden administration ignore the court ruling invalidating the FDA's approval of the abortion drug mifepristone.

But that's just for starters. Here are some of the other things discovered recently abortionistas are doing to promote the radical abortion agenda:
D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser is **stalling** media inquiries about the investigation into the **suspicious deaths** of five babies at a D.C. abortion clinic a year ago – including **Baby Boy 1** – some of whom might have been left to die after being born alive. D.C. police won't comment.

Once again, I defy anyone to look at the iconic photo of Baby Boy 1 and tell me he was not a human being.
If you support his killing, you're despicable.

No justice for the innocent and no Rule of Law. Here's what else abortion activists are up to:

- misrepresenting that the overturning of Roe v. Wade **prevents** medical care for miscarriages
- publishing **false pictures** of empty gestational sacs after nine weeks, suggesting abortion is no big deal, without disclosing the fact the embryos had already been removed
- forcing private **insurers** to cover elective abortions by executive order after the state legislature voted down the measure
- misusing **medical privacy** laws as a shield to thwart state investigations into abortionists who kill unborn babies in violation of pro-life laws
- slanting **poll questions** to falsely claim a majority of Americans support abortion
- letting less qualified **nurse practitioners** perform abortions
- falsifying **health reasons** to perform late-term abortions for healthy mothers who simply do not want to carry their babies to term
- ratcheting up the pressure on women who travel out of pro-life states to have abortions by reminding them their abortions have already been **paid for**
- trying to pass state laws to have schools facilitate **secret abortions** for students without parental knowledge or consent
- forcing students to buy **subscriptions** to their professor's website that donates to Planned Parenthood

What a bunch of dirty, low-down tricks. These are disgusting people doing disgusting things to support a disgusting policy. Isn't there something wrong when you have to lie, cheat, and steal to make your case?

But maybe you're one of those people who thinks winning is the only thing and so the ends justify the means. If you're one of those out there cheering the Democrats on, all I can say is you've got some serious soul-searching to do, if you can still find it.

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This Meat Is a Nightmare, Is It Altering Your Genetics?

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They're injecting this into pork, and it can have wildly unexpected side effects. Apparently testing was foregone nearly five years ago – avoid it like the plague.

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED ✓**

How Long Have You Been Consuming Gene Therapied Pork?

Story at-a-glance

- For the last couple of years, I've recommended not eating pork due to its high linoleic acid (LA) content, but there's an even bigger reason to avoid it now. Since 2018, pork producers have been using customizable mRNA-based "vaccines" on their herds.
- The very first RNA-based livestock vaccine, a swine influenza (H3N2) RNA shot licensed in 2012, was developed by Harrisvaccines. The company followed up with an avian influenza mRNA shot in 2015. Harrisvaccines was acquired by Merck Animal Health later that year.
- CureVac developed an mRNA-based rabies shot for pigs in 2016.

- The swine vaccine platform Sequivity, introduced in 2018, was developed by Merck in partnership with Moderna. Sequivity can produce endlessly customized “vaccines,” none of which undergo safety testing.
- Americans have been eating pork treated with gene therapy for nearly five years already, and even more of our meat supply is about to get the same treatment. mRNA-lipid nanoparticle shots for avian influenza are in the works, as are mRNA shots for cows. Lobbyists for the Cattlemen’s Association recently confirmed they intend to use mRNA “vaccines” in cattle, which might affect both dairy and beef.
- Missouri House bill 1169 would require labeling of products that can alter your genes. It would also require companies to share information about the potential transmissibility of gene-altering interventions, and asserts that fully informed consent must be given for all vaccines, gene therapies and medical interventions.

Merck Partnered with Moderna in 2019 to Vaccinate America's Farms Using mRNA Technology
https://youtube.com/watch?v=jSQKIQt9RKc

For the last couple of years, I've recommended not eating pork due to its high **linoleic acid** (LA) content, but there's an even bigger reason to avoid it now. Since 2018,[1] pork producers have been using customizable mRNA-based "vaccines" on their herds, and this has slipped completely under the radar. I myself just found out about it. As described on Merck's animal health website:[2]

> "A revolutionary swine vaccine platform, SEQUIVITY harnesses RNA particle technology to create customized prescription vaccines against strains of influenza A virus in swine, porcine circovirus (PCV), rotavirus and beyond. It's supported by a sophisticated dashboard filled with comprehensive data and insights …

> Sequivity is a custom swine vaccine platform … Sequivity only targets swine pathogen gene sequences of interest. Doesn't replicate or cause disease, delivering pathogen information to the immune system … There's no need to transfer or handle live material like autogenous, killed or modified live vaccines …

> Targets existing and evolving swine pathogens, including diseases not covered by conventional swine vaccines. Allows for the creation of multivalent formulations by blending RNA particles to target multiple swine pathogens in one shot."

First RNA 'Vaccine' for Livestock Licensed in 2012

Merck was not alone in developing veterinary mRNA shots, however. They weren't even first on the scene, although they later acquired the company that started it all.

The very first RNA-based livestock vaccine, a swine influenza (H3N2) RNA shot, was licensed over a decade ago in 2012, and was developed by Harrisvaccines.[3,4] The company followed up with an avian influenza mRNA shot in 2015.[5] Harrisvaccines was acquired by Merck Animal Health later that year.[6,7]

CureVac developed an mRNA-based rabies shot for pigs in 2016.[8] (On a side note, they began conducting human rabies shot trials in 2020 in response to the World Health Organization's goal to achieve "zero human rabies deaths by 2030."[9])

In 2016, Bayer also partnered with BioNTech to develop mRNA "vaccines" for both livestock and pets,[10,11] but it doesn't appear they ever launched anything. So, in retrospect, it appears Americans have been eating pork treated with gene therapy for the past five years, and even more of our meat supply is about to get contaminated with the same treatment.

In addition to the avian influenza RNA shot for chickens licensed in 2015, newer mRNA-lipid nanoparticle shots for avian influenza are also in the works.[12] Iowa State University is also working on an mRNA shot for cows, and lobbyists for the Cattlemen's Association recently confirmed they intend to use mRNA "vaccines" in cattle,[13,14] which might affect both dairy and beef.

Merck and Moderna: Partners in mRNA Jab Race Since 2015

The same year Merck purchased Harrisvaccines (2015), it also entered into a partnership with Moderna to develop a number of undisclosed mRNA "vaccines." It was slated to be a three-year collaboration, with a one-year optional extension, in which Merck would perform research and development and commercialization of five potential products using Moderna's mRNA technology. As reported by Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology News at the time:[15]

> "Moderna has agreed to design and synthesize the mRNA product candidates directed against selected targets through its mRNA Therapeutics™ platform.

> The platform builds on the discovery that modified mRNA can direct the body's cellular machinery to produce nearly any protein of interest — ranging from native proteins to antibodies and other entirely novel protein constructs with therapeutic activity inside and outside of cells."

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Endless Customization, Zero Safety Testing

Sequivity, introduced in 2018, was one of the products that came out of that partnership. As explained by Merck (both on its website and in the video above), Sequivity is not so much a single vaccine as it is a platform that can be endlessly customized — all without additional safety analyses over and beyond the initial ridiculously inadequate testing. As noted by Zoetis, the largest producer of veterinary drugs and vaccines:[16]

> "Sequivity has safety and efficacy studies based on the platform with a historical initial isolate, not likely the isolate that customers would be requesting in their product."

Sequivity is customized as follows:[17]

1. Pathogen is collected and sent to a diagnostic lab.
2. The gene of interest is sequenced and sent electronically to Sequivity analysts.
3. A synthetic version of the gene of interest is synthesized and inserted into the RNA production platform.

4. The RNA particles released from incubated production cells are harvested and formulated into a customized "vaccine."

Using this platform, a customized "vaccine" can be created in as little as eight weeks. Now, what could go wrong by not testing every new shot for safety?

In my view, there are any number of safety hazards, as every pathogen has distinct effects, and tricking the animal's body to produce that pathogen (or a pathogenic portion of that pathogen, as done with SARS-CoV-2) can have wildly unexpected side effects.

We've clearly seen this with the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein in humans. Pfizer's own documentation lists 158,000 recorded side effects, and many of these diseases and conditions have never before been reported in response to a vaccine.

I reviewed this evidence in "**Newly Released Pfizer Documents Reveal COVID Jab Dangers**" and "**CDC Aware of Hundreds of Safety Signals for COVID Jab**." Yet despite the obvious risks, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has gone ahead and authorized **updated COVID shots to be released on an annual basis without additional safety testing**, and apparently safety testing of mRNA shots used in animals was foregone nearly five years ago!

The risk of dangerous side effects is one of the reasons why not all conventional vaccines work out. Some simply cause too many problems. Now we're to believe that the possibility for dangerous side effects doesn't exist just because we're forcing the body to produce the antigen internally? If anything, the possibility for problems is higher than ever, as exposure to the antigen is continuous for a long period of time, possibly for the life of the animal.

Even Organic Pork Producers Can Use mRNA Shots

Unfortunately, due to search engines now only providing a short list of curated and heavily censored content, it's been impossible to determine how many pork producers in the U.S. use Sequivity.

Without that data, I recommend erring on the safe side and avoiding pork altogether, including organic pork, as organic standards do not have any rules on the use of vaccines, mRNA-based or otherwise.[18]

Seeing how the Sequivity platform has been around for nearly five years already, it seems reasonable to assume nearly all large-scale swine producers have made this transition.

What Do the Cells in mRNA-Treated Meat Contain?

The question now is, how do mRNA shots affect the meat? For now, this is speculative, as we do not know whether veterinary mRNA shots are substituting uridine with pseudouridine, as was done in the COVID shots. But if they do, then one of the obvious concerns would be that the mRNA might end up in the final meat product that you eat because this substitution makes it extremely difficult to destroy. As explained by Dr. Peter McCullough:[19]

> *"Natural RNA is made of two purines adenine and guanine and two pyrimidines cytosine and uracil.*

> *The replacement of uracil with its ribose ring (uridine) with N-1-methyl-pseudouridine, a synthetic product makes the genetic code for the Wuhan Spike protein better stabilized on lipid nanoparticles, long-lasting, and very efficient in terms of evading cellular destruction and able to undergo repeat reading by ribosomes for continued protein synthesis.*

> *Morais et al[20] indicate that both Pfizer and Moderna chose development strategies replacing all uridine units with pseudouridine, making the entire strand completely 'unnatural' to the human body. Thus vaccine consultants, companies, and patients unfortunately gambled on how long mRNA would be active within the human body.*

> *Fertig et al[21] found lipid nanoparticles with mRNA were measurable in plasma for — 15 days. Recently, Castruita et al[22] demonstrated mRNA in blood out to 28 days. Röltgen et al[23] have found mRNA in lymph nodes 60 days after injection.*

> *None of these studies demonstrated complete clearance of mRNA from a group of patients.*

> *This is worrisome since injections are recommended in some populations just a few months apart implying there will be stacking of long-lasting mRNA in the body without adequate opportunity for clearance and elimination.*

> *We will look back for many years and ask: how could so many people readily accept injections of heavily modified synthetic genetic code giving the body instructions to manufacture a disease promoting and lethal protein engineered in a biosecurity lab in Wuhan, China?*

> *Repeated administrations of mRNA studded with apparently indestructible pseudouridine may have changed the course of lives forever."*

If mRNA shots can cause significant disease in humans, how has it affected our pork supply for the last five years? And how will it affect beef and chicken in the future? Can consuming genetically manipulated meat affect your health? These are questions that currently do not have answers and must be thoroughly and comprehensively investigated.

Big Ag Didn't Tell Us What They Were Doing

One of the most frustrating aspects of this is that the industry didn't tell us they were using novel gene therapy to spin up customized "vaccines" in weeks without any safety testing. The only reason many of us became aware of this issue in recent weeks was because attorney Tom Renz started warning about it.

Missouri House bill 1169 would require labeling of products that have the ability to alter your genetics. It would also require companies to share information about the potential transmissibility of gene altering interventions.

In an April 2, 2023, Substack article, he wrote:[24]

> *"I have been talking about gene therapy vaccines being introduced into the food supply without providing people informed consent on my Twitter account … as well as pushing Missouri HB1169 which is our best bet of stopping this happening.*

> *This is a nightmare scenario whereby people's genetics are potentially altered with 'factory foods' without them even knowing. Let me begin by putting to rest any questions as to whether this can happen. The idea of vaccines in food has been around for a long time …*

> *Here is an article published in the NIH[25] (you know — by our government) talking about foods 'under application' to be genetically modified to become edible vaccines — FROM 2013 … The fact that food can be altered to act as a vaccine is not disputable.*

> *Which foods and in what ways is more of a question. It is claimed that beef, pork, etc. cannot transfer vaccination from the meat to the consumer of the meat. At initial glance that would make sense (cow DNA and people DNA is quite different and an mRNA designed for cows would probably not be able to transfer directly to people), but that is NOT the whole story.*

> *You have to remember that the additives in the mRNA vaccines are by no means 'proven safe' and we don't even actually know what all is in these shots … Ultimately the mRNA jabs still have not undergone long-term testing because long-term testing can take 10-20 years and they have not existed that long so any claims about the safety or efficacy of the stuff that's in them are garbage at best.*

> *What we do know about the mRNA vaccines is that they do not stop the spread of disease[26] … and really do not help in any way with anything. We also do know that these jabs were demonstrated, in vitro, to alter the genetic makeup of some cells and I would say it is incredibly likely that they do the outside the Petri dish.*

> *Given that we are now talking about a new level of genetic engineering with unknown effects and no long-term studies, do the potential genetic changes the mRNA injections facilitate pose a long-term risk to humans that ingest the altered food? Before you say no, wouldn't you prefer it be tested rather than being the subject of the experiment?"*

Support Missouri House Bill 1169

As noted by Renz, Missouri House Bill 1169[27] would require labeling of products that can alter your genes. It also asserts that fully informed consent must be given for all vaccines, gene therapies and medical interventions, and would require companies to share information about the potential transmissibility of gene-altering interventions.

The pushback by industry against this bill has been enormous, which should tell you something. It doesn't ban anything; it only requires transparency. That, apparently, is a serious threat to industry, and the most obvious reason for that is because they'd have to admit that all sorts of foods can have gene altering effects.

Not only might this destroy Big Ag, but it would also decimate any surreptitious attempts by Big Pharma to use the food supply as a tool to distribute vaccines unbeknownst to consumers. As noted by Renz, "Big pharma DOES NOT WANT people to know they are going to use food to alter their genetics." Farmers are also being set up as the fall guys, and they need to be made aware of this.

> *"The lobbyists opposing this bill … are pushing to shut this bill down because factory mega-farmers like Bill Gates,[28] the CCP, and others want to put vaccines in your food,"* Renz continues.[29] *"These guys are supporting the big money but this will come at the expense of the family farmers.*

> *The problem is that the major factory-farmers like Gates have legal teams that can set up defense shields against the torts that may come if the food supply starts poisoning people …*

> *Meanwhile, the small farmers will be at risk of being sued if it turns out that the food they are selling is unsafe despite the fact that most of them will not necessarily know what is happening.*

> *If the corn growers, soybean, cattle, and pork associations actually cared about the farmers they would be demanding the seed companies and vaccine manufacturers indemnify the small farmers for these products rather than opposing a bill that would force them to tell the farmers what they are doing.*

> *The corruption regarding this bill is amazing. Ultimately the labeling requirement would likely serve to protect farmers from being sued because the makers of seed and vaccines would have to make sure the farmers knew if they were putting potential gene therapies into their products. The opposition from the ag lobby is not to help the farmers, it is to help their own pockets."*

As noted by Renz, if this bill is passed in Missouri, it could help protect the food supply of the entire United States. In the meantime, I recommend avoiding all pork products, including organic ones, as they not only have high levels of the omega-6 fat, linoleic acid, because of the grains they are fed, but virtually all have been contaminated with the mRNA vaccines for the past five years.

Think Globally, Act Locally

National vaccine policy recommendations in the U.S. are made at the federal level but vaccine laws are made at the state level. It is at the state level where your action to protect your vaccine choice rights can have the greatest impact.

It is critical for EVERYONE to get involved now in standing up for the legal right to make voluntary vaccine choices in America because those choices are being seriously threatened.

Not only are lobbyists representing drug companies, medical trade associations and public health officials trying to persuade legislators to strip all vaccine exemptions from public health laws, but global political operatives lobbying the United Nations and World Health Organization are determined to take away the human right to autonomy and protection of bodily integrity.

We must take action to defend our constitutional republic and civil liberties, including the right to autonomy, in America. That includes reforming oppressive mandatory vaccination laws and stopping the digital health ID that will make vaccine passports a reality for us, our children and grandchildren if we don't take action today.

Signing up to use the free online Advocacy Portal sponsored by the National Vaccine Information Center at **www.NVICAdvocacy.org** gives you immediate, easy access to your own state and federal legislators on your smartphone or computer so you can make your voice heard.

NVIC will keep you up to date on the latest bills threatening to eliminate — or expand — your legal right to make vaccine choices and give you guidance about what you can do to support or oppose those bills. So, please, as your first step, sign up for the NVIC Advocacy Portal.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN!

Share Your Story With Your Legislators and People You Know

If you or a family member has suffered a serious vaccine reaction, injury or death, please talk about it. If we don't share information and experiences with one another, everybody feels alone and afraid to speak up.

If you want to protect your legal right to say "no" to vaccines you do not believe are safe or effective, make an appointment to personally talk with someone you have elected to office at the local, state and federal level or write a letter in your own words stating your concerns.

Attend school board and city council and town hall meetings in your community that will impact your right to know and freedom to make decisions about how you or your children will live and stay healthy. If you have a different perspective on a story about vaccination that appears in your local newspaper, write a letter to the editor.

I must be frank with you: You have to be brave because there is a lot of censorship of conversations that challenge "official" narratives about vaccination. You likely will be strongly criticized for daring to talk about the "other side" of the vaccine story and for defending your informed consent rights. Be prepared for it and have the courage to stand your ground.

Only by sharing our perspective and what we know to be true will the public conversation about vaccination open up so people are not afraid to talk about it.

While our rights are being threatened, the vaccine injured are being swept under the carpet and treated like nothing more than statistically acceptable "collateral damage" of one-size-fits-all mandatory vaccination laws. Way too many people are being put at risk for injury and death and there is nothing scientific or moral about that. We should not be treating human beings like guinea pigs.

Internet Resources Where You Can Learn More

I encourage you to visit the four websites of the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC), at **www.NVIC.org**, a nonprofit charity that has been educating the public about the need to prevent vaccine injuries and deaths since 1982. The information you get on their websites is fully referenced and will help you become an effective vaccine choice advocate in your community:

- **NVIC.org** — This website was established in 1995 and is the oldest and largest consumer operated website publishing information on diseases and vaccines on the internet. Learn about vaccine reactions, injuries and deaths and the history and current status of vaccine science, policy, law and ethics in the U.S. on more than 2,000 web pages.
- **NVICAdvocacy.org** — This communications and advocacy network, established in 2010, is your gateway to taking action to protect your right to make vaccine choices where you live.
- **TheVaccineReaction.org** — This weekly journal newspaper published by NVIC since 2015 is dedicated to encouraging an "enlightened conversation about vaccination, health and autonomy."
- **MedAlerts.org** — This is a user-friendly search engine for the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) established under the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act and sponsored by NVIC since 2006. Search for descriptions of vaccine injuries and deaths reported to VAERS on this popular website.

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The Daily Skirmish – Abortion Pill-Pushers Work the Dark Side

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Washington state is the first to **stock up** on abortion pills in case legal action makes them unavailable. The state has ordered a four-year supply, about 40,000 doses of mifepristone. Given the known dangers of the pills, what this means in a state where some 60 percent of all abortions are by pill, is that roughly 2,400 women – **one in 17** – will end up in the hospital because they have serious complications from an attempted chemical abortion.

It is entirely possible some will die, because abortion pills are known killers, already linked to **28 maternal deaths** in the U.S. alone. Other adverse reactions already numbered in the thousands by 2018, and the FDA has **stopped** reporting them – not exactly reassuring, is it? Abortionistas like to say abortion pills are "safer than Tylenol", but that's clearly not the case, but they don't want you to know just how dangerous abortion pills really are.

Wyoming became the first U.S. state to **ban** abortion pills. Texas filed a **lawsuit** to block a Biden administration rule requiring pharmacies to fill abortion pill prescriptions nationwide, even in states where abortion is illegal. A conservative legal group **sued** the FDA for approving abortion pills on the pretext pregnancy is an 'illness' and without studying their safety. Abortion activists have answered with a litigation trump card of their own, **arguing** in a case filed in West Virginia that states can't ban drugs approved by the FDA. Twenty-one Republican state attorneys general

have **asked** the court to dismiss that case, arguing that just because the FDA approves a drug doesn't mean states have to use it.

The pro-abortion movement has been lying from the beginning and they're not stopping now. The architect of Roe v. Wade, Dr. Bernard Nathanson, admitted he repeatedly told the press the number of illegal abortions was 10,000 when the **true number** was closer to 200. True to form, abortion activists falsely **claimed** pregnancy was a "serious or life-threatening illness" in order to get the FDA to approve mifepristone quickly. In its haste, the FDA ignored evidence pill abortions cause more complications than surgical abortions.

Ever the devious ones, abortion activists have also created an **underground network** that has distributed more than 20,000 abortion pills to women since Roe v. Wade was overturned. This is completely illegal and is ironic, since abortion activists are the ones who claim abortions are 'healthcare' yet are completely willing to go outside the healthcare system in order to accomplish their political goals. They traffic the pills over the southern border, using disguises, burner phones, and encrypted messaging apps to distribute them. Because this is all outside legal channels, this means no oversight, no check-ups, and no follow-up to see how the women are doing. And no screening to make sure abortion pills are not being forced on vulnerable women by abusive partners.

If you are contemplating joining the underground network to help women get abortion pills, be forewarned you would be placing yourself in **legal jeopardy**. The husband of a Texas woman just sued three women for wrongful death for assisting his ex-wife in terminating her pregnancy by conspiring to unlawfully obtain abortion pills. "Anyone involved in distributing or manufacturing abortion pills will be sued into oblivion," a Texas lawmaker said. And this doesn't even cover what the authorities would do to you if you are caught dispensing prescription medication without a prescription.

If a court knocks down the prevailing two-pill procedure with mifepristone being the first step, abortion activists and their co-conspirators in industry are preparing to pivot to the "**misoprostol-only**" technique using just one type of pill. Misoprostol-only is much less effective, with a much higher failure rate necessitating additional doses or surgery to complete the abortion. Women will experience more bleeding, nausea, and cramping in the process. It also means more birth defects for babies born alive after unsuccessful attempts to abort them. Misoprostol-only is not approved FDA protocol.

Women who take abortion pills often end up **regretting** their choice and calling the Abortion Pill Rescue Network for a drug to reverse the attempted abortion. The drug is effective in two out of three cases and has already saved thousands of lives. Abortion activists working the dark side don't want you to know that, either.

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BAD ACTORS Part 4: Abortion industry dispenses abortion pills to clients who aren't pregnant

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Around the time when *Roe v. Wade* was overturned in June 2022, abortion proponents called for women to stockpile abortion pills in their medicine cabinets whether they were pregnant or not… simply to have "on hand" should they find themselves unexpectedly pregnant. Yet, under current U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) safety rules known as **REMS**, prescribers of the abortion pill (**mifepristone**/Mifeprex) must have the *ability to accurately determine the gestational age of a preborn child*. Prescribing the drug to abortion clients "just in case" they become pregnant appears to violate this approved FDA safety protocol.

Despite this, prescribers seem to be openly dispensing or promoting use of the abortion pill *without* even verifying a pregnancy or properly determining the gestational age of the preborn child — and they seem to be getting away with this flagrant disregard for FDA regulations. This becomes less surprising when we learn that those tasked with monitoring prescribers' adherence to the REMS system are companies who manufacture the abortion pill (and therefore profit from its sales) — Danco and GenBioPro.

Prescribing abortion pills in advance of a pregnancy

Many abortion industry actors and their **media allies** are **advocating** for the idea of shipping women (or teens) abortion pills ***in advance*** of a verified pregnancy (often referred to as advanced provision of abortion pills).

A pro-abortion Ms. Magazine editor recently **claimed** she ordered 'advanced provision' abortion pills to keep for a 'rainy day.' The international group Aid Access supplies so-called "**advanced provision**" abortion pills to women who are not pregnant, and founder Rebecca Gomperts **told** Politico she hopes U.S. doctors will start to do likewise to evade abortion restrictions "by writing a prescription for perfectly lawful medications for someone who is not, in fact, pregnant."

But Aid Access isn't the only one skirting FDA regulations.

Image: Promoting advanced provision outside FDA approved abortion pill regulations (Images: twitter)

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Live Action News **previously** documented that **online virtual abortion pill dispensary** Choix's co-founder and CEO Cindy Adam is also openly selling the abortion drugs against the FDA's safety protocols.

"Abortion is so highly stigmatized and politicized that people accessing abortion care, even in states where it is legal, come to us with this additional feeling of anxiety about whether they will be allowed to get an abortion," Adam **told** Fortune in September of last year. "Advanced provision really helps alleviate that stress and puts power back in the hands of the person seeking care."

Choix's website **confirms** it is selling the drug outside the approved FDA safety requirement, even stating that a confirmed pregnancy is not required: "We believe in the power of planning ahead and being prepared for the unexpected. Advance provision is a way for people to get abortion pills ahead of time in case they need them in the future."

"The process for Advance Provision of abortion pills is almost identical to accessing pills if you were pregnant and wanted medication abortion pills at that time… Should you become pregnant and wish to use the pills in the future, ongoing confidential, supportive, and expert abortion care from Choix providers is included in the Advance Provision service," the Choix website also reads.

The abortion pill manufacturers tasked with de-certifying prescribers who do not follow the approved REMS have done little to stop this.

Image: Choix selling advanced provision outside FDA approved abortion pill regimen

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In June of 2022, **Vox reported** that "**Aid Access** and **Forward Midwifery** are among the few groups currently offering US patients the option to order pills in advance, though Elisa Wells, co-director of Plan C, said she knows others are considering it." While Aid Access is located outside the U.S., the location for **Forward Midwifery**, founded by Christie Pitney is in Washington D.C., is where the FDA is also located. In other words, action could be taken against violators — but this has not happened.

"I was just having a conversation with a provider in Montana," Wells told Vox. "We believe it will become more common. Sometimes we call it the 'just in case' plan, because unplanned pregnancy is so common."

Image: Forward Midwifery promotes advanced provision outside FDA approved abortion pill regimen (Image: Twitter)

Forward Midwifery promotes advanced provision outside FDA approved abortion pill regimen. The subtitle falsely portrays the abortion pill as helping women 'avoid' rather than end pregnancy (Image: Twitter)

Former **NARAL board member Daniel Grossman** has also advocated for violating the REMS by offering abortion pills in advance of a pregnancy. He recently **suggested** that women should be able to purchase the abortion pill through advanced provision. In 2021, Grossman **told** a New York Times writer, "It seems like it would be very reasonable to provide the medications in advance and strongly encourage the patient to call the clinician before they actually take it."

Grossman is behind clinical trials of the abortion pill and is cited as an expert by pro-abortion media despite a number of potential **conflicts of interest**.

To his **Twitter** followers, Grossman wrote, "Advance provision of medication abortion means giving or getting the pills (mifepristone and misoprostol) in advance of need — before an unwanted pregnancy. Patients obviously need clear information about when and how to use the pills."

Image: Dr Daniel Grossman advocates advanced provision of abortion pill in light of Texas law 2 (Image: Twitter)

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Grossman understands abortion pills have risk, because in the same **Twitter thread** — almost as a way to inoculate himself from culpability — Grossman points out, "**there are some people who are not good candidates for advance provision**, including those taking blood thinners or who have a bleeding disorder." (emphasis added)

Why would that be a problem? Because **hemorrhage** during the process of expelling the preborn **child** is a serious potential **complication** of the abortion pill regimen.

Grossman continued, "People who are at high risk of an ectopic pregnancy should ideally have an ultrasound before using medication abortion. So folks who have had an ectopic pregnancy in the past or who've had surgery on their fallopian tubes shouldn't get advance provision."

But is a teenage girl experiencing her first pregnancy likely to know if she is at risk of an ectopic pregnancy, which can ultimately kill her? Imagine how this could play out for teenagers stockpiling abortion drugs and passing them around like candy in the halls of their schools.

According to **Jezebel**, "An anonymous FDA spokesperson **told** Politico that the agency is concerned about prescribing abortion pills under '**advance provision**,' saying that providers may not be able to oversee when patients take the drugs and ensure safety and effectiveness."

Despite this claim, the unapproved selling of abortion pill stockpiles continues, while FDA oversight dwindles.

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Groundbreaking Analysis: COVID Vaccines Caused 300,000 Excess Deaths, $147 Billion in Damage to Economy in 2022 Alone

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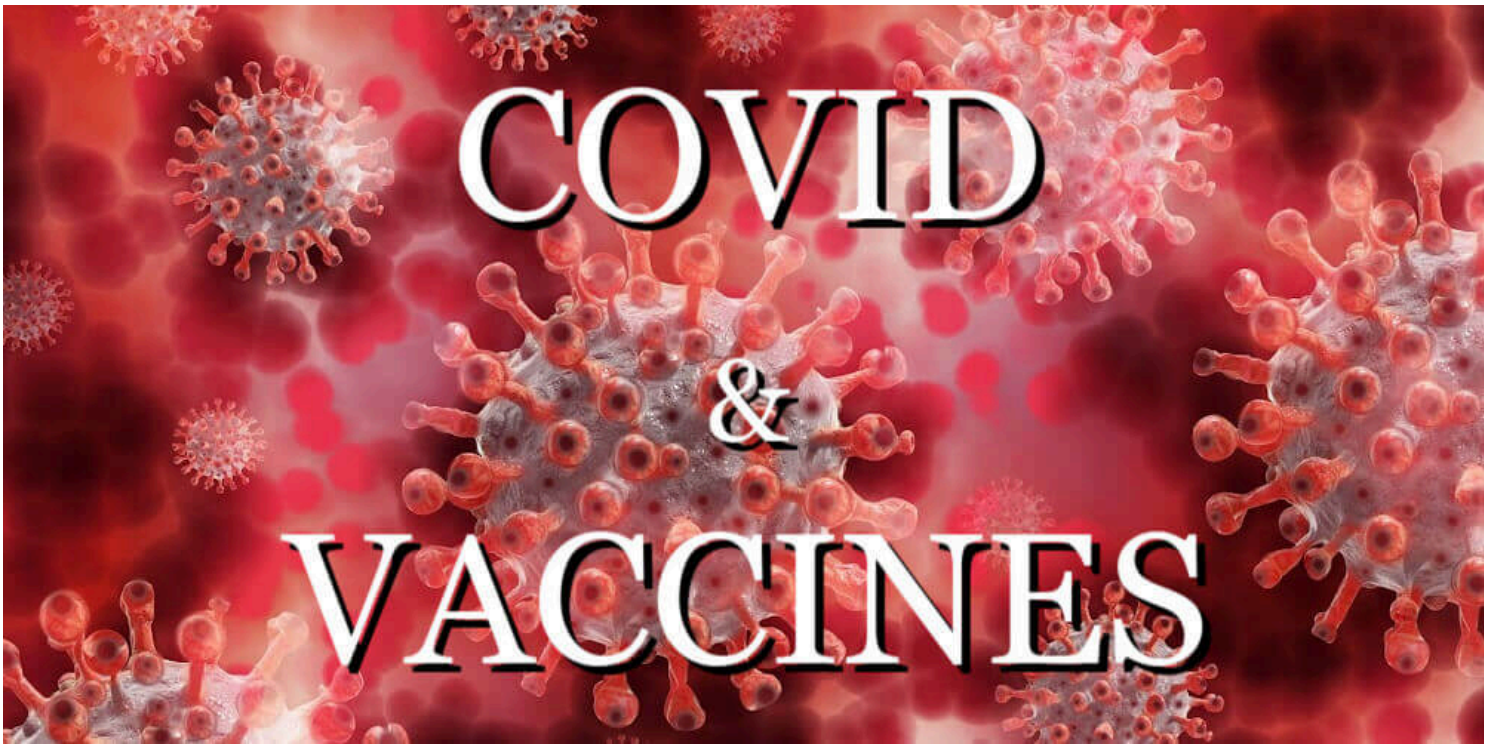

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In the U.S., COVID-19 vaccines injured 6.6 million people, disabled 1.36 million people, caused more than 300,000 excess deaths and cost the economy an estimated $147 billion in damage — in 2022 alone — according to a new analysis by Humanity Projects, a wing of Portugal-based research firm Phinance Technologies.

The researchers behind "**The Vaccine Damage Project**," released this month, said they sought to "estimate the human cost," including "deaths caused or hastened by the vaccines," as well as "the impact on the overall economy of each aspect of the vaccine damage."

Phinance Technologies was founded by former BlackRock portfolio manager **Edward Dowd**, along with **Yuri Nunes, Ph.D.**, and **Carlos Alegria, Ph.D.**

Dowd, who came out as a whistleblower against the COVID-19 shots and **Big Pharma** corruption, is the author of "'**Cause Unknown**': The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths in 2021 and 2022."

> 🚨🚨Estimated 2022 US Vaccine Damage Report:
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> Estimated Human Cost:
> ✅26.6 million Injuries
> ✅1.36 million Disabilities
> ✅300k excess deaths
>
> Estimated Economic Cost:
> Total: $147.8 Billion
> ✅Injuries: $89.9 billion
> ✅Disabilities: $52.2 billion
> ✅Excess Deaths: $5.6 Billion **pic.twitter.com/lfN9SEifXG**
>
> — Edward Dowd (@DowdEdward) **March 28, 2023**

According to the project's authors:

"Each aspect of the vaccine damage investigation will have economic agents that will benefit and others that will suffer. For instance, it seems obvious that mortuary companies would benefit from excess mortality and life insurers will be harmed. This will lead to a reallocation of resources and re-pricing of risk by the different economic agents.

"A broader approach is to estimate the impact on the overall economy of each aspect of the vaccine damage. A drop in the number of working-age individuals would lead to a drop in GDP. We believe this impact is negligible for now.

"A greater impact will likely arise from an increase in disabilities in the labour force in the medium to long term."

Human cost: excess deaths, disabilities, work absences

Utilizing data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and other official government sources, Humanity Projects split the impact of the **COVID-19** vaccines into four categories of **human cost**: no effect/asymptomatic, injuries (mild to moderate), disabilities (severe injury) and death.

According to the project's findings, approximately 81% of the population falls into the "no effect or asymptomatic" group, which "comprises those individuals who did not experience adverse events following the COVID-19 inoculations." However, the project notes that the actual size of this group cannot be known with certainty.

The researchers noted that the four categories "are not static and could interact with each other," including "individuals who had no visible effects after vaccination but nonetheless could still be impacted."

A substantial portion of the population — 18% — falls into the mild-to-moderate injury category. This category refers to those "who experienced mild to moderate adverse effects after vaccination" that "could be temporary in nature, or long-term or even permanent," leading to "lower productivity at work."

Using the "excess rate of related adverse events in vaccinated individuals (23.90%) obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's **V-safe database**, versus the placebo baseline (5.98%) in the **Pfizer clinical trial**," the researchers concluded, "the pool of possibly injured individuals due to the vaccine is about 18% of the population."

General findings for this category include a 50% increase in lost work time between 2019 and 2022, a 28.6% increase in absence rates — an 11 **standard deviation** variation from 2019 — and an estimated 26.6 million Americans affected.

Approximately 1% (0.93%) of the population fell into the "disabilities-severe outcome" category. This figure refers to the "estimated pool of the Civilian Labor force aged 16-64 that were disabled since 2021."

The team drew from previous research it conducted on **disability claims** in the U.S. labor force, and from "the excess rate of Serious and Severe Adverse Events in vaccinated individuals versus the placebo baseline in the **Pfizer and Moderna clinical trials**," the **rise in disabilities** at the **population level** in the U.S., and the **hospitalization rate** as derived from the V-safe database.

In all, the researchers found a 24.6% rise in disabilities since 2021, affecting an estimated 1.36 million individuals.

As of November 2022, statistics from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis showed the **number of disabled individuals** in the U.S. ranged between 29.974 million in **April 2016** and 30.612 million in **April 2017** — compared to 5.811 million in **October 2015** and 6.335 million in **June 2017**.

However, by **October 2021**, these figures increased to 31.195 million and 6.987 million, respectively. And by **October 2022**, the figures were 32.819 million and 7.797 million.

The fourth category, referring to those who died, affected an estimated 0.05% to 0.1% of the population ages 25-64, according to the researchers.

"This group of individuals died as a consequence of mortality," the group said, noting that "from the summer of 2021, with the introduction of mass vaccination, with the rise in natural immunity by exposure to the virus, and the emergence of milder and more contagious virus strains … it is difficult to argue that COVID-19 had a significant role in excess mortality."

In all, the researchers found **23% excess mortality** and an estimated 310,000 excess deaths at the population level in this age group in 2021 and 2022.

On Feb. 24, Sweden, a country that eschewed lockdowns, vaccine and mask mandates and strict COVID-19 countermeasures, reported its total **excess deaths** during the first two years of the pandemic were among **the lowest in Europe**."

> Estimated Human cost report:**https://t.co/JDzfLw3fV8 pic.twitter.com/yBZRCnBBuS**
>
> — Edward Dowd (@DowdEdward) **March 28, 2023**

Economic impact exceeded $147 billion — just in 2022

The other component of the Humanity Projects' research focused on the **economic impact of the COVID-19 vaccines** by estimating "the direct economic cost from the mass COVID-19 inoculations on individuals."

According to the researchers, they drew from **gross domestic income data** obtained from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and applied those figures to the data from their human costs analysis, including statistics on excess deaths, disabilities and lost work time.

They then estimated economic costs for each of their four categories of individuals.

In looking at the mild-to-moderate injury category, the researchers used "the absolute excess lost worktime rates in 2022 … to estimate the economic cost in terms of lost productivity."

Applying those figures to gross domestic income statistics, they found that the direct economic cost from the increase in lost work time rates is $89.9 billion.

In the severe injury (disabilities) category, the researchers found an 0.93% absolute rise in disabilities since 2021 for the 16- to 64-year-old civilian labor force. Applying that data to gross

domestic income figures, they found a $52.2 billion direct economic cost resulting from the rise in disabilities.

The researchers noted that "this cost is expected to be ongoing in the coming years, as these individuals are likely to have a permanent disability."

Finally, the researchers found an 0.05% average yearly absolute rise in excess deaths since 2021 for the 25- to 64-year-old population, resulting in a direct economic cost of $5.6 billion, when calculated against gross domestic income data.

In all, this results in a total economic cost of $147.8 billion dollars just for 2022 alone. According to the researchers, "Milder damage is associated with larger economic cost, as it affects a larger portion of the population."

In a tweet, Dowd also noted that these figures represent just "what we can measure" at present, and do not include knock-on effects such as workers who continue to be employed but are operating at a lower productivity level.

> Project Overview:**https://t.co/vPRNgjSXpB**
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> — Edward Dowd (@DowdEdward) **March 28, 2023**

"We need to monitor the longer-term impact of the vaccine damage as they amount to an important economic impact," the researchers concluded, adding:

"Individuals with mild injuries from the inoculations could, over time, develop severe injuries to the extent of being disabled, or an extreme outcome such as death."

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No School In America Will Ever Be 100 Percent Safe Again

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If you are a parent, you need to understand that the world has changed. When I was growing up, I never had any concern that a **deranged lunatic** would come into my classroom and start shooting. I attended public schools throughout my entire education, and I always felt perfectly safe.

Of course this was long before the Columbine school shooting and the hundreds of other school shootings that have taken place since that time. But if I was a child in this day and age, I would be absolutely horrified to be put in any school, because they simply are not safe. In fact, no school in America will ever be truly safe again because we have way too many dangerous predators running around now.

Yes, I know that school security has come a long way.

But it hasn't come far enough.

The Covenant School in Nashville had their doors locked, but Audrey Elizabeth Hale just shot through the glass doors **and let herself in**…

> Hale can be seen **arriving at the school and then shooting through the locked glass door**, which shatters.
>
> Wearing a red baseball cap worn backwards, a white t-shirt covered in a tactical vest, and combat trousers, Hale is caught on camera stalking the corridors. Her victims were killed at random, police said.

From this point forward, no school in America should ever have glass doors again.

From a security standpoint, they are almost completely useless.

Some schools have designated panic rooms, but they only work if the children are herded into them in time.

In Nashville, the attack took everyone by surprise, and one 9-year-old girl was actually gunned down **as she was trying to pull the fire alarm**…

> A schoolgirl who was shot and killed while trying to pull the fire alarm to stop a transgender shooter from opening fire on her classmates has been pictured for the first time.
>
> Evelyn Dieckhaus, 9, was one of the victims shot by Audrey Hale, 28, after she opened fire at the private Christian school on Monday.
>
> Her family has described her as a 'shining light' and said that they are 'completely broken' by her death.

Many on the left are using this tragedy as an opportunity **to advocate for more gun control**.

But criminals will always find a way to get guns.

Just look at Chicago. It has some of the strictest gun control laws in the entire nation, but it is known around the world for the rampant gun violence that never ends in the streets.

If there had been armed security at the school, Audrey Elizabeth Hale may have been stopped before she could start gunning down innocent people.

Instead, she was able to kill six before the police were finally able to kill her.

And it turns out that "death by cop" **was precisely what she had planned**…

> The transgender school shooter who killed six people including three innocent children yesterday before being gunned down by police sent a message to a friend moments before the rampage, telling her: 'I'm planning to die today… you'll probably hear about me on the news.'

What a tragedy.

She could have had such a bright future if she had chosen to turn her life around.

But now she is dead.

It appears that Hale had carefully planned out all the details of her attack **in advance**…

> "We have a manifesto," said Metro Nashville Police Chief John Drake. "We have some writings that we're going over that pertain to this date, the actual incident. We have a map drawn out of how all this was gonna take place."
>
> As for motive, Drake said, "There's right now a theory that we may be able to talk about later, but it's not confirmed." Drake appeared to hint that the shooter's transgender identity factored into her motive.

> REPORTER: "Do you have any reason to believe that how she identifies has any motive for targeting the school?"
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> NASHVILLE POLICE: "There is some theory to that."
>
> REPORTER: "So was this a targeted attack?"
>
> NASHVILLE POLICE: "It was." **pic.twitter.com/NDfm9XBCcV**
>
> — Benny Johnson (@bennyjohnson) **March 27, 2023**

Will the public ever get to see the full manifesto?

I doubt it.

My guess is that authorities will want to try to cover up what Audrey Elizabeth Hale really felt about Christians.

But at this point it is obvious to everyone what this incident was.

As U.S. Senator Josh Hawley **has aptly pointed out**, this was a hate crime…

> Josh Hawley:
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> "This murderous rampage was a horrific crime, but more specifically it was a hate crime. A crime, that according to Nashville police, specifically targeted the members of this Christian community." **pic.twitter.com/lxbiF0TGvq**
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> — Citizen Free Press (@CitizenFreePres) **March 28, 2023**

In recent months, legislation that is designed to protect children from the radical trans agenda has been introduced in states all over the nation, and this has produced an absolutely furious backlash.

Social media has been filled with threats of violence and "vengeance", and now all of that hateful talk has resulted in a mass shooting.

Of course this is not the first mass shooting of this sort that we have seen. In fact, there have been **a number of them** in recent years…

> In **November of 2018**, Snochia Moseley, a man who **identified** as a woman, wounded three and killed three after opening fire at his place of employment in Aberdeen, Maryland.
>
> In **May of 2019**, a Colorado woman who identified as male shot up a school, killing one and wounding eight.
>
> In **November of 2022**, a Colorado man who shot up a gay nightclub, killing five and wounding 18, was identified as transsexual.
>
> On **Monday**, 28-year-old Audrey Elizabeth Hale, a woman who identified as a man, entered a Nashville Christian elementary school with a firearm. She murdered three adult staffers and three nine-year-old children.

Unfortunately, the fractures **that are bitterly dividing our nation** just continue to get even worse, and so it is likely that there will be much more violence in the months and years ahead.

Why does it have to be this way?

Why can't we all just learn to live in peace with one another?

Hating others doesn't lead anywhere good, and right now there are millions of other Americans that are absolutely seething with hatred just like Audrey Elizabeth Hale was when she decided to gun down completely innocent people at a school that she once attended.

Michael's new book entitled "End Times" is now available in paperback and for the Kindle on Amazon.com, and you can check out his new Substack newsletter right here.

BAD ACTORS Part 3: Abortion industry set to promote failure-prone abortion drug if abortion pill goes away

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*Editor's Note: This article is the third in a series. Read other installments at the following links… **Bad Actors #1**, **Bad Actors #2**.*

The profitable abortion industry is threatening to promote the unapproved one-drug abortion regimen (referred to as 'Misoprostol only') if **litigation** seeking to undo the FDA's approval of the current two-drug abortion pill regimen proves successful.

Misoprostol-only abortions have a much higher failure rate than the approved two-drug (mifepristone/misoprostol) regimen, meaning women taking 'misoprostol only' are at greater risk of an incomplete abortion. In such cases, women may be advised to take additional doses of misoprostol or to have a surgical procedure to complete the abortion.

In 2000, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the abortion pill mifepristone (Mifeprex) for use in an abortion regimen with a second drug — misoprostol. Due to the potential for serious adverse events when using mifepristone, that drug has been under a safety system (REMS) which monitors use and regulates those certified to prescribe and dispense the drug. Because the FDA has kept the drug under stricter oversight due to the REMS, abortion industry leaders are flipping the script.

Misoprostol (Cytotec) was **FDA-approved** to lower the risk of stomach ulcers caused by nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (**NSAIDs**) like **ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin)** in certain people, according to **GoodRx**. Misoprostol is not subject to the REMS safety system, which is why bad actors in the abortion industry could be pivoting toward the unapproved one-drug versus the approved two-drug regimen. Technically, using misoprostol in the abortion pill regimen is considered **off-label** use.

Media has **referred** to mifepristone as "the sidekick, and misoprostol the superhero," meaning that it is believed misoprostol (the second drug) contributes more to the "success" of the abortion pill regimen than mifepristone. **Beverly Winikoff**, president of **Gynuity Health Projects (GHP)**, which conducted a TelAbortion clinical trial and reportedly "helped develop the World Health Organization's guidelines for medication abortion," agreed, saying, "If you had to choose only one, you would choose the miso — but it wouldn't be as effective as having the two."

Abortion industry pivots to promoting the unapproved one-drug regimen

Joan Fleischman's MYA Network tells its clients **online** that in addition to the FDA-approved abortion pill regimen, "Another option is to use misoprostol only. This method is a little less effective (it works about 85% – 90% of the time) and may have more side effects, but the advantage is that the pills are very inexpensive and can be picked up at any local pharmacy."

Fleischman **recently** received backlash for distributing images of purported early embryos to the Guardian, which it published, and which look nothing like actual early embryos.

Image: MYA Network advocates Miso Only abortion pill

MYA Network advocates Miso Only abortion pill

The **MYA Network** claims **to be** "a network of clinicians, activists and patients who want to normalize abortion care, medically and culturally." So it was even more shocking to discover that their own website acknowledges the high incidences of failed abortion with the one-drug misoprostol-only regimen.

MYA's **FAQ section** reads, "A mifepristone/misoprostol abortion pill fails about 1-2% of the time. A misoprostol-only abortion fails about 10-15% of the time" — a vast difference, increasing clients' failure rates anywhere from 650-1400% with 'misoprostol-only'. Media reports confirm that the abortion industry is already utilizing the unapproved one-drug abortion regimen, outside the **approved FDA two-drug regimen**.

Image: MYA Network advocates unapproved one-drug Miso Only abortion pill regimen with high failure rate

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“At this point, there are still a lot of unknowns in terms of how this is going to play out,” Dr. Jamila Perritt, president and CEO of Physicians for Reproductive Health **told** Houston Public Media. “What we do know is that misoprostol has been used on its own for decades around the world and is effective at ending an early pregnancy.”

But the **media outlet** also noted that abortionist Ushma Upadhyay admitted that a ‘misoprostol-only’ protocol could produce a higher risk of side effects like nausea and cramping. “It’s so important that patients understand how long they’ll be bleeding after they take the miso alone,” Upadhyay said. “And it is longer.”

Slate Magazine recently **wrote**, “The medical director of Just the Pill, a nonprofit **online clinic** that mails abortion medication to patients in four U.S. states, said the organization is prepared to switch to a misoprostol-only protocol ‘if the Texas judge rules in the way that it’s expected.’”

She was referring to a **federal lawsuit** filed by the Alliance Defending Freedom on behalf of the Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine, the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American College of Pediatricians, the Christian Medical & Dental Associations, and doctors Shaun Jester, Regina Frost-Clark, Tyler Johnson, and George Delgado. The Plaintiffs are asking the court to hold the FDA accountable for its recklessness in approving the abortion pill two decades ago.

Image: Misoprostol by GenBioPro packaging threatened as one drug abortion regimen

Misoprostol packaging by GenBioPro

“A representative from Hey Jane, another site that does virtual consultations and mails abortion pills, said many of the group’s practitioners **have already provided misoprostol-only abortions**, and they are ready to fully pivot if mifepristone is banned. Planned Parenthood **confirmed to Jezebel** that its facilities are ready to offer misoprostol-only abortions, too,” Slate Magazine **noted** (emphasis added).

Eight abortion providers have **confirmed** to Jezebel that if a Texas judge **rules in favor** of the Plaintiffs, “they are prepared to prescribe misoprostol-only abortions as a workaround.”

“Planned Parenthood, Abortion on Demand, Aid Access, Carafem, Choix, Forward Midwifery, Hey Jane, and Just the Pill told me they’re ready with the back-up plan and that the single-drug regimen is safe and effective,” Susan Rinkunas of Jezebel **wrote**.

Planned Parenthood even **seemed to endorse** the ‘misoprostol-only’ protocol in a recent press release. In a **Twitter thread**, the abortion corporation **claimed** that if the previously mentioned federal lawsuit prevailed, “… medication abortion with only one drug – misoprostol – will still be

accessible in states where abortion is not banned. And misoprostol has safely been used by millions of people for decades…”

Image: Planned Parenthood Tweets Misoprostol only for abortion if ADF lawsuit prevails (Image: Twitter)

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The industry seems poised to go off the approved FDA protocol regardless of the risk to women.

According to **one OBGYN**, a ‘misoprostol-only’ abortion has a higher failure rate than the approved FDA regimen, can lead to a born-alive infant, and has the potential to produce birth defects. In addition, Live Action News has **documented** at least one death related to ‘misoprostol-only’ abortion.

Leah Coplon, director of clinical operations for the online abortion pill dispensary Abortion on Demand, **told** Houston Public Media they are also preparing to switch to the unapproved method. “Obviously we hope that we can continue to use mifepristone and misoprostol, but we’re ready if necessary,” she stated.

“Carafem, an organization that provides medication abortion through telehealth as well as at clinics in Chicago, Atlanta and outside Washington, D.C., began offering the single-drug protocol in 2020 amidst growing threats to abortion access in general and mifepristone in particular,” Houston Public Media reported.

“It made sense to us to better understand how to use it and make it available,” Carafem’s Chief Operating Officer Melissa Grant **told** Houston Public Media.

Other abortion promoters are also **openly advocating** that women seek misoprostol from *veterinary* sources, and one has **published** a recipe to make the drug online — it should go without saying that both of these options put women at risk.

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‘Misoprostol-only’ abortion regimen fails more often

In a **September 2022 issue** of Charlotte Lozier Institute's (CLI) *On Science Series*, OBGYN Dr. Ingrid Skop suggested that the likelihood of a preborn baby surviving an abortion increases with a 'misoprostol-only' regimen.

Skop, the Senior Fellow and Director of Medical Affairs for CLI, wrote, "… 2010 study comparing standard mifepristone/misoprostol with misoprostol alone documented that using misoprostol only to induce an abortion led to a 23.8% failure rate requiring surgery. **The embryo/fetus continued to survive in 16.6% of the pregnancies, and misoprostol is known to produce birth defects such as Moebius Sequence, associated with craniofacial and limb abnormalities**…. In contrast, there were 3.5% failures and 1.5% continuing pregnancies in the mifepristone/misoprostol group."

The high failure rate of a misoprostol-only regimen was acknowledged in a report **written** by a Kaiser Health News author who claimed, "a medication abortion is completed 92% of the time when misoprostol and mifepristone are taken together. That rate **drops to around 60%** with only misoprostol."

But the data is mixed; a **2011 study** reported, "The number of ongoing pregnancies documented with misoprostol-only warranted an early end of the trial after unblinding of the study at interim analysis."

"The success rate of both FDA-approved pills taken together is 98%, but misoprostol taken alone is successful around 80% of the time," **claimed** Jezebel.

That 20% failure rate matches a report **published** by the American Academy of Family Physicians as well as a February 2023 report **published** by the Society of Family Planning, which stated, "Evidence from studies across a range of settings demonstrates that misoprostol alone successfully terminates ~80-100% of pregnancies without the need for procedural intervention, with variations within that range based on regimen and pregnancy duration."

A report **published** by Ibis Reproductive Health claimed that the failure rate was **as high as 22%**: "Studies of self-managed use of misoprostol-alone regimens have found high levels of effectiveness, with 93-99% of participants reporting complete abortions without the need for surgical intervention. By comparison, a recent meta-analysis of all available clinical trial data on outcomes following clinically-managed use of misoprostol alone found that 78% of study participants across 13 clinical studies had a complete abortion without need for surgical intervention, though the studies varied widely in the misoprostol-only regimens used and time period under observation."

Meanwhile, Dr. Daniel Grossman **claimed** in a continuing education class for pharmacists that the efficacy rate for misoprostol (before 10 weeks of pregnancy) is about 85% — a 15% failure rate.

“Ongoing pregnancy is more likely after the misoprostol-only regimen than after mifepristone and misoprostol,” wrote the pro-abortion authors of a ‘**misoprostol-only’ sample protocol** in a 2023 Journal Contraception article: “Some studies reported that the effectiveness of the misoprostol-only treatment declined with gestational duration within the first trimester whereas others did not observe this trend.”

“The risk of treatment failure requiring additional medications or a procedure (about 10%) is higher after misoprostol-only than after regimens containing mifepristone. About 3-6% of patients using misoprostol-only may have an ongoing pregnancy. Patients should be informed that misoprostol can be teratogenic if the pregnancy is not terminated; prospective studies have suggested that exposure in early pregnancy may double the risk of cranial nerve anomalies, limb defects, and other major birth defects,” they **added**.

It seems the data on ‘misoprostol-only’ abortions varies widely. The higher failure rates of this unapproved one-drug abortion regimen is further evidence that the abortion industry is seldom concerned with women’s safety and instead is focused on profits, regardless of the lives lost and the cost to women’s health.

BAD ACTORS Part 2 Abortion pill clients left to deal with ectopic pregnancies on their own

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*Editor's Note: This article is the second in a series. Read the first here… **Bad Actors #1**.*

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the abortion industry began utilizing what it referred to as a "**no-test**" protocol when prescribing the abortion pill to women. As the name implies, this protocol – **planned well before the pandemic** – does not require women to have any ultrasound, diagnostic tests, blood tests, or exams before a prescriber dispenses the abortion pill. This means the gestational age of the preborn child is based on the woman's "best guess," and potentially deadly complications — like ectopic pregnancy — are not ruled out before a woman receives the drug regimen.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) abortion pill regulations, known as REMS (Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies), **require** that prescribers of the abortion pill are to have the "bility to assess the duration of pregnancy accurately" and the "bility to diagnose ectopic pregnancies." Yet, when prescribers knowingly place women at risk by choosing not to assess either the duration of pregnancy or an ectopic pregnancy via the no-test protocol, it appears that nothing is done about it; there are no penalties.

This is because the FDA granted the abortion pill manufacturers, Danco and GenBioPro, full control over which prescribers are certified or de-certified to dispense the drug.

The no-test protocol puts women at risk

The virtual abortion pill dispensary Hey Jane **tells** abortion pill clients, "If you have a medication abortion without having an ultrasound first, there is a small chance that you could have an undetected ectopic pregnancy. Medication abortion will not end an ectopic pregnancy, so if you do not pass tissue and blood after taking the misoprostol (the second medicine), you might have an ectopic pregnancy."

The online abortion pill website goes on to explain:

"Since Hey Jane does not require blood tests or ultrasounds:

- "Your risk for an undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy (a pregnancy outside the uterus) may be increased. Ectopic pregnancies are very rare.
- "It is possible that your pregnancy dating (how far along you are in your pregnancy) could be inaccurate. Taking the abortion pills later in your pregnancy is not unsafe; however, you can have more bleeding or the treatment may not work."

It is clear that despite the requirement under the FDA's REMS that prescribers have ability to properly determine gestational age and rule out dangerous ectopic pregnancies, the industry is placing *all responsibility* for knowing this information squarely on the shoulders of the abortion clients themselves.

In 2020, when the abortion industry implemented the "no-test" protocol, it did so despite **openly admitting** that no-test "criteria are not going to rule out **every ectopic pregnancy**."

Walgreens CVS banner

During this time, details of the no-test protocol were discussed at length among high-ranking abortion industry insiders in a webinar. There, Elizabeth Raymond, MD (Senior Medical Associate, Gynuity Health Projects) said the goal of the protocol was "to develop a protocol to enable safe and effective provision of medical abortion **without facility-based tests, that is ultrasounds, blood tests, or pelvic exams**." She added, "Basically, this means that the entire medical abortion procedure can be done simply by talking with the patient. No physical contact needed. And,

indeed, it can all be done remotely without any in-person visit to a clinic except for perhaps pill-pickup."

Raymond later flippantly claimed, "Again, these criteria are **not going to rule out every ectopic** pregnancy. But the incidence of ectopic pregnancy among patients seeking medical abortion is low anyway — less than 1%. And we can detect ectopics after treatment…."

After treatment?

She later advised, "Each patient should understand that the no-test approach does have its own risks. As I mention, the gestational age could be underestimated, which means that the treatment would have lower efficacy than expected and bleeding and cramping could be heavier. And, in addition the patient may see fetal tissue when the pregnancy is expelled. Also, the patient may have an undetected ectopic pregnancy."

Abortion industry heavy hitters are basically suggesting that they will deal with ectopics *after* the woman begins the abortion pill regimen and reports back that she was still pregnant, assuming there is a **follow-up** at all. There are many problems with this flippant so-called "care" — time is of the essence, given that an ectopic pregnancy grown inside the mother's fallopian tube can rupture and become fatal if not caught in time. And the abortion industry, of its **own admission**, does not follow-up with every abortion pill client.

In just one example, Christie Pitney of **Forward Midwifery**, a **MYA Network** member, recently **told** Ms. Magazine that her online abortion pill dispensary spends an average of "five minutes or less" with most abortion pill clients. She also admitted, "We don't schedule any sort of follow up. We tell the patients that they can call us at any time, though." Pitney then added that Forward Midwifery abortion clients "arely ess than 10 times ever" follow-up after taking the pills.

Emergency room physicians see abortion pill clients

A recent study of abortion pill adverse events **found** that abortion pill complications are underreported, and abortion pill clients experiencing complications are more likely to receive care from an emergency center than the abortion facility. Yet, if abortion industry profiteers would medically rule out ectopic pregnancies, women's lives would not be placed in as much risk.

In fact, emergency department doctors (some openly admitting to be pro-abortion) **recently presented** the case of a woman who took the abortion pill and was later treated in the emergency room for an undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy. But disturbingly, rather than put the onus on the abortion industry for failing to appropriately identify the potentially deadly complication beforehand, the group of medical doctors *warned ER doctors to be on alert* as abortion clients present to emergency departments for care *after* taking the abortion pill.

At the same time, however, abortion industry power players **are encouraging women** to tell ER doctors they are naturally miscarrying when they are actually experiencing abortion pill complications.

Live Action News **previously** documented the **case** of a woman in India who died after taking the abortion pill while unwittingly experiencing an ectopic pregnancy. The report indicates the woman purchased the drugs over the counter at a pharmacy, something the American abortion industry is **hoping to fast-track** in the U.S.

The **report**, which included shocking autopsy images, read in part: "Here, the deceased had tested herself positive with a commercially available urine pregnancy test kit and then bought and used mifepristone and misoprostol from a pharmacy without consulting a doctor. She then developed acute abdominal pain and bleeding per vagina and died from haemorrhagic shock."

The report also stated that "she developed severe abdominal pain and bleeding per vagina and was taken to a hospital. On arrival, she was hypotensive, in shock and could not be revived. She was declared dead in the emergency room." The "utopsy revealed a ruptured ectopic pregnancy (tubal type)."

Even the abortion pill's own manufacturer, Danco Laboratories, has **claimed** that "dministration of MIFEPREX and misoprostol for the termination of pregnancy is contraindicated in patients with any of the following conditions: Confirmed or suspected ectopic pregnancy…"

In a **recent press release**, Danco went on to warn that "ealthcare providers should remain alert to the possibility that a patient who is undergoing a medical abortion could have an undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy because some of the expected symptoms experienced with a medical abortion (abdominal pain, uterine bleeding) may be similar to those of a ruptured ectopic pregnancy."

Rh blood typing and pregnancy dating

According to a handbook of maternal mortality **published** by the Charlotte Lozier Institute (CLI), "unsupervised chemical abortions are being increasingly promoted to women," due in part to the Biden FDA weakening the REMS safety system to allow mail order dispensing of the drug.

"However, failed abortion from underestimation of gestational age (resulting in more tissue to be expelled and often requiring surgery), missed diagnosis of ectopic pregnancy due to failure to perform ultrasound (these medications do not treat an ectopic), and missed opportunity for RhoGAM immunoprophylaxis (if not given, may cause the mother to produce an immune response against the fetus in future pregnancies) are all events that can increase the risk of maternal mortality in current or future pregnancies," CLI's Senior Fellow and Director of Medical Affairs Ingrid Skop wrote.

Skop told Live Action News, "If a woman is Rh negative and her partner is Rh positive, their unborn child might also be Rh positive. To prevent problems in a subsequent pregnancy, a shot called RhoGAM has traditionally been given to prevent antibody formation if blood mixes during childbirth, trauma, miscarriage, or abortion. Without this protection, a woman's immune system may attack her future unborn children, leading to miscarriage, stillbirth, or brain damage."

Live Action News previously documented how abortion industry actors are prescribing the abortion pill past the FDA approved limit of 70 days/10 weeks and how the no-test protocol now operates on a "believe the women" system rather than accurately verifying gestational age with blood work or ultrasound.

While the FDA's REMS protocol for mifepristone does *not* require specific labs, exams, or ultrasounds, best medical practices point to the need to confirm a pregnancy, rule out an ectopic pregnancy, determine gestational age by means other than the woman's "best guess," and screen for negative **Rh blood factor**.

Yet, abortion insiders suggested in the previously mentioned webinar that if a woman states she *does not want any future children*, there would be no need to offer a blood test to confirm the possibility of an Rh negative blood type nor administer RhoGAM.

"RH typing and administration of Anti-D Immunoglobulin not needed if the gestational age on the anticipated mifepristone ingestion date will be <70 days or if the patient reports positive Rh type, wants no future children, or declines anti-D immunoglobulin," a no-test protocol document **published** online stated.

INICAL GUIDELINES

SAMPLE PROTOCOL FOR NO-TEST MEDICAL ABORTION

PURPOSE

To enable safe and effective provision of medication abortion without a mandatory pre-treatment ultrasound, pelvic examination or laboratory tests when medically appropriate, given that these tests may be significant barriers to access and, in the setting of a pandemic, may increase transmission of infection to patients and health care workers.

CRITERIA

- Pregnancy confirmed by patient report of urine or serum test or prior ultrasound
- Last menstrual period started ≤77 days before anticipated date of mifepristone ingestion
- Certain of last menstrual period onset date ± 1 week
- None of the following symptoms or risk factors for ectopic pregnancy:
  - Vaginal bleeding or spotting within the past week
  - Unilateral pelvic pain or significant bilateral pelvic pain within the past week
  - Prior ectopic pregnancy
  - Prior permanent contraception or other tubal surgery
  - IUD in uterus at conception or currently
- None of the following contraindications to medication abortion, assessed by history:
  - Hemorrhagic disorder or concurrent anticoagulant therapy
  - Chronic adrenal failure
  - Concurrent long-term systemic corticosteroid therapy
  - Inherited porphyria
  - Allergy to mifepristone, misoprostol, or other prostaglandin
- No strong preference for pre-treatment ultrasound, pelvic examination or laboratory tests

RH TYPING AND ADMINISTRATION OF ANTI-D IMMUNOGLOBULIN

- Not needed if the gestational age on the anticipated mifepristone ingestion date will be <70 days or if the patient reports positive Rh type, wants no future children, or declines anti-D immunoglobulin.
- Should be considered for patients not meeting above criteria

Gynuity No-Test abortion pill protocol on Rh negative clients

In 2018, the National Abortion Federation's (NAF) clinical guidelines said that "*all patients* with unknown Rh status" must be tested before an abortion. But in **2020**, NAF's new guidelines — published prior to the launch of the no-test protocol — changed these recommendations, claiming, "It is reasonable to *forego Rh testing* and anti-D immunoglobulin for women having any type of abortion before 56 days. Foregoing Rh testing and anti-D immunoglobulin for those using medication abortion before 70 days LMP may also be considered."

2018 NAF CPG

National Abortion Federation

4. Laboratory Practice

Policy Statement: Rh alloimmunization may jeopardize the health of a subsequent pregnancy.(1-8)

Standard 4.1. Rh status testing must be offered to all patients with unknown Rh status.

Standard 4.2. Rh status must be documented in all patients undergoing second-trimester abortion.

Recommendation 4.2.1. This documentation may be obtained by on-site testing, outside source, or self-report.

Recommendation 4.2.2. A patient whose Rh status is unknown and who declines Rh testing should sign an informed waiver.

Recommendation 4.2.3. Additional testing for either sensitization or other antibodies is not required in patients undergoing pregnancy termination, including testing for Du ("weak D").

Standard 4.3. Rh immune globulin administration must be offered to patients known to be Rh (-). If Rh immune globulin is not administered in the facility, other arrangements for administration must be documented.

Recommendation 4.3.1. A patient who declines Rh immune globulin should sign an informed waiver.

Standard 4.4. Anemia and the risk of bleeding must be evaluated.(9)

Recommendation 4.4.1. Hemoglobin or hematocrit testing should be readily available.

Recommendation 4.4.2. Prior to uterine aspiration and medical abortion in the first trimester, hemoglobin/hematocrit and other laboratory evaluation should be done as indicated by medical history and patient symptoms. Routine hemoglobin or hematocrit has not been shown to

2020 NAF CPG

National Abortion Federation

4. Laboratory Practice

Policy Statement: Rh alloimmunization may jeopardize the health of a subsequent pregnancy.(1)

Standard 4.1. Rh status testing must be offered to all patients with unknown Rh status over 56 days from the last menstrual period.

Recommendation 4.1.1. Below 56 days from the last menstrual period, patients and providers may forego Rh testing and anti-D immune globulin for patients who are Rh negative.(2-5)

Standard 4.2. Rh status or an informed waiver declining Rh testing must be documented in all patients over 56 days from the last menstrual period.

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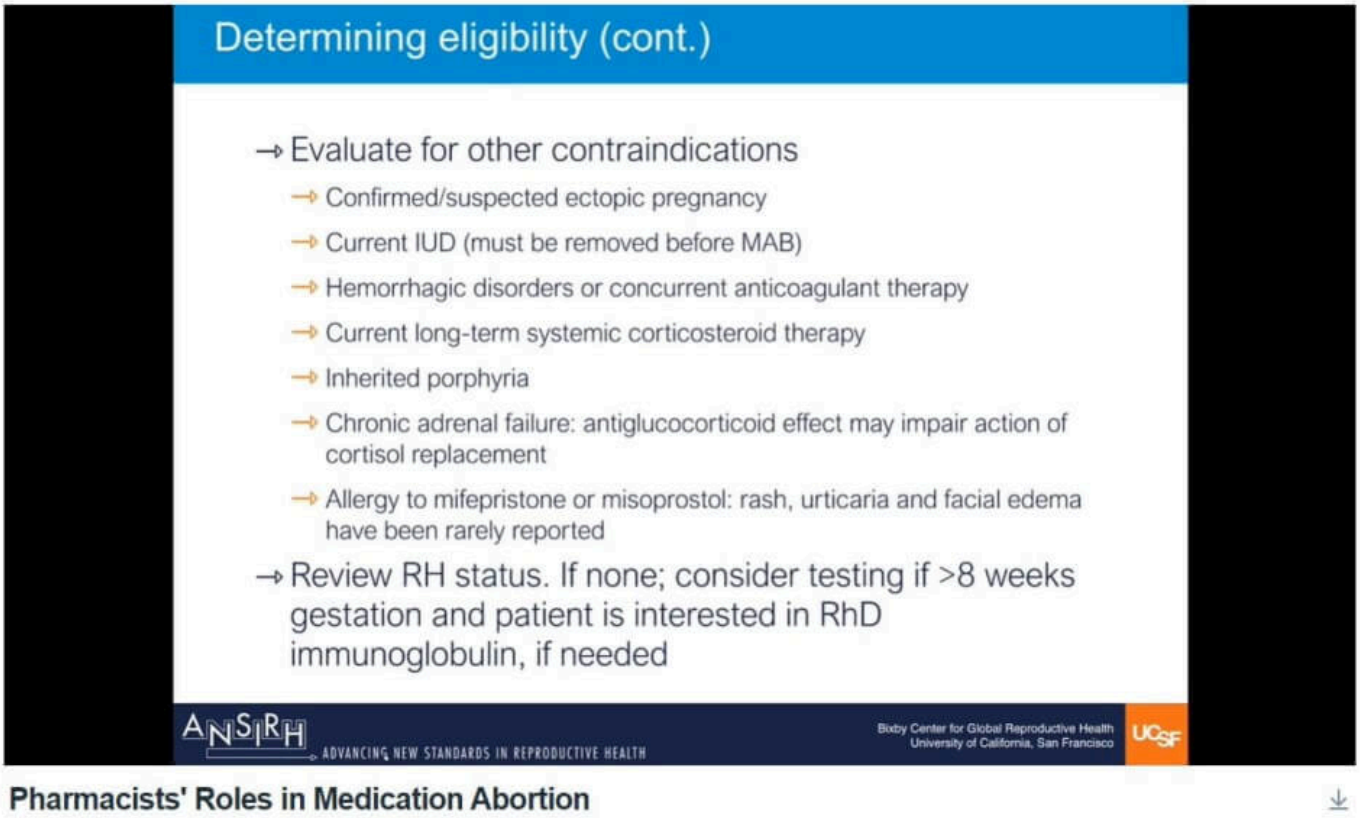
NAF RH Testing on abortion patients 2018 v 2020 CPG

Yet, in a continuing education class recently **published** by the pro-abortion group Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health (ANSIRH), Dr. Daniel Grossman, the principal investigator in the abortion pill **pharmacy trials**, tells pharmacists to consider testing for Rh-negative blood after *eight weeks* of pregnancy when prescribing the FDA approved abortion pill regimen.

Grossman's slide below failed to inform pharmacists that the industry is currently operating from a no-test protocol position.



RH Negative ANSIRH screen in pharmacy abortion pill class provided by Daniel Grossman

The no-test abortion pill protocol can place women at risk and seems to be in direct opposition to the intent behind the FDA's safety regulations. But, as Live Action News has previously reported, those policing the abortion industry are not knowledgeable FDA officials — they are the manufacturers of the abortion pill.

It would therefore be foolish to assume that the safety of women is paramount in such an arrangement.

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BAD ACTORS Part 1: Abortion industry openly ignores FDA's abortion pill use limits

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Why is the abortion industry purposely ignoring the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) abortion pill regulations? This is a question that no one except the pro-life movement seems to be interested in asking, despite the very real risks to women.

This article, the first in a series, will explore the well-known fact that the abortion industry is prescribing the abortion pill regimen past the FDA's approved 70 days (ten weeks) gestation. This regulation is one of many being ignored by abortion industry insiders, despite the known risks of the abortion pill regimen mifepristone and misoprostol, even when used under the strict guidelines laid out by the FDA's REMS safety system.

In addition to prescribing the drugs past 70 days, the abortion industry is instructing women to take the drugs off-label, is failing to properly date a pregnancy or rule out dangerous ectopic pregnancy before prescribing the drugs, is **spending** little to no time at follow-up, and much more.

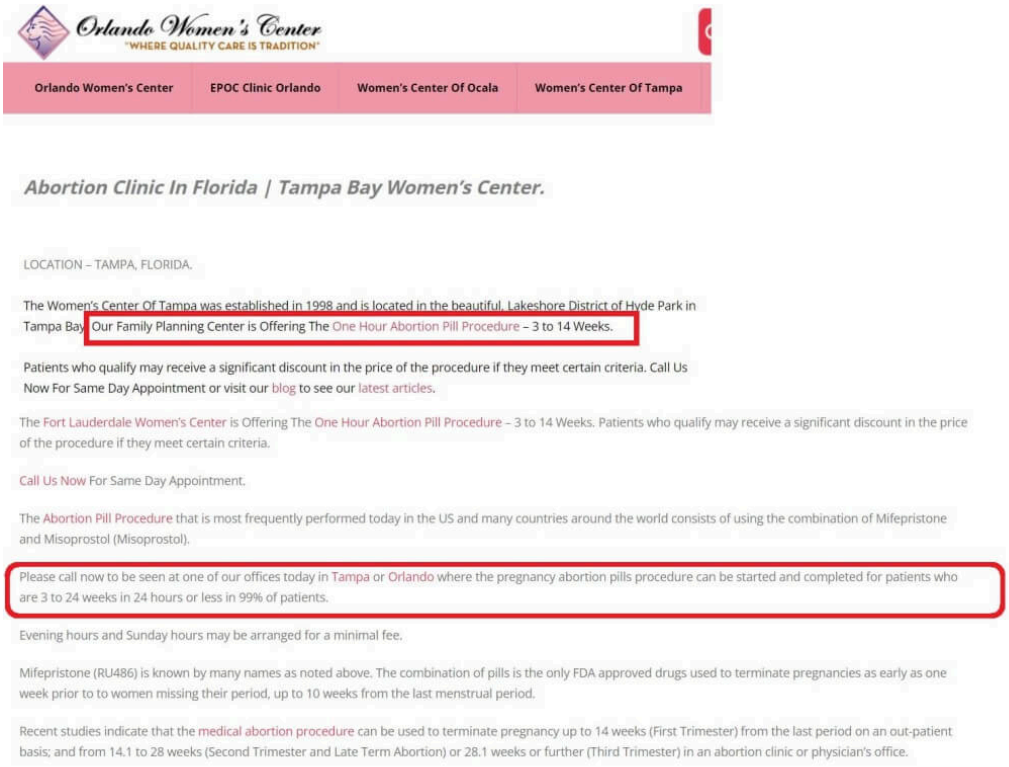
Egregious disregard for protocol and women's safety

While the FDA-approved limit for the chemical abortion pill regimen is 70 days (10 weeks), women are being prescribed the regimen well into the **second trimester of pregnancy**. For

example, the Orlando Women's Center abortion facility tells clients **online**, "Our Family Planning Center is Offering The **One Hour Abortion Pill Procedure** – 3 to 14 Weeks." In addition to the egregious disregard for the FDA's gestational limit, there is no "one hour" protocol approved by the FDA.

But it gets worse.

The abortion chain also claimed on a **separate page**, "Please call now to be seen at one of our offices today in Tampa or Orlando where the pregnancy abortion pills procedure can be started and completed for patients who are 3 to 24 weeks in 24 hours or less in 99% of patients."



Orlando Women's Center
"WHERE QUALITY CARE IS TRADITION"

Orlando Women's Center | EPOC Clinic Orlando | Women's Center Of Ocala | Women's Center Of Tampa

Abortion Clinic In Florida | Tampa Bay Women's Center.

LOCATION – TAMPA, FLORIDA.

The Women's Center Of Tampa was established in 1998 and is located in the beautiful, Lakeshore District of Hyde Park in Tampa Bay. Our Family Planning Center is Offering The One Hour Abortion Pill Procedure – 3 to 14 Weeks.

Patients who qualify may receive a significant discount in the price of the procedure if they meet certain criteria. Call Us Now For Same Day Appointment or visit our blog to see our latest articles.

The Fort Lauderdale Women's Center is Offering The One Hour Abortion Pill Procedure – 3 to 14 Weeks. Patients who qualify may receive a significant discount in the price of the procedure if they meet certain criteria.

Call Us Now For Same Day Appointment.

The Abortion Pill Procedure that is most frequently performed today in the US and many countries around the world consists of using the combination of Mifepristone and Misoprostol (Misoprostol).

Please call now to be seen at one of our offices today in Tampa or Orlando where the pregnancy abortion pills procedure can be started and completed for patients who are 3 to 24 weeks in 24 hours or less in 99% of patients.

Evening hours and Sunday hours may be arranged for a minimal fee.

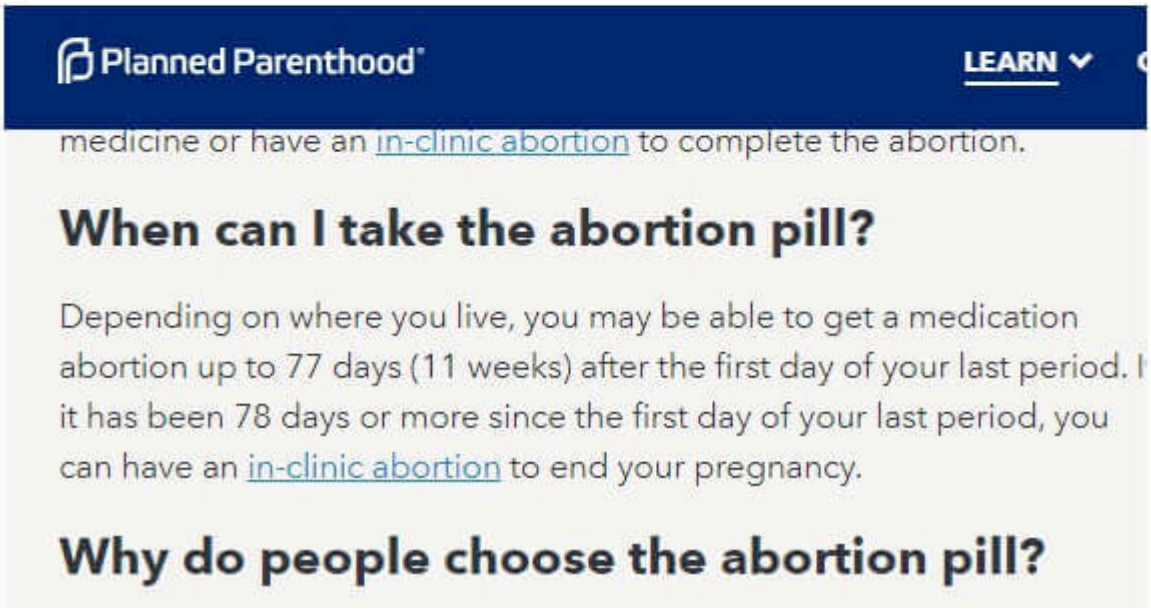
Mifepristone (RU486) is known by many names as noted above. The combination of pills is the only FDA approved drugs used to terminate pregnancies as early as one week prior to to women missing their period, up to 10 weeks from the last menstrual period.

Recent studies indicate that the medical abortion procedure can be used to terminate pregnancy up to 14 weeks (First Trimester) from the last period on an out-patient basis; and from 14.1 to 28 weeks (Second Trimester and Late Term Abortion) or 28.1 weeks or further (Third Trimester) in an abortion clinic or physician's office.

Orlando Women's Center abortion clinic one hour abortion pill through 14 weeks and 24 weeks

Planned Parenthood **states** on its website: "Depending on where you live, you may be able to get a medication abortion up to 77 days (11 weeks) after the first day of your last period." On a **separate page**, the abortion corporation writes, "You can use abortion pills (also called medication abortion) up to 77 days (11 weeks) after the first day of your last period."

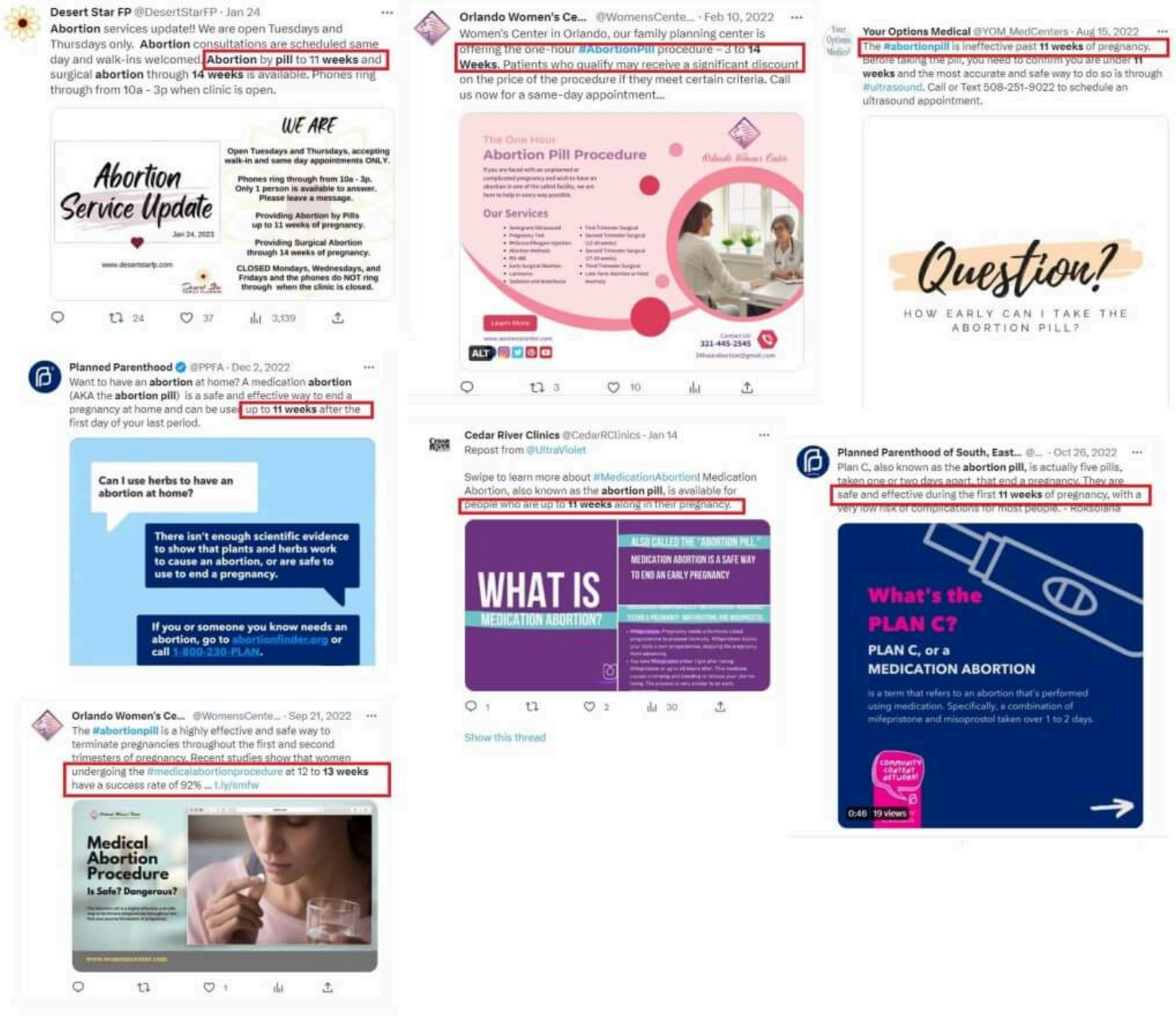
Cedar River Clinics also **offers** the pills through eleven weeks of pregnancy as does the **University of California San Francisco** (UCSF). Dr. Daniel Grossman, an abortionist who has been behind multiple abortion pill-related clinical trials, **openly promotes** use of the abortion pill through 12 weeks.



Dr. Daniel Grossman promotes abortion pill use up to 12 weeks while Planned Parenthood sells at 11 weeks passed FDA approval

Dr. Linda Prine **told** Vox News, "The pills are approved by the FDA for up to 10 weeks and by the **World Health Organization for up to 12**. Most of the time, though, they've been used in our country under eight weeks; something like 75 percent to 80 percent of people using pills were using them under eight weeks pre-*Dobbs*. ***But now, they're using them whenever they can get them. And sometimes that is quite a bit later.*** Sometimes it's **14 weeks, 18 weeks**. And so we get calls from people completely freaked out, crying, sobbing." (emphasis added)

Additional examples can be seen in the image below:



Abortion industry sells abortion pills past FDA approved limits (Images: Twitter)

A **systematic review** revealed that when the abortion pill is used at 12 weeks (84 days), the failure rate rose to about 16%, an increase of nearly 12% from the failure rate when used before the approved FDA limit of 70 days.

Authors of the study, entitled "No-Test Medication Abortion: A Systematic Review," found the following:

- For patients with pregnancies at less than 70 days of gestation (n58,166), the efficacy rate was 95.2% (95% CI 94.7–95.7%).
- For patients with pregnancies at more than 84 days of gestation (n5432), the efficacy rate was 83.8% (95% CI 80.0–87.2%).

Table 3. Efficacy Rates for Medication Abortion Without Prior Pelvic Examination or Ultrasonogram*

Gestational Age (d)	No. in Analysis	No. Successful†	% (95% CI)
Through 63	3,043	2,854	93.8 (92.8–94.6)
Through 70	8,166	7,774	95.2 (94.7–95.7)
More than 84	432	362	83.8 (80.0–87.2)
Overall‡	10,693	10,306	96.4 (96.0–96.7)

* Based on patients with known outcomes. Patients without follow-up are not included.
† Expelled pregnancy without need for surgical intervention per MARE (Medical Abortion Reporting of Efficacy) guidelines.[13] The MARE guidelines standardize definitions of medication abortion outcomes, facilitating comparison among studies and data synthesis.
‡ Includes studies not included in the above gestational age categories; therefore, will not add up completely.

No-Test Medication Abortion A Systematic Review https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36701607/

Failure rate of abortion pill at 84 days increases

Too large to flush?

The ability to accurately assess gestational age is part of the FDA's REMS (Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies) safety requirements for all prescribers of the abortion pill. Yet, a medical director with the National Abortion Federation (NAF) suggested in the Q+A section of a webinar released during the Covid-19 pandemic, that she was unconcerned about verifying the gestational age of the fetus unless the baby might be too large to flush.

Alice Mark, NAF's Medical Advisor stated in part:

Um, I mean an eleven-week pregnancy shouldn't be too large to flush. So – and — it shouldn't be too large to flush even if you're off by a few weeks. So, what I would say is that, as part of the counseling, is to tell patients that – you know — at some point you might see visible fetal tissue…

Women self-managing their abortions have been advised to sit on a toilet and then flush their dead child into the sewer system. As a result, women are now **expressing trauma** after seeing recognizable fetal body parts of the babies they are aborting.

Abortion proponents on babies too large to flush with at home DIY abortion pill

Studies **indicate** that women seeking use of the abortion pill frequently *underestimate* the gestational age of their pregnancy and **even** the pro-abortion American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) has **stated** that "It has been reported that **approximately one half of women** accurately recall their LMP."

In addition, industry statistics show that the **failure rates** for the abortion pill regimen increase as the gestational age of the preborn baby increases. Yet, the abortion pill is being used well into the **second** and even **third trimester** of pregnancy — and as a result, a 31-year-old woman who was 21 weeks (19 weeks post-fertilization) pregnant **died** after she was prescribed the abortion pill in Indiana.

The authority to revoke abortion pill prescribers' rights lies in the hands of the manufacturers — Danco and GenBioPro — which do not seem willing to place the safety of women over profits. Perhaps it is time for the FDA to step in to enforce its own approved regulations.

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This Is Why We Are at the Very Brink of a World War

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Story at-a-glance

- September 26, 2022, Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 — Russian pipelines that deliver natural gas from Russia to Europe underneath the Baltic Sea — were blown up
- Months before the sabotage, President Biden publicly announced that "if Russia invades Ukraine, there will be no Nord Stream 2. We will bring an end to it." Undersecretary Victoria Nuland also delivered a near-identical message, saying, "If Russia invades Ukraine, one way or another Nord Stream 2 will not move forward"
- February 8, 2023, legendary investigative journalist Seymore Hersh published a shocking article based on whistleblower testimony claiming the sabotage was carried out by U.S. Navy divers during BALTOPS 22, a NATO exercise that took place in the Baltic Sea in June 2022. Three months later, the planted explosives were remotely detonated, destroying the two pipelines
- According to the whistleblower, Norway was in on the plan, and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz OK'd the operation
- According to Hersh, the "why" behind Biden's decision to blow up the pipelines was threefold. First, it would massively impact Russia's economy. Second, eliminating Germany's and Western Europe's ability to buy low-cost gas from Russia would force them to buy U.S. gas. And third, he feared Europe would be reluctant to supply Ukraine with money and weapons if they were reliant on Russian gas

September 26, 2022, massive leaks were detected in two Russian pipelines — Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 — that deliver natural gas from Russia to Europe underneath the Baltic Sea. Within

a couple of days, several countries, including Russia, agreed the leaks were the result of intentional sabotage.

Nord Stream Corporate Media FAIL: Glenn Greenwald BLASTS Coverage | Brie & Robby REACT
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The sabotage came right on the heels of Moscow's decision to cut off Nord Stream 1's supply to Germany at the end of August 2022. Prior to that, in February 2022, Germany had suspended its certification process of Nord Stream 2, so it was never entered into service.

US Threatened to Take Out Pipeline

From the start, Russia accused the United States of destroying the pipelines. It was a rather obvious choice, considering President Biden had publicly announced that "if Russia invades Ukraine, there will be no Nord Stream 2.

We will bring an end to it."[1] When asked by an incredulous reporter how Biden could ensure that, considering the pipeline was under German control, he replied, "I promise you, we'll be able to do it."[2]

During a January 27, 2022, State Department briefing, undersecretary Victoria Nuland also delivered a near-identical message, saying "I want to be very clear to you today. If Russia invades Ukraine, one way or another Nord Stream 2 will not move forward."[3]

Despite such direct promises, the Biden administration denied having anything to do with the explosion after the fact, instead claiming Russia blew up its own pipeline, ostensibly for no other reason than being able to blame the U.S. As incomprehensible as that was to any rational person, the mainstream media ran with this narrative.

In early October, Germany partnered with Denmark and Sweden to investigate, using Navy, police, and intelligence services from the three countries.[4] As of this writing, that investigation is still ongoing.

Legendary Journalist Publishes Shock Report

February 8, 2023, legendary investigative journalist Seymore Hersh — famous for his 1969 exposure of the My Lai massacre and its cover-up during the Vietnam War, for which he received the Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting in 1970 — published a shocking article[5] claiming the sabotage was carried out by U.S. Navy divers during BALTOPS 22, a NATO exercise that took place in the Baltic Sea in June 2022.

Three months later, the planted explosives were remotely detonated, destroying the two pipelines. According to Hersh:[6]

> *"Biden's decision to sabotage the pipelines came after more than nine months of highly secret back and forth debate inside Washington's national security community about how to best achieve that goal.*

> *For much of that time, the issue was not whether to do the mission, but how to get it done with no overt clue as to who was responsible. There was a vital bureaucratic reason for relying on the graduates of the center's hardcore diving school in Panama City.*

> *The divers were Navy only, and not members of America's Special Operations Command, whose covert operations must be reported to Congress and briefed in advance to the Senate and House leadership—the so-called Gang of Eight. The Biden Administration was doing everything possible to avoid leaks as the planning took place late in 2021 and into the first months of 2022.*

> *President Biden and his foreign policy team — National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan, Secretary of State Tony Blinken, and Victoria Nuland, the Undersecretary of State for Policy — had been vocal and consistent in their hostility to the two pipelines, which ran side by side for 750 miles under the Baltic Sea from two different ports in northeastern Russia near the Estonian border, passing close to the Danish island of Bornholm before ending in northern Germany.*

> *The direct route, which bypassed any need to transit Ukraine, had been a boon for the German economy, which enjoyed an abundance of cheap Russian natural gas — enough to run its factories and heat its homes while enabling German distributors to sell excess gas, at a profit, throughout Western Europe. Action that could be traced to the administration would violate US promises to minimize direct conflict with Russia. Secrecy was essential."*

The Threefold 'Why' Behind the Attack

According to Hersh's investigative report,[7] the "why" behind Biden's decision to blow up the pipelines was threefold. First, it would massively impact Russia's economy, as its oil and gas revenues are estimated to account for as much as 45% of its annual budget. Once Nord Stream 2 got underway, that income stream would increase even further.

Second, eliminating Germany's and Western Europe's ability to buy low-cost gas from Russia would force them to buy U.S. gas. As noted by Hersh, Nord Stream 1 was bad enough from the perspective of Washington, but were Nord Stream 2 to open up, Germany would be able to buy more than half of its annual consumption straight from Russia.

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Third, with Europe being so reliant on low-cost gas from Russia,[8,9] "Washington was afraid that countries like Germany would be reluctant to supply Ukraine with the money and weapons it needed to defeat Russia," Hersh writes.

A Fateful Plan Was Hatched

According to Hersh, Biden authorized U.S. National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan to "bring together an interagency group to come up with a plan" for how to address the Nord Stream threat.

The task force Sullivan convened allegedly included "men and women from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the CIA and the State and Treasury Departments."

> *"What became clear to participants, according to the source with direct knowledge of the process, is that Sullivan intended for the group to come up with a plan for the destruction of the two Nord Stream pipelines — and that he was delivering on the desires of the President,"* Hersh writes.

> *"Over the next several meetings, the participants debated options for an attack. The Navy proposed using a newly commissioned submarine to assault the pipeline directly.*

> *The Air Force discussed dropping bombs with delayed fuses that could be set off remotely. The CIA argued that whatever was done, it would have to be covert. Everyone involved understood the stakes. 'This is not kiddie stuff,' the source said. If the attack were traceable to the United States, 'It's an act of war'…*

> *Throughout 'all of this scheming,' the source said, 'some working guys in the CIA and the State Department were saying, 'Don't do this. It's stupid and will be a political nightmare if it comes out.'"*

Will Europe View the Attack as an Act of War?

Unfortunately, that's where we find ourselves today. If the attacks can be definitively traced to the U.S., the Biden administration has not only committed an act of war against Russia, but also against NATO allies! To say the world is now in a conundrum would be an understatement.

Will Germany and Western Europe accept industrial terrorism against them by a supposed ally? Well, perhaps. Because according to Hersh's "deep throat" source, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz met with Biden at the White House and personally OK'd the operation.

The source also claims Norway, another NATO member, was in on the plan and helped solve several hurdles encountered along the way. Norway also had financial incentive to keep the secret, as the destruction of Nord Stream would allow them to sell more natural gas to Europe too.

But here's the deeper question: If a small group of NATO allies conspired to commit what some have called "one of the worst terrorist attacks in history"[10] against allied member nations, in addition to causing one of the worst ecological disasters in history, what will be the result? Will affected NATO members, whose economies and industries have been demolished, accept a sheepish apology?

Time will tell, but clearly, the Biden administration's actions have brought us to the very brink of world war.

The possibility of war escalation is made even more prominent by the fact that President Putin on February 21 announced he is indefinitely suspending Russia's participation in the New START treaty, a strategic nuclear arms treaty with the U.S. that limits the nuclear arsenals of both countries.[11,12] The only thing really holding this house of cards together right now is the fact that mainstream media are refusing to touch Hersh's whistleblower story.[13]

Circumventing Congress

As for the shocking indiscretion of Nuland and Biden in the months before the attack, Hersh's source noted that several of the planners were indeed "dismayed" by it.

> *"It was like putting an atomic bomb on the ground in Tokyo and telling the Japanese that we are going to detonate it,"* the source told Hersh. *"The plan was for the options to be executed post invasion and not advertised publicly. Biden simply didn't get it or ignored it."*

However, the indirect admission also "created an opportunity" for the planners, as "senior officials of the CIA determined that blowing up the pipeline 'no longer could be considered a covert option because the president just announced that we knew how to do it.'" Hersh continues:[14]

> *"The plan to blow up Nord Stream 1 and 2 was suddenly downgraded from a covert operation requiring that Congress be informed to one that was deemed as a highly classified intelligence operation with U.S. military support.*

> *Under the law, the source explained, 'There was no longer a legal requirement to report the operation to Congress. All they had to do now is just do it — but it still had to be secret. The Russians have superlative surveillance of the Baltic Sea.'*

> *The Agency working group members had no direct contact with the White House and were eager to find out if the President meant what he'd said — that is, if the mission was now a go. The source recalled, 'Bill Burns comes back and says, 'Do it.'"*

Russia Calls for Independent UN-Led Probe

Russia is now calling on the United Nations to establish an independent international investigation to identify "perpetrators, sponsors, organizers and accomplices," as Russia and "other interested parties" have been barred from the German investigation.[15]

February 21, 2023, Russia convened a Security Council meeting to vote on the resolution.[16] According to UN News, the Council discussion got rather heated as U.S. ambassador John Kelley insisted Russia was "abusing its position as Council member" by airing unfounded "internet conspiracy theories":[17]

> *"'We are not here to set up a trial in the Security Council,' Russian ambassador Vassily Nebenzia said during discussions. He said Moscow was presenting a request for an independent investigation in light of doubts about the integrity and transparency of Denmark, Germany and Sweden in their ongoing inquiries.*

> *Instead, he said, the UN Secretary-General 'is someone we trust' to lead an investigation … There was 'proof that explosives had been planted' near the pipeline during a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) exercise in the summer of 2022, he said, referring to a recent United States news report by reporter Seymour Hersh claiming Washington was involved.*

> *'This journalist is telling the truth,' he told Council members. 'This is more than just a smoking gun that detectives love in Hollywood blockbusters. It's a basic principle of justice; everything is in your hands, and we can resolve this today.'"*

Evidence of 'Gross Sabotage'

UN Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs Rosemary DiCarlo, urged parties to "show restraint" and "avoid any speculation" and "unfounded accusations that could further escalate the already heightened tensions in the region and potentially inhibit the search for the truth."[18]

She did note, however, that preliminary results from the inquiry by Germany, Sweden and Denmark showed signs of "gross sabotage" and that "foreign items" had been seized at the site.

While the Council remained split on the decision to launch a UN-led investigation, many expressed "grave concerns about the ecological impacts" of the sabotage, and agreed that the Council's efforts should focus on de-escalating tensions in line with international law and the UN Charter.

According to an analysis by the UN Environment Program's (UNEP) International Methane Emissions Observatory, the methane emitted during the explosion is estimated to be between 75 to 230 kilotons — a record in terms of being from a single event.[19]

An Undeclared War

As suggested by UnHerd columnist Thomas Fazi, "We are already at war with Russia," and this "never-ending escalation will result in catastrophe." He writes:[20]

> *"Almost a year into the conflict, the narrative of Western intervention in Ukraine — that 'NATO is not at war with Russia' and that 'the equipment we're providing is purely defensive' — is being revealed for what it always was: a fiction.*

> *Last month, at Ramstein Air Base in Germany, another kernel of truth slipped through the cracks at a briefing[21] by US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Mark Milley.*

> *Austin and Miller stated in no uncertain terms that the US was committed to going 'on the offensive to liberate Russian-occupied Ukraine' …*

> *The admission that the weapons being provided by the US and NATO are of an offensive, not defensive, character marks a significant U-turn for the Biden administration. In March last year, Biden promised[22] the public that the US would not send 'offensive equipment' and 'planes and tanks' to Ukraine, because this would trigger 'World War III' …*

> *Yet in the coming months, the US is planning to deliver 31 Abrams tanks, and even Germany, after weeks of reluctance, has caved in to the immense pressure coming from Washington and other allies …*

> *This is simply the latest in a long list of red lines that the US and NATO have crossed since the start of the conflict … need to acknowledge that we are already at war with Russia … The fact that there has been no formal declaration of war is beside the point …*

> *By providing increasingly powerful military equipment as well as financial, technical, logistical and training support to one of the warring factions, including for offensive operations (even within Russian territory), the West is engaged in a de facto military confrontation with Russia, regardless of what our leaders may claim."*

As noted by Fazi, the current military strategy of the West is based on a highly dubious assumption, namely that Russia will accept military defeat and loss of territory without resorting to nuclear weapons. Being wrong would be disastrous for the whole world, and if we're making assumptions, there's every reason to assume Russia will NOT accept defeat before every available option has been used up.

After all, **Russia's perspective is that it's fighting an existential threat** in Ukraine. Meanwhile, evidence suggests the basis for the United States' interest in, and defense of, Ukraine is related to it being a valuable **money laundering hub** and, potentially, a secret **biological weapons manufacturing ally**.

As Americans, we cannot be naïve about this, seeing how it's our lives that will be destroyed were Russia to send nuclear missiles our way. Europeans also need to search their souls to determine whether protecting Deep State interests is really worth the price.

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Zelensky: “The U.S. Will Have To Send Their Sons And Daughters” And “They Will Be Dying”

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Does anyone out there still believe that the United States is going to be able to avoid a shooting war with Russia? When the war began, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky begged our politicians for help, and our politicians did not disappoint him. So far we have poured nearly 200 billion dollars into the war, but Zelensky just keeps asking for more. He wants fighter jets, he wants long-range missile systems, and apparently he also thinks that eventually **“the U.S. will have to send their sons and daughters”** to fight the Russians.

> Zelinsky:
>
> Ukraine needs fresh young Americans to help fight on the ground war.
>
> “The US will have to send their Son’s & Daughter’s… to WAR…”
>
> “….and they will be DYING.”
> . **pic.twitter.com/P2Ywpci26r**
>
> — James Phillips (@JamesPhillips00) **February 28, 2023**

In that clip he seems to be addressing a hypothetical scenario that someone has raised.

But obviously a direct military conflict between western forces and Russian forces is something that he has been thinking a lot about.

And obviously if he is able to pull NATO troops into the war that would give him the best chance of winning.

Of course it would also greatly increase the risk of nuclear annihilation.

But Zelensky is not focused on the long-term consequences. His forces are losing ground, and he is starting to get really desperate.

At this point, it appears that the fall of Bakhmut is imminent. According to one soldier that was interviewed by CNN, the situation there **“is much worse than officially reported”**…

> “The situation in Bakhmut is very difficult now. It is much worse than officially reported,” a soldier who didn’t want to be named told CNN on Tuesday. “We should add another 100% difficulty to the official reports. In all directions. Especially in the northern direction, where the orcs have made the biggest advance.”

When I wrote about this **a few days ago**, the operational encirclement of Bakhmut was almost complete.

Now the Russians have gained even more ground, and it won’t be too long before the city is completely encircled physically.

> Bakhmut Frontline 28/02/2023
> North
> Heavy fighting rages north of Bakhmut assaults in the directions of Bohdanivka, Orikhovo-Vasylivka and Zaliznyans'ke also assaults south from the northern road.
> East:
> Heavy fighting towards the Bakhmutovka river in the residential areas.
> **pic.twitter.com/ReaqbHzv44**
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> — WarMonitor🇺🇦 (@WarMonitor3) **February 28, 2023**

At this point, things are going so badly that Zelensky **just fired the commander** that was in charge of his forces in eastern Ukraine…

> Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy on Sunday fired a senior military commander helping lead the fight against Russian troops in the country's embattled east but gave no reason for the move.
>
> In a one-line decree, Zelenskiy announced the dismissal of Eduard Moskalyov as commander of the joint forces of Ukraine, which are engaged in battles in the Donbas region.

The one thing that could slow the Russians down now is the fact that the mud has returned.

Eastern Ukraine can get really, really muddy once winter ends, and the warm weather that the region is now experiencing **could potentially hamper the advance of Russian forces**…

> Meanwhile, Ukrainian soldiers in the Donetsk region hunkered down in muddy trenches after warmer weather thawed out the frozen ground.
>
> 'Both sides stay in their positions, because as you see, spring means mud. Thus, it is impossible to move forward,' said Mykola, 59, a commander of a frontline rocket launcher battery, who uses a tablet screen to check coordinates of where to fire.
>
> The spring thaw, known as the rasputitsa, which turns roads into rivers and fields into quagmires, has a history of ruining armies' movements across Ukraine and western Russia.

But while the mud may cause the action to temporarily slow down on the front lines, leaders on both sides just continue to make moves that will raise tensions even higher.

For example, NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg just publicly admitted that Ukraine **"will become a member of our alliance"**…

> NATO allies have agreed that Ukraine will become a member of our alliance, but at the same time that that is a long term perspective, what is the issue now is to ensure that Ukraine prevail as a sovereign, independent nation, and therefore we need to support Ukraine.

> NEW – NATO chief: "Allies have agreed that Ukraine will become a member of our alliance" in the long term.**pic.twitter.com/8U6P5nNi3D**
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> — Disclose.tv (@disclosetv) **February 28, 2023**

Why would he make a statement like that?

Is he insane?

Doesn't he realize that such an admission will make the Russians even angrier?

And apparently Ukraine has decided to start sending long-range drones **deep into Russian territory**…

> Drones that the Kremlin said were launched by Ukraine flew deep inside Russian territory, including one that got within 100 kilometers (60 miles) of Moscow, signaling breaches in Russian defenses as President Vladimir Putin ordered stepped-up protection at the border.
>
> Officials said the drones caused no injuries and did not inflict any significant damage, but the attacks on Monday night and Tuesday morning raised questions about Russian defense capabilities more than a year after the country's full-scale invasion of its neighbor.

On the other side, it is being reported that the Russians are now actually recruiting Palestinian refugees **to fight for them in Ukraine**…

> A Lebanese government security source has told The Media Line that Palestinians residing in Lebanon have signed up to join the ongoing conflict in Ukraine on behalf of Russia, having been offered a sum of 350 dollars by Russian entities.
>
> The source added that the recruitment effort is being carried out by activists affiliated with the Palestinian embassy in Lebanon.
>
> Most of those enlisting were born after 1969, as those born after this point onwards do not have proper registration with the Lebanese authorities, making it easier to travel for the purpose of participating in the conflict as mercenaries.

Of course both sides have been hiring vast numbers of mercenaries ever since the war began.

At this point, there are fighters from literally dozens of different countries in Ukraine.

It really is a "world war", and we are getting dangerously close to a point where a peaceful solution will become impossible.

Recently, former Russian president Dmitry Medvedev authored an opinion piece entitled **"Point Of No Return"**. In that piece, he warned that the world is on the brink of the unthinkable…

> Of course, one could continue to pump weapons into the neo-fascist Kiev regime and block any opportunity to revive negotiations. Our enemies are doing just that, not wanting to understand that their goals obviously lead to a total fiasco. Lose for everyone. collapse. Apocalypse. When the former life will have to be forgotten for centuries, until the smoky blockages cease to emit radiation.

If Dmitry Medvedev becomes the next leader of Russia when Putin dies, we should all be gravely concerned.

He has made public statements about nuclear weapons over and over again, and I believe that he would not hesitate to use them if he decided that there was no chance of peace with the United States.

I would highly recommend that our leaders take such threats seriously, because a nuclear war **would mean the end of civilization as we currently know it**.

But of course our leaders are not taking such threats seriously.

They just keep pushing us even closer to the precipice, and at some point someone could make a really big mistake which would push us over the edge.

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Worst Environmental Emergency in Years, Is the Media Lying?

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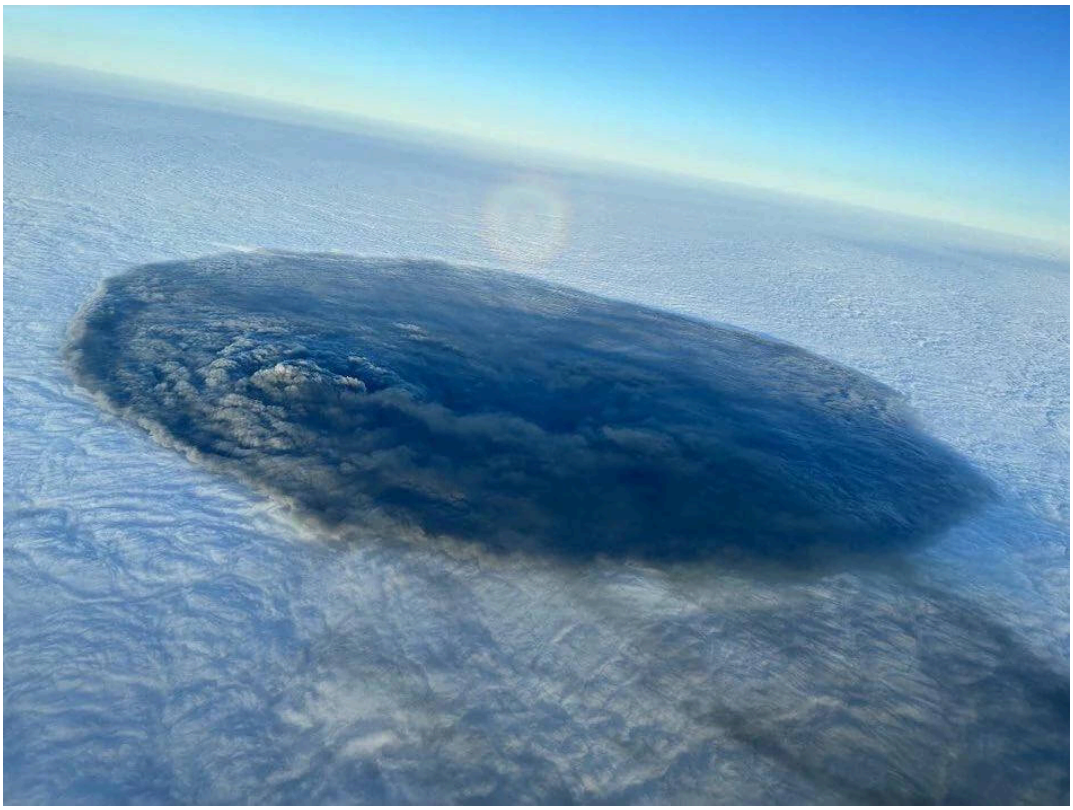

They kept saying the same thing: 'There are no toxins in the air, don't worry.' Yet, with thousands of fish, hens and roosters suddenly dropping dead, signs suggest 25 million people should be extremely concerned about this 'World War I' poison gas.

This Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola has been **FACT CHECKED.**

Toxic Ohio Train Derailment.

Here is the Story at-a-glance

- February 3, 2023, a train carrying toxic chemicals derailed in East Palestine, Ohio.
- Five of the cars that derailed were carrying vinyl chloride, a flammable gas that can lead to life-threatening respiratory issues and an increased risk of cancer.
- Other toxic chemicals on the derailed train cars include butyl acrylate, which can cause breathing difficulties, and ethylene glycol monobutyl, linked to chronic health effects, including liver toxicity.

- Residents have reported fish, hens and roosters dying, along with persistent coughs, sore throats, burning eyes and a lingering odor in the air, even as officials claim there's no risk.
- Every day, about 12,000 rail cars transporting toxic chemicals travel through cities across the U.S.; another disaster is imminent, according to railroad workers, due to cutbacks in staffing, scheduling designed to maximize profits and lack of maintenance to cars, locomotives and tracks.

February 3, 2023, a train carrying toxic chemicals derailed in East Palestine, Ohio, a town near the Ohio-Pennsylvania border. In total, 38 rail cars derailed, and a massive fire that broke out damaged an additional 12 cars.[1]

"Bomb Train" in Ohio Sickens Residents: Railroad Cutbacks, Corporate Greed Led to Toxic Disaster
https://youtube.com/watch?v=BGN81SEmoPU

While no immediate fatalities or injuries were reported, the hazardous materials released from the cars — and concerns over a potential explosion — prompted evacuations from the area. Now residents are wondering if it's really safe to return to their homes, or whether their long-term health, as well as their air, water and soil, has been permanently affected.

Derailed Cars Carried Vinyl Chloride and Other Toxins

The train, operated by Norfolk Southern, included 20 cars carrying hazardous materials. Eleven of them derailed.[2] The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) published a list of the contents of the 11 cars, which included vinyl chloride.[3]

A flammable gas carried on five of the cars, vinyl chloride is used to make hard plastic resin and is found in many consumer products, from credit cards and furniture to plastic PVC piping.[4] Inhaling vinyl chloride could lead to life-threatening respiratory issues.[5] When it breaks down in the air or burns, it can lead to the creation of hydrogen chloride, a respiratory irritant, and phosgene, which was used as a deadly poison gas in World War I.[6]

It's also carcinogenic. According to the National Cancer Institute, "Vinyl chloride exposure is associated with an increased risk of a rare form of liver cancer (hepatic angiosarcoma), as well as primary liver cancer (hepatocellular carcinoma), brain and lung cancers, lymphoma and leukemia."

In addition to outdoor air contamination, if vinyl chloride contaminates a water supply, it can enter household air if that water is used for showering, cooking or laundry.[7] February 13, 2023, Congressman Jamaal Bowman tweeted:[8]

> *"Nearly 1 million pounds of vinyl chloride were on this train. Now, the EPA has confirmed it's entered the Ohio River basin which is home to 25 million people. This is one of the deadliest environmental emergencies in decades and no one is talking about it."*

Other toxic chemicals on the derailed train cars include:[9]

- Butyl acrylate — This flammable liquid is dangerous if swallowed and can irritate the respiratory system, skin and eyes. It poses a "serious" health hazard and can cause breathing difficulties.
- Ethylene glycol monobutyl ether (2-butoxy ethanol) — This chemical, used in paint strippers and household cleaners, can cause "serious or irreversible" chronic health effects, including liver toxicity and damage to the eyes, skin, kidneys and blood.
- Ethylhexyl acrylate — This potential carcinogen is used to make plastics and protective coatings. Inhalation can lead to convulsions, shortness of breath and a buildup of fluid in the lungs.
- Isobutylene — This gas is used to make rubber for tires and inner tubes. It can cause dizziness and unconsciousness if inhaled, along with skin and eye irritation.
- Benzene — This carcinogen also causes genetic mutations. Exposure can lead to coma, irregular heartbeat and damage to blood cells. While the train wasn't carrying benzene when it derailed, residues existed because two empty cars had previously carried the toxic chemical.

Chemical Profile for Vinyl Chloride Just Updated — After 17 Years

Ohio Train Disaster: How Corruption and Greed Created Catastrophe, w/ D…

Video Link

In a strange turn of events, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, released an updated toxicological profile for vinyl chloride in January 2023. The last time the profile was updated was in 2006 — 17 years ago.[10]

One change observed so far significantly increased the level of exposure causing heart damage. Strange Sounds[11] revealed the 2006 version, archived via the Wayback Machine,[12] states, "At high concentrations (>30,000 ppm), vinyl chloride was been shown to sensitize the heart to epinephrine, resulting in cardiac arrhythmias in dogs."

The 2023 version has a significantly higher limit, stating, "At high concentrations (>150,000 ppm), vinyl chloride was shown to sensitize the heart to epinephrine, resulting in cardiac arrhythmias in dogs."[13]

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also recently modified its vinyl chloride webpage, removing sections titled, "How can vinyl chloride affect children?" and "Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?"[14] Reportedly, the section related to children included the following before it was removed:[15]

> *"It has not been proven that vinyl chloride causes birth defects in humans, but studies in animals suggest that vinyl chloride might affect growth and development. Animal studies also suggest that infants and young children might be more susceptible than adults to vinyl chloride-induced cancer."*

Many are now questioning the curious timing of the updates. "I'm not a conspiracy theorist, but why did the CDC update their profile for vinyl chloride 11 DAYS before the train crash in Ohio?" James Bradley tweeted.[16,17]

Reports of Dead Animals, Fish Near Derailment

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) stopped monitoring the community's outdoor air for phosgene and hydrogen chloride February 13, stating, "After the fire was extinguished on February 8, the threat of vinyl chloride fire producing phosgene and hydrogen chloride no longer exists."[18] It continues to monitor for "other chemicals of concern," however.

It's also screening indoor air in homes nearby, and to date states it has "no detections of vinyl chloride or hydrogen chloride." But even as officials claim it's safe for residents to return to their homes, signs suggest otherwise.

Due to chemicals spilled from the train, an estimated 3,500 fish were killed in an area spanning 7.5 miles of streams, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Residents have also reported hens and roosters dying, along with persistent coughs, sore throats, burning eyes and a lingering odor in the air.[19]

Residents have also reported soot on their homes and vehicles, and are expressing concerns over how to clean it since it could be contaminated.[20] After the derailment, crews conducted a controlled burn, igniting the vinyl chloride in an attempt to get rid of it. Andrew Whelton, a professor of environmental and ecological engineering at Purdue University, told NBC News this may have created more problems, including chemicals the EPA isn't testing for.

"When they combusted the materials, they created other chemicals. The question is what did they create?" he said.[21]Meanwhile, February 10, the EPA stated in a letter to Norfolk Southern that hazardous materials "continue to be released to the air, surface soils, and surface waters."[22]

Residents File Lawsuits

Lawsuits have begun to roll in from business owners and residents against Norfolk Southern. According to reporter Julie Grant, speaking with NPR, "They say the company was negligent, and one thing they want is the company to fund court-supervised medical screenings for serious

illnesses that may be caused by exposure to those chemicals."[23] In addition to air pollution, the water supply may also be tainted. Grant explained:[24]

> *"The U.S. EPA said it did find some of the chemicals in nearby creeks and streams. State regulators confirm that fish have been killed, but they said the area's drinking water is supplied by groundwater, so it would take longer for these chemicals to move underground if that were to happen.*

> *Norfolk Southern released a remediation plan, which lists a number of ways it plans to continue to monitor and clean up the site, including installing wells to monitor the groundwater. That's at the site. It's also near the Ohio River, which is a major drinking water source. And at least one company that's supplied by the river says it's looking at an alternative water source in case that's needed."*

In a video posted by Democracy Now!, Emily Wright, a resident of Columbiana County in Ohio, a few miles from the derailment, called the derailment a "chemically-driven environmental nightmare."[25] Initially, she says only those within one mile of the derailment were evacuated, even as the train kept burning overnight and into the next day.

"They kept saying the same thing over and over again in the media and in the press conferences. 'There's no toxins in the air … don't worry,'" she said. But about 48 hours after the derailment, she received an alert on her phone that another explosion had occurred and the fire was out of control.[26]

At the time of the "controlled" burn, high wind gusts were forecasted. The resulting mushroom cloud was caught by winds, traveling over four to five counties in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. In her home just a few miles away, Wright and her family experienced nausea, diarrhea and breathing difficulties.

They considered leaving, but then a shelter-in-place order was issued. At the same time, officials continued to state this was only out of an "abundance of caution," and there were "no toxins in the air." "From day one, we've been fed what wasn't the truth," Wright said.[27]

While mainstream media have also downplayed the seriousness of the derailment, videos have spread on social media highlighting the potential disastrous effects[28] that could come from the approximately million pounds of toxic vinyl chloride that "spilled on the ground, boiled off into the air and then caught fire," leading to hydrogen chloride as a byproduct. This then turns into hydrochloric acid in the atmosphere, with further unknown effects.[29]

Next Train Derailment 'Could Be Cataclysmic'

The East Palestine derailment serves as a wake-up call to potential disaster looming on U.S. railways. Speaking with The Guardian, Ron Kaminkow, an Amtrak locomotive engineer and secretary for the Railroad Workers United, said, "The Palestine wreck is the tip of the iceberg and a red flag. If something is not done, then it's going to get worse, and the next derailment could be cataclysmic."[30]

Every day, about 12,000 rail cars transporting toxic chemicals travel through cities across the U.S. Annually, 4.5 million tons of hazardous materials are shipped by trains in the U.S.[31] The Guardian pointed out the potential for more deadly freight rail derailments is high:[32]

> *"The latest accident comes after 47 people were killed in the town of Lac-Megantic, Quebec, in 2013 when a runaway train exploded. In February 2020, a crude oil train derailed and exploded outside Guernsey, Saskatchewan, and an ethanol train in Kentucky derailed and burst into flames a week later.*

> *The Pittsburgh region alone has seen eight train derailments over the last five years, according to the public health advocacy group Rail Pollution Protection Pittsburgh (RPPP), and about 1,700 annually occur nationally. The causes of the Pittsburgh accidents highlight the myriad ways in which things can go wrong.*

> *A crack in a track ignored by rail companies caused a 2018 derailment, while another train hit a dump truck at a crossing with inadequate safety equipment. A broken axle on a train car is thought to be the source of the East Palestine accident."*

Liquified natural gas (LNG) may pose a particularly significant concern. In 2020, the U.S. Department of Transportation approved rail transport of LNG with no extra safety precautions, even though an accident could be catastrophic. In a letter to the U.S. Department of Transportation opposing the rule change, environmental group Earth Justice wrote:[33,34]

> *"The amount of energy contained in LNG is quite alarming. One gallon of LNG has 0.89975 therms of energy. One DOT-113 tank car has a capacity of approximately 30,000 gallons, meaning that there would be approximately 27,000 therms worth of energy per tank car.*

> *With this much LNG per tank car, it would only take 22 tank cars to hold the equivalent energy of the Hiroshima bomb.55 A unit train of 110 LNG tank cars would thus have five-times the energy of the Hiroshima bomb."*

Is Corporate Greed to Blame?

Speaking with Democracy Now!, Ross Grooters, a locomotive engineer and cochair of Railroad Workers United, stated:[35]

> *"There are deep systemic problems with the freight railroads right now, and those need to be addressed for us to have some sort of normal response to events like this. Until we get at the root causes of the safety issues in the freight rail system in this country, it's … going to occur again … it's just a matter of when and where."*

Grooters blames corporate greed, including cutbacks to staffing, from companies making "obscene amounts of money," and precision scheduled railroading, which he says is designed to maximize profits, not safety. "You're cutting to the bone the amount of people doing the job. So you have fewer people doing a lot more work, faster."

At the same time, cutbacks have been made on the maintenance of cars, locomotives and tracks, while trains are becoming increasingly long and heavy, raising the chances of derailment.

"Lastly, you have the railroads themselves," Grooters says, "which are fighting any kind of regulation, whether it be train control systems that help manage the signal system or the lobbying efforts that we saw to kill electronic braking, which can make for safer operations and a quicker stop should a derailment like this occur."[36]

Norfolk Southern, in fact, has paid $70 million in safety violations since 2000, along with $21 million in environmental violations.[37] As it stands, an estimated 25 million Americans live on an oil train blast zone[38] and could potentially be killed if one of these "bomb trains" derails in their town.

Regarding the toxic Ohio train derailment, Julia Rock, investigative reporter with The Lever, explained, "This is the result of efforts by the railroad industry to ensure that they do not have to retrofit trains carrying hazardous materials and crude oil with safety features."[39]

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Evil Walks Among Us: Child Trafficking Has Become Big Business in America

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> "**Children are being targeted and sold for sex in America every day**."—John Ryan, National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

It takes a special kind of evil to prostitute and traffick a child for sex, and yet this evil walks among us every minute of every day.

Consider this: **every two minutes, a child is bought** and sold for sex.

Hundreds of young girls and boys—**some as young as 9 years old**—are being bought and sold for sex, as many as **20 times per day**.

Adults purchase children for sex at least 2.5 million times a year in the United States alone.

In Georgia alone, it is estimated that **7,200 men (half of them in their 30s) seek to purchase sex with adolescent girls each month**, averaging roughly 300 a day.

On average, a child might be **raped by 6,000 men during a five-year period**.

It is estimated that **at least 100,000 to 500,000 children—girls and boys—are bought and sold for sex in the U.S. every year**, with as many as 300,000 children in danger of being trafficked

each year. Some of these children are forcefully abducted, others are runaways, and still others are sold into the system by relatives and acquaintances.

Child rape has become **Big Business in America**.

This is not a problem found only in big cities.

It's happening everywhere, right under our noses, in suburbs, cities and towns across the nation.

As Ernie Allen of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children points out, "**The only way not to find this in any American city is simply not to look for it**."

Like so many of the evils in our midst, sex trafficking (**and the sexualization of young people**) is a cultural disease that is rooted in the American police state's heart of darkness. It speaks to a sordid, far-reaching corruption that stretches from the highest seats of power (governmental and corporate) down to the most hidden corners and relies on our silence and our complicity to turn a blind eye to wrongdoing.

It is estimated that the number of children who are at risk of being trafficked or have already been sold into the sex trade **would fill 1300 school buses**.

The internet has become the **primary means of sexual predators targeting and selling young children** for sex. "**One in five kids online are sexually propositioned through gaming platforms and other social media.** And those, non-contact oriented forums of sexual exploitation are increasing," said researcher Brian Ulicny.

It's not just young girls who are vulnerable, either.

According to a *USA Today* investigative report, "**boys make up about 36% of children caught up in the U.S. sex industry** (about 60% are female and less than 5% are transgender males and females)."

Every year, the ages of the girls and boys being bought and sold get younger and younger.

The average age of those being trafficked is 13. Yet as the head of a group that combats trafficking pointed out, "Let's think about what average means. That means there are children younger than 13. **That means 8-, 9-, 10-year-olds**."

"**They're minors as young as 13 who are being trafficked**," noted a 25-year-old victim of trafficking. "They're little girls."

This is America's dirty little secret.

But what or who is driving this evil appetite for young flesh? Who buys a child for sex?

Otherwise ordinary men from all walks of life. "**They could be your co-worker, doctor, pastor or spouse**," writes journalist Tim Swarens, who spent more than a year investigating the sex trade in America.

According to criminal investigator Marc Chadderdon, these "buyers"—the so-called "ordinary" men who drive the demand for sex with children—represent a cross-section of American society: **every age, every race, every socio-economic background, cops, teachers, corrections workers, pastors, etc.**

America's police forces—riddled with corruption, brutality, sexual misconduct and drug abuse—represent another facet of the problem: police have become both predators and pimps. As the *Philadelphia Inquirer* reports, "**Hundreds of police officers across the country have turned from protectors to predators, using the power of their badge to extort sex**."

Young girls are particularly vulnerable to these predators in blue.

Former police officer Phil Stinson estimates that **half of the victims of police sex crimes are minors** under the age of eighteen. According to *The Washington Post*, a national study found that **40 percent of reported cases of police sexual misconduct involved teens**.

For example, in California, a police sergeant—a 16-year veteran of the police force—was arrested for **raping a 16-year-old girl who was being held captive and sold for sex** in a home in an upscale neighborhood.

A Pennsylvania police chief and his friend were arrested for allegedly raping a young girl hundreds of times—**orally, vaginally, and anally several times a week**—over the course of seven years, starting when she was 4 years old.

Two NYPD cops were accused of arresting a teenager, handcuffing her, and driving her in an unmarked van to a nearby parking lot, where **they raped her and forced her to perform oral sex on them**, then dropped her off on a nearby street corner.

The *New York Times* reports that "a sheriff's deputy in San Antonio was **charged with sexually assaulting the 4-year-old daughter of an undocumented Guatemalan woman and threatening to have her deported if she reported the abuse**."

And then you have national sporting events such as the Super Bowl, where sex traffickers have been caught selling minors, **some as young as 9 years old**. Whether or not the Super Bowl is a "windfall" for sex traffickers as some claim, it remains a lucrative source of income for the child sex trafficking industry and a draw for those who are willing to pay to rape young children.

Finally, as I documented in an earlier column, **the culture is grooming these young people to be preyed upon by sexual predators**.

Social media makes it all too easy. As one news center reported, "Finding girls is easy for pimps. **They look on … social networks.** They and their assistants cruise malls, high schools and middle schools. They pick them up at bus stops. On the trolley. Girl-to-girl recruitment sometimes happens." Foster homes and youth shelters have also become **prime targets for traffickers**.

Rarely do these children enter into prostitution voluntarily. Many start out as runaways or throwaways, only to be snatched up by pimps or larger sex rings. Others, persuaded to meet up with a stranger after interacting online through one of the many social networking sites, find themselves quickly initiated into their new lives as sex slaves.

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, **nearly 800,000 *children* go missing every year** (roughly 2,185 children a day).

For those trafficked, it's a nightmare from beginning to end.

Those being sold for sex have an **average life expectancy of seven years**, and those years are a living nightmare of endless rape, forced drugging, humiliation, degradation, threats, disease, pregnancies, abortions, miscarriages, torture, pain, and always the constant fear of being killed or, worse, having those you love hurt or killed.

A common thread woven through most survivors' experiences is being **forced to go without sleep or food until they have met their sex quota of at least 40 men**.

As David McSwane recounts in a chilling piece for the *Herald-Tribune*: "In Oakland Park, an industrial Fort Lauderdale suburb, federal agents in 2011 encountered a brothel operated by a married couple. Inside 'The Boom Boom Room,' as it was known, customers paid a fee and were given a condom and a timer and left alone with one of the brothel's eight teenagers, children as young as 13. A 16-year-old foster child testified that he acted as security, while a 17-year-old girl told a federal judge she was **forced to have sex with as many as 20 men a night**."

One particular sex trafficking ring catered specifically to migrant workers employed seasonally on farms throughout the southeastern states, **especially the Carolinas and Georgia**, although it's a flourishing business in every state in the country. Traffickers transport the women from farm to farm, where migrant workers would line up outside shacks, **as many as 30 at a time**, to have sex with them before they were transported to yet another farm where the process would begin all over again.

This growing evil is, for all intents and purposes, out in the open.

Unfortunately, as I document in my book ***Battlefield America: The War on the American People*** and in its fictional counterpart ***The Erik Blair Diaries***, the government's war on sex trafficking, much like the government's war on terrorism, drugs and crime, has become **a perfect excuse for inflicting more police state tactics (police check points, searches, surveillance, and heightened security) on a vulnerable public** while doing little to actually protect our children from sex predators.

That so many children continue to be victimized, brutalized and treated like human cargo is due to three things: one, a consumer demand that is increasingly lucrative for everyone involved—except the victims; two, a level of corruption so invasive on both a local and international scale that there is little hope of working through established channels for change; and three, an eerie silence from individuals who fail to speak out against such atrocities.

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Bill Gates Plans for New Catastrophic Contagion

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Deadlier Than COVID, When Will Gates Release This New Virus?

Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola | **FACT CHECKED ✓**

In October 2019, Event 201 involved an outbreak of a highly infectious coronavirus, just before it happened. Guess what exercise the WHO, Johns Hopkins and Bill Gates just ran, are they about to launch an evil attack on our kids that destroys their neurology?

Story at-a-glance

- Over time, it's become clear that the globalist cabal seeking to implement a one world government repeatedly tell us what they're about to do. Table top pandemic simulations, for example, are a form of dress rehearsal
- In 2017, Johns Hopkins Center of Health Security held a coronavirus pandemic simulation called the SPARS Pandemic 2025-2028 scenario. In October 2019, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in collaboration with Johns Hopkins and the World Economic Forum hosted Event 201
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- Enterovirus D68 is typically associated with cold and flu-like illness in infants, children and teens. In rare cases, it's also been known to cause viral meningitis and acute flaccid myelitis, a neurological condition resulting in muscle weakness and loss of reflexes. The virus they modeled in the Catastrophic Contagion simulation appears to be something similar to enterovirus D68, but worse

Over time, it's become clear that the globalist cabal seeking to implement a one world government repeatedly tell us what they're about to do. They hold dress rehearsals in the form of tabletop exercises, and they've revealed their plans in various reports and white papers through the years.

I have been subscribed to the channel that posted the video above for some time now. She only has 10K subscribers but really gets some amazing content. I have no idea how she was able to secure this video as it is not widely circulated. Even more surprising is that her channel is not being taken down.

COVID Dress Rehearsals

For example, in 2017, Johns Hopkins Center of Health Security held a coronavirus pandemic simulation called the SPARS Pandemic 2025-2028 scenario.[1] Importantly, the exercise highlighted and stressed "communication dilemmas concerning medical countermeasures that could plausibly emerge" in a pandemic scenario.

In October 2019, less than three months before the COVID-19 outbreak, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in collaboration with Johns Hopkins and the World Economic Forum hosted **Event 201**.

As in the SPARS Pandemic scenario, this exercise involved an outbreak of a highly infectious coronavirus, but the primary (if not sole) focus of the exercise was how to control information and keep "misinformation" in check, not how to effectively discover and share remedies.

Social media censorship played prominently in the Event 201 plan, and in the real-world events of 2020 through the present, accurate information about vaccine development, production and injury has indeed been effectively suppressed around the world, thanks to social media companies and Google's censoring of opposing viewpoints.

We now know this censorship was illegally directed by U.S. government officials, including Dr. Anthony Fauci, who was recently deposed[2] about his role in the online censoring of COVID information.

Both of these simulations, SPARS and Event 201, foreshadowed what eventually occurred in real life during COVID, so, when Gates hosts yet another pandemic exercise, it's worth paying attention to the details.

'Catastrophic Contagion' Exercise

October 23, 2022, Gates, Johns Hopkins and the World Health Organization cohosted "a global challenge exercise" dubbed "Catastrophic Contagion,"[3,4] involving a novel (and as of now fictional) pathogen called "severe epidemic enterovirus respiratory syndrome 2025" or SEERS-25 for short.

Enterovirus D68[5] is typically associated with cold and flu-like illness in infants, children and teens. In rare cases, it's also been known to cause viral meningitis and acute flaccid myelitis, a neurological condition resulting in muscle weakness and loss of reflexes in one or more extremities.

The virus they modeled in the Catastrophic Contagion simulation appears to be something similar to enterovirus D68, but worse.

Enteroviruses A71 and A6 are known to cause hand, foot and mouth disease,[6] while poliovirus, the prototypical enterovirus, causes polio (poliomyelitis), a potentially life-threatening type of paralysis that primarily affects children under age 5. So, the virus they modeled in this simulation appears to be something similar to enterovirus D68, but worse.

Training African Leaders to Go Along With the Narrative

Tellingly, the Catastrophic Contagion exercise focused on getting leadership in African countries involved and trained in following the script. Participants included 10 current and former Health Ministers and senior public health officials from Senegal, Rwanda, Nigeria, Angola, Liberia, Singapore, India and Germany, as well as Gates himself.

African nations just so happened to go "off script" more often than others during the COVID pandemic, and didn't follow in the footsteps of developed nations when it came to pushing the jabs. As a result, vaccine makers now face the problem of having a huge control group, as the COVID jab uptake on the African continent was only 6%.[7]

Not surprisingly (for those in the know), Africa has fared far better than developed nations with high COVID jab rates in terms of COVID-19 infections and related deaths.[8]

Now, the Catastrophic Contagion exercise predicts SEERS-25 will kill 20 million people worldwide, including 15 million children, and many who survive the infection will be left with paralysis and/or brain damage. In other words, the "cue" given is that the next pandemic will likely target children rather than the elderly, as was the case with COVID-19.

This is an interesting coincidence, seeing how rates of toddlers and young children hospitalized with influenza and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) is already spiking.

COVID Jabs Are Destroying People's Immune Systems

Coincidentally, over the past year, researchers have been warning that the COVID jabs may be dysregulating and destroying people's immune systems, leaving them vulnerable to all sorts of infections. According to a study[9] posted on the preprint server medRxiv in May 2021, the Pfizer/BioNTech COVID jab "reprograms both adaptive and innate immune responses, causing immune depletion."

In August 2021, a French group of pediatric infectious disease experts also warned that "immunity debt" caused by a lack of exposure to common viruses and bacteria during COVID lockdowns and school closures might predispose children to suffer more infections in the future.[10]

They predicted the decrease in viral and bacterial exposure that train your child's immune system may result in a rebound of a variety of infectious diseases, including influenza and RSV) which is precisely what we're now seeing. If a modified enterovirus gets added into the mix, it's not difficult to see how parents might get spooked enough to start lining their kids up for more shots — including parents in African nations.

Why Manufactured Pandemics Will Continue

At this point, it's quite clear that "biosecurity" is the chosen means by which the globalist cabal intends to seize power over the world. The WHO is working on securing sole power over pandemic response globally through its international **pandemic treaty** which, if implemented, will eradicate the sovereignty of all member nations.

Ultimately, the WHO intends to dictate all health care. December 13, 2022, the WHO announced Sir Jeremy Farrar, head of the Wellcome Trust — who colluded with Dr. Anthony Fauci to suppress the COVID lab-leak narrative — has been chosen as its new chief scientist.[11]

The WHO's pandemic treaty is the gateway to a global, top-down totalitarian regime, a one world government. But to secure that power, they will need more pandemics. COVID-19 alone was not

enough to get everyone onboard with a centralized pandemic response unit, and they probably knew that from the start.

So, the reason we can be sure there will be additional pandemics, whether manufactured using either fear and hype alone or an actual bioweapon created for this very purpose, is because the takeover plan, aka **The Great Reset**, is based on the premise that we need global biosecurity surveillance and centralized response.

Biosecurity, in turn, is the justification for an **international vaccine passport, which the G20 just signed on to**, and that passport will also be your digital identification. That digital ID, then, will be tied to your social credit score, personal carbon footprint tracker, medical records, educational records, work records, social media presence, purchase records, your bank accounts and a programmable central bank digital currency (CBDC).

Once all these pieces are fully connected, you'll be in a digital prison, and the ruling cabal — whether officially a one world government by then or not — will have total control over your life from cradle to grave.

COVID Is a Global Propaganda Operation

Covid is a Global Propaganda Operation

Video Link

In the video above,[12,13] initially published in August 2021, professor Piers Robinson, Ph.D., an expert on communication, media, world politics and the role of propaganda, spoke to Asia Pacific Today about propaganda in the age of COVID.

As noted by Robinson, COVID-19 is unquestionably the largest, most sophisticated propaganda operation in history. Psychological techniques were extensively used during 2020 to incite fear in the population, while other persuasion strategies were used to get people to support and defend COVID measures such as masking, isolation, social distancing, lockdowns and jab mandates.

Indeed, propaganda is what allowed for draconian and unscientific COVID measures to be implemented. Without propaganda and simultaneous censorship of opposing views, little of what we've been through would have been possible.

As noted by Robinson, while the use of state propaganda could initially be justified as a necessary means to achieve a public health objective — protecting people from COVID-related illness and death — it quickly became apparent that this was not the case, and likely never was.

COVID-19 has instead been used to suspend and strip us of Constitutional rights and civil liberties, and is still being exploited to further social, political and financial restructuring objectives, entirely outside democratic processes and public scrutiny. We also know it's not about public health since:

- COVID is now nothing more than another endemic respiratory infection, much like the common cold, and
- The COVID jabs don't prevent infection or spread of the virus, which negates the entire premise for vaccine passports, yet they're being pushed anyway

How Did Gates Become the High Priest of the COVID Narrative?

In related news, Politico recently published a special report[14] detailing how Gates, who has no medical expertise whatsoever, ended up controlling the global COVID response with no oversight to speak of.

In the earliest days of the pandemic, four nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) banded together to identify vaccine makers and make "targeted investments in the development of tests, treatments and shots," Politico explains.

These NGOs were the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Gavi (a Gates organization that provides vaccines to developing nations), the Wellcome Trust (a British research foundation led by Farrar, now selected to be the WHO's head scientist) and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), an international vaccine research and development group cofounded by Gates and Wellcome in 2017.

In collaboration with the WHO, these four NGOs — three of which were founded by Gates — then set out to create a global distribution plan for the tests, drugs and injections they'd invested in.

Incidentally, Gates at that time was also the largest donor to the WHO, as then-President Trump had pulled the U.S. out of the WHO and stopped funding. It's hard to imagine a situation with greater conflicts of interest. The four groups also greased the wheels of governments.

Collectively, they spent more than $8.3 million to lobby lawmakers and officials in the U.S. and Europe. A number of U.S. and EU officials, as well as WHO representatives, have also been employed by one or more of these NGOs, which helped solidify their political connections.

A number of civil society organizations that are active in developing countries, including Doctors Without Borders, have objected to Western-dominated groups making life-and-death decisions for poorer nations.

"'What makes Bill Gates qualified to be giving advice and advising the U.S. government on where they should be putting the tremendous resources?' asked Kate Elder, senior vaccines policy adviser for the Doctors Without Borders' Access Campaign," Politico writes.[15]

Self-Serving Consortium Is Running Our Pandemic Response

Politico's special report continues:[16]

> *"Now, critics are raising significant questions about the equity and effectiveness of the group's response to the pandemic — and the serious limitations of outsourcing the pandemic response to unelected, privately-funded groups. 'I think we should be deeply concerned,' said Lawrence Gostin, a Georgetown University professor who specializes in public-health law.*

> *'Putting it in a very crass way, money buys influence. And this is the worst kind of influence. Not just because it's money — although that's important, because money shouldn't dictate policy — but also, because it's preferential access, behind closed doors.'*

> *Gostin said that such power, even if propelled by good intentions and expertise, is 'anti-democratic, because it's extraordinarily non-transparent, and opaque' and 'leaves behind ordinary people, communities and civil society'…*

> *any global health specialists question whether the groups are capable of performing the rigorous post-mortems necessary to build a stronger global response system for the future.*

> *'No one's actually holding these actors to account,' said Sophie Harman, professor of international politics at Queen Mary University of London. 'And they're the ones that are really shaping our ability to respond to pandemics'…*

> *Without governments stepping in to take the lead on pandemic preparedness, the four organizations, along with their partners in the global health community, are the only entities that are in a position to lead in the world's response to a devastating outbreak — again.*

> *'They're funded by their own capabilities and or endowments and trusts. But when they step into multilateral affairs, then who keeps watch over them?' a former senior U.S. official said. 'I don't know the answer to that. That's quite provocative.'"*

Final Thoughts

So, in the final analysis, we already have a pseudo-one world government, in the form of Gates' NGOs. They are making health care decisions that should be left to individual nations and/or states, and they're making decisions that will line their own pockets, regardless of what happens to the public health-wise.

They coordinate and synchronize pandemic communication during these simulated practice runs, and then, when the real-world situation emerges that fits the bill, the preplanned script is simply played out verbatim.

African nations failed to follow the script during COVID, which is why they're focusing on African leaders in the latest simulation. They need to get rid of the African control group by getting them onboard with mass injection and all the rest. It's basically a recruitment effort.

Lastly, between the G20 declaration to implement an international vaccine passport under the auspice of the WHO, and the WHO's pandemic treaty, everything is lined up to take control of the next pandemic, and in so doing, further securing the foundation for a one world government.

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Baby dies of large blood clot after doctor ignores parents' request for unvaxxed transfusion

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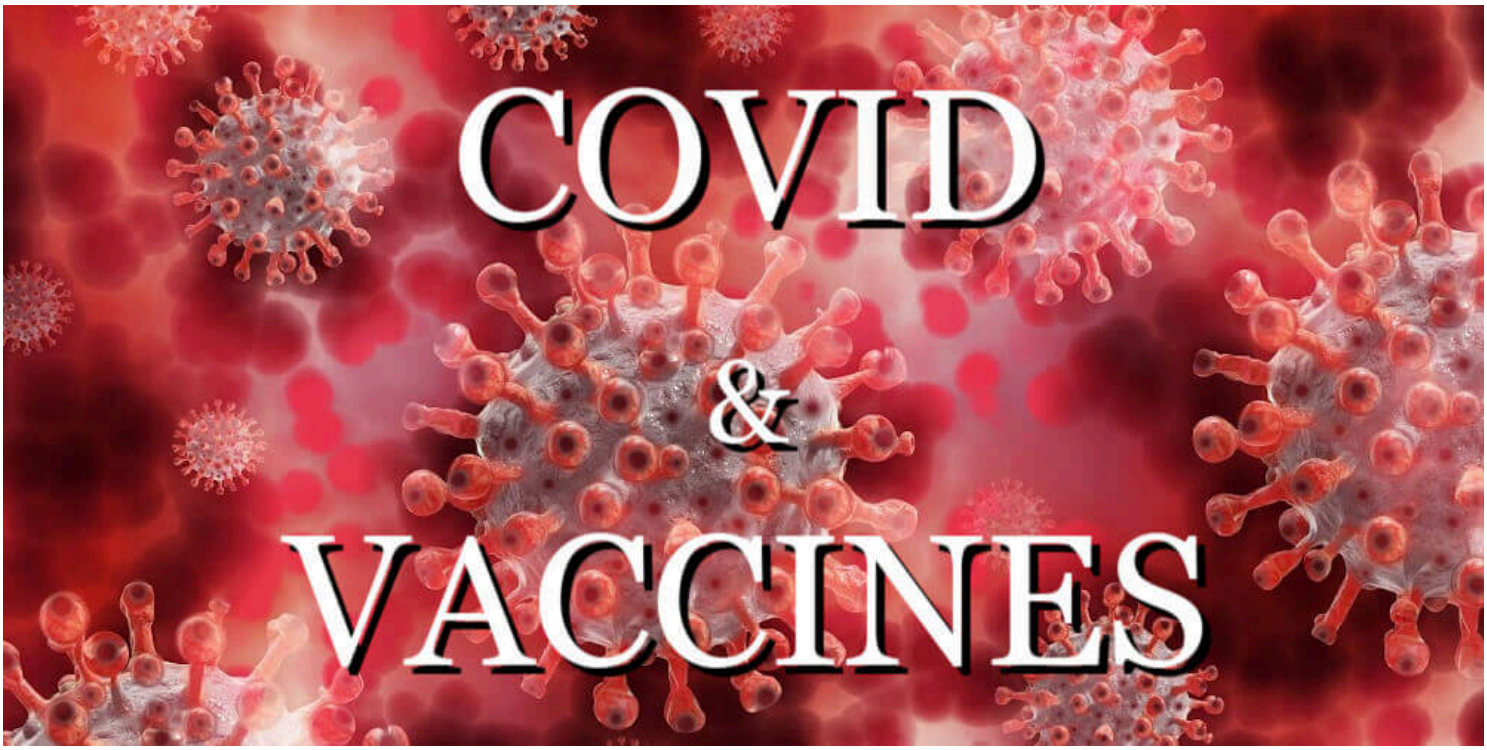

Cornelia Hertzler said doctors discovered a blood clot in her infant son 'within a few hours after' a transfusion of blood from a general blood bank.

SPOKANE, Washington (**LifeSiteNews**) —A baby boy in Washington state died of a large blood clot after a hospital gave him a blood transfusion from a general stockpile instead of from an unvaccinated donor, as his parents requested.

Soon after baby Alexander was born on January 3, 2022, his parents Cornelia Hertzler and Ron Bly discovered not only that his esophagus and trachea were abnormally connected, but that he had a heart condition — Double Outlet Right Ventricle (DORV), in which oxygenated and deoxygenated blood are mixed — which required surgery for long-term survival.

In order to undergo neonatal heart surgery, Alexander was airlifted to Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Washington, a Catholic hospital (as confirmed to LifeSiteNews) where his parents **made clear** to the hospital that they "did not want any blood transfusions from the blood bank" because they "were worried about blood from vaccinated donors causing blood clots."

Bly **explained** to Louisa Clary of the Vaccine Safety Research Foundation on Thursday that their caution was provoked at least in part by the death of a friend who was in her 60s and was "very healthy," but who "had a heart attack three days after getting the Moderna shot."

After repeatedly telling the parents that using unvaccinated blood from a directed donor would be very difficult and "very expensive," the "hospital finally conceded, the day before" Alexander's first operation, "that all the family needed to do was fill out a few forms to accept and utilize blood from specific donors," **reported** Brian Wilkins, editor in chief of *The COVID Blog*.

"Turns out, the entire process was relatively easy and inexpensive," said Hertzler. However, as Bly pointed out to Clary, the hospital still "kept delaying and delaying on" providing the "paperwork to get directed donor blood."

Thus, the paperwork was not processed in time for the parents to use the unvaccinated blood for a transfusion by the time of Alexander's second operation. While the surgery itself did not require blood, Dr. Eleane Beadle determined that Alexander needed a blood transfusion the next day due to low hemoglobin levels.

"Instead of waiting a few more days for the blood we had donated to be fully processed and available," the doctor used blood from a general blood bank for the transfusion, Bly told Clary.

Wikins has pointed out that Washington "had a **70% fully-vaccinated population by February 1, 2022**, with 79% receiving at least one injection," and so "there was a near 80% chance Alexander got vaxxed blood."

The doctor "found the blood clot within a few hours after he got the transfusion," Hertzler told Clary on Thursday.

Hertzler said that while previously, the doctors had told them that "blood clots are very rare" in a case like Alexander's, after he got a blood clot, they said, "Well, this happens. But…it's something a blood thinner can fix."

"And the blood thinners — they had him on the highest dose they could give an infant. And it did nothing. just kept growing really fast," she went on.

Hertzler believes that if the clot had been "normal," then blood thinners would have helped dissolve it. She said that, "given our understanding" of the findings of abnormal clots in the vaxxed deceased, "we know that it's not a normal blood clot."

Bly explained in a fundraiser for Alexander that the clot grew to be "enormous," and "eventually stretched from his left knee, all the way to his heart."

A bacterial infection of MRSA "colonized the blood clot and no amount of medication nor antibiotics could shrink the clot or remove the infection."

Baby Alex died 12 days after surgery, on February 17, 2022. He was buried in Walla Walla, Washington, after a Russian Orthodox funeral, Wilkins shared.

Bly later added on Alexander's fundraiser page that his wife contacted Sacred Heart Children's Hospital and that the hospital "claim they can find no record of our son."

Hertzler told Clary she had "emailed the records team" at the hospital and was sent a form to fill out and asked to submit her ID and any name that Alexander might be listed under.

"I sent my last name, his last name, like his legal name … and she tried every single name and couldn't pull anything up and said, I can't find any record of him being in our system.'"

LifeSiteNews contacted Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center on Thursday seeking information to "confirm a few facts" on a story about a baby born earlier this year at the hospital.

"I have no information regarding that and this conversation is terminated," replied a hospital staffer.

Hertzler told Clary that Alexander has an "honorary birth certificate" because of long delays in obtaining his official birth certificate at his birth hospital, which she said was due to a staff absence.

New Zealand's High Court has recently **taken** temporary guardianship of a four-month-old baby after his parents remained firm in demanding that only blood not tainted by the COVID-19 "vaccine" be used during surgery to repair their son's heart defect.

A video showing when the child was taken by police from the parents has since gone viral, in which the mother can be heard weeping and pleading as the authorities take her child away.

Heart problems have arisen in droves following the rollout of the COVID vaccinations. One major new autopsy **report** found that three people who died unexpectedly at home with no pre-existing disease shortly after COVID vaccination were likely killed by the vaccine. The report indicates that the deaths may stem from a vaccine-related autoimmune attack on the heart.

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Cause Unknown: The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths

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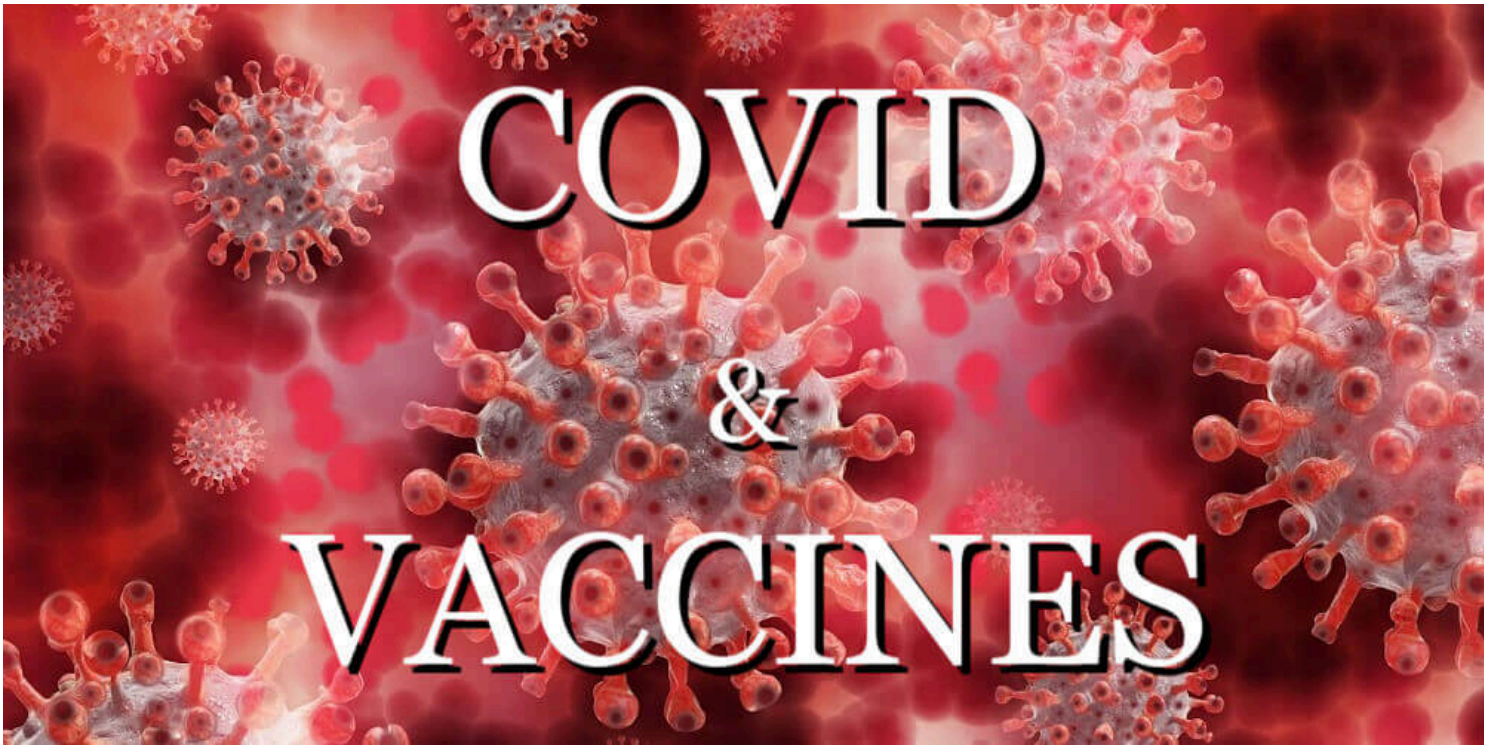

Deaths Soar in Fortune 500 Companies, Is It This 28-Day Con?

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Story at-a-glance

- In his new book, "Cause Unknown: The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths in 2021 and 2022," former BlackRock fund manager Edward Dowd details data showing the COVID shots are a crime against humanity
- Insurance industry research in 2016 concluded that group life policyholders die at one-third the rate of the general U.S. population, so they're the healthiest among us. Group life policyholders are those employed with Fortune 500 companies, who tend to be younger and well-educated
- In 2020, the general U.S. population had higher excess mortality than group life holders, but in 2021, that flipped. Ages 25 through 64 of the group life policyholders suddenly experienced 40% excess mortality, compared to 32% in the general population. In short, a far healthier subset of the population suddenly died at a higher rate than the general population
- American disability statistics are equally revealing. In the five years before COVID, the monthly disability rate was between 29 million and 30 million. After the COVID jabs, the

disability trend changed dramatically. As of September 2022, there were 33.2 million disabled Americans — an extra 3.2 million to 4.2 million — a three standard deviation rate of change since May 2021

- Since May 2021, the overall U.S. population has experienced an 11% increase in disabilities, while the employed — which is about 98 million out of a total population of about 320 million — experienced 26% increased rate of disability. So, something was introduced into the workforce that caused working age people to die

In this video, I interview repeat guest Edward (Ed) Dowd, a former analyst and fund manager with BlackRock, the largest asset manager in the world. With more than $10 trillion in assets, BlackRock wields greater financial power than any country in the world with the exception of the U.S. and China.

Dowd has a knack for seeing trends, and was able to grow the assets he managed during his time at BlackRock from $2 billion to $14 billion. Ten years ago, he left BlackRock, moved to Maui and became an entrepreneur. More recently, he's come out as a whistleblower against the COVID shots and Big Pharma corruption.

In our **last interview**, we discussed the mathematical certainty of a financial collapse, and how COVID provided a convenient smoke screen to hide this reality.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See his 4 minute data https://rumble.com/v1zv1hc-edward-dowd-request-120922.html)

Phinance Technologies founding partner Edward Dowd testifies that 2021 saw a 40 percent rise in excess mortality, and a 26 percent rise in disabled workers, possibly due to COVID shots and mandates.

From U.S. Senator Ron Johnson's Roundtable on COVID-19 Vaccines:

For the full 3-hour video, visit: ***https://rumble.com/v1ze4d0-covid-19-vaccines-what-they-are-how-they-work-and-possible-causes-of-injuri.html***

Data Reveals Crimes Against Humanity

Dowd has now published a book, "**Cause Unknown: The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths in 2021 and 2022**," in which he details the data showing the shots are a crime against humanity.

> *"When this product came to market, I was very suspicious because I know a lot about health care,"* Dowd says. *"I was on Wall Street and I used to analyze health care stocks. I knew that normal vaccines took seven to 10 years to prove effectiveness and safety.*

> *This was an experimental vaccine, a nontraditional gene therapy that had never been tested on humans. I read the literature on the animal tests and they were an abomination. Then, this thing was approved in 28 days. They got rid of the control group. I knew it was Operation Warp Speed, so I was highly suspicious of this whole thing from the get-go.*

> *Then in early 2021, I started hearing anecdotes that people were getting sick and/or injured, or died, from distant friends and relatives. I started reading about sudden athlete deaths, suspected the vaccine right away. I didn't have the data that I have now, but I said to myself, 'You know, I'm going to look at insurance company results, funeral home results.'*

> *That eventually led to excess mortality statistics … I'm known as 'the excess mortality guy' right now. What I've learned through my own personal experience is that Pharma is, on the whole, mostly fraudulent. Most drugs that have been approved by the FDA aren't really all that safe and effective.*

> *They have to recall so many drugs every year. The FDA has been wholly captured by the pharma industry. Seventy to 75% of the drug approval pharma arm of the FDA comes from pharma fees, directly from the companies, so this has been corrupted for a long time.*

> *It's now exposed primarily because is such a large amount of people. It's hard to hide this one … This fraud is unveiled and out there for people to see, but it's only in the echo chamber. Mainstream media is still beholden to Big Pharma because of all the ad spend and the government policymakers … want this to go away.*

> *There's a giant cover-up going on as far as I'm concerned. The data that I'm going to talk about today is there for the global health authorities to see. They see what I see, and at this point it's negligence, malfeasance, a cover-up and a crime.*

> *That's why I'm here, because I don't believe anybody has a right to tell me what to do with my body, and I can't believe this actually happened. The numbers I'm going to reveal to you are now a national security concern."*

Group Life Insurance Statistics Tell a Curious Story

Dowd's concerns are based on a variety of statistics, including but not limited to government mortality and disability data, as well as data from private insurance companies, such as group life insurance data. As explained by Dowd, group life policies are policies given to large Fortune 500 corporations and mid-sized companies.

Basically, when you start to work at one of these companies, you sign onto a policy from Day 1 that includes a health care plan and life insurance plan (death benefit), which is typically one or two times your annual salary. The only way you can get a claim on these policies is if you die while employed. If you quit or get fired, you don't get this claim.

Group life insurance is a lucrative business for insurance companies because the death rates have historically been highly predictable. In the U.S., the available civilian labor force is about 164

million people in total. Of those, 98 million are actually employed, and of those 98 million, only small subset actually has group life insurance.

> *"These people are a tiny subset of the 98 million because these are the workers at the best corporations with access to the best health care. They're highly educated and employed, and you have to have some measure of health to be employed.*

> *The industry did research in 2016 to determine how healthy this population is compared to the general U.S. population … This report said that in any given year, the group life policyholders die at one-third the rate of the general U.S. population. They experience a third the mortality rate of the general U.S. population, so they're healthy.*

> *What happened in 2021 to this group? Well, let's talk about what happened in 2020. COVID affected everybody, and the general U.S. population experienced more excess mortality from COVID pre-vaccine than the group life holders, so that relationship helped. Well, in 2021 that flipped. Ages 25 through 64 of the group life policyholders, as reported by the Society of Actuaries, experienced 40% excess mortality.*

> *The general U.S. population in 2021 experienced 32% excess mortality. This is year two of the pandemic with miracle vaccines. Isn't that interesting? A much healthier subset of the population died at a higher rate than the general population."*

Disability Stats Reveal Jabs Are a National Security Concern

American disability statistics are equally revealing. Every month, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics conducts surveys on disability. In the five years before COVID, the monthly disability rate was between 29 million and 30 million. Those are absolute numbers.

After the COVID jabs, starting in May 2021, the disability trend changed dramatically. As of September 2022, there were 33.2 million disabled Americans. That's an extra 3.2 million or 4.2 million, depending on whether you're using the 29 million or 30 million baseline. That's a three standard deviation rate of change since May 2021.

A three standard deviation means that the chance of this happening is 0.03%, so something happened around May 2021 that was highly unusual. Since then, the overall U.S. population has experienced an 11% rate of increase in disabilities, while the employed — which is about 98 million out of a total population of about 320 million — experienced 26% increased rate of disability.

> *"So, we have two different databases suggesting the same thing,"* Dowd says. *"It was detrimental to your health to be employed in 2021 and 2022 … Something is happening to the most able-bodied amongst us, college students, those employed, those in the military, the frontline workers …*

> *Those who are employed are getting disabled faster than the general U.S. population. That shouldn't happen. The employed amongst us are healthier, generally speaking … If you have a job, you tend to be able to show up at work. Basically, the bottom line is this. The only explanation for this that I can see is mandates for experimental biological inoculations …*

> *One of my whistleblowers from the insurance told me that as of August 2022, the millennial cohort of the group life holders is still experiencing 36% excess mortality.*

> *People in Fortune 500 companies are dying at a much more excessive rate than those who are not employed there, so this has implications for years to come. It's a national security concern as far as I can tell … We seem to have poisoned the most able-bodied amongst us through mandates."*

The same trends are seen in Europe. Excess mortality amongst the young has gone up. In the first year of the pandemic, old people died. In the second year, it suddenly shifted to younger working folks.

A Disaster in the Making

For now, the excess mortality trend in the U.S. has leveled out between 15% to 20% for the general population. In the U.K. and Europe, the excess mortality trend in the general population is between 10% and 20%. Meanwhile, American millennials in the workforce with group life policies have an excess death rate of 36% as of August 2022.

As noted by Dowd, if you're employed at a Fortune 500 company that mandate boosters, it makes sense that your excess mortality will be higher than the general population if the shots are harming people.

Many in the general population are too young to take the shots, are self-employed, work for small companies that aren't obliged to mandate shots, or are retired. In short, the general population has had greater choice when it comes to taking the shots or not. If these trends continue at this same rate, it's an absolute disaster for our economy and society at large.

> *"The CEO of OneAmerica, Scott Davison, said a 10% rise in excess mortality amongst younger-age working people is a three standard deviation event, or a once in a 200-year flood. That's just 10%. He said the 40% they saw in 2021 was just unfathomable. They couldn't even calculate what that meant.*

> *We're above 10%, so we're well above the three standard deviation event. What we don't know is the long-term trends. Anecdotally, one young woman I know, 30, got it in December 2021.*

> *She's presenting with heart issues now, in the month of October . She's got a heart rate beat per minute of 30, so she's got problems. I'm hearing about lots and lots of heart issues in my millennial friends' circles that have presented themselves well after the shot."*

As detailed in "**Is Long-COVID the Elephant in the Room?**" recent research[1] from Switzerland found the rate of subclinical myocarditis is hundreds of times more common than clinical myocarditis. In fact, 100% of those who got the jab suffered some level of heart injury, even if they were asymptomatic, as they all had elevated troponin levels (an indicator of or biomarker for heart damage).

Stock Trading as an Analogy for COVID Jab Uptake

The good news is that the uptake of the latest bivalent boosters is only 10%, which means 90% of those eligible for it have not gotten it. Hopefully, this is a sign of sanity returning. However, many remain stuck in the pro-mandate box for the simple reason that their egos are wrapped up in it.

Many didn't take and push the shots for personal health reasons. As noted by Dowd, "They did it for virtue signaling tribal reasons, and they wanted to feel superior to other people." To break the spell, they must come to the realization that they were duped, they were fooled, and that's painful.

> *"If you buy a stock and your investment thesis is proven wrong, what you should do is pull a 180 and sell the stock, because you're wrong. What I found, even with some of the greatest investors, is that if their ego was attached to it, they would ignore clear evidence that the thesis was compromised. Sometimes fraud would even be involved in some of these companies, but they would continue to buy the stock all the way down.*

> *That's an analogy for what taking boosters is at this point — taking boosters for a product that doesn't work at all, doesn't prevent COVID nor transmission. Let's say you think it's safe and effective. But now there are serious safety concerns that are proven, so it's literally your ego that's going to kill you. We call that 'dumb money' on Wall Street, so think of this like a trade.*

> *You either long the vaccine or short the vaccine. Those of us who didn't take it are short. Those who are long have an opportunity to pull a 180 on this and not get boosters. That would be the equivalent of selling stock.*

> *Those who continue to get boosters are getting longer as more and more evidence rolls out.*

> *This is the greatest asymmetric information gap I've ever seen in my lifetime, and it's due to a whole host of factors — media blackouts, government corruption, regulator corruption and ego, people's individual ego. This is the greatest trade of my lifetime and, what side of the trade do you want to be on?*

> *My hope is to convince people to cut their losses and stop taking this thing and then look at ways to heal the damage that's been done. The good news is there does seem to be people working on protocols to at least mitigate and hopefully reverse some of the damage."*

Impacts on US Infrastructure

If excess mortality and disability rates remain catastrophically elevated, the impacts on our infrastructure will be severe. Dowd estimates 2 million to 3 million Americans have already been disabled by the shots. Officially, the unemployment rate is 3%, but if you add in the excess disabilities, you find that the real unemployment rate is actually around 6%.

> *"Why is that important? We have 3% unemployment yet we have help wanted signs everywhere. Well, the reason you have help wanted signs is because people who used to be able to work, able-boded Americans, are no longer able to work, so it's creating shortages.*

> *There's also not complete disability. Some people are sucking it up and dragging their ass to work, but they're also missing days. A lot of people are calling in and missing days … I can also talk about what I'm seeing with supply chain with automobiles. My car was hit July 14th . My left headlight panel was destroyed and the radiator was damaged.*

> *It took 10 days to get a police report because my police department has staff shortages. Then, I called around and there are shortages of parts all across the globe and the body shops are backed up. I couldn't even get a tow to a body shop until November, so I couldn't get an estimate to give to my insurance company. I had to do a photo estimate.*

> *It took them about a month to get back to me, and then when I put in the repairs, my insurance company said, 'We're going to junk your car. It's a total loss. We'll cut you a check.' Now, the reason they did that was because they're making money off my junk car.*

> *They're going to sell the parts, they gave me more money than the Blue Book value … This is kind of the glacial beginning, what I call the 'glacial Mad Max' scenario.*

> *Goods and services that we used to take for granted are going to start to disappear. Uber Eats, that's going to go the way of the dodo bird. There's just not going to be enough people to fill these jobs and it's going to become increasingly more difficult to get things. Supply chains are already broken. They're going to become more broken with less people on the margin.*

> *Remember, supply chains are all done just-in-time. That was a big thing when I was on Wall Street. 'Just-in-time supply chain, super-efficient.' Well, just-in-time was algorithmically designed to use the least amount of people. Now, you just need a couple of people to call in sick or disappear, and everything gets backed up. So, this is beginning.*

> *I think it's going to get worse and worse. What I'm hearing about the medium-term impacts scare me. Because of the uptake in boosters has lessened, we should have seen excess mortality start to drop into single digits. But it's not.*

> *It's still running , and I suspect when the numbers are in from the flu season this winter, excess mortality will trend up again because people's immune systems are compromised. Illnesses that would have been easy to withstand are going to knock some people out."*

Life Expectancy Has Plummeted

At the end of August 2022, we also discovered that life expectancy in the U.S. dropped precipitously during 2020 and 2021,[2] which further supports the hypothesis that the shots are prematurely killing people.

As I was preparing for my interview with Ed, I realized I wanted to discuss the worst decrease in life expectancy in the U.S. in over 100 years with him, as he had not discussed it in his book. I used a few of the non-Google search engines and could not find it at all. Then I realized I saved a copy of the story in one of my PowerPoint lectures (see below):

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U.S. Life Expectancy Falls Again in 'Historic' Setback

The decline during the pandemic is the sharpest in nearly 100 years, hitting Native American and Alaska Native communities particularly hard.

By Roni Caryn Rabin

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The average life expectancy of Americans fell precipitously in 2020 and 2021, the sharpest two-year decline in nearly 100 years and a stark reminder of the toll exacted on the nation by the continuing coronavirus pandemic.

If I had not saved this screenshot and not had the precise headline to search for I would likely have never found the article.

In 2019, the average life span of Americans of all ethnicities was nearly 79 years. By the end of 2021, life expectancy had dropped to 76 — a loss of nearly three years. Typically, a drop in life expectancy by a mere month or two is a big deal, so a three-year loss is a sign that something catastrophic has occurred.

It's also rather incriminating that The New York Times article[3] that reported this historical decline in life expectancy was quickly deleted, as were all reposts. To me, the decrease in life expectancy is prima facie evidence that the COVID shots are a dangerous fraud. Probably, the article was scrubbed to protect the pro-jab narrative.

This is a classic illustration of what the global cabal is doing, and I discussed it in great depth with an upcoming interview with Whitney Webb. It is clear this censorship and removal of important information will only worsen with time. So if you value a video or article it would be really helpful to download it to your personal drives as it very well may be gone the next time you go to look for it.

More Information

To learn more, be sure to pick up a copy of Dowd's book, "**Cause Unknown: The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths in 2021 and 2022**." To stay abreast on Dowd's ongoing work, you can also **follow him on GETTR**.

> *"I'm not a scientist. I'm not a doctor. I'm a financial capital markets expert,"* Dowd notes. *"What do we do in financial capital markets? We accumulate information edges over other people to make decisions on asset classes, to make money before everybody else sees the trend change. That's how you make money.*

> *I live in the world between perception, reality and timing of that switch from perception to reality. Right now, the perception by 90% of the population seems to be that the COVID shot is a safe and effective and I'm crazy. Well, my data suggests that I'm not crazy. Not only am I not crazy, you're so wrong it's going to be detrimental to your health.*

> *The book is a journey through how I think. I present the theory of the case. It's simple deductive reasoning. You don't have to believe me, but you have to ask this question: 'If 2020 was so exciting to the media and the health officials that counted all the deaths with such glee, why are they not talking about the excessive death rates we're now seeing globally, especially amongst the younger age working folks and the employed folks?'*

> *There seems to be crickets on that, so you have to ask yourself, 'If that's not a national security concern and a national health crisis, then what is?' Why the silence? Well, prima facie evidence of a cover-up is my thesis … Look at my book as a stock thesis. It's my investment case on why I would pitch a stock to you … I'm just pitching you a trade.*

> *Get out of the vaccine. Stop taking them. You're on the wrong side of the trade, and if you don't listen to me, instead of losing money, you're probably going to lose your health and/or life."*

A Red Pill for Christmas

A great feature of "**Cause Unknown: The Epidemic of Sudden Deaths in 2021 and 2022**" is that it's not going to overwhelm you with complex statistical analysis. It's a simple read with lots of pictures and graphs. It also includes QR codes to references so you can rapidly confirm them.

> *"Everything I sourced,"* Dowd says. *"It's a powerful book. It's a book that I hope changes the marginal mind … I think it makes a great Christmas gift for the family member who doesn't see the reality we see and, again, it's coming from a Wall Street guy, laid out as an investment thesis. You can disagree, but all the stuff that I put in the book is sourced and the data is the data …*

> *What we don't do in the book is we don't get into the who and why. We don't want to assault someone's worldview, but the data's so compelling, we do say at the end of the book … 'There's a cover-up going on and malfeasance.'*

> *Jessica Rose, Ph.D., said in an interview with me, and I put her quote in the book, 'Some things are worse than death.' The most acute adverse reaction is death. But there are other ones that can make your life pretty miserable for a long, long time, and also make other people's lives miserable that have to take care of you.*

> *When you think about labor statistics, if there's someone in the house that's disabled severely, the person who's not disabled loses work hours and work weeks taking care of that person, taking them to hospital visits, what have you.*

> *Also, think about the hospital infrastructure that's going to be overwhelmed, especially with the health care workers who were mandated to take all these jabs. We're going to have a health care crisis, whether you know it or not.*

> *It's coming, and you're not going to have access to health care … That's why I think people need to look at holistic health themselves and get as healthy as possible right now … Do what you can outside the medical system because soon it's not going to be there for you."*

Since May 2021, the overall U.S. population has experienced an 11% increase in disabilities, while the employed — which is about 98 million out of a total population of about 320 million — experienced 26% increased rate of disability.

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The Daily Skirmish – NPR Gets Jiang Zemin All Wrong

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NPR's 'All Things Considered' last night carried a story about the death of former Chinese head of state Jiang Zemin. The **show** presented Zemin as a flamboyant lovable toad, a "funny guy" with giant glasses who self-deprecatingly practiced his English with foreign reporters and who set the stage for economic growth in China.

The reality is quite different. Jiang Zemin was a **butcher**, a human rights violator who created a huge problem with **corruption**. He moved the country towards greater dictatorship and a police state, keeping a stranglehold on power from behind the scenes after he left office. He took a hard line on the Tiananmen Square protesters, calling their liquefaction under tank treads 'not a tragedy' and supporting the **death penalty** for their leaders.

He is best known for religious persecution, for launching the nationwide onslaught against the spiritual group Falun Gong, a persecution campaign that continues today. Falun Gong, which is derived from Buddhism, claims 70 to 100 million followers in China. There were more Falun Gong practitioners than Chinese Communist Party members at one point.

To the communists, anything they think competes with their power – even if it's not political – must be stamped out. In 1999, Jiang Zemin created the notorious 610 Office to carry out an

eradication campaign against the Falun Gong. Government-sponsored hate messages became ubiquitous and millions were imprisoned and tortured in Chinese jails, forced labor camps, and psychiatric wards. I've worked with one who finally got out and came to America to tell the world what was really going on in China.

I suggest NPR interview **Jennifer Zeng** and learn her story of what she saw in prison – Falun Gong shocked with electric batons, forced to squat for hours in a stationary position, beaten to give up their beliefs, and the rest of it.

But that's only half the story.

Jiang Zemin also **ordered** that prisoners of conscience like Falun Gong be killed for their organs.

Forced organ harvesting is a multi-billion dollar business in China and the unapologetic practice of it on an industrial scale traces back to Jiang Zemin. A 2016 U.S. **House resolution** cited evidence proving the Chinese government and military are engaged in forced organ harvesting from Falun Gong and other prisoners. The resolution called for an independent investigation which China has never allowed. China has never explained how it could possibly be performing a hundred thousand organ transplants a year, or how it can find so many exact organ matches so quickly, in a matter of days when people have to wait months for organ transplants in other countries. China denies anything sinister is going on and points to its new official organ donation system, but China has been caught **faking its data** and its propaganda on the subject is shrill. It attempts to **discredit** anyone who dares look into the matter and to blame xenophobic 'anti-China elements' in Western countries for stirring up trouble. That's laughable.

Forced organ harvesting in China has been called the **perfect crime**: "They were in robust health when they were put on the operating table for doctors to carve out their organs. Many of them were still breathing. When the job was done, the bodies were tossed into the incinerator and burned, leaving no trace behind."

The perfect crime – and Xiang Zemin had a lot to do with it. None of this is disputed. Funny NPR didn't mention any of it. NPR and other American media outlets really should stop romanticizing butchers and communist dictators. It's not a good look. And, oh, by the way, they should stop **taking money** from China in exchange for favorable coverage. That's not a good look, either.

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Dr. McCullough: mRNA from COVID vax transfers from jabbed to unjabbed, 'changing human genome'

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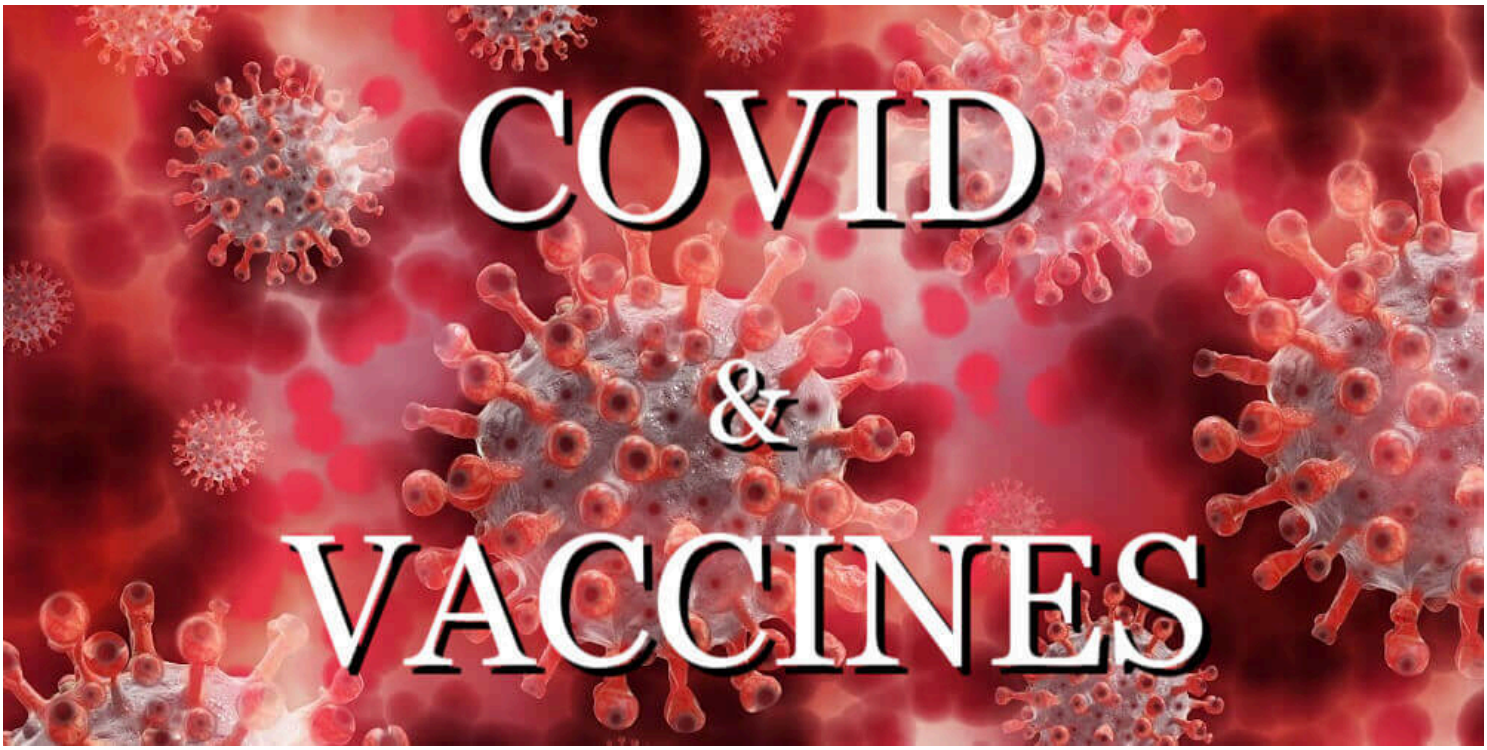

'It's conceivable that two vaccinated people could actually pass the code for Pfizer or Moderna into their baby, permanently,' the renowned epidemiologist said.

(**LifeSiteNews**) — In a recent interview, distinguished internist, cardiologist, and epidemiologist **Dr. Peter McCullough** shared how studies have indicated that synthetic mRNA from the Pfizer and Moderna experimental COVID vaccines may last permanently in the body, can also transfer to the unvaccinated, and is "changing the human genome."

"It looks like the messenger RNA is transferring from the vaccinated to the unvaccinated now," McCullough **told** Tanya Gaw from Action4Canada on November 24 (**beginning at 39:24**).

The Dallas-based physician has had a renowned career in the medical field, including authoring **677 articles** in scientific peer-reviewed journals, and **remains** the most published individual in his field in history.

McCullough referenced an **article** of his where he cited a **study** by Helene Banoun showing that lipid nanoparticles that carry the mRNA spread throughout the body and "have been shown to be

able to be excreted through body fluids (sweat, sputum, breast milk) and to pass the transplacental barrier."

"And in a paper by Fertig and Colleagues, the messenger RNA is found circulating in blood for at least two weeks" (**here**), the physician told Gaw. "And the curves were not going down. That's as long as they looked."

He stated another paper "found messenger RNA in the vaccinated in lymph nodes for months. It looks like the body's not clearing it out."

Finally, another **study** "from Hanna and colleagues in JAMA showed that the messenger RNA is in the breast milk of ill-advised women who took the vaccine during pregnancy or afterwards," he said.

Summarizing these thoughts, McCullough proposed the rhetorical question: "Could you actually take a vaccine inadvertently by close contact, kissing, sexual contact, breastfeeding? It looks like the answer is 'yes.'"

Furthermore, he explained that the mRNA has "never been demonstrated to actually leave the body. They look like they're permanent, as well as the spike protein that's produced after them. This is very disturbing."

"This messenger RNA, it looks like it's for keeps. Every shot is accumulating in the body with no ability for the body to get rid of it," the former president of the Cardiorenal Society of America explained.

Discussing the ramifications of this, McCullough explained providing advice for his patients was very difficult. Having first advised his unvaccinated patients to "refrain from kissing and sexual contact with a vaccinated person" for 30 days, he extended it "to at least 90 days" and was considering extending it from that point forward.

"I know there's married couples and all kinds of personal implications there," he commented.

The cardiologist related that he had also been told these realities were impacting dating apps where now "one of the most important checkboxes is if someone's unvaccinated. People really don't want to date vaccinated people right now."

Citing two more studies, McCullough conveyed another alarming finding, that since the mRNA remain in the body for an extended period of time, "it looks like they do permanently install into the human genome through what we call reverse transcription."

"So, this is disturbing that not only does the vaccine not get out of the body, but now they're changing the human genome. This is shown in the human hepatoma cell line. And so it's conceivable that two vaccinated people could actually pass the code for Pfizer or Moderna into the baby permanently," he said. "So, this is very, very disturbing."

"The government, as they developed these vaccines, they kind of rushed it through the final stages. There was no assurances that these were safe. There was no genotoxicity, no teratogenicity studies. And in autopsy studies, the spike protein produced from the genetic material is found in the heart … the brain," the physician explained.

"So, I can tell you everyone who has taken the vaccine has this material in their brain, their heart, their adrenal glands, reproductive organs. It's really a terrible thought. My heart goes out to people who have taken the vaccine," he lamented.

McCullough has been a most **competent** and **compelling** critic of the draconian COVID-19 restrictions, lockdowns, and mandates imposed over the 2 1/2 years. As an alternative, he has persuasively advocated for the cultivation of natural immunity and early treatment through effective therapeutics.

The prominent doctor, who has also provided significant expert commentary on Fox News, NewsMax, and Real America, **told** LifeSiteNews editor-in-chief John-Henry Westen in August 2021 that "the vaccines at this point in time have amounted to record mortality and injury and should be considered unsafe and unfit for human use."

In addition, McCullough **described** COVID-19 in September as a "biological weapon." "It was a government operation that created SARS-CoV-2 and the spike protein," he declared. "It's the U.S. government that did it. And they were working on the threat and working on the response … This was all planned … SARS-CoV-2 is a biological weapon."

Furthermore, during a late October conference, the internist explained why the experimental COVID-19 gene-based injections **should be** the **presumed cause** of unusually high excess death rates around the world.

He added in a later **interview** that "the vaccine accelerates death from other causes. So, if someone has cancer, the vaccine accelerates that. If someone has heart disease, one is more likely to have fatal heart attacks and strokes … The vaccines cause blood clotting … The vaccine is incredibly risky, and basically, it's achieving its goal. If the goal was to reduce the world's population, it's working."

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The Daily Skirmish – The Human Traffickers of the Biden Administration

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House Republicans are expected to move to **impeach** DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas for failing to faithfully execute the nation's immigration laws when they take control in January. Good! I've been calling for this for some time, along with impeaching Joe Biden for the same reason. Congressman Ronny Jackson from Texas said over the weekend:

> "Mayorkas has got to go, so we're going to start investigating him. We are going investigate every decision he's made. We're going to use the power of subpoena. We're going to use the power of the purse and come after Mayorkas. He needs to go.

"Every decision he's made" – I've documented in previous commentaries dozens of policy changes to open the border that Mayorkas has made during his tenure.

Here's one more: The Biden administration is taking a tiny provision of immigration law – '**humanitarian parole**' – and driving a truck through it. The administration is pre-approving parole applications while people are still in Mexico, then they're driven to border checkpoints and handed off to U.S. authorities who whisk them into the interior sight unseen. Word is getting around about this supposedly legal manner of entry and thousands are stampeding Mexican shelters to apply.

Meanwhile, the Supreme Court will hear oral arguments **tomorrow** in a case brought by Louisiana and Texas challenging the Biden administration's **policy** not to deport dangerous criminal aliens,

releasing them into the U.S., instead. The challenge is supported by 19 other states that argue the administration is ignoring federal immigration law.

Texas isn't waiting for the legal landscape to improve. Governor Greg Abbott declared an **invasion** on the southern border, paving the way for the state to, among other things, build a wall and deploy the National Guard. Armored **tank-like** vehicles are being sent to the border. Texas has now run **300 busloads** of illegal aliens to blue states. The Governor of Massachusetts said Joe Biden's open borders policies are **costing** his state an extra $139 million dollars next year.

The ravages of these policies have not gone away.

We have fresh reminders the fentanyl pouring across the border is **killing** more Americans than guns and cars combined, cartel money is ending up in the hands of **corrupt politicians**, and dozens of people on the national **terrorist watch list** are finding their way here. What do you think those terrorists are doing today?

Here are couple of things coming up to watch:

Democrats are looking to pass some kind of immigration legislation during the lame-duck Congress, since Republican control of the House will likely block their chances for the next two years. Full **amnesty** for all illegal aliens, work permits for DACA **Dreamers**, and other proposals have all been discussed.

Secondly, **COVID restrictions** at the border are coming to an end. Those restrictions kept a million illegal aliens out and a new rush at the border is expected once the restrictions are lifted. With open borders crazies like Biden and Mayorkas running the show, it's a good bet most of them are getting in, immigration law or no immigration law.

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If Truthful Lips Endure Forever…*

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then we are running out of time

By J. Jeff Toler for Shenandoah Christian Alliance

This headline appeared just this last November 14 in the **Dissenter**: (formerly Reformation Charlotte) under the byline of Publisher, "**Biden Admin Issues Guidance Requiring Illegal Underage Children be Transported Across State Lines for Abortions**." The article is a harsh denunciation of Biden to be sure, but nestled in it is a link to incontrovertible evidence.

Few Christians would deny that abortion is a horrible evil, but how many know the US has a policy —*unique to the Biden regime*—making it a requirement to provide it for illegal aliens?

We're now paying the federal government to transport illegal aliens, **unaccompanied children** no less, to states where it is legal to provide abortion services for them. In a **field guidance memo released on November 10**, the **HHS, Office of Refugee Resettlement** (ORR) explicitly says it's doing just that. Here is an excerpt from the memo:

> "Congress made the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) responsible for the care of all **unaccompanied children** (UC) while in federal custody, see 8 U.S.C. § 1232(b)(1). This Field Guidance confirms that ORR staff and care providers must not prevent UC from accessing legal abortion related services and that ORR staff and care providers must make all reasonable efforts to facilitate access to these services if requested by the UC. **This may involve transporting a minor to a state in which abortion is lawful and available, if the minor is currently in a state in which abortion is not lawful or available.** This Field Guidance provides instructions to ORR staff on the intake and initial placement of pregnant UC and UC who have experienced sexual violence, as well as the transfer of pregnant UC, including UC seeking an abortion. The guidance applies to staff who are providing direct care to UC at all ORR-funded facilities, including Emergency Intake Sites and Influx Care Facilities."

This would be news for the vast majority of Americans if only they knew about it. It's no accident this service has not been promoted, or for that matter, even reported. Everyone knows when people see and hear the truth, it can affect their trust.

The Dissenter editorials are often a pretty harsh read by most metrics, but you know we won't be reading about anything like this from the mainstream news and information we typically ingest. It's not unusual for the Dissenter to spotlight something we should know about, from sources that can be trusted. Just because strong, polemical language bothers us, we shouldn't avoid it altogether in the pursuit of truth. We can still pray for Joe Biden while pillorying him too.

The enemy of humankind knows all too well the dilemma this presents, and he delights in it. We actually *can* love someone while denouncing him at the same time.

So it begs the question: if we as believers don't shed light on evil schemes and denounce it, who will? Here's where contemporary politics precludes not only honest debate—or any debate before voting begins—**but any real trust.**

Here is the thing we must understand: social constructs based upon the purely cynical partisan politics of today, distract us from what politics should actually be: "**The art and science of government**." **When did it become acceptable for our government to transport "unaccompanied children"—underage females—to a facility to provide abortion for their unborn child?** Who would say this is the will of the people. This is not government, but a form of **taxpayer-funded evil**.

In my January 13 article, "**The Left Has No Clothes**," we examined the definitions of left and right in political ideology, and revealed the more accurate way to interpret the so-called left and

right.

> "The Left employs revolution to obtain rights-violating ideologies and systems—by force as necessary. The Left includes communism, socialism, fascism/nazism, anarchy, and theocracy," I wrote. "The Right prefers rights-respecting beliefs and systems through governance—not by force. The right is identified by capitalism, classical liberalism, and constitutional republicanism."

By this definition, there is no "extreme" right. This idea is promulgated and promoted by Marxists.

I am a conservative. Among my reasons are these: I love **truth and beauty**, liberty and justice—indeed, I love all that Aristotle considered virtues. **Because I love these things, I want to see them conserved.** I am not a Christian *because of these ideals*, I revere these ideals as virtuous precisely *because of my belief and faith in Christ*, who taught them, and who *perfectly* modeled them in all His earthly life and ministry.

In this generation, we are faced with an increasing number of voices who insist they represent the truth, and should be trusted. But hold on! We must first and always ask them, "What 'truth' do you mean? Why should should I trust you?"

Based on mid-term election results, some pundits are suggesting abortion restrictions may not be a winning political campaign strategy for conservative Republicans. Is this really the truth? For an excellent analytical discussion of this and more, our good friend **Allie Beth Stuckey** interviewed **Josh Hammer**. **They talked about the elections, abortion, the COVID government mandate subterfuge, and Trump 2024**.

Make no mistake though, the enemies of both conservatives and Christians—like the unlimited abortion advocate **Elizabeth Warren** (pictured)—will not give up. Indeed, she says, **"We aren't going back"** when it comes to preserving abortion. Is that progressive, or… fascist? I guess I'm confused.

Not only the far left, but people who think of themselves as liberal, hurl the epithet of fascist or even Nazi to discredit conservatives—including Christian conservatives. Mr. Biden has called "MAGA Republicans" semi-fascist. (**There's a good chance many of us are in that group**) I say, *no one* should be compared to a fascist, and certainly not a Nazi, unless he is a member of the **National Socialist German Workers' Party** or an advocate for **national socialism**. As you must know, words

have meaning. Their misuse and misappropriation are hardly accidental, always purposeful, and never an improvement.

The Nazi's appetite for brutalization of everyone who didn't meet the criteria for becoming a part of the master race **is the very definition of racism.** In the realm of the woke, **abortion**, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and forced (or coerced) vaccination, are on par with Hitler's Germany. For him, the soft target were the Jews. **Ironically, for the true racists today, the victims are young, black pregnant woman, and now it seems, underage illegal alien woman.** They are Children really.

It's the children, *always the children*, who pay the biggest price; who suffer the most, and have the least ability to defend themselves. Think about why the unaccompanied child (UC) is pregnant. **Because she was raped by the men who were paid to bring her across our border.**

> **There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.** (Proverbs 6:16-19 NIV)

Be thankful for what God has given you, but plead for His mercy on this nation. America can no longer be trusted to defend the weak and the helpless.

> ***Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue lasts only a moment.** (Proverbs 12:19)

STOP the C19 Shot from Going on Virginia's Schedule of Required Immunizations for School Children

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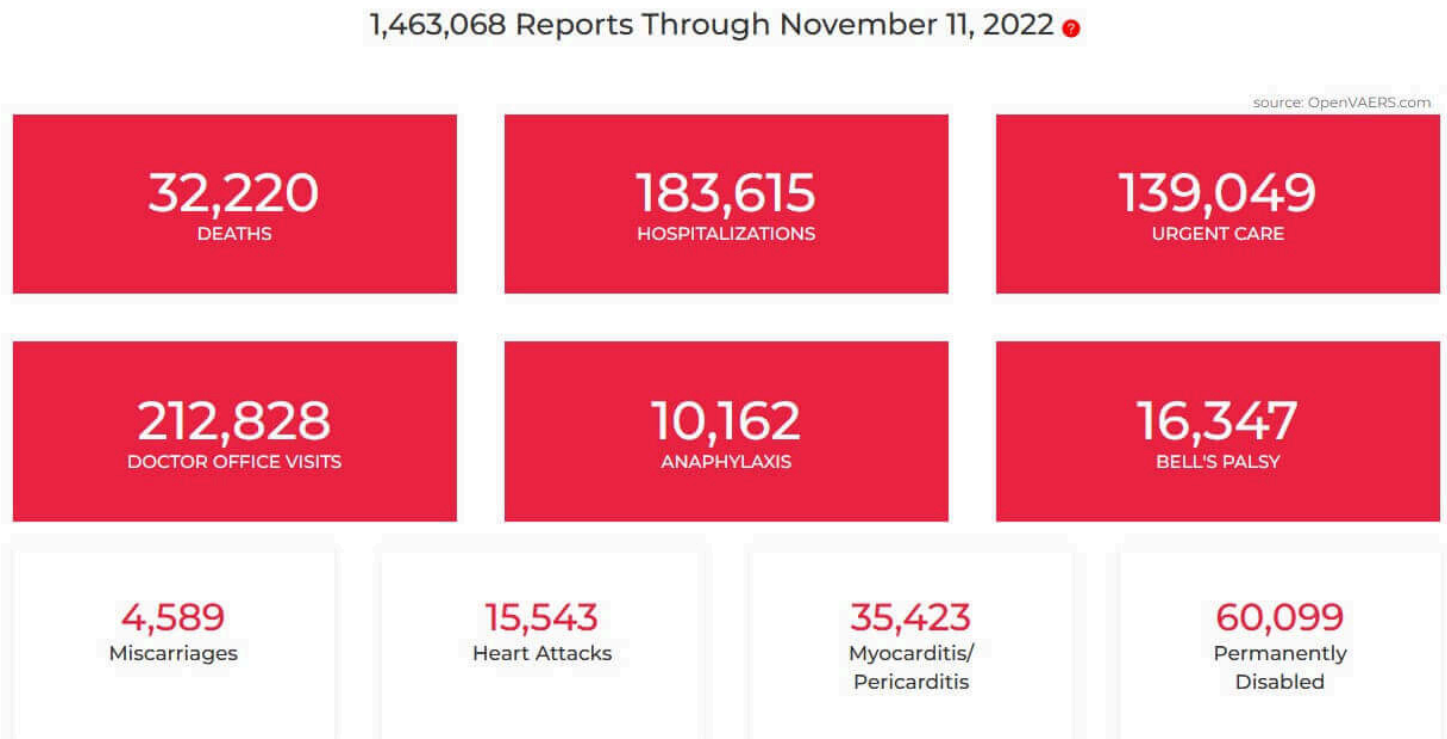

1) Please **SHARE this video "infomercial"** (below) **far and wide** to raise awareness. A tweet by the Governor and an opinion letter from the Attorney General are not sufficient to protect Virginia's children or let Mama Bears sleep soundly.

2) Refer to **our website** for more details and a link to directly **submit *your* comment before Nov 28 about *repealing* the Required Immunization Regulations for School Children in Virginia.**

It's time to fight to restore Virginians' God-given rights and Constitutional restraints on our government!

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Manufactured Dystopia — Globalists Won't Stop Hacking Humans

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Depopulation Ahead, Ready To Be an Obedient Cyborg?

Is the death of humanity is imminent?

It's time to wake up, or you'll squander everything worth living for and end up either dead or as a subclass used for control measures only – until you've outlived your usefulness within the system.

Story at-a-glance

- Digital identity, digital twins, programmable central bank digital currency, a social credit system, human augmentation and the Internet of Bodies (IoB). These are all part of the dystopian future being rolled out by the globalist cabal as the "solutions" to the world's problems
- According to transhumanist propaganda, everyone will benefit from human augmentation. In reality, transhumanism is a eugenics program, differing in name only
- The post-human society envisioned by transhumanists will have no use for billions of people. Since a vast number of jobs will be eliminated and replaced by robots and artificial intelligence, the transhumanist plan requires depopulation
- A global totalitarian regime will not accept the responsibility to feed, house and provide universal basic income and health care to billions of people who aren't useful. The logical solution is to exterminate the nonproductive and transform the rest into obedient cyborgs imprisoned within the IoB 5G ecosystem
- The depopulation requirement of the transhumanist utopia may be why nations refuse to address the extraordinary lethality of the COVID jabs

Digital identity, digital twins, programmable central bank digital currency (CBDC), a social credit system, human augmentation and **the Internet of Bodies (IoB)**. These are all part of the dystopian future being rolled out by the globalist cabal as the "solutions" to the world's problems.

Transhumanism has long been sold as a way to make us healthier and, eventually, immortal. Today, it's being promoted under The Great Reset banner of "equity." The propaganda is that everyone will benefit from human augmentation, from the richest to the poorest. In reality, **transhumanism is a eugenics program**, differing in name only.

Transhumanism Requires Depopulation

Anyone who thinks the globalist cabal, the wealthiest people on the planet, intend to allow "useless eaters" who gobble up "their" resources to live even longer than we do already is sadly mistaken. They have no such intent. All that talk of "health equity" is a smoke screen, a carrot, to lure people into going along with their plan for what will ultimately be the extermination of billions.

Some within this cabal, World Economic Forum (WEF) adviser Yuval Noah Harari being a notable example,[1] are openly talking about the elite's plan for a post-human society, which is precisely what it sounds like.

A world without real humans. A world where everyone is augmented with (and in the case of the lower class, controlled by) technology. A world without belief in a higher power than the programmers and inventors themselves.[2] A world where robots do most of the labor, artificial intelligence makes most of the decisions, and augmented humans run the programming.

A world like that has no use for billions of people. In one interview,[3] Harari discussed the Fourth Industrial Revolution (another term for transhumanism), noting that we're now learning to "produce bodies and minds" (meaning augmented bodies, and cloud- and artificial intelligence-connected minds) and that one of the greatest challenges we face will be what to do with all the people that will become obsolete in the process.

The answer, Harari proposed, may lie in "a combination of drugs and computer games." I don't believe him for a second. Drugs and computer games have certainly been tools to distract and control the younger generations, but the future they're envisioning has no room for nonproductive members.

The depopulation requirement of the transhumanist utopia may be why nations refuse to address the extraordinary lethality of the COVID jabs.

I don't see a global totalitarian regime accepting the responsibility to feed, house and provide universal basic income, health care and drugs to billions of people who aren't useful to them in some way. No, the logical solution would be to exterminate the nonproductive and transform the rest into obedient **cyborgs** imprisoned within the Internet of Bodies 5G ecosystem.

COVID Jabs Serve a Greater Purpose

I believe the depopulation requirement of the transhumanist utopia is why just about every nation on the planet is refusing to address the extraordinary lethality of the COVID jabs.

Disability and life insurance claims have skyrocketed. Birth rates have plummeted and miscarriages and excess mortality are through the roof, yet everyone keeps pushing the COVID jabs. It appears these effects are intentional, and the only way to make sense of this chilling reality is to understand that depopulation is a necessary element of the transhumanist agenda.

There are to be two classes — the augmented "have it all's" and the controlled subclass. Augmentation of the subclass will be for control measures only, and that will probably include the ability to terminate the life of anyone perceived as having outlived their usefulness within the system.

We're Living in a Great Deception

Those who have looked into transhumanism and The Great Reset can clearly see how just about everything that happens is part of a plan to manipulate the masses to accept their envisioned control system. Those who refuse to look at these issues, however, cannot see it. Moreover, they cannot even imagine that something so diabolical could be true.

In the video above, Max Igan of "The Crowhouse" reviews the history of the Great Deception we're in — the how and why people have been manipulated, for decades, into believing things that simply were not true — beliefs that shaped behavior and allowed the globalists to slowly and quietly move their long-term agenda for global domination along.

What Is the Internet of Bodies?

Just what is the IoB? The Rand corporation defines it as devices with computing capabilities that can communicate with internet-connected devices or networks that collect person-generated health and biometric data and/or can alter the function of the human body.[4]

The WEF has described it as an ecosystem of "an unprecedented number of sensors," including emotional sensors, "attached to, implanted within, or ingested into human bodies to monitor, analyze and … modify human bodies and behavior."[5]

Key words in that sentence include the stated goal to "modify human behavior." The WEF doesn't tell us who will be in charge of those modifications, but we can safely assume that it will be those who have something to gain from controlling other people's actions and behaviors.

FDA Poised to Approve Implantable Biosensor

While all of this sounds like pure sci-fi, the U.S. Pentagon and Profusa Inc. have already developed an implantable biosensor that tracks chemical reactions inside your body, ostensibly to detect disease.[6] As explained by Defense One, the biosensor consists of two parts:[7]

> *"One is a 3 mm string of hydrogel … Inserted under the skin with a syringe, the string includes a specially engineered molecule that sends a fluorescent signal outside of the body when the body begins to fight an infection.*

> *The other part is an electronic component attached to the skin. It sends light through the skin, detects the fluorescent signal and generates another signal that the wearer can send to a doctor, website, etc. It's like a blood lab on the skin that can pick up the body's response to illness before the presence of other symptoms, like coughing."*

The sensor allows a person's biology to be examined at a distance via smartphone connectivity, and Profusa is backed by Google, the largest data mining company in the world. Knowing that, it's hard to imagine that your biological data won't be used to boost Google's profits and further totalitarian control through biosecurity.

Profusa was expecting to receive approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in 2021, but it doesn't appear to have been approved yet. That said, the wheels of the approval process are in motion, so it's only a matter of time.

Artificial Intelligence and the Internet of Bodies

In the video above, the Wilson Center NOW interviews Richard Solash, editor of The Wilson Quarterly, and Eleonore Pauwels, director of the Anticipatory Intelligence (AI) Lab with the Wilson Center's Science and Technology Innovation Program, about the IoB and the role AI will play in the coming "algorithmic age."

Pauwels makes it clear that one of the inescapable facets of the IoB is that we will be under constant assessment, "under measure of computation," in every aspect of our lives, "from what you eat, whom you date, what you buy, how much energy you use" up to and including your vital signs and genetic data.

To explain the idea behind the IoB, she suggests you begin by thinking about how the Internet of Things work, all these smart devices that are connected not only to each other, but also to a wider network, where AI can analyze and optimize all those data.

Now, add to those networks health-monitoring devices, from wearables to implants, which will share your most private data. AI will then "analyze and optimize" those data as well, and while Pauwels doesn't state that such optimization will be carried out automatically, without your knowledge, I see no reason to assume that that's part of the plan.

Considering all of this, the biggest challenge, Pauwels says, will be to figure out how we can maintain control of our own futures and make sure AI is "shaped to our ideals."

IoB Is Inseparable From the Eugenicist Transhumanist Agenda

> It's a no from me. **https://t.co/IM9efhgnqo**
>
> — Neil Oliver (@thecoastguy) **November 11, 2022**

While that warning sounds rational, just whose ideals are we talking about? To believe humanity in general will have any say in the matter is naïve. We cannot think about the IoB outside of, or separate from, the eugenicist transhumanist Great Reset.

The powers pushing the IoB forward are the same ones pushing for The Great Reset, and The Great Reset's goal is to create a one world government using transhumanism as the platform for the control of the human mind and body.

There is no circumstance, that I can see in which the ideals of the AI will be any other ideal than that of the transhumanists, the eugenicists and The Great Resetters.

AI will make decisions based on its programming, and that programming is shaped and directed by the those who aim to rule everyone else. How can AI be shaped according to human-centric ideals when they're being funded and developed by people looking forward to a post-human society?

Recognize the Bill of Goods

The only recourse, really, to maintain control of our futures, is to reject the IoB. Unfortunately, this will not be easy. Few are willing to forgo what they perceive as convenience, and fewer still really understand where it's all leading to in the first place.

Perhaps the best we can do right now is educate ourselves and others about the end goals. A growing understanding that all this convenience will land us in a digital prison with no possibility of escape may be the only thing that can prevent it.

It's worth remembering that if you give up your freedom, you also relinquish your ability to protect those you love. Your children can be taken from you if you disobey. Your spouse or parents can be injured or killed and you have no say in the matter.

Canada's Euthanasia Laws Are Ripe for Abuse

Already, Canada offers euthanasia for a variety of conditions and situations, from long COVID[8] and mental illness[9] to hearing loss[10] and poverty "that prevents living with dignity."[11]

As noted by Exposing the Darkness,[12] "After two years of genocidal COVID tyranny, based on the weaponization of the public health system, deployment of weaponized psychiatry to fight dissent and eliminate mentally ill 'useless eaters' was expected."

Considering Psychology Today has suggested anti-vaxxers may have a mental health problem, it's not out of the realm of possibility to imagine a day when refusing a COVID booster puts you on a euthanasia list. For now, it's supposedly voluntary, but we all know what a slippery slope that can be, especially when doctors are compensated for every patient they put six feet under.

In at least one case, family members have stated they suspect the patient may have been coerced or tricked into signing the euthanasia form.[13] In 2018, an Ontario man with an incurable neurological disease released audio recordings of hospital staff trying to get him to agree to euthanasia, when what he wanted was assisted home care.[14]

Learn to Recognize Soft Coercion

For decades, we've embraced technologies with our mind set on convenience and/or safety. That's always how they rope us in. That's how they'll lure us into embracing the IoB as well, digital identity and CBDC's as well. We have to get smarter about this and start thinking long term, because those who want to enslave us sure do. They're planning decades into the future.

The march toward CBDCs in the U.S. started last week when the the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Innovation Center, or NYIC, announced that it would be launching a 12-week proof-of-concept pilot for a central bank digital currency, or CBDC.[15]

It's important to realize that we will lose everything worth living for if we continue down this path without privacy safeguards and personal autonomy rights in place. Even then it's a risk, as few laws are foolproof. Just look at how the U.S. Constitution is being trampled, even though it's supposed to be inviolable.

As long as the corrupting influence of the globalists remain, we can be sure that they'll continue their efforts to hack our bodies and brains, and to come up with ways to eliminate those who oppose them.

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Hold on, We're Moving at Lightning Speed Into Transhumanism

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Is Your Body the Legal Property of Big Pharma?

President Biden even said as much in September 2022, when he placed an executive order to fast track the development of techniques 'to write circuitry for cells and predictably program biology.' Folks, this is not conspiracy theory. You must wake up – your future is on the line.

Story at-a-glance

- The political corruption we see today has grown out of a long-term unholy alliance between U.S. intelligence agencies and organized crime syndicates
- This intelligence/organized crime ring is setting into place a technocratic form of feudalism, a transhumanist slavery system
- Transhumanism is eugenics rebranded, and the merger of Silicon Valley companies with Big Pharma is eugenics framed as health care. COVID has now shown us that this rebranded form of eugenics can be forced on us
- While transhumanism is sold to us as a way to provide health equity for all, the reality is the complete opposite. Military reports confirm that the emergence of augmented cyborgs will not create equity but rather increase disparities. Unless you're in an elite class, transhumanism will not benefit you. Instead, you're destined to be a lab rat to help perfect transhumanist tech, as we're seeing right now with the COVID shots

How Elites Will Create a New Class of Slaves | Whitney Webb | The Glenn Beck Podcast | Ep 162

https://youtube.com/watch?v=w-d3jFIGxdQ

In the video above, Glenn Beck interviews investigative journalist Whitney Webb about her book, "**One Nation Under Blackmail: The Sordid Union Between Intelligence and Crime That Gave Rise to Jeffrey Epstein**," Parts 1 and 2.

These books provide the necessary framework to understand not just Jeffrey Epstein's geopolitical role and function, but also, more broadly, the deep connections between the U.S. intelligence community and organized crime.

The political corruption we see today grew out of this unholy alliance, which has led to blackmail and bribery being two key strategies by which the wealthy self-described "elites" maintain power and influence from behind the scenes.

As noted by Beck, Webb "is a massive threat to powerful people. If people will listen and … explore what she's saying, the game is up." I agree. People need to understand how the system we thought we knew actually works, how it's been used against us, and what the end game is.

Organized Crime at the Highest Levels

Epstein's pedophilia and sexual blackmail enterprise was a central cog in this network of corruption for decades. He was also involved in many other questionable and/or criminal enterprises, including financial crimes, but he wasn't necessarily at the top level in any of them. Webb describes him more as a middle-management-type of character, carrying out orders from higher-ups, including U.S. intelligence.

Overall, these "higher-ups" are people who favor globalism and global governance, and who don't want the United States to have a monopoly on power. This is part of why the power of the U.S. is now being dismantled before our eyes, but the undermining and infiltration have been going on for decades.

As noted by Beck and Webb, our government is basically being run by organized crime, and this organized crime ring is setting into place a technocratic form of feudalism, a digital slavery system.

The reason Epstein's financial crimes matter is because they're like a microcosm of what has been going on in the U.S. for decades. According to Catherine Austin Fitts and Mark Skidmore, an estimated $21 trillion of U.S. taxpayer money have already been looted, stolen and siphoned out. Where did all that money go? Who took it?

Against that background of having already been looted, we're now facing a radical degradation of our standard of living, with rising inflation and manufactured energy and food crises piled on top of each other.

All of these things, Webb says, are part of a plan to coerce us into accepting the unacceptable. Making sure people are cold, hungry, destitute and desperate is a surefire way to get people to cooperate with the globalist takeover, which includes a radical transition into transhumanism.

Transhumanism Is Eugenics Rebranded

In the interview, Webb reviews the history of transhumanism, the roots of which go back to Julian Huxley, brother of the famous author Aldous Huxley. Julian was president of the British Eugenics Society.

When the United Nations was created after World War II, he was put in charge of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the stated aim of which is to promote world peace and security through international cooperation in education, arts, sciences and culture.

But in writing about his vision for UNESCO, Julian said about eugenics, "We need to make the unthinkable thinkable again." Ten years later, in 1957, he coined the term "transhumanism," and described it as eugenics through the merging of man with machine.

So, transhumanism is eugenics rebranded. This is also corroborated by the fact that the same people, families and organizations that in the past supported eugenics now support transhumanism. Likewise, the merger of Silicon Valley companies with Big Pharma is nothing other than eugenics framed as health care. And COVID has now shown us that this rebranded form of eugenics can be forced on us.

Transhumanism Is Not for Betterment of the Average Person

As noted by Webb, while **transhumanism** is sold to us as a way for all people to obtain health and longevity — health equity for all! — the reality will be far from equitable.

She points out that science fiction writer H.G Wells once described the transhumanist future as one in which there is a physically and intellectually augmented elite class, and squat, dwarf-like, slave underclass that eats bugs and doesn't even have the cognitive capacity to rebel.

Sound familiar? The World Economic Forum and their allied networks are pushing for a transition from real meat to insects. One of the primary side effects of the bioweapon referred to as the "COVID-19 vaccine," aside from early death, is neurological dysfunction, and the masking,

lockdowns and shuttering of schools have resulted in children who are nonverbal, cognitively impaired and/or years behind on core reading and math skills.

The Transhumanist Plan Is Being Fast-Tracked

As detailed in "**The Plan to Turn You Into a Genetically Edited Human Cyborg**," a 2021 report by the U.K. Ministry of Defense and the German Bundeswehr Office for Defense Planning offers shocking insights into the dystopian cybernetics future that global technocrats are pushing us toward.

The report, "Human Augmentation — The Dawn of a New Paradigm, a Strategic Implications Project,"[1] reviews the scientific goals of the U.K. and German defense ministries, and they are precisely what the title suggests. Human augmentation is stressed as being a key area of development.

It's worth noting that anything released to the public is a decade or more behind current capabilities, so everything in this report can be considered dated news, even though it reads like pure science fiction.

Importantly, the report notes that "Human augmentation has the potential to … change the meaning of what it means to be a human." This is precisely what Klaus Schwab, founder and executive chairman of the World Economic Forum (WEF), has stated is the goal of The Fourth Industrial Revolution.[2]

Schwab has stated that "the Fourth Industrial Revolution will lead to a fusion of our physical, our digital and our biological identities."[3] Beyond your own "enhanced" 5G cloud-connected self, the WEF foresees a near future in which everyone's digital identity is connected to each other through an "Internet of Bodies" (IoB).[4,5]

The fact that we're moving at lightning speed into the transhumanist future envisioned by the WEF and militaries around the world is also evidenced by President Biden's September 2022 **Executive Order on Advancing Biotechnology**, which places development of genetic engineering techniques "to write circuitry for cells and predictably program biology" on the fast-track.

US Defense Department Is Also Working on Human Cyborgs

In a September 14, 2022, Substack article,[6] Dr. Robert Malone also reviewed the U.S. DoD's plans for an army of human cyborgs. Certain report titles alone tell the story, such as the Biotechnologies for Health and Human Performance Council's report[7] "Cyborg Soldier 2050: Human/Machine Fusion and the Implications for the Future of the DOD." According to the assessment abstract:

> "The primary objective of this effort was to forecast and evaluate the military implications of machines that are physically integrated with the human body to augment and enhance human performance over the next 30 years.

> This report summarizes this assessment and findings; identifies four potential military-use cases for new technologies in this area; and assesses their impact upon the DOD organizational structure, warfighter doctrine and tactics, and interoperability with U.S. allies and civil society."

Human augmentation technologies deemed technically feasible by 2050 at the latest include ocular enhancements to improve sight and situational awareness, optogenetic bodysuit to restore or improve muscular strength and control, auditory enhancements, and neural enhancement of the brain for two-way data transfers and brain-to-brain communication.

With H.G. Wells' description of our transhumanist future in mind (the two-tiered society of augmented super humans and bug-eating devolved slaves), it's worth noting that both the DoD's "Cyborg Soldier" report and the British/German "Human Augmentation" report address the fact that human augmentation will inevitably widen already existing disparities, inequalities and inequities — not close them! — and therefore, "efforts should be undertaken to reverse negative cultural narratives of enhancement technologies."[8]

In other words, don't let people come to the conclusion that human "borgs" are a bad idea, because at worst that might prevent their development, and at best, it'll pitch regular people against the augmented elite, making their efforts to rule more difficult. Combating negative narratives about the borgification of mankind is also necessary in order to maintain the lie that transhumanism is about leveling the playing field and allowing everyone to live longer and have lifelong health.

Final Thoughts

I don't know what it will take to prevent the dystopian post-human world envisioned by technocratic transhumanist elitists, but I suspect education would be a cornerstone of such an endeavor. In order for there to be a resistance, enough people need to be aware of what the plan is, and where we're actually being led with all these novel therapies and inventions.

In the shorter term, it's crucial to realize that the fast-tracking of "genetic engineering technologies and techniques to be able to write circuitry for cells and predictably program biology

in the same way in which we write software and program computers" means they're going to cut corners. Loads of them.

Testing is basically going to be done on the population at large, just as they've done with the COVID jabs. The results of such experimentation are relatively predictable. People will be seriously injured and many will die.

We also still don't know what the legal standing of people whose genetics are altered by RNA might be, now or in the future, since that has yet to be established.

So please, think long and hard before you agree to take any of these forthcoming gene therapies, be they COVID boosters or any other "vaccines." They're not vaccines. They're gene transfer technologies that alter your DNA.[9,10] They're part of the transhumanist agenda, the Fourth Industrial Revolution — and remember, transhumanism is a eugenics agenda. Same agenda, just new tools

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The Daily Skirmish – Baby Boy 1 Million

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All eyes are on tight races around the country, the results of which are still not known. But something else momentous happened on Election Day, and it's not good. Voters enshrined support for abortion up to birth in the law in Vermont, Michigan, and California.

In Vermont, voters approved a **measure** to put abortion rights into the state constitution. Critics say the measure permits "unlimited, unregulated abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy" and "would permanently block any attempt to protect the unborn — even those who can survive outside the womb."
In Michigan, a **ballot proposal** put a right to abortion through all nine months of pregnancy into the state constitution, thereby legalizing abortion up to birth.

The proposal also wipes out every pro-life law in the state, including parental consent which can no longer be required.

The proposal passed after a deceitful campaign largely funded by billionaires from outside the state. Campaigners falsely claimed the proposal would not affect parental rights, allow late-term abortions, or require taxpayers to fund abortions against their conscience.

In California, voters **approved** a ballot measure which will allow killing babies in taxpayer-funded abortions up to birth. The state constitution now contains a "right" to taxpayer-funded "late-term abortion up until the moment of birth, even if both mother and child are healthy."

The ballot measure must be read in conjunction with a law California **passed** in September **shielding** any person from civil or criminal liability or penalty for, among other things, their actions regarding their pregnancy resulting in perinatal death for causes that occurred in utero. 'Perinatal' means around the time of birth including after birth, so that's a fancy way of saying the door has been opened to infanticide in California. The language that passed was trimmed back from earlier versions and looks fairly restrictive on paper. But the Left never quits, and it's guaranteed they will be back trying to expand the language and loosen the law. You can also expect the Left to push for infanticide in other states.

I want you to see exactly what you are supporting if you advocate abortion up to birth. In April, the iconic photograph of '**Baby Boy 1**' appeared in the news. He was one of five babies who might have been killed in illegal partial birth abortions, **killed after birth**, or left to die after being born alive. The circumstances are unclear, but D.C.'s mayor **refused** to investigate. The photo **shows** Baby Boy 1 had "a fully formed face, fingers, toes, and all the primary features normally visible in a newborn."

Take a good look at what abortion up to birth really means:

Once again, I defy anyone to tell me this is not a human being.

But you can expect more such pictures by the millions now that abortion up to birth is frozen into law in Vermont, Michigan, and California.

Such proposals have also been made in **Colorado** and **New Jersey**, and on the **federal** level.

It won't take long for the bodies to start piling up. Glad I'm not on the Left – I wouldn't want this on my conscience. And most Americans **agree** with me.

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‘I’m so sorry, sweetheart’: New animated video shows heartbreaking reality of abortion in graphic detail

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Reader advisory: Extremely upsetting scenes.

Narrated from the perspective of the ultrasound technician who witnesses the procedure, ‘The Procedure’ is a heartbreaking reminder that abortion is the murder of an innocent child.

(**LifeSiteNews**) — Choice42 has put out a new video that exposes the reality of abortion – and it is heartbreaking.

On October 31, the pro-life organization Choice42, in partnership with Loor.TV, premiered a new video that portrays the graphic reality of abortion in vivid detail. Entitled *The Procedure* and based on a true story, the four-minute-long animated clip shows a surgical abortion procedure in detail, underscoring the humanity of the child and vividly displaying the reality of her pain. Narrated from the perspective of the sonographer who witnesses the procedure, the film is a heartbreaking reminder that abortion is the murder of an innocent child.

The film was narrated by Christian actor Kevin Sorbo, who is best known for his starring roles in television’s *Hercules: The Legendary Journeys* and *Andromeda.*

“I had just arrived at work as the hospital’s lead sonographer and was looking at a patient’s schedule for the day when my boss told me to go immediately to the OR,” the video’s story begins.

Reader advisory: Extremely upsetting scenes.

THE PROCEDURE
https://youtube.com/watch?v=nd_9y1-L60c

“The surgeon was requesting ultrasound guidance. That was all the information I was given; I had no idea what I was walking into.”

The video follows the sonographer into the operating room, where he finds that the patient is already lying sedated on the table, awaiting the surgeon. The surgeon instructs the sonographer to place his ultrasound probe on the woman’s pelvis, which he does, still unsure of what is about to happen.

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“Still confused about the procedure, I did as he asked and realized that the woman was pregnant,” the narrator continued, as the video shows the grainy form of a child appear on his ultrasound screen. “She was in her second trimester, so I could easily determine the gender of her baby: a little girl.”

The narrator then said that he watched, stunned, as the surgeon inserted a catheter into the amniotic sac, followed by a pair of forceps. The baby girl recoils into the upper parts of her mother’s womb, trying to get away, but to no avail.

“In horror, I watched as he inserted a forceps clamp and grabbed her tiny leg,” the narrator said. “She writhed around in pain, trying to get free, but there was nowhere for her to go.”

The video shows the baby girl squirming in pain and terror, as the abortionist tears her limb from limb.

“Then the doctor pulled hard until her leg ripped away from her body,” the narrator continues. The video shows the baby girl curl into a ball, crying in pain, blood beginning to obscure the screen.

Her pain is tangible; but the murder is not yet over.

“The clamp grabbed her arm, and she struggled to pull away,” the narrator said, adding that his eyes filled with tears as he watched the abortionist tear her tiny arm from her body.

“Her movements weaken now because she dying.”

The narrator continues to explain what is going on, as the viewer watches the forceps once again come towards the child. Her face is twisted in agony from the pain she has already endured.

“The child again curled herself into a tight ball, but again the device grabbed her other leg, and it was ripped from her body,” he says, observing that her heartbeat has now slowed significantly, but that she is still alive as the abortionist rips her last remaining limb from her little body.

“She wiggled and squirmed around, and then her heart finally stopped beating,” said the narrator, as the life waves on his machine go flat. He recalled that the nurse and scrub tech in the room gasped when he announced there was no more cardiac activity, realizing that the child had been very much alive throughout the abortion.

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The video then shows as the abortionist removes the last remaining “products of conception” from the woman’s uterus, forming the full but dismembered body of the very human baby girl.

“Up until that moment I was frozen,” the narrator says, as the viewers watch the sonographer leave, numb with what he has just witnessed. “I silently removed the ultrasound machine from the operating room, went directly to the locker room, and threw up.”

He said that he quit his job shortly after, vowing that he would never again participate in the murder of a child.

The video ends with a sobering warning from the sonographer, who says that he is still haunted today by the memories of the murder he participated in, even though it lies twenty years behind him.

“The saddest part is that this procedure is still happening today,” he stated. “People have no idea we are murdering babies in this way. They think it isn’t a person, that it’s just a mass of tissue.”

“I’m so sorry for what happened to this little girl, for what I did to her,” he concluded. “I’m sorry, sweetheart. I’m so sorry.”

The Role of Biological Warfare in China's Drive for Global Hegemony

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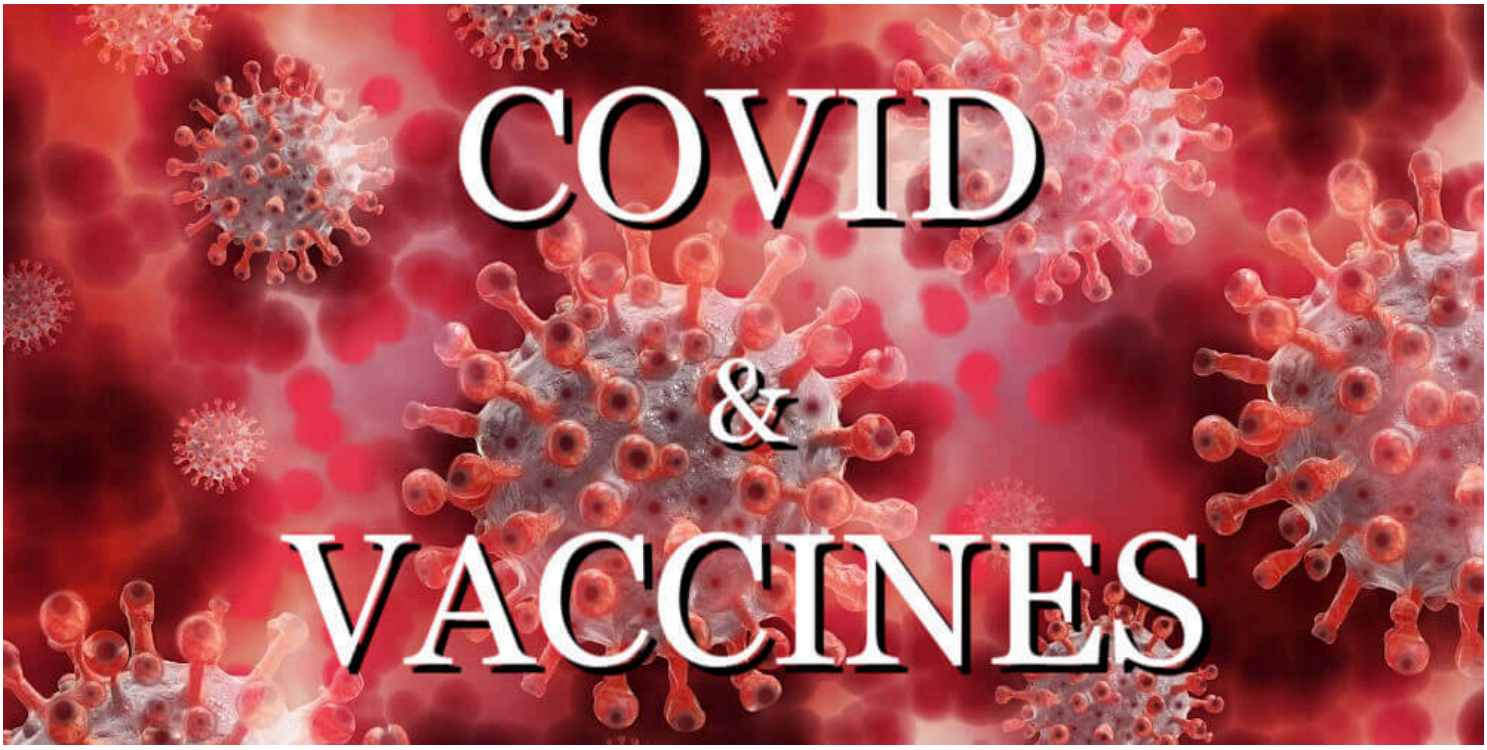

by Clare Lopez from **Robert Malone's substack**

Long history of China's CCP and Biowarfare

In July 2021, Congressman Mo Brooks (R-AL) issued a **Press Release** that, to date, stands out for its courage and honesty. Rep. Brooks wrote about a meeting he'd attended with Dr. Li-Meng Yan, a Chinese medical doctor, Ph.D. virologist, and whistleblower, who fled to the U.S. from Hong Kong in 2020 after being threatened with being "disappeared" for speaking out about the origins of the SARS-CoV-2. Her mission since then has been to **warn America and the world about the Chinese Communist Party (CCP)'s offensive Biological Warfare (BW) program.**

That program, a seamlessly linked effort directed by the CCP in collaboration with the People's Liberation Army (PLA), dates back to Mao's 1949 takeover of China. In the wake of WW II, Japan's horrifying use of BW against the Chinese people became known to the world.

The Imperial Japanese Army killed hundreds of thousands of Chinese during the war under the auspices of **Unit 731**, that had been established in Manchuria in 1932 under the leadership of the notorious Gen. Shiro Ishii, chief medical officer of the Japanese army. Japanese occupiers performed hideous experiments on captive Chinese, including infecting them with cholera, gonorrhea, and plague. Japan's BW program was also weaponized. Cholera was used to infect water wells and fleas infected with bubonic plague were dropped in aerial bombs over Chinese towns and villages.

What may be less well-known is that Mao's Communist regime did not eliminate Japan's BW program in China after the Japanese defeat in WW II, but instead took it over and developed it further. Despite the fact that the People's Republic of China (PRC) acceded to the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) in 1984, the PRC's so-called "civilian-military fusion" policy directs its offensive BW program to this day. "Civilian-military fusion" means that every medical or biological lab, research center, or even university academic program dedicated to basic biology, epidemiology, or virology is obligated to operate under CCP-PLA orders and to share any and all research with regime officials.

Writing in her 2021 book, ***What Really Happened in Wuhan***, Australian author and investigative journalist Sharri Markson noted that "Intelligence agencies and Western governments have known for decades that China has a bioweapons program…Chinese military-affiliated scientists were discussing the weaponization of coronaviruses publicly and openly—and they did so five years before the Covid-19 pandemic". Quoting from this author's own December 2021 piece at ***American Greatness***, we have an example of that openness in the May 8, 2021 edition of *The Weekend Australian*, in which "Australian journalist Riah Matthews revealed the contents of a 2015 document entitled (in English translation) '*The Unnatural Origin of SARS and New Species of Man-*

Made Viruses as Genetic Bioweapons' that was co-authored by a group of Chinese scientists, including bioweapons experts and PLA scientists". Even though the U.S. State Department reportedly has this document, no one from senior levels of the U.S. government has commented on it to date. Given the explicit language used by the Chinese bioweaponeers about SARS coronaviruses as part of a "new era of genetic weapons" that can be "artificially manipulated into an emerging human disease virus, then weaponised and unleashed in a way never seen before", it might be thought that Congress would have held hearings on this, the National Security Council or State Department would have issued some statement, or the White House itself would have brought this to the attention of the UN Security Council. But none of that has happened.

This 2015 document from Chinese bioweaponeers is hardly the only source that attests so brazenly to the CCP-PLA BW program. In September 2019, Jeff Nyquist, a deeply knowledgeable analyst of communism and Marxism, posted "***The Secret Speech of Chi Haotian***" at his blogsite. Chi Haotian served as the PRC's Minister of Defense until his death sometime after 2003, which is when he addressed a gathering of high-level CCP members. Quoting once again from this author's December 2021 ***American Greatness piece***, in this speech Chi spoke "in terrifying terms of the need for 'special means'—biological weapons—to 'clean up America' and make room for Chinese to find 'lebensraum' ".

Pre-dating these documents, of course, is the 1999 Chinese military manual, written as their M.A. degree thesis by two Chinese PLA colonels and published as ***Unrestricted Warfare: China's Master Plan to Destroy America*** by the PLA. Among the two dozen "methods of operation" listed within is included "Bio-chemical warfare". On the page preceding that list, the PLA notes that "The American military is naturally inadequately prepared to deal with this type of enemy psychologically, in terms or measures, and especially as regards military thinking and the methods of operation derived from this. This is because they have never taken into consideration and have even refused to consider means that are contrary to tradition and to select measures of operation other than military means".

To this point, we have discussed the various open sources that attest to the CCP-PLA's well-developed offensive BW program. The question, scarcely mentioned by senior U.S. or Western officials, that may naturally be posed is "Why?" "Why are they doing this?" The fact that this question as well as the entire topic of China's BW program is almost never mentioned, even after the massive devastation of the COVID pandemic, is curious at best and will await further discussion for the moment. But here let us delve into the malevolent motivation that drives the current CCP regime to wield such horrific weapons against us in the first place. For if we of what we like to think of as the Free World are successfully to resist being "assimilated" by an aggressive and expansionist would-be global hegemon (as David Goldman put it in his 2020 book, ***You Will Be Assimilated: China's Plan to Sino-form the World***), we must understand and confront those malign intentions.

It may be useful to begin by recalling what the famous Chinese military strategist Sun Tzu wrote some 2,500 years ago in his ***Art of War***. This work, perhaps the most important military treatise of the last couple thousand years, presents a set of skills necessary to waging successful warfare. Among those skills, the most important lessons are those on how to avoid kinetic warfare in the first place, by instead deploying cunning, deceit, and psychological manipulation against an enemy poorly prepared to recognize or counter such measures. The PLA authors of *Unrestricted Warfare* and the CCP's Party Chairman (perhaps for life?), Xi Jinping are steeped in the study of such strategies. Recalling the PLA's all-too-accurate assessment of American military readiness (as written some two decades ago), we must somehow be jolted out of our "woke" stupor in time to recognize that China's deliberate development of deadly pathogens in its military and civilian labs is being done with the explicit strategic military intent that they be unleashed on U.S. and world populations. The psychological warfare component that preceded the 2019 pandemic was pure Sun Tzu, beginning with what Peter Schweizer has told us is a CCP policy of "elite capture".

With senior leadership of our government, media, and public health institutions co-opted (wittingly or unwittingly) to CCP stratagems, the American public has had no way of understanding the CCP's plan to dominate the world, beginning with the development and unleashing of a deadly pathogen that we were pre-conditioned by CCP information operations to fear irrationally. The refusal to challenge the CCP-PLA's decades-old BW program and an almost hypnotic willingness to lock down and thereby destroy our own economies, is pure textbook Sun Tzu. Almost three years into this organized attack, and except for a few courageous Members of Congress, there still has been little official or public pressure to hold the PRC responsible.

Xi Jinping has just been given his third 5-year term as CCP Party Chairman. The world witnessed on live TV his ruthless display of power when former Party Chairman Hu Jintao was dragged out of the Party Congress hall as Xi looked on impassively. Xi is quickly consolidating power, with the appointment of solid loyalists to the Politburo Standing Committee. Xi now has the power he sought to push ahead with plans to seize Taiwan, but also to continue development of what he considers the PRC's most powerful weapon, Biological Warfare agents. Over the years, **China has weaponized** anthrax, cholera, dengue, various coronaviruses (including the SARS family), plague, and tularemia as well as toxins like botulism and ricin. Such pathogens are studied at the PLA's sprawling network of military labs as well as at ostensible "civilian" labs like the now infamous Wuhan Institute of Virology. U.S. intelligence likely knows about this but chooses to keep silent.

Remember above all that the PRC declared a "**people's war**" against the U.S. in May 2019—and it didn't just mean a trade war to counter then-President Donald Trump's sanctions. It meant Unrestricted Warfare, which explicitly includes Bio-chemical warfare. It's about displacing the U.S. as the world's pre-eminent power. It's about achieving power dominance for a liberty-crushing totalitarian system of governance. Deployment of BW agents is not necessarily about racking up a high death count, either: getting the U.S. and the world to paralyze our own economies and education systems without firing a shot while simultaneously manipulating us

into avoiding any serious attempt to hold the CCP responsible is sheer psychological warfare brilliance.

Time to wake up.

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Unanimous Support to Make Bristol, Virginia a Safe Zone for Life!

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by Victoria Cobb

"We are ground zero," said Bristol City Councilman Kevin Wingard. "I'm hoping this council sees how important this really is – it is life or death."

Those words—and the 200 people who showed up to a rally yesterday hosted by The Family Foundation beforehand—helped embolden the entire five-member City Council to vote unanimously to take the first steps toward approving a zoning ordinance to prohibit further abortion centers within city limits, making Bristol, Virginia a safe zone for life.

> "This is by far the largest crowd I've seen in this building," said City Councilman Bill Hartley. In fact, Bristol residents attending the council meeting reached fire marshal capacity as they lined up to share their comments.

Bristol Life Rally

https://youtube.com/watch?v=m_PM-VzSInQ

At issue was the fact that abortion centers have begun looking at Bristol, VA, to protect their profits after neighboring states (Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia) enacted laws banning most abortions in response to the Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson*.

- For instance, an abortion center located in Bristol, TN—owned by the same operator whose abortion center was at the heart of the *Dobbs* case—relocated to the Virginia side of the Twin City—directly across from the casino.

That abortion center was "one too many," and "the City Council has full authority to stop other abortion clinics from coming here," said Councilman Wingard. Family Foundation legislative counsel, Josh Hetzler, confirmed that authority: "The Bristol city charter, state law, and the Virginia Supreme Court all support the right of localities to pass such ordinances," he shared during public comments.

Other comments during the meeting included a statement from Father Chris Hess of the local St. Anne's Catholic Church, who pointed out that Bristol, VA, was gaining unwelcome, international attention as a destination used by the abortion industry to protect its profits. In fact, the city was now "at the top of the list" on a website displaying places women from other states restricting abortion could go to get an abortion. Without the proposed safe-zone resolution, "we are becoming this multi-state abortion provider," he warned.

Terri Brewer from Bristol, VA, courageously shared her testimony about being taken to another Virginia city to have an abortion at the age of 16. "I am not over it," she said, recollecting how she still remembers every smell and face in the abortion clinic that day. **"But the doctor never said a word to me. I drove home that day and I was not the same Terri that had arrived earlier."**

Stephanie Adkins also shared how she was directed by her school counselor to an abortion center across state lines, which allowed her to avoid parental consent laws in her home state. The school

counselor helped Stephanie access funding for the abortion and even provided passes to get out of class for her and the friend driving her. Young girls **"are too easily manipulated to do something they will regret for the rest of their lives,"** she said.

As The Family Foundation's president, I completely agree with Stephanie's point. As I shared during the Bristol rally, "every abortion is a failure of a community to adequately support a woman who finds herself in an unplanned pregnancy. Bristol residents are simply telling the city council they are a community ready to handle the needs of their own neighbors in these situations. They would rather not be exploited by the abortion industry."

Last night's vote means that the City Council is directing the city planning commission to create a zoning plan that would exclude elective abortion facilities from the city plan.

Bristol now joins other localities like Russell and Tazewell to pass or consider a resolution affirming their desire to protect all human life within its borders, which would certainly be consistent with its own city motto – "A Good Place to Live."

Lastly, we want to extend a special thank you to Joe Kerns of the Pathways Pregnancy Resource Center and the many different clergy and pastors who took time to attend the rally and meeting, and speak up for life.

SOURCE: **THE FAMILY FOUNDATION**

How Cancer Deaths From the COVID Jabs Are Being Hidden

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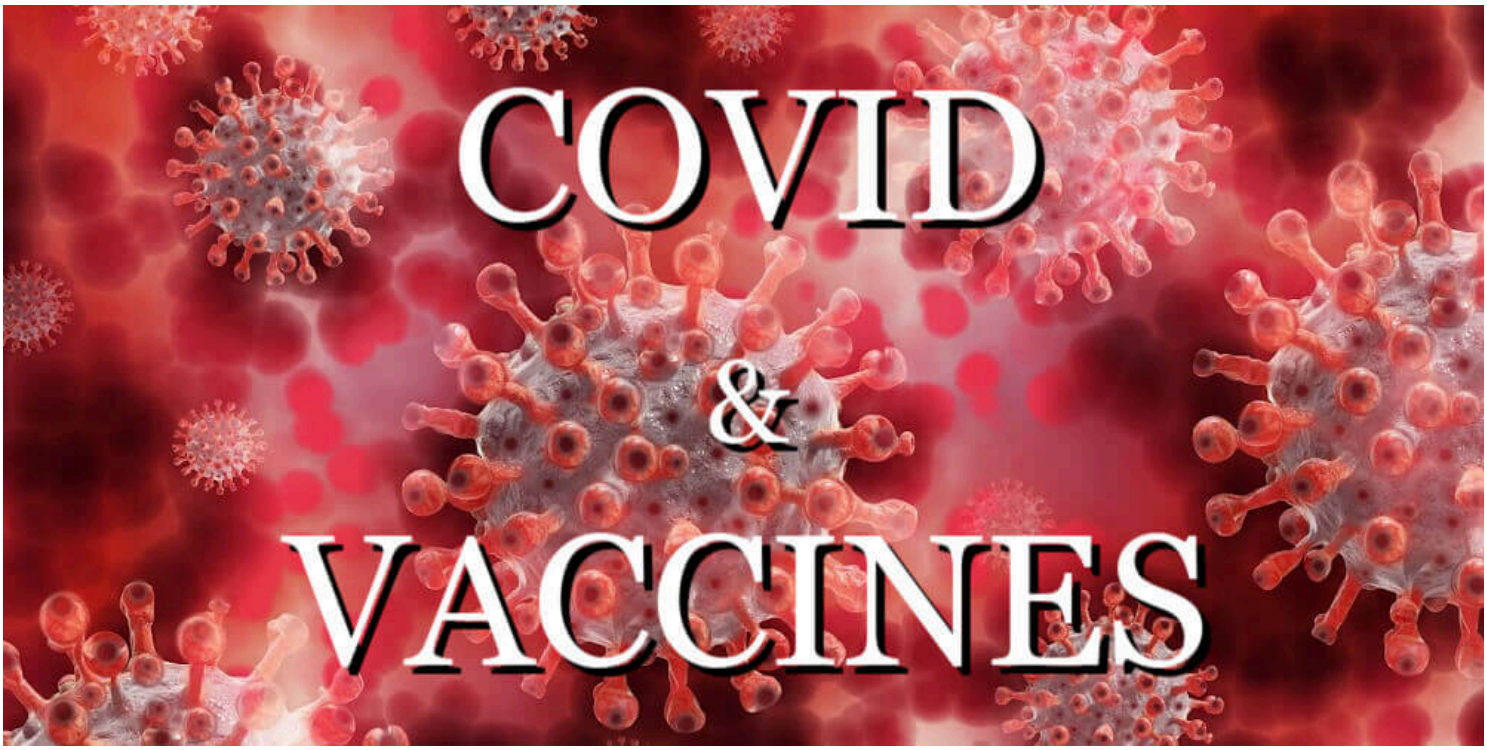


Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola | **FACT CHECKED ✓**

Story at-a-glance

- Analysis of U.S. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) data suggests the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has been filtering and redesignating cancer deaths as COVID deaths since April 2021 to eliminate the cancer signal
- The signal is being hidden by swapping the underlying cause of death with main cause of death
- Uncontrollable turbo-charged cancers the medical establishment had never seen before only started to occur after the rollout of the COVID jabs
- Before it was manipulated to eliminate the safety signal, data from the Defense Medical Epidemiology Database (DMED) showed cancer rates among military personnel and their families tripled after the rollout of the shots
- After the rollout of the COVID jabs in 2021, cancer patients have gotten younger, with the largest increase occurring among 30- to 50-year-olds, tumor sizes are dramatically larger,

> multiple tumors in multiple organs are becoming more common, and recurrence and metastasis are increasing

In a series of Twitter posts, The Ethical Skeptic — self-described as a former intelligence officer and strategist — has laid out a series of charts illustrating how cancer deaths are being mislabeled as COVID deaths.

The suspicion is that this is an effort to hide the fact that the COVID shots have resulted in soaring cancer rates. The Ethical Skeptic also takes a deep dive into the data in "Houston, We Have a Problem, Part 1," on TheEthicalSkeptic.com.[1]

As noted in his article, seven out of the 11 International Classification of Diseases (ICD) codes tracked by the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics — including cancer — saw sharp upticks starting in the first week of April 2021.

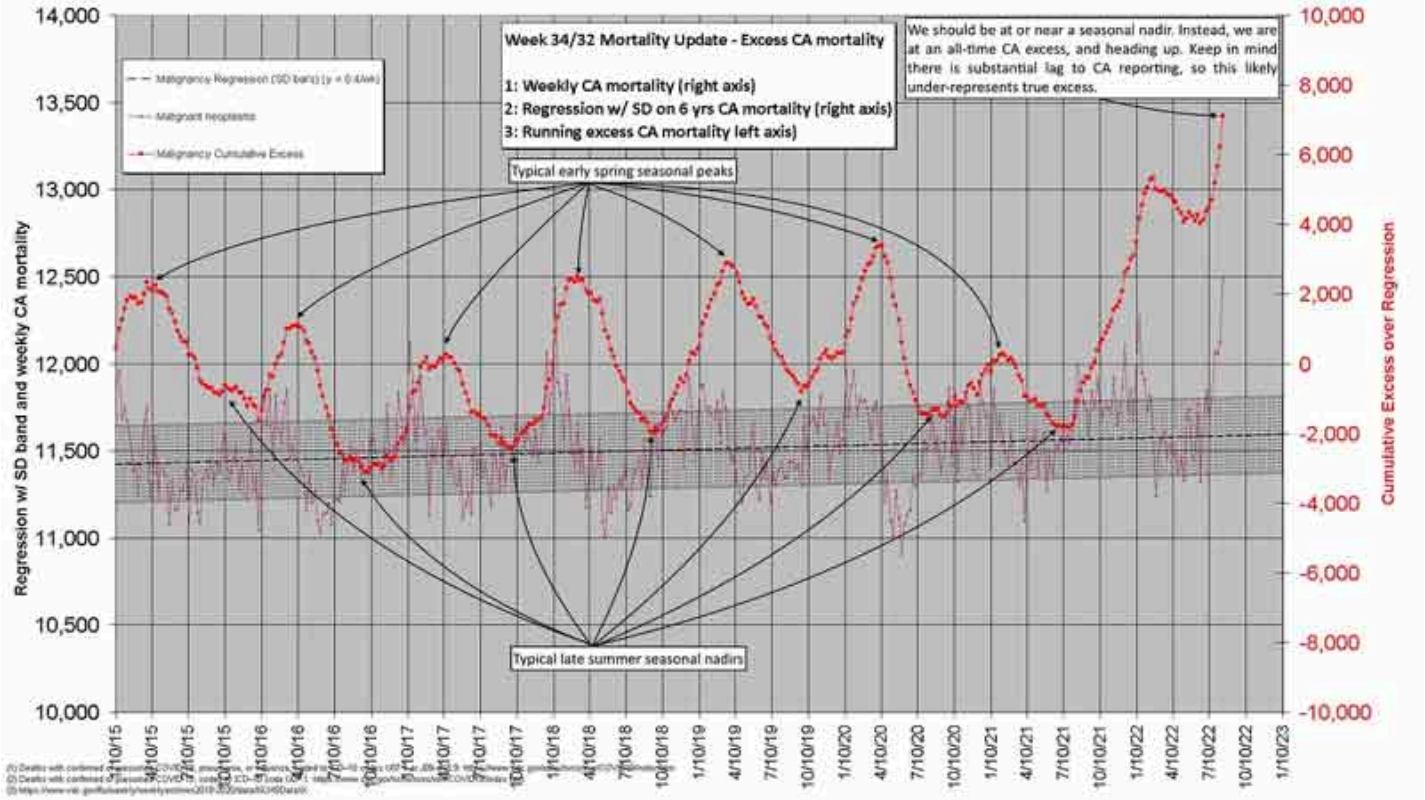
"This date of inception is no coincidence, in that it also happens to coincide with a key inflection point regarding a specific body-system intervention in most of the U.S. population," The Ethical Skeptic notes.[2] In other words, April 2021 was when large swaths of the American population were getting their first COVID jabs.

Cancer Diagnoses on the Rise

The following graph, highlighted on Dr. Jennifer Brown's Substack,[3] illustrates the cyclical wave pattern of cancer diagnoses, from January 2015 and October 1, 2022. As noted in the top-right text box:

> *"We should be at or near a seasonal nadir. Instead we are at an all-time CA excess, and heading up. Keep in mind there is substantial lag to CA reporting, so this likely under-represents true excess."*

At no point during the past seven years have we seen this rate of new cancer diagnoses. Are the COVID shots to blame? Probably, unless we can identify another widespread environmental factor or exposure that was introduced to the population, en masse, in early 2021, that didn't exist before.

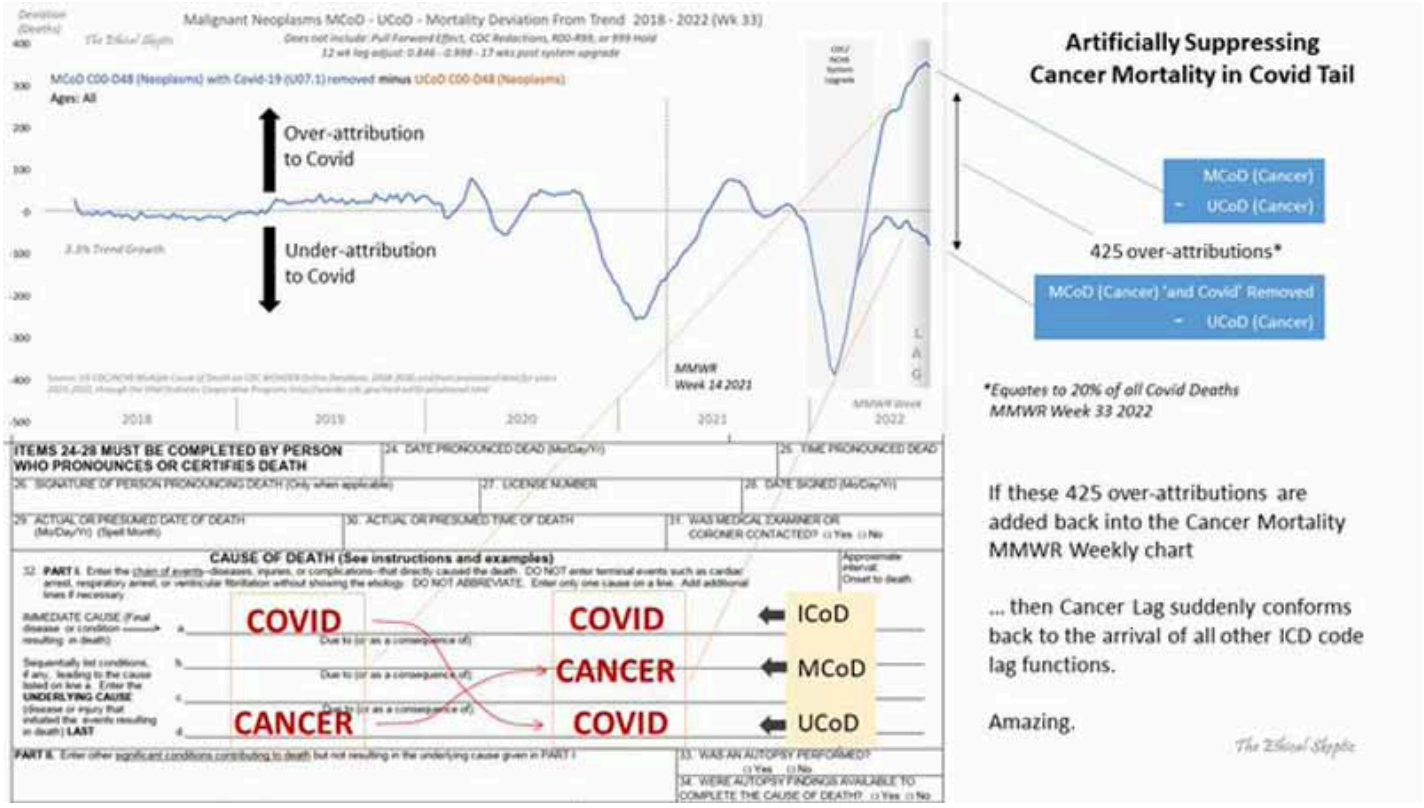


CDC Fudging Death Records to Eliminate Cancer Signal

According to The Ethical Skeptic's analysis of U.S. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) data, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has been filtering and redesignating cancer deaths as COVID deaths since Week 14 of 2021 to eliminate the cancer signal.[4]

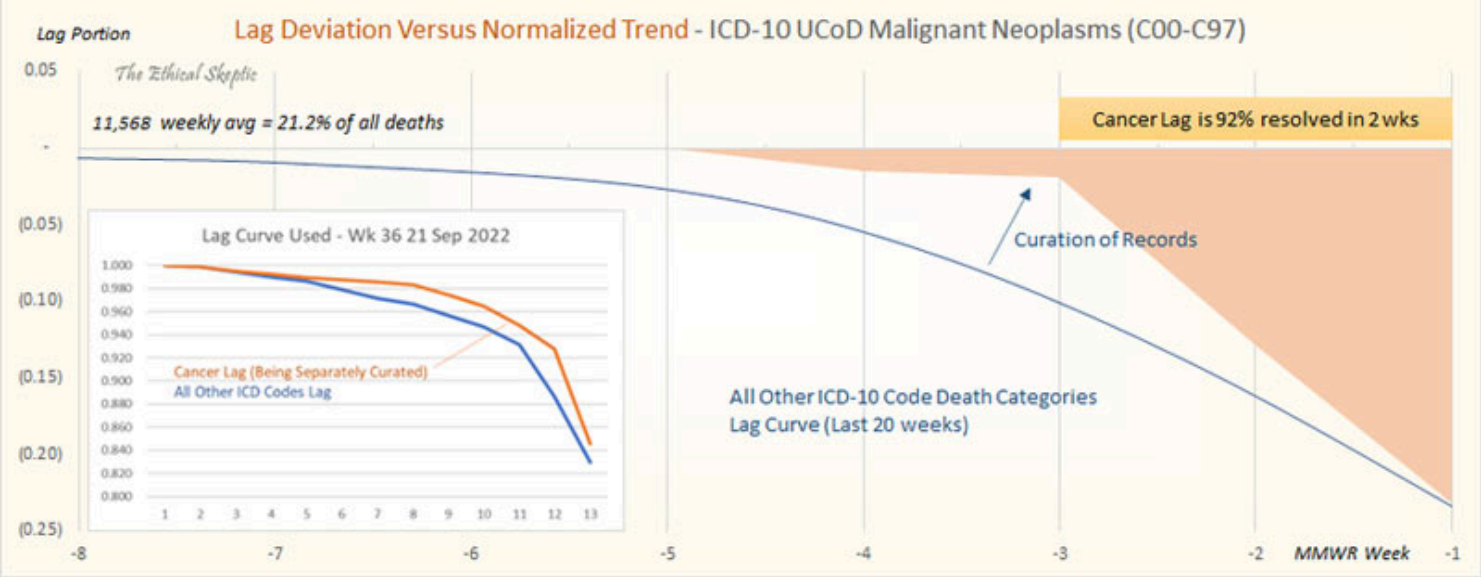
The following two charts, posted on Twitter October 1 and 2, 2022, illustrates how cancer mortality is being artificially suppressed. As explained by The Ethical Skeptic:[5,6]

> *"The set dynamics are complex, but the principle is straightforward. When a death cert lists Cancer as the UCoD and COVID as MCoD — the UCoD & MCoD are being swapped, and COVID is being listed as the UCoD 100% (425/wk).*



> *"This results in 20% of all COVID deaths each week, also happening to be persons dying of Cancer — which is egregiously higher than it should be. This is clear over-attribution = equates to exactly the difference between the Cancer and All Other ICD-10 code lag curves."*

> *The problem facing the CDC, is … What does one do when COVID Mortality is no longer substantial enough to conceal the excess Cancer Mortality?"*



So, to rephrase, what The Ethical Skeptic is saying is that 20% of the weekly so-called COVID deaths are actually cancer deaths, which is rather astounding. But swapping the underlying and main causes of death, listing COVID as the main cause, hides (to some degree) the fact that cancer deaths are going through the roof.

According to his analysis, the COVID shot is killing 7,300 Americans per week. COVID, meanwhile, is killing 1,740 people.[7] So, what will the CDC blame when COVID disappears and they can no longer swap the underlying and main cause of death designations?

Department of Defense Data Showed Massive Cancer Rise

Video Link

Uncontrollable turbo-charged cancers the medical establishment had never seen before only started to occur after the rollout of the COVID jabs.[8] Data from the Defense Medical Epidemiology Database (DMED), exposed by attorney Tom Renz and Sen. Ron Johnson (above), showed cancer rates among military personnel and their families basically tripled after the rollout of the shots.[9]

As you may recall, within days of the DMED data being revealed, the database was taken offline, allegedly to "identify and correct" a supposed data corruption problem, and when it came back, the data had been altered to hide these glaringly obvious safety signals.[10]

'Turbo-Cancers' Emerged After COVID Jab Rollout

Video Link

In the video above, Swedish pathologist, researcher and senior physician at Lund's University, Dr. Ute Kruger, describes the changes she has personally observed in the wake of the COVID shots. For example, she's noticed:[11,12]

- Cancer patients are getting younger — The largest increase is among 30- to 50-year-olds
- Tumor sizes are dramatically larger — Historically, 3-centimeter tumors were commonly found at the time of cancer diagnosis. Now, the tumors they're finding are regularly 4 to 12 centimeters, which suggests they're growing at a much faster rate than normal
- Multiple tumors in multiple organs are becoming more common
- Recurrence and metastasis are increasing — Kruger points out that many of the cancer patients she's seeing have been in remission for years, only to suddenly be beset with uncontrollable cancer growth and metastasis shortly after their COVID jab

These "turbo-cancers," as Kruger calls them, cannot be explained by delayed cancer screenings due to lockdowns and other COVID restrictions, as those days are long gone. Patients, despite having access to medical screenings as in years past, are showing up with grossly exacerbated tumor growths, and she believes this is because the cancers are being "turbo-charged" by the mRNA jabs.

Dr. Ryan Cole has also discussed the explosion of cancer (see video below). He believes the shots are primarily accelerating already existing cancers, by way of immune dysregulation.[13] He noticed that cancers that could normally be controlled and kept in check, giving the patient several years of quality life, once they got the COVID jab, the cancer would suddenly grow out of control and rapidly lead to death.

Video Link

Data Are so Corrupted, Will We Ever Get to the Truth?

The sad reality is that most data sources have at this point been so corrupted, it's unlikely we'll ever be able to get the whole truth. The CDC started manipulating the data in 2020 and hasn't stopped. DMED, which has historically been one of the best and most pristine, has now been modified. Other data sources have suffered the same fate.

It's beyond egregious, and data modelers like The Ethical Skeptic show just how bad the situation is. The idea that the CDC is massaging statistics to hide clear danger signals is appalling and unethical in the extreme, yet that's what we're seeing. The question is, why do they go to such lengths to protect such a lethal product? Your guess is as good as mine.

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49 babies saved from abortion within first two weeks of 40 Days for Life's fall campaign

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'Even with abortion availability down across the United States—thanks to the Supreme Court—God is still using your prayers to save babies!'

(**LifeSiteNews**) — The 40 Days for Life 2022 fall campaign has saved nearly 50 babies from abortion during the past two weeks.

In an October 10 article posted on the apostolate's website, president and CEO Shawn Carney shared that 49 unborn children had been saved across the world as a direct result of 40 Days for Life prayer vigils and volunteers.

"Even with abortion availability down across the United States—thanks to the Supreme Court—God is still using your prayers to save babies!" Carney **wrote.** "Today, we know of 49 babies spared from abortion since September 28!"

The update, posted on the thirteenth day of the campaign, also highlighted the miracles taking place at a hospital in Mexico City, where "between 30 and 50 women line up at 5:00am to get free abortions" each day, including weekends. When they are finally allowed inside, nobody is permitted to accompany the women.

"Locals are given abortion pills while foreigners receive surgical abortions," Carney explained in the post.

"The local pregnancy help center has a mobile ultrasound unit on site, but lately those who serve there have been struggling to persuade women to take them up on their offer of free help … until 40 Days for Life began."

According to the Latin American campaign director, “four girls accepted the help offered, saw ultrasounds, and chose life.”

READ: 40 Days for Life’s first post-Roe campaign gets underway in a record 622 cities

Upon seeing their business revenue leaving, the hospital tried to divert attention from the pro-life services by leading women into their building through a different entrance. However, director Lourdes Varela said that this ruse did not succeed in turning everyone away from the ultrasounds, and four babies were saved as a result.

The first post-*Roe* 40 Days for Life campaign began on September 28 with renewed momentum to fight abortion on the local level. It is the largest campaign in the apostolate’s history. On the second day, the fall campaign **saved** its first baby, also in Mexico City.

On October 11, 2021, Carney **reported** that “the number of saved babies reported at the vigils is up 48%” from the previous year. At that time, 259 unborn children were spared from abortion during 2021.

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‘I Regret It Every Day’: New Survey Reveals the Extent of Post-Abortion Trauma

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The entertainment and legacy media present abortion as empowering, but that’s not the feeling that impelled one mother to agree to a medication abortion. “I was scared to death,” she told researchers. Even five later, the woman — who still describes herself as “pro-choice” — says she regrets her chemical abortion. “Now I wish I would’ve just faced it all and had my baby,” she said. “I regret it still to this day and probably still will for the rest of my life.”

“I regret it every day and cry about it often,” said another woman one year after deciding to oversee her abortion at home. Far from making her feel independent, she said the overwhelming emotion she felt — and still feels — is “helplessness.”

Her words echo too many other women who took the two-pill regimen of mifepristone and misoprostol, called a “medical” or “chemical” abortion to distinguish it from surgical abortion. Nearly two out of three women who had a medication abortion say they would have benefited from talking to someone about the trauma of their abortion experience, but only 24% sought out help, according to a **study** of 14,000 women conducted by the group **Support After Abortion**. The

gaping disparity may reflect the fact that 82% of post-abortive women did not know where they could find post-abortion counseling. As the study notes, an unknown number of women are now paying the price.

"Many were traumatized by medication abortion, an experience they said was far more painful, physically and emotionally, than they had imagined," the survey noted.

The first of the two pills blocks progesterone, cutting off nourishment to the child in utero, while the second stimulates contractions to force the child's dead body out of his or her mother, usually into a toilet. The fetal remains "can be flushed down the lavatory or wrapped in tissue, placed in a small plastic bag and put in the dustbin," **explained** a British abortion provider. "If she looks carefully, she might be able to count the fingers and toes," **said** Dr. Anthony Levatino, a former abortionist who later became pro-life, in a video produced by Live Action.

The expectant mother undergoes this alone, often without an in-person medical check-up. Support After Abortion noted that women found bearing the responsibility of presiding over and disposing of their child's remains "extremely distressing," "isolating," and "traumatic."

" just feel bad. I let it bleed out of me like nothing," said one woman. One-third of women (34%) who had a chemical abortion "reported an adverse change in themselves, including depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and thoughts of suicide."

"I felt like I didn't deserve to be a mom. It got to the point where I wasn't eating. I couldn't go to work. I couldn't watch my kids," said Chantal Gates in her book, "**Unraveled Roots: Exposing the Hidden Causes of Damaging Behaviors**," published in 2020. "I couldn't believe I had done this to a child I actually cared about and wanted."

At least one post-abortive woman committed suicide, and seven died of overdoses/drug-related deaths, after undergoing a medical abortion, according to **FDA data**. Barely half of the 26 known deaths related to medication abortion (54%) between 2000 and 2019 came from natural causes. But the number may be far higher, as researchers say the results are often miscoded as a miscarriage.

Others still remembered the pain of going through contractions alone in a bathroom. "They said minor discomfort. It was horrible. Physically and emotionally," said a woman who ingested the deadly medical cocktail. "It was 100 times more painful than told. It took over 12 hours to completely expel the tissue. It was so much more traumatic than a surgical abortion, which I had once before," said another.

The adverse effects of chemical abortion seem set to multiply, as the abortion industry promises to use drug-driven abortion — which was already increasing before the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade — to circumvent state pro-life laws. The majority (**54%**) of all abortions took place via

medication or chemical abortions in 2020, according to the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute — more than doubling since 2011. The Biden administration has also significantly loosened safety regulations on medical pills. Last December, the FDA **allowed** the abortion pills to be prescribed online, without a medical check-up to verify the woman does not have an ectopic pregnancy, or even that she's pregnant. This July, Biden **signed an additional executive order** to "expand access to abortion care, including medication abortion." Yet a study found medical abortion may send **35 of every 100 women** who take the pills to the emergency room.

The share of medical abortions is "projected to climb to 70% by the end of 2022, according to the Guttmacher Institute," Support After Abortion reported. "With abortion on the national stage, it's an opportunity to shine a light on women who are too often overlooked — the millions who suffer psychologically after abortion, sometimes years after the event."

But the study contains a hopeful note: With proper care, the psychological trauma of abortion may be reversed.

Gates said she found "healing" from her post-abortion trauma thanks to loving counselors, who helped her better understand her priorities. They "gave me a different viewpoint. I put me and my children first and live my life, so I am never going to be in that place again."

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Biden's Defense Department Urges Killing U.S. Babies for National Security

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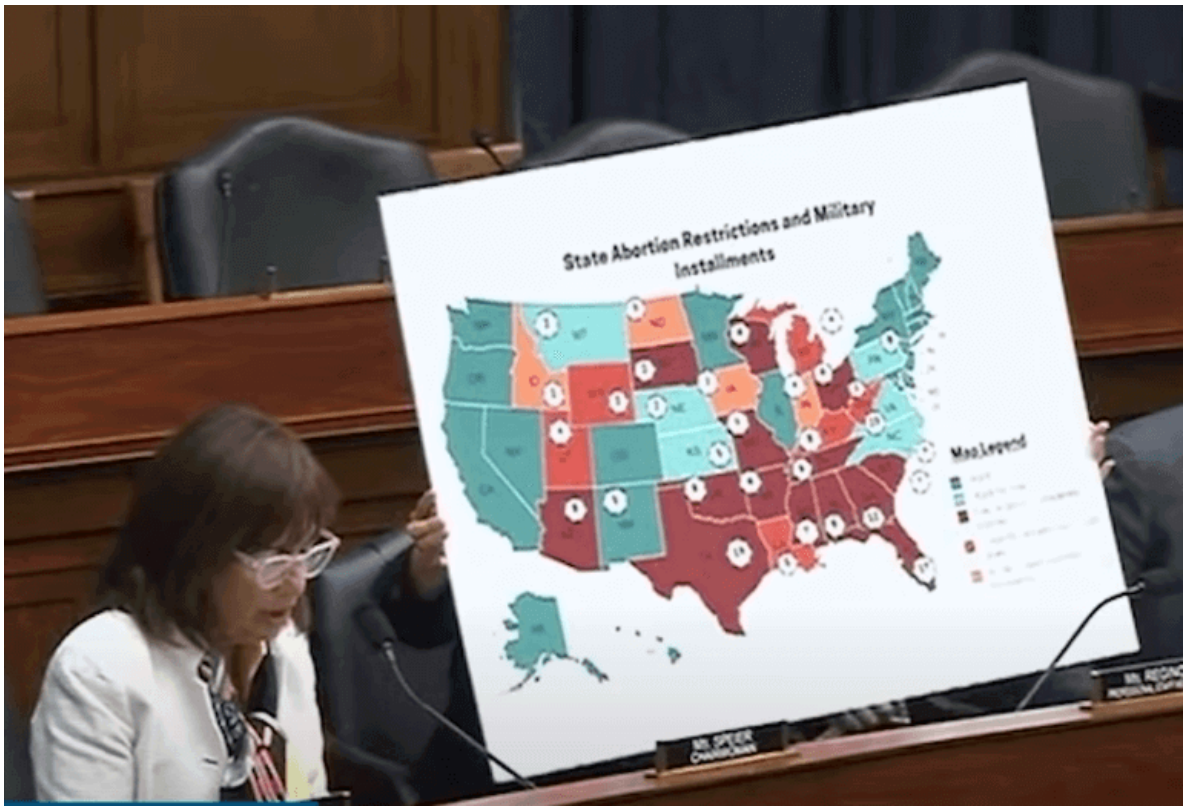

Biden's Secretary of Defense sponsored a Rand paper which claims abortion is vital to national security. The paper, "How the Dobbs Decision Could Affect U.S. National Security", warns that the inability to promptly kill children due to the Supreme Court's decision will lead to "higher health care, child care, and education costs".

If you don't kill 'em, you'll have to teach 'em.

While lefties loved attacking Rand, a think tank created by a defense contractor that is now a subsidiary of Boeing, only when lefties fully took it over did it become capable of this level of sociopathy. Civilized societies didn't send women into front line combat except as an act of total desperation. The Biden administration has financed a survey arguing that not only should we send women into combat, but that we'll have deployment issues if we don't kill their babies.

Moloch wept.

The Rand survey argues that, "Women play an integral role in the U.S. military. A threat to their health and well-being is a potential threat to our national security." A footnote however cautions

that, “although we use the term woman or women throughout this piece, we recognize that these terms are not necessarily inclusive of all individuals who might seek abortion services.”

Even abortion feminism draws the line at recognizing the existence of women as anything except a political ploy. Think of all the men who need military abortions too.

Like Admiral Rachel Leland Levine who has been accused of killing more people than every branch of the military combined. Unfortunately they were all American citizens trapped in nursing homes. But, as Rand might point out, he did dramatically cut health care costs.

No wonder they made him an admiral even if it’s of the Gilbert and Sullivan variety.

The Rand survey alarmingly warns that the Department of Defense might have to expand its child care program “to accommodate any additional births that occur as a result of women having children that they might not have had otherwise” which is a scary prospect since it already spends “over $1.2 billion annually on child care costs”.

Or about 0.2% of the F-35 fighter jet cost overruns. And the jets don’t fly themselves. Children will have to grow up to fly them. Treating children as a national security liability is backward. Without children, there’s no one in the military to defend the society or anyone to defend.

The military is struggling to find recruits. Birth rates are falling. The number of actual Americans continues to decline. The lack of abortion isn’t a national security threat: abortion is a national security threat which has killed more Americans than any foreign enemy. Arguing that babies are a threat to national security is a literal example of destroying the village to save the village.

The Rand survey frets over a projected “2,800 female DoD civilian employees with unintended pregnancies annually, and between 4,400 (HRBS) and 4,700 (WRHS) active-duty service women with an unintended pregnancy each year.”

Scary stuff.

If only there were some simple and easily accessible means of preventing unintended pregnancies that could be easily taught and distributed to functioning adults.

The military already offers free contraceptives. The Biden administration is rolling out more contraceptive clinics and pushing free IUDs. There’s even a ‘Decide and Be Ready’ app which provides information about available contraceptives for women in the military. Anyone who can be trusted to serve in the military can also figure out how the pill, condoms or chastity works.

Or maybe they’re not qualified or can be trusted to serve.

The Supreme Court's decision finding that there had never been a constitutional right to abortion is not a threat to national security. The woke brass is the real threat to national security.

And according to them everything the Left doesn't like is a national security threat. The only things that aren't national security threats are actual national security threats.

Passing off abortion as a national security issue adds it to the portfolio of such urgent national security issues as diversity, global warming and transgender rights. When mobs of foreign migrants, some of them terrorists and cartel members, rushed the border, the military was not allowed to do anything because millions of foreigners invading the country wasn't a national security issue. Leftist mobs attacking the White House wasn't a national security issue either.

But abortion? Now there's a real national security issue.

Ever since Obama took over the White House, the military has been used as a piggy bank and front for every leftist agenda item. We lost the war in Afghanistan, but the brass makes sure that every branch of the military has an equity office and is having conversations about systemic racism. The VA may be broken, but it'll offer transgender surgery. The Air Force's planes won't fly, but its leadership is now black. Fat Leonard is on the loose, but Adm. Gilday will make sure everyone is reading Ibram X. Kendi. The Army can't meet its recruitment numbers, but its ads feature lesbian weddings. At least there's a plan to finally win a war.

Against "climate change".

Former Admiral James Stavridis and Supreme Allied Commander of NATO had an op-ed urging, "Biden and the Pentagon Can Declare War on Climate Change."

Stavridis had learned nothing from Xerxes trying to whip the sea into shape.

Every leftist agenda item is described as a way to win wars and maximize our "lethality".

U.S. Pacific Air Forces claimed that using the right pronouns would "improve our interoperability, efficiency, creativity, and lethality." The People's Republic of China must be terrified of the ruthless lethality of our correct pronoun usage. Who needs aircraft carriers anyway?

The Air Education and Training Command claims that the Air Force "increases its warfighting capabilities and lethality by attracting talent from a diverse body of applicants".

Nothing is as lethal as racial quotas. To meritocracy.

Abortion is the latest grand contributor to our military's lethality. Just on the wrong side.

The pathway to restoring our national security begins with a new military leadership that pushes out the cocktail party political generals and admirals who take their marching orders from the Washington Post instead of their oath and duty to defend the nation against foreign enemies.

Then maybe there will be leaders who know that their job is to kill the enemy, not our children.

SOURCE: **SULTAN KNISH**

ICAN Legal Action Obtains Exclusive v-safe Data from the CDC View Data-See it

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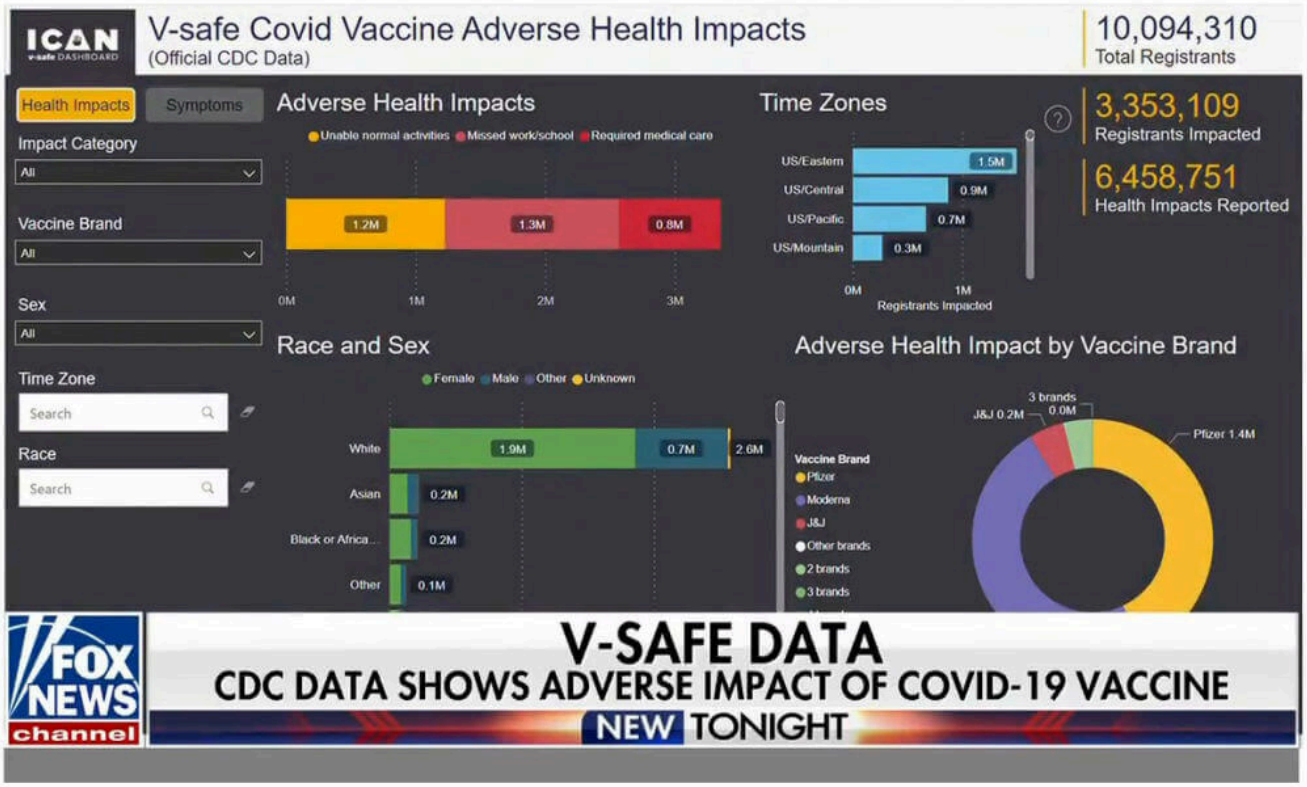

Gateway Pundit

The Informed Consent Action Network (**ICAN**) just recently won a major lawsuit brought against the CDC, requiring the agency to turn over its V-safe COVID Vaccine Injury Data.

In order to collect health evaluations following vaccination against COVID-19, the CDC developed a tool called V-safe that runs on smartphones. Over 10 million participants signed up and submitted their health data.

"**V-safe** provides personalized and confidential health check-ins via text messages and web surveys so you can quickly and easily share with CDC how you, or your dependent, feel after getting a **COVID-19 vaccine**. This information helps CDC monitor the **safety of COVID-19 vaccines** in near real time," said **CDC**.

After a successful lawsuit, ICAN was granted access to V-safe COVID Vaccine Injury Data from the CDC.

“To make this data public, ICAN activated its legal team. After **suing** the CDC **twice**, the CDC capitulated in a court **order** requiring the release of the data,” according to the company news release. “ICAN has taken the CDC’s official raw data and created a visual dashboard interface for ease of use.”

Users will be able to see a visual representation of the more than 144 million lines of health data gathered through ICAN’s lawsuit against the CDC by using the customized dashboard. (above image screen shot)

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The Daily Skirmish – Pro-Abortion Case Just Got Weaker

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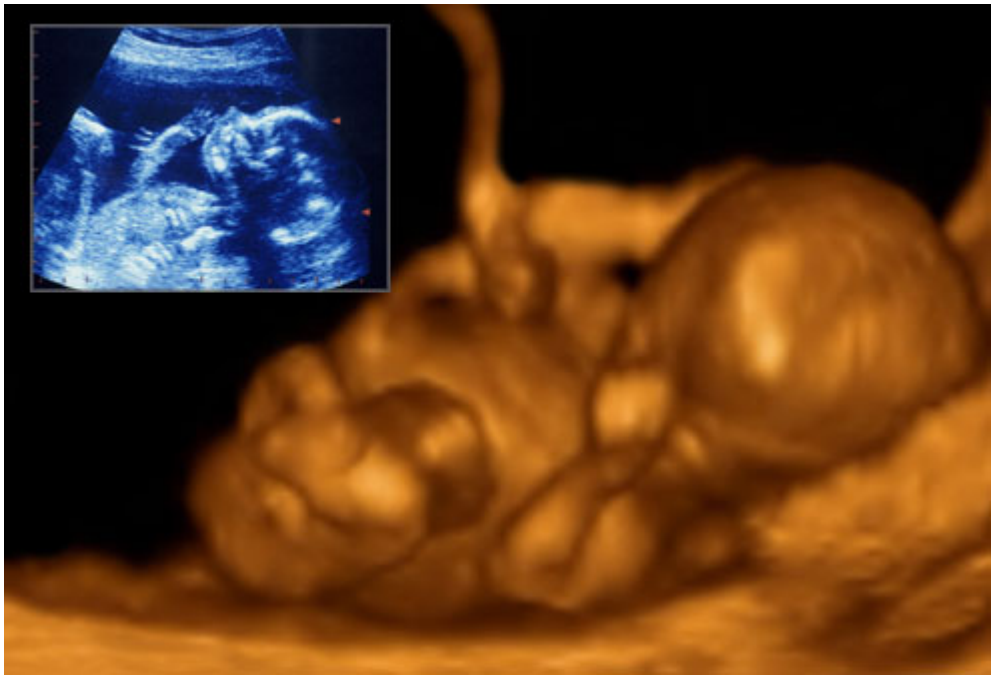

The case for abortion just got weaker. How do I know?

Because leading abortion advocates are out there saying the most ridiculous things.

Take Stacey Abrams, for example, the woman who thinks she's Governor of Georgia.

She **claimed** in a video that surfaced last week that,

> "There is no such thing as a heartbeat at six weeks."

She went on to say what sounds like a heartbeat is just a "manufactured sound" invented by the patriarchy to control women's bodies.

In this latter claim, she is echoing other abortion advocates who have claimed ultrasound machines produce the sound on their own, generated from what is just 'electrical activity', not a functional heartbeat.

Experts beg to differ. The Mayo Clinic, the Cleveland Clinic, and the authoritative Merck medical manual have all **stated** there is a heartbeat by six weeks. "The heart begins to pump fluid through blood vessels by day 20," the Merck Manual states. That's the definition of a heartbeat – "cardiac tissue contracting to pump blood through the circulatory system." The Mayo Clinic and Planned Parenthood recently scrubbed their websites to remove any reference to a heartbeat, with Planned Parenthood now claiming ultrasound machines produce the sound on their own. Sure, and I'm the tooth fairy. Not a good look, changing your story like that.

Stacey Abrams joins other abortion advocates who have said the most preposterous things about killing babies in the womb.

A feminist said last year abortion is an "**act of love**" when it allows a mother to take better care of her other children. And when the going gets tough in the future, will it be OK to kill those children, too? Why not? How's it any different?

- We also know the case for abortion is getting weaker because advocates are censoring contrary information they don't want you to hear. YouTube has started **censoring** videos containing truthful information about the links between abortion and breast cancer, as well as abortion and infertility.
- We also know the case for abortion is getting weaker because, after having lost in the court of public opinion and in the Supreme Court, abortion advocates are using their temporary control of the federal government to push abortion every way they can. Joe Biden signed an **executive order** to that effect in July. Among other federal acts, **VA hospitals** are now performing abortions in states where it is outlawed. The White House would not **rule out** building abortion clinics on federal land, if that's what it takes to provide abortions in every state. Biden's immigration authorities are **steering** illegal aliens to states where abortion is legal, violating a federal law which prohibits the use of taxpayer money to facilitate the procedure.
- We also know the case for abortion is weak because apostates continue to leave the abortion industry to tell the truth about what really goes on there. A former Planned Parenthood clinic director facilitated 22,000 abortions during her time there, but left to become an anti-abortion activist. She now **regrets** telling expectant mothers their babies would not feel pain while being torn apart, and otherwise duping women into abortions they didn't really want. But when's the last time you ever heard of someone leaving the pro-life movement to become an abortion activist? It doesn't seem to happen.

It's been my experience in life that people who make the most hysterical arguments are often rationalizing their desire to do something they know deep down is wrong. So when Stacey Abrams says there is no fetal heartbeat – the machines are making the sounds – you gotta wonder, what does she really believe deep down inside?

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‘Mystery Deaths’ Now Killing 3x More People Than COVID

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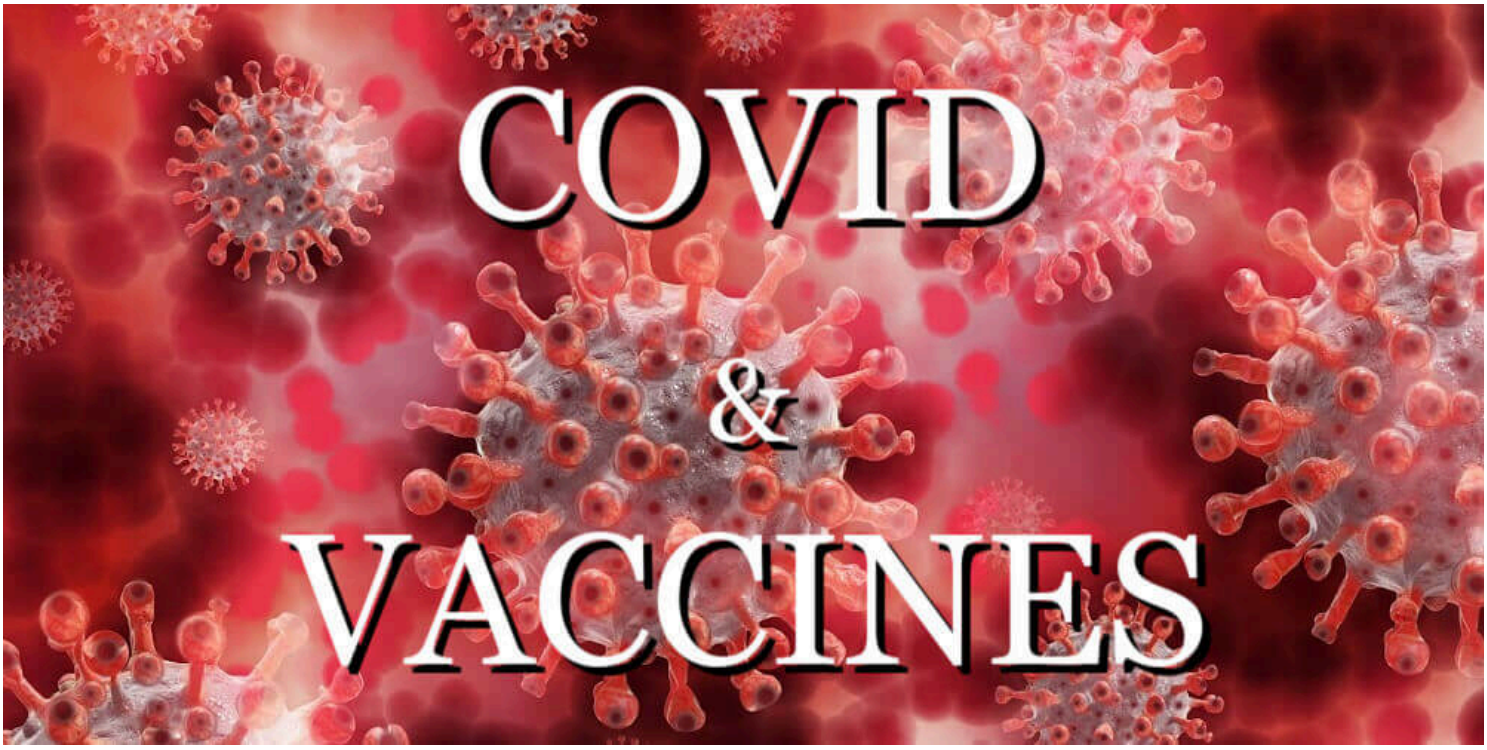


Did Lockdowns Cause Increased Mortality Rates?

Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola | **FACT CHECKED ✓**

Story at-a-glance

- Emerging statistics on excess mortality rates paint an alarming picture. Far more people died in 2021, after the rollout of the COVID shots, and in 2022, than during the height of the COVID pandemic in 2020
- Mainstream media are trying to divert your attention from the elephant in the room — mass injection with experimental gene transfer technology — to anything and everything but that
- The Telegraph blames the unexplained excess deaths on lockdown effects. Many didn’t have access to routine medical care during lockdowns, and are now dying from chronic diseases that went untreated
- U.K. Office for National Statistics (ONS) data released August 16, 2022, show excess deaths in England and Wales were, as of August 5, 14.4% higher than the five-year average, which

works out to 1,350 more deaths per week than normal. A majority of these excess deaths were cardiovascular in nature — a primary adverse effect of the COVID jabs
- In the U.S., we lost 349,000 younger Americans to something besides COVID and non-natural death between April 3, 2021 and August 13, 2022, and that's not counting the tens of thousands of death records that the CDC has inexplicably deleted. As much as 15% to 25% of the death reports that could indicate a COVID jab death are missing. Other data show that during the fall of 2021, Millennials, aged 25 to 44, had an 84% increase in excess deaths

Emerging statistics on excess mortality rates paint an alarming picture. Far more people died in 2021, after the rollout of the COVID shots, and in 2022, than during the height of the COVID pandemic in 2020. I will review some of those shocking statistics — which are mirrored around the world — in a moment.

But while rational people look at these figures and ask themselves what the most apparent and likely cause behind this sudden rise in deaths of working-age adults and younger people might be, mainstream media are trying to divert your attention from the elephant in the room — mass injection with experimental gene transfer technology — to anything and everything but that.

Lockdowns Blamed for Excess Deaths

In an August 18, 2022, article,[1] Telegraph science editor Sarah Knapton blames the "unexplained excess deaths" on "the effects of lockdown." She writes:[2]

> *"Figures for excess deaths from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) show that around 1,000 more people than usual are currently dying each week from conditions other than the virus.*

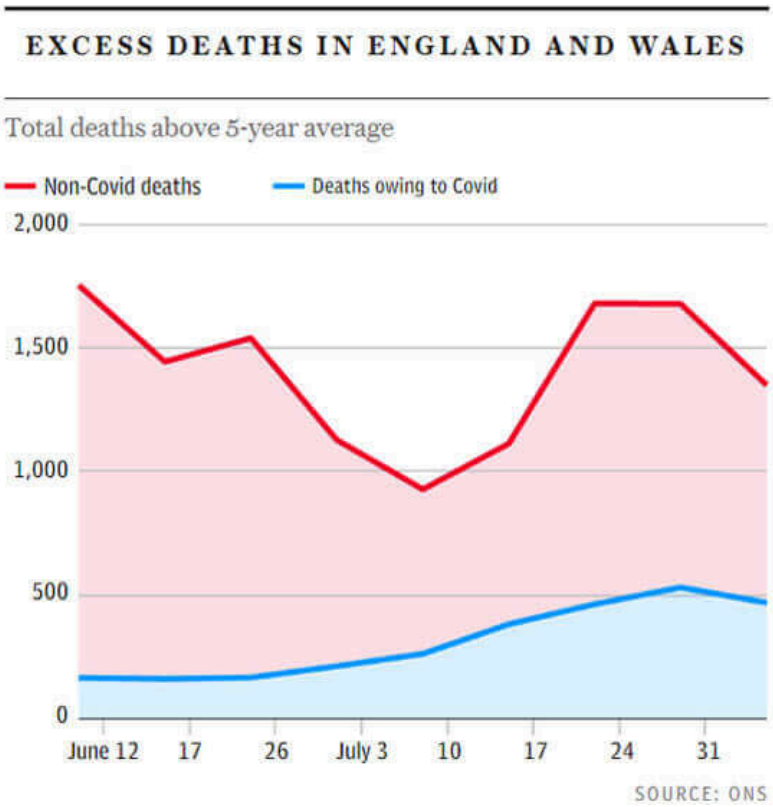
> *The … Department of Health has ordered an investigation into the figures amid concern that the deaths are linked to delays to and deferment of treatment for conditions such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease. Over the past two months, the number of excess deaths not from Covid dwarfs the number linked to the virus …*

> *Dr. Charles Levinson, the chief executive of Doctorcall, a private GP service, said his company was seeing 'far too many' cases of undetected cancers and cardiac problems, as well as 'disturbing' numbers of mental health conditions.*

> *'Hundreds and hundreds of people dying every week — what is going on?' he said. 'Delays in seeking and receiving healthcare are no doubt the driving force, in my view.'"*

Cardiovascular Problems Kill in Record Numbers

ONS data released August 16, 2022, show excess deaths in England and Wales were, as of August 5, 14.4% higher than the five-year average, which works out to 1,350 more deaths per week than normal, Knapton reports.[3] As you can see in the graph[4] below, COVID is only involved in a small number of those deaths.



In all, non-COVID deaths are now more than three times that of COVID-related deaths. According to the U.K. Office for Health Improvement and Disparities, a majority of these excess deaths were "preventable heart and stroke and diabetes-related conditions."

However, while lack of routine health care — people avoiding seeing their doctors for fear of COVID or due to various restrictions — may well have played a role, cardiovascular problems such as heart attacks and strokes are the primary side effects of the jab as well.

A Look at US Mortality Data

The identical trend is also seen in the U.S. In Part 1 of a three-part series,[5] The Ethical Skeptic — self-described as a former intelligence officer and strategies for nations facing corruption challenges — reviews data from the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics showing "stark increase trends beginning in the first week of April 2021."

> *"This date of inception is no coincidence, in that it also happens to coincide with a key inflection point regarding a specific body-system intervention in most of the U.S. population,"* The Ethical Skeptic notes.

He describes how, at the very end of May 2021, an "odd signal" developed in his COVID tracking models. This odd signal came in the form of an ICD death code (International Classification of Diseases code) called R00-R99, which stands for "Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified." In other words, deaths from undetermined causes.

As a result of this odd signal, he started tracking these R00-R99 deaths, along with 11 other ICD-10 (the 10 stands for 10th revision, which is the most recent), such as suicides and overdoses, as well as a statistic called "Excess non-COVID natural cause deaths." The data The Ethical Skeptic used for his models were derived from three primary databases:

1. The U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention: Weekly Counts of Deaths by State and Select Causes, 2014-2019[6]
2. The CDC's Weekly Provisional Counts of Deaths by State and Select Causes, 2020-2022[7]
3. The CDC's Wonder: Provisional Mortality Statistics, 2018 through Last Month – Query by Constraint Engine[8]

CDC Is Scrubbing Death Records

Non-COVID mortality saw a mild uptick in October 2020, an effect The Ethical Skeptic attributes to "the systemic damage which the SARS-CoV-2 infection and virus spike protein can produce in the human body. An erstwhile COVID delayed death if you will."

The noticeable explosion of non-COVID deaths didn't occur until Week 14, 2021, and "by the end of 2021 it had become abundantly clear that U.S. citizens were not just dying of COVID-19 to the excess, they were also now dying of something else, and at a rate which eventually became higher than that of COVID itself," he writes.

Disturbingly, he discovered that death records were inexplicably being redacted and deleted during a very crucial time period — Weeks 4 through 20 in 2022. "It is hard to envision a scenario explaining this 52,000-record data tampering across the most at-risk weeks … of 2022, as not constituting malicious obfuscation of U.S. citizen mortality data," he writes.

Deep Dive Into US Death Statistics

His article is chockfull of charts for those who want to take a deeper dive into the statistics, but here are some extracts of his findings:

> *"The charts of particular concern … include the charts featuring stark post MMWR Week 14, 2021 rises in mortality. Specifically, they are*

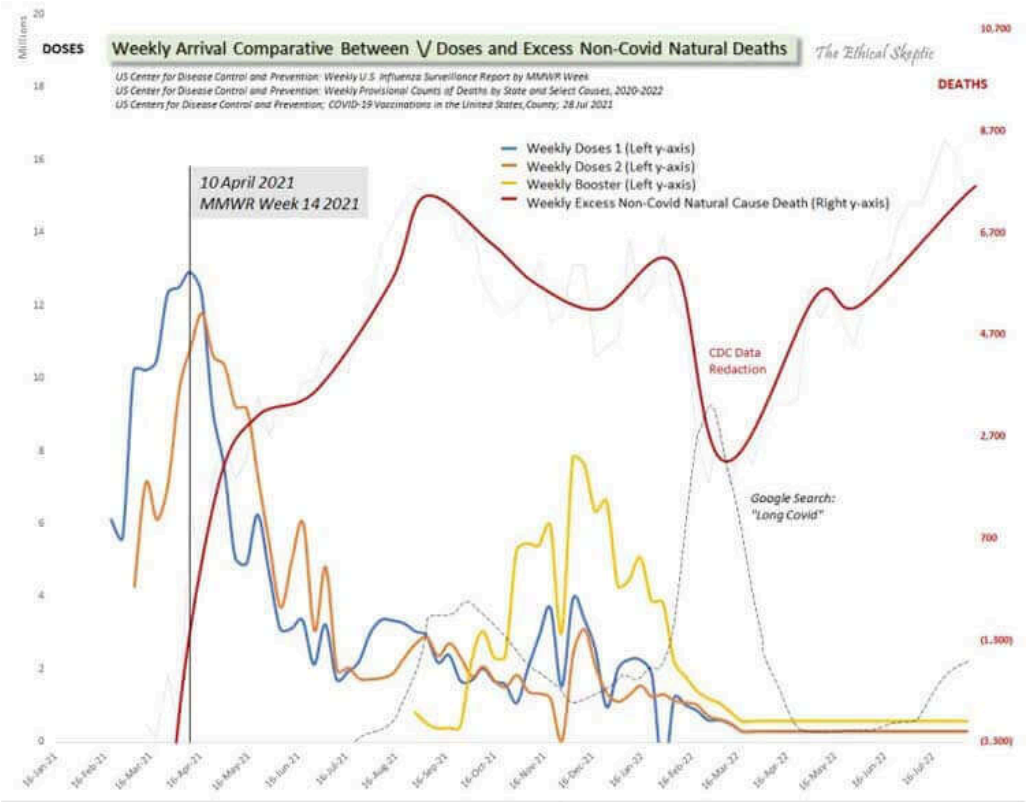
- *Excess non-COVID natural cause, 5+ sigma*
- *Cancer and lymphomas, 9+ sigma*
- *Other respiratory conditions, 2 sigma*
- *Nephritis/Nephrotic syndrome, 4 sigma*
- *Septicemia, 2 sigma*
- *Heart diseases and ailments, 2 sigma*
- *All other ICD-10 tracked natural cause deaths, 4 sigma*

> *… While there are indeed increases in deaths incumbent inside the other ICD-10 codes, those increases appeared to plausibly conform to their same arrival patterns for 2020 as well. In other words, they appeared to be heavily Covid-related in their dynamics, both before and after the Week 14 2021 inflection.*

> *Of particular concern, are those deaths which relate to body-wide regulatory systems as opposed to specific organs or causes. In other words, cancer and lymphomas, heart, autonomous myocarditis/pericarditis/conductive disorders, injuries to the liver and kidneys, etc.*

> *These are not only the canaries in the coal mine in terms of pathology, but may serve to indicate as well that a pervasive systemic disruption is at play inside the average U.S. citizen human physiology, especially over the last 71 weeks. These are the death groups which exhibit the most stark trend of increase post MMWR Week 14, 2021 …*

> *us for a moment also review the compelling rationale behind the MMWR Week 14 2021 inflection date. This date is a critical matter of concern for no small reason. Its derivation is no coincidence. The 'Doses and Deaths Comparison Chart', Exhibit B below, outlines why.*



> ***Exhibit B —*** *The MMWR Week 14, 2021 inflection date also happens to correspond to the fastest velocity in administered vaccine doses inside the U.S. population. The red line is Excess Non-COVID Natural Cause Mortality extracted from the data behind Exhibit E below."*

According to The Ethical Skeptic, three types of death record codes in particular are signaling "population-wide systemic health disruption," and those are: "Excess malignant neoplasm and lymphoma" deaths (coded C00-C97), "Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory

findings, not elsewhere classified" deaths (R00-R99) and "Excess non-COVID natural cause" deaths. All three trend very sharply against historical baselines.

Without a shadow of a doubt, we have established that right now there exists a problem in terms of U.S. citizen health and mortality. One which is differentiated from COVID-19 itself, and began in earnest MMWR Week 14 of 2021. ~ The Ethical Skeptic

For example, cancer and lymphoma deaths are now at a 9+ Sigma level, although it could potentially be higher. According to The Ethical Skeptic, 43,935 death records relating to "potential myocarditis, cancer, pericarditis, conductive, nephrosis, liver, and/or lymphoma deaths" have been removed from the CDC data sets, and as of his writing of that article had not been put back in or reassigned to another ICD code.

> *"That is 7% of the total deaths for the period in question, and possibly 15 to 25% of these highly concerning death ICD-10 groups' trend data — missing. Even absent this data however, the entailed trends are alarming,"* he writes.[9]

US Excess Non-COVID Natural Cause Deaths

The Ethical Skeptic continues:[10]

> *"Finally, we end with the most important chart of all — the chart which indicates deaths which are not from accidents, suicide, addiction, assault, abuse, despair, disruption, nor COVID-19. The Excess Non-COVID Natural Cause Mortality chart which we began monitoring on May 29th 2021. What I called then, the 'What the hell is this?' chart.*

> *As one can see, we have lost 349,000 younger Americans to something besides COVID and non-natural death, during the period from 3 April 2021 to 13 August 2022.*

The current rate of mortality in this ICD categorization, is around 5,000 – 8,000 per week … which exceeds most weeks of the COVID pandemic itself (save for the absolute peak periods). By now, if all these mortality excesses were indeed a holdover from COVID-19 itself, they should have already begun to tail off. Unfortunately, they are not only not tailing off, in many cases they are still increasing.

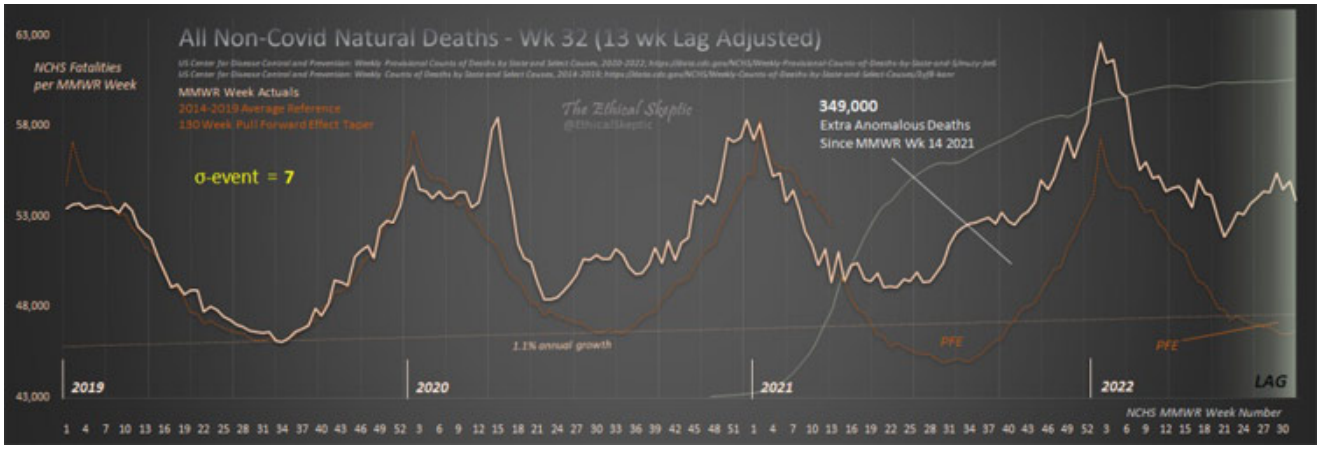


Exhibit E — *Excess Non-COVID Natural Cause Deaths are at an all time high as of MMWR Week 32 of 2022. 349,000 U.S. citizens have died of some additional factor since MMWR Week 14 of 2021. The current rate of excess mortality represents a five-week average of 5+ sigma in excess (hedging conservatively for lag).*

Accordingly, and without a shadow of a doubt, we have established that right now there exists a problem in terms of U.S. citizen health and mortality. One which is differentiated from COVID-19 itself, and began in earnest MMWR Week 14 of 2021."

COVID Jabs Impair Immune Function

Kenji Yamamoto with the Department of Cardiovascular Surgery at the Okamura Memorial Hospital in Japan has also sounded the alarm, specifically highlighting the COVID jabs' ability to impair your immune function. In a commentary published in the Virology Journal June 5, 2022, Yamamoto noted:[11]

> *"Recently, The Lancet published a study[12] on the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines and the waning of immunity with time. The study showed that immune function among vaccinated individuals 8 months after the administration of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine was lower than that among the unvaccinated individuals …*

> *The decrease in immunity can be caused by several factors such as N1-methylpseudouridine, the spike protein, lipid nanoparticles, antibody-dependent enhancement, and the original antigenic stimulus …*

> *As a safety measure, further booster vaccinations should be discontinued. In addition, the date of vaccination should be recorded in the medical record of patients … In conclusion, COVID-19 vaccination is a major risk factor for infections in critically ill patients."*

It's important to understand that when your immune function is impaired, you become vulnerable to all kinds of infections and disease, including cancer. As such, the COVID jab may well be responsible for any number of diseases resulting in death.

A Not-so-Comforting Fact Check by Reuters

A recent Thai study[13] found teenagers, aged 13 through 18, who received two doses of Pfizer's mRNA jab suffered a variety of heart problems. A Reuters "fact check" notes:[14]

> *"A study of 301 teens in Thailand found mild and temporary heart rhythm changes after a second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine among one in six teenagers, not one-third as social media posts claim. The study also saw possible signs of heart inflammation in just seven of those teens with rhythm changes and confirmed myocarditis in only one of the seven."*

Should we throw a victory parade over the fact that the jab causes heart problems in JUST 1 in 6 teens? Really?! Whether it's 1 in 3 or 1 in 6, this is not "good news" and surely not worthy of the dismissive tone used by Reuters. As reported directly from the study in question:[15]

> *"The most common cardiovascular effects were tachycardia (7.64%), shortness of breath (6.64%), palpitation (4.32%), chest pain (4.32%), and hypertension (3.99%). Seven participants (2.33%) exhibited at least one elevated cardiac biomarker or positive lab assessments.*

> *Cardiovascular effects were found in 29.24% of patients, ranging from tachycardia, palpitation, and myopericarditis. Myopericarditis was confirmed in one patient after vaccination. Two patients had suspected pericarditis and four patients had suspected subclinical myocarditis. Conclusion: Cardiovascular effects in adolescents after BNT162b2 mRNA COVID-19 vaccination included tachycardia, palpitation, and myocarditis."*

Millennials Died at Staggering Rates in Late 2021

I recently interviewed Ed Dowd, a former equity portfolio manager for BlackRock and hedge fund "guru,"[16] but have not yet posted it. In early March 2022 he shared disturbing CDC mortality statistics by age group on Steve Bannon's War Room.[17]

During the fall of 2021, Millennials, aged 25 to 44, had an 84% increase in excess mortality. "It's the worst-ever excess mortality, I think, in history," Dowd told Bannon. Between the summer and fall of 2021, 61,000 Millennials died who otherwise wouldn't. To quote Dowd:[18]

> *"Basically, Millennials experienced a Vietnam War in the second half of 2021. 58,000 people died in the Vietnam War, U.S. troops , so this generation just experienced a Vietnam War …*

> *We've had 1.1 million excess deaths since the pandemic began, many of which occurred in the second half of …*

> *I think this is the smoking gun: that the vaccines are causing excess mortality in all age groups … So, I'm going to put a word out there. It's an old word but it should be re-introduced into the conversation. It's called democide: Death by government. So the government, through the mandates has killed people …*

> *If you're on Wall Street and you still think Pfizer and Moderna are good buys, I've got news for you: there's some catalysts coming that are probably not going to be good for holding those stocks."*

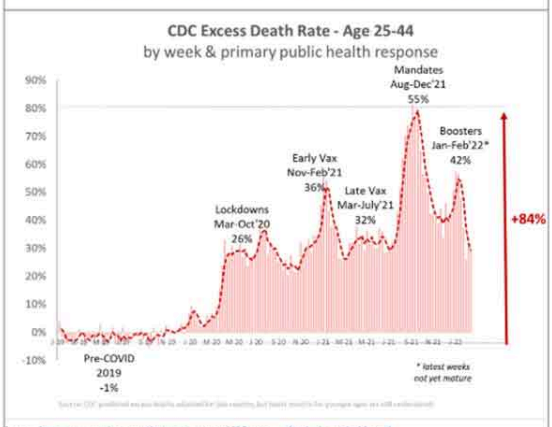
The following pdf was posted on Dowd's GETTR account, March 11, 2022.[19] (A GETTR user called MiloMac also reproduced Dowd's findings using public CDC data, creating additional graphs.[20])

The Millennial generation suffered its worst-ever excess mortality last fall, and these deaths occurred the same time as vaccine mandates were announced, and boosters approved.

This younger population is not particularly at risk to COVID, and the size and timing of this spike in fall of 2021, raises clear questions about potential contribution from the vaccines and boosters.

As you know, mortality reporting for younger age people is also typically much slower (due to slower reporting of non-hospital deaths), so the recently elevated levels for this age group persisting into early 2022 will most likely develop further, and may signal for continuing elevated mortality among working age in 2022.

Exhibit 4 | Millenials Suffered Rapid and Record Rate of Excess Deaths in Fall '21



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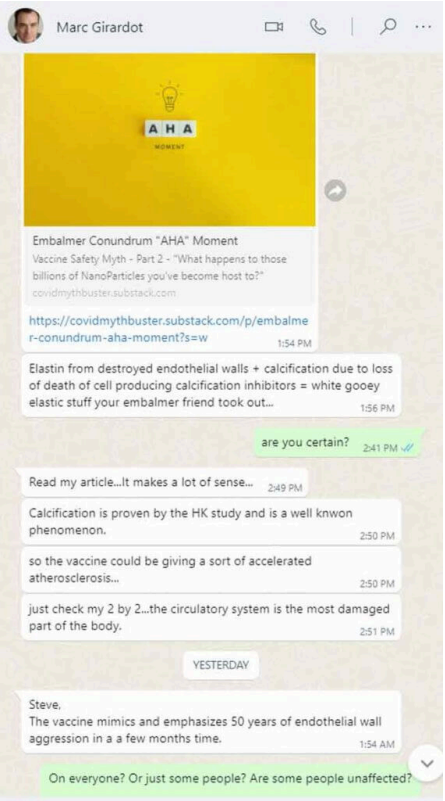
The Elephant in the Room

In a March 15, 2022, commentary and follow-up on Dowd's revelations, Steve Kirsch wrote:[21]

> *"I called Ed to clarify where he got the chart and then looked for verification of this. I found the verification. Then I verified that the deaths couldn't be explained by the COVID delta variant. OK, so what caused all the deaths? The only explanation is the vaccine because the deaths are so massive."*

Kirsch posted a WhatsApp conversation with Marc Girardot, a French-American biotech innovator, who believes the COVID jab may, in some people, age their arteries by as much as 50 years in just a few months. If true, that could certainly trigger rapid onset of cardiovascular disease leading to early death.



Teens and Young Adults Die at Higher Rates in New Zealand

In an August 16, 2022, Substack article,[22] independent journalist Alex Berenson (a former New York Times reporter and novelist) highlighted COVID jab statistics from New Zealand,[23] which includes observed post-jab deaths. He explained:

> *"New Zealand's Ministry of Health publishes regular and detailed reports on COVID vaccine safety, including specific lists of adverse events it has received. As part of the reports, the ministry also counts* all *deaths of people who have received the jabs in the previous 21 days …*

> *New Zealand has a national COVID immunization registry and a national death registry, so the records and matching should largely be accurate … The ministry breaks down the deaths by age, ranging from 0-9 through over 80.*

> *It then compares the actual number of people who died in the three weeks after the shots to the 'expected' number. That figure is simply the number of deaths demographers would have expected over a random three-week period based on actuarial tables estimating mortality …"*

In summary, between February 19 and April 30, 2022, people over the age of 30 had lower than normal death rates in the 21 days' post-jab, but people younger than 30 (ages 10 to 29) for some reason died at higher rates. (The lack of observed deaths in the under-10 age group is likely due to reporting lag.)

Table 7: Observed-versus-expected deaths[a] by age group from any cause, up to 21 days after Comirnaty dose 1, 19 February 2021 to 30 April 2022

Age	Dose 1 – number administered	Expected deaths[b] in monitoring period	Observed deaths[c] in monitoring period	Relative risk[c] (95% confidence interval)
0 to 9	177,022	6.18	0	- [d]
10 to 19	583,330	10.92	12	1.10[e] [0.57 – 1.92]
20 to 29	650,046	22.56	24	1.06[f] [0.68 – 1.58]
30 to 39	676,279	31.11	14	0.45 [0.25 – 0.76]
40 to 49	592,642	57.50	24	0.42 [0.27 – 0.62]
50 to 59	607,911	135.65	64	0.47 [0.36 – 0.60]
60 to 69	516,442	269.24	128	0.48 [0.40 – 0.57]
70 to 79	349,262	491.00	240	0.49 [0.43 – 0.55]

According to the health ministry, the slightly elevated deaths in the under-30 group is likely due to "chance." And as noted by Berenson, "the ministry does not provide any information on the causes of death in any age range, so it is impossible to determine whether myocarditis or other cardiac conditions played a major role in the higher-than-expected figures."

While these data are nowhere near as alarming as some others, it's still a red flag that something odd is happening. Young people who should have decades of life left are dying.

And it's worth noting that New Zealand, just like the U.S. claims there are NO potential safety issues with the jabs — not a single one — despite thousands of serious injury reports.[24] Considering the age group that is dying at a higher than normal rate — teenagers and young adults in their 20s — even a small increase ought to be taken very seriously, but is not.

To end where we started, which is the more likely culprit in these deaths? Past lockdowns temporarily preventing routine medical care, resulting in chronic diseases that kill even young people within a couple of years? Or the mass injection of experimental gene transfer shots that have never been used in humans before?

> **Without a shadow of a doubt, we have established that right now there exists a problem in terms of U.S. citizen health and mortality. One which is differentiated from COVID-19 itself, and began in earnest MMWR Week 14 of 2021. ~ The Ethical Skeptic**

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New Pfizer Data Reveal Horrifying Rates of Miscarriage

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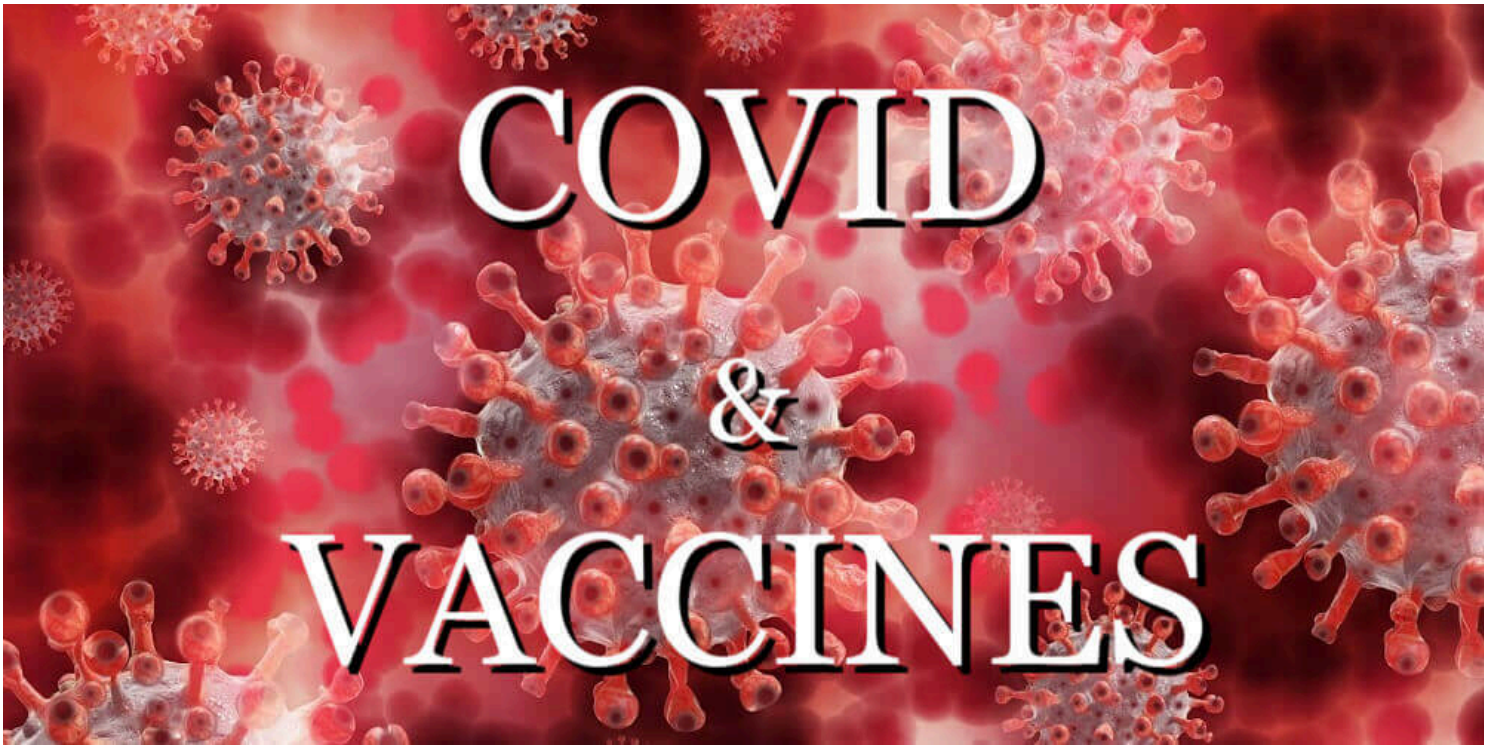

Why the COVID Jab Should Be Banned for Pregnant Women

Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola | **FACT CHECKED ✓**

Story at-a-glance

- Since the rollout of the experimental COVID shots, U.S. health officials have adamantly claimed the shots are safe for pregnant women and their unborn babies
- Meanwhile, now-released Pfizer court-ordered, released data — which the Food and Drug Administration wanted to hide for 75 years — reveal the miscarriage rate among women whose pregnancy outcomes were known was 87.5%. The true rate may be higher or lower, as Pfizer did not record or report pregnancy outcomes for 238 of the 274 women known to be pregnant during the trial
- A CDC-sponsored study that was widely used to support the claim that the shot is safe during pregnancy misreported the data. The actual miscarriage rate in that paper was 82%
- As of August 12, 2022, the U.S. Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting (VAERS) database listed 4,941 miscarriages post-COVID jab. For comparison, the fetal death reports for all other

vaccines reported to VAERS in the last 30 years is 2,239
- Israeli research found the Pfizer COVID jab impairs male fertility for three months after each dose, dropping sperm concentration by 15.4% and total motile count by 22.1%, compared to baseline

Since the rollout of the experimental COVID shots, U.S. health officials have adamantly claimed the shots are safe for pregnant women, and have been urging all pregnant women to get the jab "to protect themselves and their babies." To this day, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends the COVID shot for:[1]

> *"… people who are pregnant, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant now, or might become pregnant in the future."*

The CDC further recommends:[2]

> *"People who are pregnant should stay up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines, including getting a COVID-19 booster when it's time to get one."*

And claims:[3]

> *"Evidence continues to build showing that:*

- *COVID-19 vaccination during pregnancy is safe and effective.*
- *There is currently no evidence that any vaccines, including COVID-19 vaccines, cause fertility problems in women or men."*

All the while, they've had Pfizer data showing the shots cause shocking rates of miscarriage which, adding insult to injury, have been blatantly miscategorized as a "recovered/resolved" adverse effect.[4] Who in their right mind would consider DEATH a resolved side effect unless they had a depopulation agenda in mind all along?

I don't see how this could be described as anything but a criminal cover-up. The only reason we know any of this is because U.S. District Judge Mark Pittman ordered the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to release Pfizer documents at a rate of 55,000 pages per month. The FDA and

Pfizer had asked to release the documents at a pace of 500 pages per month, which meant it would take 75 years to disclose them all.[5]

Criminal Cover-Up

Dr. Naomi Wolf recently reported that an analysis of Pfizer data revealed 44% of the women in the trial suffered miscarriages.[6] That statistic turns out to have been the result of a miscalculation,[7] as Pfizer listed the miscarriages in two separate columns, resulting in them being counted twice.

We've repeatedly found Pfizer's data collection and reporting to be all over the place, and seemingly on purpose, to make hazards more difficult to ascertain. Wolf admitted the error and took down the original report. However, while fact checkers are gloating over the perceived victory, there's plenty of other evidence in the Pfizer material to demonstrate these shots should be banned for all time.

In an August 20, 2022, Substack article, Dr. Pierre Kory addressed other, "absolutely horrifying," findings on miscarriages found in the Pfizer data dumps:[8]

> *"... let's do a dive on just one page of the many thousands. See below, Section 5.3.6, Page 12 of the document called 'Cumulative Analysis of Post-Authorization Adverse Event Reports.'*

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5.3.6 Cumulative Analysis of Post-authorization Adverse Event Reports

Table 6. Description of Missing Information

Topic	Description
Missing Information	**Post Authorization Cases Evaluation (cumulative to 28 Feb 2021) Total Number of Cases in the Reporting Period (N=42086)**
Use in Pregnancy and lactation	• Number of cases: 413* (0.98% of the total PM dataset); 84 serious and 329 non-serious; • Country of incidence: US (205), UK (64), Canada (31), Germany (30), Poland (13), Israel (11); Italy (9), Portugal (8), Mexico (6), Estonia, Hungary and Ireland, (5 each), Romania (4), Spain (3), Czech Republic and France (2 each), the remaining 10 cases were distributed among 10 other countries. Pregnancy cases: 274 cases including: • 270 mother cases and 4 foetus/baby cases representing 270 unique pregnancies (the 4 foetus/baby cases were linked to 3 mother cases; 1 mother case involved twins). • Pregnancy outcomes for the 270 pregnancies were reported as spontaneous abortion (23), outcome pending (5), premature birth with neonatal death, spontaneous abortion with intrauterine death (2 each), spontaneous abortion with neonatal death, and normal outcome (1 each). No outcome was provided for 238 pregnancies (note that 2 different outcomes were reported for each twin, and both were counted). • 146 non-serious mother cases reported exposure to vaccine in utero without the occurrence of any clinical adverse event. The exposure PTs coded to the PTs Maternal exposure during pregnancy (111), Exposure during pregnancy (29) and Maternal exposure timing unspecified (6). Trimester of exposure was reported in 21 of these cases: 1st trimester (15 cases), 2nd trimester (7), and 3rd trimester (2). • 124 mother cases, 49 non-serious and 75 serious, reported clinical events, which occurred in the vaccinated mothers. Pregnancy related events reported in these cases coded to the PTs Abortion spontaneous (25), Uterine contraction during pregnancy, Premature rupture of membranes, Abortion, Abortion missed, and Foetal death (1 each). Other clinical events which occurred in more than 5 cases coded to the PTs Headache (33), Vaccination site pain (24), Pain in extremity and Fatigue (22 each), Myalgia and Pyrexia (16 each), Chills (13) Nausea (12), Pain (11), Arthralgia (9), Lymphadenopathy and Drug ineffective (7 each), Chest pain, Dizziness and Asthenia (6 each), Malaise and COVID-19 (5 each). Trimester of exposure was reported in 22 of these cases: 1st trimester (19 cases), 2nd trimester (1 case), 3rd trimester (2 cases)

> *Looking at the first bullet under the header:* ***Pregnancy cases: 274 cases including:***

> *In this paragraph, at first read, it is just a list of adverse events and numbers, detailed in a way that is confusing at best, and obfuscating at worst. I think it is the latter because, if you do some simple arithmetic trying to parse that paragraph, you end up with this:*

> *270 pregnancies were reported in vaccinated women during the first 12 weeks of the vaccine campaign. In 238 of them, 'no outcome was provided.' So, they only knew the outcome of 32 pregnancies reported. What happened in those 32 pregnancies they followed up on?*

> *My hands are literally trembling as I write this, but here goes. In these 32 pregnancies, there were:*

- *23 spontaneous abortions*
- *2 spontaneous abortions with intra-uterine death*

◦*So, 25 of the 32 pregnancies with known outcomes resulted in a miscarriage, a rate of 78%. Note that miscarriage normally occurs in only 12-15% of pregnancies*

- *2 premature births with neonatal death*
- *1 spontaneous abortion with neonatal death*
- *1 normal outcome*

> *Note that this only adds up to 29 known outcomes, but then they note that 'two different outcomes were reported for each twin' and then they talk about 'fetus/baby cases as separate from mother cases.' I have no idea how to interpret this explanation of outcomes, so it may have been one or two less (or more) deaths then.*

> *So, of the 32 pregnancies they knew the outcome of, 87.5% resulted in the death of the fetus or neonate. Burying this data in the way and not alerting the world to what they found, is criminal activity …"*

To be perfectly clear, the failure to record and report the outcomes of 238 out of 274 pregnancies during a drug trial is simply unheard of. It's shockingly unethical. And the fact that both the Food and Drug Administration and the CDC accepted this, and claim there's "no evidence" of harm to pregnant women and their babies is proof positive of reprehensible maleficence.

There's no fixing what's gone wrong at the FDA and CDC. Their credibility with the public is ruined beyond any possible recovery. The CDC can review and reorganize itself all it wants, but it changes nothing. They are, to this day, urging pregnant women to take a shot that they KNOW will cause babies to die. Calling it a dystopia of epic proportions is a profoundly serious understatement.

CDC-Sponsored Study Also Tried to Hide Data

Need more evidence? How about the fact that the CDC-sponsored study[9] published in The New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM) in April 2021 — which was widely used to support the U.S. recommendation for pregnant women to get injected — also **obfuscated data to hide a shockingly elevated miscarriage rate**.

According to this paper, the miscarriage rate within the first 20 weeks of pregnancy was 12.5%, which is only slightly above the normal average of 10%. (Looking at statistical data, the risk of miscarriage drops from an overall, average risk rate of 21.3% for the duration of the pregnancy as a whole, to just 5% between Weeks 6 and 7, all the way down to 1% between Weeks 14 and 20.[10])

However, there's a distinct problem with this calculation, as highlighted by Drs. Ira Bernstein, Sanja Jovanovic and Deann McLeod, HBSc, of Toronto. In a May 28, 2021, letter to the editor, they pointed out that:[11]

> *"In table 4, the authors report a rate of spontaneous abortions <20 weeks (SA) of 12.5% (104 abortions/827 completed pregnancies). However, this rate should be based on the number of women who were at risk of an SA due to vaccine receipt and should exclude the 700 women who were vaccinated in their third-trimester (104/127 = 82%)."*

In other words, when you exclude women who got the shot in their third trimester (since the third trimester is after week 20 and therefore should not be counted when determining miscarriage rate among those injected before week 20), the miscarriage rate is 82%. (The errors in that NEJM article were also reviewed in a Science, Public Health Policy and the Law paper[12] published in November 2021.)

Of those 104 miscarriages, 96 of them occurred before 13 weeks of gestation, which strongly suggests that getting a COVID shot during the first trimester is an absolute recipe for disaster. So, here was yet another attempt to hide the fact that more than 8 in 10 pregnancies may be terminated as a result of the jab.

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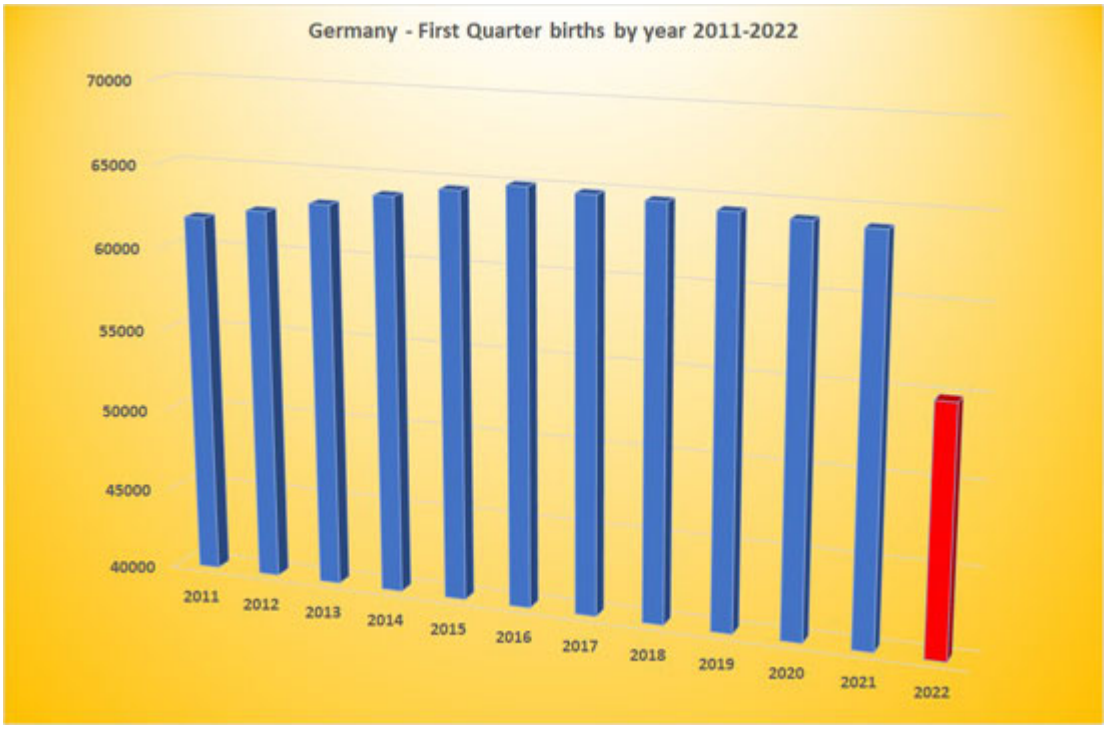
Birth Rates Are Suddenly Plummeting Worldwide

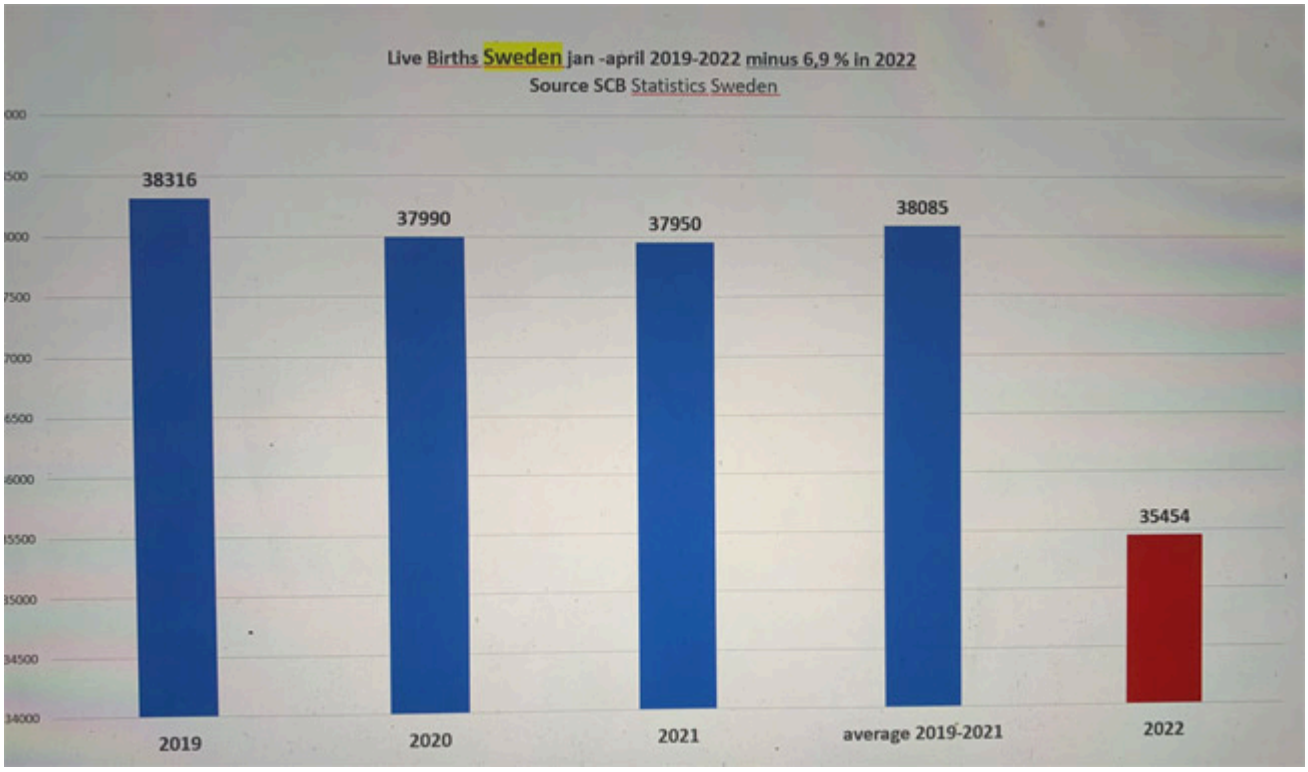
In addition to miscarriages, we're also looking at abruptly plummeting birth rates, suggesting the COVID jabs are having an adverse impact on future fertility as well.

> *"They are large drops, and they are occurring, almost like clockwork, approximately 9 months after pregnant women around the world started to be vaccinated,"* Kory notes.[15]

For example, Germany recently released data showing a 10% decline in birth rate during the first quarter of 2022.[16]



The live birth rate graph for Sweden looks much the same, with a 14% drop:[17,18] According to Gunnar Anderson, a Swedish professor in demographics at Stockholm University, "We have never seen anything like this before, that the bottom just falls out in just one quarter."[19]



Between January and April 2022, Switzerland's birth rate was 15% lower than expected, the U.K.'s was down by 10% and Taiwan's was down 23%.[20,21,22] In Hungary, MP Dúró Dóra has expressed concern about a 20% drop in birth rate during January 2022, compared to January 2021.[23]

The U.S. is also showing signs of a drop in live births. Provisional data from North Dakota show a 10% decline in February 2022, 13% reduction in March and an 11% reduction in April, compared

to the corresponding months in 2021.[24]

In the five countries with the highest COVID jab uptake, fertility has dropped by an average of 15.2%, whereas the five countries with the lowest COVID jab uptake have seen an average reduction of just 4.66%.

In a July 5, 2022, Counter Signal article, Mike Campbell reported that in the five countries with the highest COVID jab uptake, fertility has dropped by an average of 15.2%, whereas the five countries with the lowest COVID jab uptake have seen an average reduction of just 4.66%. Below is a chart from Birth Gauge[25] on Twitter comparing live birth data for 2021 and 2022 in a large number of countries.

Many Women Report Menstrual Irregularities Post-Jab

High rates of **menstrual irregularities post-jab** are also a warning sign that reproductive capacity may be impacted. As of August 12, 2022, there were 31,443 VAERS reports of menstrual disorders.[26]

Changes include heavier and more painful periods[27] and changes in menses length, as well as unexpected breakthrough bleeding or spotting among women on long-acting contraception or those who are postmenopausal and haven't had a period in years or even decades.[28]

Health officials have tried to brush off the reports, but a study published in Obstetrics & Gynecology — funded by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) and the National Institutes of Health's Office of Research on Women's Health — confirmed an association between menstrual cycle length and COVID-19 shots.[29]

According to the authors, it's possible that the immune response created by the mRNA shots affect the hypothalamic-pituitary-ovarian axis, which plays a well-known role in the timing of a woman's cycle:[30]

> *"Our findings for individuals who received two doses in a single cycle supports this hypothesis. Given the dosing schedule of the mRNA COVID-19 vaccines in the United States (21 days for Pfizer and 28 days for Moderna), an individual receiving two doses in a single cycle would have received the first dose in the early follicular phase.*

> *Cycle length variability results from events leading to the recruitment and maturation of the dominant follicle during the follicular phase …"*

Other Disturbing Evidence

A Japanese biodistribution study for Pfizer's jab also showed the COVID spike protein from the shots accumulate in female ovaries and male testes,[31,32] and there's credible concern that the **COVID jabs will cross-react with syncytin** (a retroviral envelope protein) and reproductive genes in sperm, ova and placenta in ways that may impair fertility and reproductive outcomes.

A Pfizer-BioNTech rat study[33] revealed the injection more than doubled the incidence of preimplantation loss (i.e., the risk of infertility), and led to mouth/jaw malformations, gastroschisis (a birth defect of the abdominal wall) and abnormalities in the right-sided aortic arch and cervical vertebrae.[34,35] As noted by The Exposé:

> *"With this being the case, how on earth have medicine regulators around the world managed to state in their official guidance that 'Animal studies do not indicate direct or indirect harmful effects with respect to pregnancy'? And how have they managed to state 'It is unknown whether the Pfizer vaccine has an impact on fertility'?*

> *The truth of the matter is that they actively chose to cover it up. We know this thanks to a Freedom of Information (FOI) request[36] made to the Australian Government Department of Health Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA)."*

You can read more about that in The Exposé's July 19, 2022, article, "FOIA Reveals Pfizer & Medicine Regulators Hid Dangers of COVID Vaccination During Pregnancy After Study Found It Increases Risk of Birth Defects & Infertility."[37]

We're also seeing a sudden uptick in infant mortality. The Exposé[38] highlighted data from Scotland, showing neonatal deaths were 119% higher above the annual norm in March 2022.

COVID Jab Affects Male Fertility Too

Video Link

Male fertility is also under attack by these bioweapons. Israeli research[39,40] published in the journal Andrology found the Pfizer COVID jab temporarily but significantly impairs male fertility, dropping sperm concentration by 15.4% and total motile count by 22.1%, compared to baseline pre-jab.

Both eventually recovered, some three months after the last jab, but if you destroy a man's sperm for three months every time he gets a COVID shot, you're significantly reducing the probability of him fathering a child for a good part of any given year and the stats reviewed above support this.

Remember, the mRNA shots are recommended at three-month intervals for the original series, and boosters are now being recommended at varying intervals thereafter. In the video above, Amy Kelly, project director for the Daily Clout's Pfizer document analysis team, reviews this study and other post-jab male fertility concerns.[41]

End the COVID Shots Now, Before It's Too Late to Recover

In October 2021, when the FDA was voting on whether to authorize the COVID jab for children aged 5 through 11, Dr. Eric Rubin, an FDA advisory panel member, Harvard professor and editor-in-chief of the NEJM, stated:[42]

> *"We're never going to learn about how safe this vaccine is unless we start giving it. That's just the way it goes … And I do think we should vote to approve it."*

So, in this and other instances, they've openly admitted that anyone who takes the jab is part of an experiment. Yet at the same time, the FDA and CDC have insisted that the jabs are perfectly safe — all while in possession of data showing they're anything but! In conclusion, I agree with Kory, who writes:[43]

> *"… when a new medicine or device is introduced, you must first assume any adverse effects or deaths reported to be related to the intervention* until proven otherwise. *That is what I am doing here.*

> *We must assume the vaccines are impacting fertility unless some other provable or credible explanations for a sudden drop in month to month birth rates. So stop the shots until you can prove they are not …*

> *Too many young people dying,[44] too many becoming disabled, too many pregnancies resulting in fetal or neonatal death as above, and now we find out that if we continue with this vaccine obsession, they will not be replaced. This is a humanitarian catastrophe heaped atop the one caused by dangerous gain-of-function research.*

When will the world wake up to this rapidly unfolding horror? For those of us who know what is going on, it is hard not to feel helpless as we are forced to watch increasingly apparent and widespread needless death. But we will continue to try to get these truths out despite the massive censorship and propaganda overwhelming the globe.

We have a moral and ethical obligation and take that responsibility seriously no matter what befalls us. Stop the vaccines, now. And if we can't stop them, we must try to convince everyone we know to no longer agree to get vaccinated. Their lives and our future depend on it."

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Rainbow Fentanyl Flooding Across U.S. Southern Border

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Source: Clare M. Lopez, President Lopez Liberty LLC, August 21, 2022

The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) in collaboration with the Mexican drug cartels have come up with a new way to murder young Americans.

Since July 2022, "rainbow fentanyl", which takes the form of candy-colored tablets, has begun flooding over the wide-open U.S. southern border with Mexico.

Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents in both Arizona and Texas are noting the beginning of what looks like a new trend in the distribution of the deadly opioid. Colored in rainbow hues, these fentanyl pills are just as deadly as the earlier varieties, but seem to be targeting young people, including children, who don't understand what it is because the pills look like candy or maybe sidewalk chalk.

As with most opioids that are killing hundreds of thousands of Americans every year, the precursor chemicals used to make "rainbow fentanyl" originate in Communist China. While it is

true that the People's Republic of China (PRC) allows a free-wheeling, mostly unregulated private sector to operate as it likes so long as companies do not do or say anything against the ruling CCP, it is also highly unlikely that CCP leadership is unaware of the drug trafficking collaboration going on with the Mexican drug cartels—and that it is not perfectly willing to allow it to continue. After all, "Bio-Chemical Warfare" is explicitly listed as among the types of warfare in the People's Liberation Army (PLA) 1999 manual, "Unrestricted Warfare".

The new candy-colored fentanyl has now been found up and down the U.S. West Coast, including in California, Oregon, and Idaho. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) officials see the trend as a fresh marketing tactic to entice a younger and younger cohort of drug users. DEA also warns that the flow of such drugs is coming directly from across the U.S. southern border by way of the cartels, which operate on both sides of that border and have a presence in towns, cities, and communities throughout the U.S.

All of this is going on, and getting worse, while DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas continues to claim that the border is secure, even as outraged CBP and DEA agents on the front lines are reporting massive flows of illicit drugs as well as mounting death tolls among both illegal alien migrants and Americans across the country.

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"**Officials warn 'rainbow fentanyl' coming from southern border, could be mistaken for candy or chalk by kids**", 18 August 2022, By **Elizabeth Heckman**

SOURCE: **DEFEND THE BORDER**

Biden Admin's Wide Open Border Policies Aid & Abet Child Sex Trafficking in America

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TAGS: BORDER, CHILD ABUSE, CHILD TRAFFICKING, SEX TRAFFICKING

from **Defend the Border**

Source: Clare M. Lopez, President Lopez Liberty LLC, August 6, 2022

Thousands upon thousands of illegal migrants are flooding across the U.S.'s wide open southern border with Mexico every day. Among them are hundreds of kids, including very young children, many of them unaccompanied by any adult. Their parents have handed them over to the cartel coyotes to be moved north across the U.S.-Mexico border, in a bid to establish a kind of "anchor" inside the U.S., from which they themselves hope one day to benefit.

Sen. Ted Cruz was recently again on that border, talking about the "narco slave trade" that traps so many of these children into gangs and sex slavery. We need to understand that every single illegal migrant moved northward and across that border by the Mexican cartels is charged thousands of dollars – which, of course, poor migrants do not have.

So, the older boys often wind up coerced into working for gangs like MS-13 or the cartels themselves. These gangs and cartels make literally billions of dollars from trafficking fentanyl,

methamphetamines, and other drugs (much of it sourced to Communist China) in virtually every city, town, and community in the Lower 48 states of America.

The girls and younger boys face an even more horrific fate: to pay off their debts to the cartels, they are sold into sex slavery. In America. Little captive kids – boys and girls – as young as 5, 6, or 7 years old are sold up to 20 times per day – or even more – to be savagely raped over and over and over again. The rapes are often videotaped, to be sold over the Internet as online pornography, to make even more profit for the gangs and cartels.

This is a massive invasion, unchecked by the Department of Homeland Security, whose Director Alejandro Mayorkas falsely insists that the border is "secure". That invasion is spreading illegal aliens, criminals, terrorists, and deadly drugs across America – with their transportation and abundant benefits paid for by us, the American taxpayers. But the sex trafficking of little children has to be the most awful and heartbreaking outcome of all of it.

The Biden administration, by refusing to secure that border, is knowingly and deliberately complicit in that depraved criminality. It must be stopped.

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A traumatic experience at a young age ignited a mission in Tim Ballard—to protect children from the dangerous world around them.
"Ted Cruz claims 'narco slave trade' at southern border in graphic video"
***New York Post*. August 6, 2022**, By Callie Patterson

Abolish the narco slave trade
https://youtube.com/watch?v=ubIwwf7hV0M

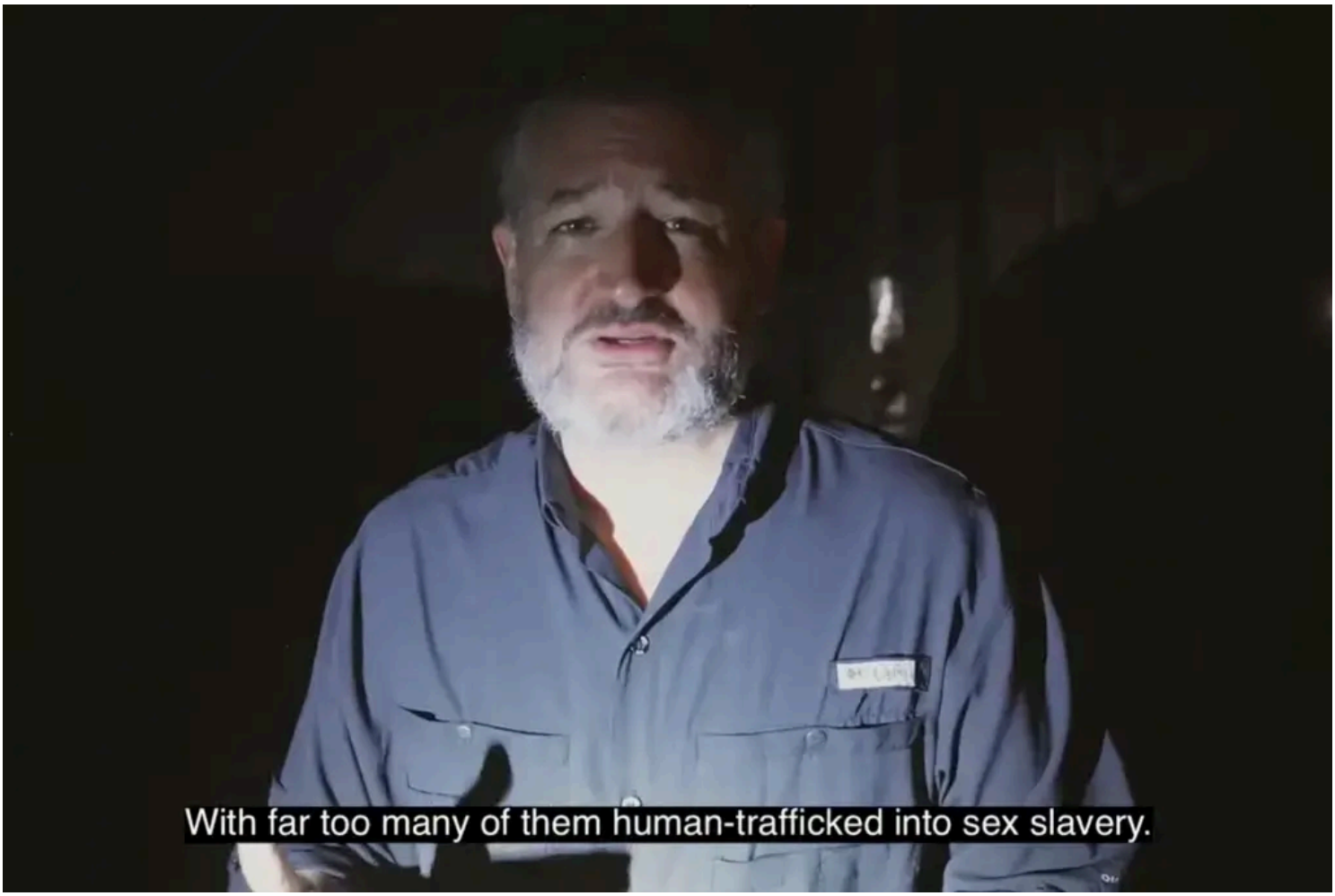
Sen. Ted Cruz claimed to have evidence of a “narco slave trade” taking place at the southern border in a graphic video he posted Monday night, alleging that thousands of migrant children are working in gangs or being trafficked into sex slavery across the US.

“These children come in, in debt to vicious cartels, thousands and thousands of dollars,” Cruz (R-Texas) is heard saying as the video features various clips of migrants — children and adults — after crossing the border.

“The teenage boys work for the gangs in every city in America, and the teenage girls experience a hell worse than that, with far too many of them human-trafficked into sex slavery,” the Texas Republican said.

He went on to accuse President Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris — whom Biden tapped to handle the border crisis — of being responsible for “the worst plague of slavery in America since the Civil War.”

“This is not compassionate. This is not humane. This is barbaric,” Cruz continued, as the 68-second video featured photos of migrants who appeared to have died during the perilous journey to the US.



“This is not humane. This is barbaric,” Sen. Ted Cruz said.

“President Biden doesn’t want Americans to know that he has been ignoring the narco slave trade taking place along our southern border,” Cruz **wrote in a tweet** sharing the video.

It was not immediately clear what Cruz’s sourcing was behind these claims or when and where the footage was taken.

Cruz’s office did not immediately respond to The Post’s request for comment.

Sen. Ted Cruz alleged that migrant children are working in gangs or being trafficked into sex slavery.

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Border officials have stopped hundreds of migrants as part of human smuggling operations along the southern border in recent months, though the government has yet to release data from FY 2022 on how many foreign national children and foreign national adults were identified as sex-trafficking or labor-trafficking victims.

In FY 2021, however, the Department of Health and Human Services issued 527 certification letters to foreign national adult victims of severe forms of trafficking, up from 508 in FY 2020, according to the **State Department’s 2022 Trafficking In Persons Report released this month**.

Of that amount, 14% of the foreign national adult victims were identified as sex-trafficking victims, 68% were labor-trafficking victims, 16% were victims of both trafficking forms, and 2% were victims of an unknown severe form of trafficking.19

Meanwhile, the number of eligibility letters given to foreign national children known or suspected to be a victim of a severe form of trafficking was 1,200 — a massive jump from 673 the previous year. Out of 1,142 foreign children identified, 25% were sex-trafficking victims, 68% were labor-trafficking victims, 6% were victims of both trafficking forms, while 1% were victims of a severe form of trafficking unknown to the department.

Since the start of the Biden administration, thousands of migrants stranded in Mexico seeking asylum, as well as those returned to the country under the “Remain in Mexico” policy, have been subject to kidnappings or related abuses.

As of mid-March of this year, the **Human Rights First Tracker reported** that 9,886 migrants and asylum seekers had been subject to such attacks.

In June alone, 207,416 migrant encounters were recorded.

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In 2003, **the State Department estimated** that approximately 18,000 to 20,000 people were trafficked into the US each year. Given this year's total of border encounters (over 2 million in FY 22 so far) is a massive increase from 2003 (a total of 931,557), that number is likely much higher.

Within the US, thousands of sex- and labor-trafficking victims are identified every year.

A 2020 analysis done by Polaris reported 16,658 victims nationwide — 10,836 of whom were sex-trafficking victims. Another 3,583 were labor-trafficking victims while 631 were victims of both forms of trafficking. Approximately 1,634 were victims of other and unknown forms of trafficking.

Reports **over the years have estimated** that the majority of trafficking victims in the US are immigrants.

Cruz's claim of the "narco slave trade" is only the latest attack against the Biden administration for the ongoing border crisis as immigrants have continued to cross the border in record numbers.

June — **which recorded 207,416 migrant encounters** — was the fourth month in a row that has had more than 200,000 migrant stops along the southern border alone.

SOURCE: **DEFEND THE BORDER**

Sin-sick souls: Charlottesville Clergy Collective promotes abortion

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> A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will perish — Prov. 19:9

By **Schilling Show**
In a certain harbinger of **end-times apostasy**, a local "collective" of pseudo-religious "faith" leaders is promoting abortion.

The latest weekly email newsletter of the **Charlottesville Clergy Collective** contains a fundraising blurb in support of the **Blue Ridge Abortion Fund**

"Suppression: An Artist Response to the Roe v. Wade Decision"
Art exhibit at Chroma Projects, August 5 - 26, 2022; supporting the Blue Ridge Abortion Fund. Additional information about the exhibit in this Daily Progress article.

The Fund's demonic mission is exposed on its website, as follows:

> **We believe funding abortion is an act of radical care and that all community members should have the agency and the resources to make their own decisions about their bodies and lives.**

The **sin-sick souls** of the Collective and their affiliated churches/organizations are **exchanging the truth for a lie** in unapologetically advocating for the licentious dismemberment of God's **highest creation**.

While the Collective does not publish membership, the following associations **are listed** on the depraved group's home page and can be assumed allied:

The Group of the Depraved:

- Aldersgate United Methodist Church
- All Souls Charlottesville
- Baha'i of Charlottesville
- Bethel Church of God in Christ
- Broadus Memorial Baptist
- Buck Mountain Episcopal Church Earlysville
- Charlottesville Church of Christ
- Charlottesville Friends Meeting
- Charlottesville Mennonite
- Christian Science Church
- Church of Our Saviour
- Ebenezer Baptist
- First Presbyterian
- First United Methodist
- Hinton Ave. United Methodist
- Insight Meditation Community of Charlottesville
- Islamic Society of Central Virginia
- Zion First African Baptist
- New Beginnings Christian Community
- Oak Chapel Baptist, Orange
- Olivet Presbyterian
- Peace Lutheran, ELCA
- Peakland Baptist, Lynchburg
- Sojourner's United Church of Christ
- Mark Lutheran
- Paul's Episcopal

- Tabor Presbyterian
- The Cloud Floating Free Sangha
- Trinity Episcopal
- Trinity Presbyterian
- Unitarian Universalist Church
- Unity of Charlottesville
- University Baptist
- Wesley Memorial United Methodist
- Westminster Presbyterian

The racially disproportionate practice of abortion in America is **akin to genocide**.

Like the Charlottesville pastor who once blasphemously claimed that affirmative abortion decisions could be **inspired by the Holy Spirit**, these leaders and their congregations will be held accountable for such atrocities at the **Great White Throne judgment**.

Fact #1: Every Abortion Kills An Innocent Human Being

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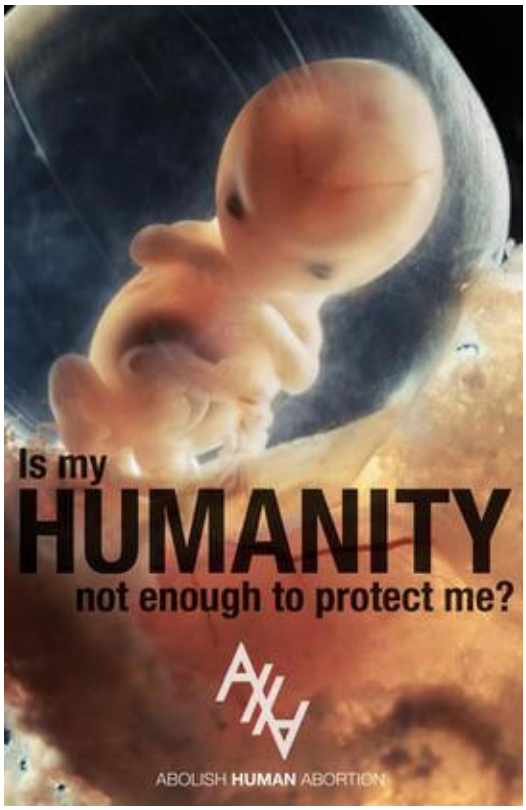

The Virginia Christian Alliance recommends to our readers to visit "**Abortion Facts**", which lists 20 facts on abortion. We have published a portion of Fact #1 and the links to the rest below AND please do not miss the video at the end.

Abortion Fact #1

It is false to claim that no one knows when life begins and dishonest to argue that abortion does not kill a human being.

Every new life begins at conception. This is an irrefutable fact of biology. It is true for animals and true for humans. When considered alongside the law of biogenesis – that every species reproduces after its own kind – we can draw only one conclusion in regard to abortion. No matter what the circumstances of conception, no matter how far along in the pregnancy, abortion always ends the life of an individual human being. Every honest abortion advocate concedes this simple fact.

Faye Wattleton, the longest reigning president of the largest abortion provider in the United States – Planned Parenthood – argued as far back as 1997 that everyone already knows that

abortion kills. She proclaims the following in an interview with Ms. Magazine:

> I think we have deluded ourselves into believing that people don't know that abortion is killing. So any pretense that abortion is not killing is a signal of our ambivalence, a signal that we cannot say yes, it kills a fetus.

On the other side of the pond, Ann Furedi, the chief executive of the largest independent abortion provider in the UK, said this in a 2008 debate:

> We can accept that the embryo is a living thing in the fact that it has a beating heart, that it has its own genetic system within it. It's clearly human in the sense that it's not a gerbil, and we can recognize that it is human life… the point is not when does human life begin, but when does it really begin to matter?

Naomi Wolf, a prominent feminist author and abortion supporter, makes a similar concession when she writes:

> Clinging to a rhetoric about abortion in which there is no life and no death, we entangle our beliefs in a series of self-delusions, fibs and evasions. And we risk becoming precisely what our critics charge us with being: callous, selfish and casually destructive men and women who share a cheapened view of human life…we need to contextualize the fight to defend abortion rights within a moral framework that admits that the death of a fetus is a real death.

David Boonin, in his book, A Defense of Abortion, makes this startling admission:

> In the top drawer of my desk, I keep . This picture was taken on September 7, 1993, 24 weeks before he was born. The sonogram image is murky, but it reveals clear enough a small head tilted back slightly, and an arm raised up and bent, with the hand pointing back toward the face and the thumb extended out toward the mouth. There is no doubt in my mind that this picture, too, shows at a very early stage in his physical development. And there is no question that the position I defend in this book entails that it would have been morally permissible to end his life at this point.

Peter Singer, contemporary philosopher and public abortion advocate, joins the chorus in his book, Practical Ethics. He writes:

> It is possible to give 'human being' a precise meaning. We can use it as equivalent to 'member of the species Homo sapiens'. Whether a being is a member of a given species is something that can be determined scientifically, by an examination of the nature of the chromosomes in the cells of living organisms. In this sense there is no doubt that from the first moments of its existence an embryo conceived from human sperm and eggs is a human being.

Bernard Nathanson co-founded one of the most influential abortion advocacy groups in the world (NARAL) and once served as medical director for the largest abortion clinic in America. In 1974, he wrote an article for the New England Journal of Medicine in which he states:

> There is no longer serious doubt in my mind that human life exists within the womb from the very onset of pregnancy…

Some years later, he would reiterate:

> There is simply no doubt that even the early embryo is a human being. All its genetic coding and all its features are indisputably human. As to being, there is no doubt that it exists, is alive, is self-directed, and is not the the same being as the mother–and is therefore a unified whole.

Don't miss the significance of these acknowledgements. Prominent defenders of abortion rights publicly admit that abortion kills human beings. They are not saying that abortion is morally defensible because it doesn't kill a distinct human entity. They are admitting that abortion does kill a distinct human entity, but argue it is morally defensible anyway.

We'll get to their arguments later, but the point here is this: There is simply no debate among honest, informed people that abortion kills distinctly human beings.

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READ MORE ON ABORTION FACTS WEBSITE HERE

Fact #2: Every human being is a person.

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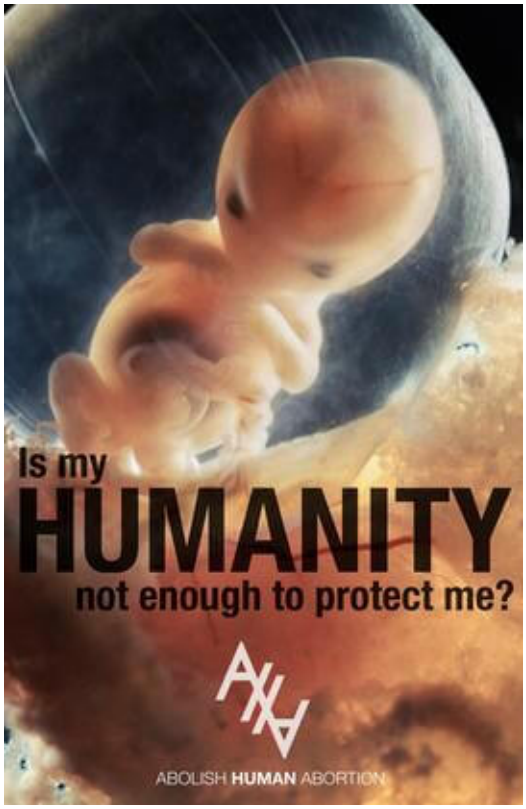

The Virginia Christian Alliance recommends to our readers to visit "Abortion Facts", which lists 20 facts on abortion.

We have published a portion of Fact #2 and the links to the rest below AND please do not miss the video below.

Abortion Fact #2

Personhood is properly defined by membership in the human species, not by stage of development within that species.

A living being's designation to a species is determined not by the stage of development but by the sum total of its biological characteristics— actual and potential—which are genetically determined…. If we say that is not human, e.g. a member of Homo sapiens, we must say it is a member of another species. But this cannot be.

Dictionaries define person as a "human being," "human individual," or "member of the human race." What makes a dog a dog is that he came from dogs. His father was a dog and his mother was a dog, and therefore he is a dog. What makes a human a human is that he came from humans. His

father was a human person and his mother was a human person, so he can be nothing other than a human person.

The beginning of each human life is an event (NOT a process)

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We must not be confused by statements such as Carl Sagan's:

Despite many claims to the contrary life does not begin at conception: It is an unbroken chain that stretches back nearly to the origin of the Earth, 4.6 billion years ago. Nor does human life begin at conception: It is an unbroken chain dating back to the origin of species, tens or hundreds of thousands of years ago.

Sorry, Carl! You're missing the point.

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Without Clinical Trials, FDA Authorizes Modified Monkeypox Vaccine, Expands Eligibility to 'High-Risk' Children

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Megan Redshaw | **Children's Health Defense**

Bypassing normal clinical trial guidance, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Tuesday expanded the Emergency Use Authorization for the Jynneos monkeypox vaccine to allow for an alternative method of injection and for "high-risk" children under 18 to get the vaccine.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Tuesday **expanded** the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Jynneos monkeypox vaccine to allow for an alternative method of injection the agency said would help conserve low supplies.

The expanded EUA also allows the vaccine to be used in children under age 18 who are at "high risk" of infection.

Prior to issuing the expanded EUA, the FDA confirmed that "numerous" children were granted access to the vaccine on a "case-by-case basis" through a special permission process — even though the vaccine was not approved or authorized for emergency use in that age group — **ABC News reported** on Aug. 4.

News of the potential dose-sparing recommendations prompted some congressional staff — including from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services — to **question federal health officials** about whether using the alternative injection method could affect the efficacy of the shot.

"They seemed to have no good answers for us, other than denying that it would impact things," an individual who attended a briefing on the matter told Politico. "But they didn't present any data."

According to CNBC, monkeypox is rarely fatal and no deaths have been reported in the U.S. However, some patients need to be hospitalized to manage lesions, which can be painful.

Under the expanded EUA, healthcare providers can administer Bavarian Nordic's Jynneos vaccine through **intradermal injection** — meaning between layers of the skin rather than below the skin — instead of subcutaneously, or beneath the skin.

The change in injection method will **increase available doses** fivefold — from 441,000 to more than **2.2 million** — as intradermal injection uses only a fraction of the dose but provides the same protection, health officials said at a White House briefing.

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The FDA said it **determined** the "known and potential benefits" of the monkeypox vaccine "outweigh the known and potential risks for the authorized uses."

FDA Commissioner Dr. Robert Califf said in a **press release**:

"In recent weeks the monkeypox virus has continued to spread at a rate that has made it clear our current vaccine supply will not meet the current demand. The FDA quickly explored other scientifically appropriate options to facilitate access to the vaccine for all impacted individuals.

"By increasing the number of available doses, more individuals who want to be vaccinated against monkeypox will now have the opportunity to do so."

Jynneos was **approved** in 2019 for the prevention of smallpox and monkeypox in high-risk adults 18 and older. The approval specified that the vaccine was to be administered subcutaneously, in two doses 28 days apart.

Using the intradermal method, the vaccine still will need to be administered in two doses, four weeks apart, the **FDA said**.

Children under 18 who are at high risk of monkeypox infection can receive the vaccine by subcutaneous injection, as it is easier to administer and there is not as much data available on the use of the vaccine in this age group.

The move to allow monkeypox vaccination in children under 18 is based on findings from the vaccine's use in adults and on data on pediatric smallpox vaccination, **CNN reported**.

According to the CDC, Jynneos is approved to be **administered subcutaneously** into the fatty tissue over the triceps area in the upper arm.

The **vaccine is administered** as a "live Vaccinia virus preparation that is inoculated into the skin by pricking the skin surface."

Although the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases is conducting a dose-sparing study of the Jynneos vaccine using intradermal injection, it could take months to complete, **Politico reported**.

In the meantime, the FDA **based its authorization** to allow the vaccine to be administered intradermally on data from a 2015 **study** of Jynneos in 524 participants, which "found a similar immune response when the vaccine was given intradermally in doses one-fifth the size of those given subcutaneously."

Only the abstract is publicly accessible, and it is unclear from the abstract whether researchers assessed a smallpox antigen from the **variola virus** or an antigen from a monkeypox virus.

As **The Defender reported**, even the FDA acknowledged **neutralizing antibodies** do not correlate with protection, nor does protection against one pathogen **necessarily correlate** to protection against another.

"There is **no traditional assessment** of this vaccine … because there weren't smallpox cases, and the monkeypox outbreaks before this were not large enough to really do a clinical trial," Dr. Peter Marks, director of the FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, said Tuesday.

"We want to collect outcome data, as we do with all vaccines," Marks said. "And I'd also point out that the NIH will be mounting a clinical trial and is working through the logistics of that now."

CDC guidance 'discourages variations from the recommended route, site, volume, or number of doses of any vaccine'

On a call with reporters, Califf said the "overall safety and efficacy profile will not be sacrificed" with a dose-sparing approach, which **Dr. Anthony Fauci**, chief medical advisor to President Biden, touted as a "promising solution to the vaccine shortage."

According to the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, **best practice guidance** for the administration of a vaccine is normally "derived from data from clinical trials, practical experience, normal intervals of health care visits and theoretical considerations."

The committee "discourages variations from the recommended route, site, volume, or number of doses of any vaccine" as "variation from the recommended route and site can result in inadequate protection."

The CDC **website** lists numerous examples where the method of administering a vaccine alters **immunogenicity** — the ability of a foreign substance, such as an antigen, to provoke an immune response in the human body.

A **paper** published in 2015, in the Expert Review of Vaccines assessed the effect of vaccine administration modality on immunogenicity and efficacy.

The authors found the "route of delivery can affect the vaccine localization that may influence the priming of immune cells as well as consequential local and systemic immune responses."

They went on to say that "the choice of one strategy over the other depends on the type of vaccine and protective immunity needed to conquer the disease based on the route of infection and transmission."

The FDA's decision to authorize a new route of administration for Jynneos comes less than a week after the Biden administration **declared monkeypox** a public health emergency, **allowing** government health agencies to authorize unapproved medical products or uses of approved medical products to fight the spread of the virus.

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The Culling of Humanity is about to Accelerate

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The culling of humanity is about to accelerate, taking many children and young adults, as the doctors, politicians and preachers remain silent

It's been a while since I've reported on the shocking numbers in the government's VAERS reporting system and some of the heartbreaking stories contained there, such as the recent death of a **9-year-old California girl** two weeks after she was jabbed.

The girl received one dose of Pfizer-BioNTech's injection. She had no preexisting conditions and was not hospitalized.

She experienced two to three days of "stomach ache, sore throat and chest pain; two weeks after receiving the vaccination," **the database** states.

VAERS data from December 14, 2020, to July 22, 2022, shows **12,232 adverse events** in 5- to 11-year-olds, including **313 "serious" cases** and **nine deaths.**

The database also lists **24 cases of heart inflammation**, **47 cases of blood clotting disorders**, and **101 reports of seizures** in the same age group.

Readers of this website know that VAERS doesn't begin to tell the whole story. The deaths and disabling injuries listed there only represent 1 percent of the actual numbers due to the propensity of doctors to not report most of the devastation they see being caused by their partners in Big Pharma.

Taken together from nations around the world, these deaths by injection will add up to a genocide of untold magnitude, a mass culling that fulfills the purposes of a Malthusian clan of globalist elites.

How can this be happening, you ask. And who are these "elites?"

Many of these so-called elites are also Luciferian but plenty of others are just plain greedy. Still others remain silent and go along out of self-preservation. They don't want to risk being canceled and jeopardize their comfortable lifestyles.

Thanks to the consolidation in the healthcare industry that was accelerated by Obamacare, most doctors today are just employees. They work for a paycheck. That means they're easily controlled.

And what about the politicians? Won't the Republicans change this when they take over in January?

That's unlikely.

The genocide we see playing out in real time is so evil that I find it difficult to comprehend how anyone in politics is able to talk about any other issue.

I typed "**died days after receiving jab Pfizer Moderna**" into my search engine and I turned up pages of articles about people dying, usually days or weeks after they had been jabbed.

Soaring inflation, as painful as it is, represents nothing compared to the pain and confusion so many must be feeling when their mother, father, spouse, sibling, friend, or their 9-year-old son or daughter dies "suddenly" and "unexpectedly" days or weeks after being jabbed. They're healthy one day, gone the next.

And yet, it's the forbidden subject. No politician, no matter how conservative or liberal, really wants to talk about it.

Their silence plays into the hands of the globalists who are behind this dark depopulation scheme.

Remember what Jesus said about these evildoers:

> "It is better for him if a millstone is hung around his neck and he is thrown into the sea, than that he may cause one of these little ones to sin."

They hate children because they hate humanity. And most of all they hate the Creator of humanity.

Historically, these elites always hated humanity, but they had to put up with us because they needed us to operate their factories, fight their wars, clean their mansions, harvest their food, make sure the trains run on time.

With the advances in gene editing, artificial intelligence and computer algorithms, they now have robots who can do all of the above tasks, often better and more reliably than we human beings. The crops that used to be picked in the fields can now be grown in a laboratory through CRISPR gene editing.

Watch the video below to get an idea how far the advancements in robotics have come in just the last 10 years. Also keep in mind this video is from one company, Boston Dynamics. There are hundreds of companies working on robotics and while Boston Dynamics claims it will not partner with anyone wishing to use its robots for military purposes, many other companies are focused on exactly that application.

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Now watch this terrifying robot from Sword Defense Systems which is capable of firing off ballistic rounds in rapid succession with pinpoint accuracy out to 2,100 meters. As the narrator says, this is

considered “the future of unmanned weapon systems, and that future is now.”

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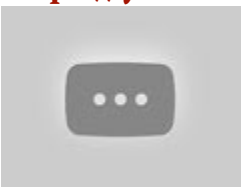

Here’s another video on robotic ghost dogs used by the U.S. Air Force.

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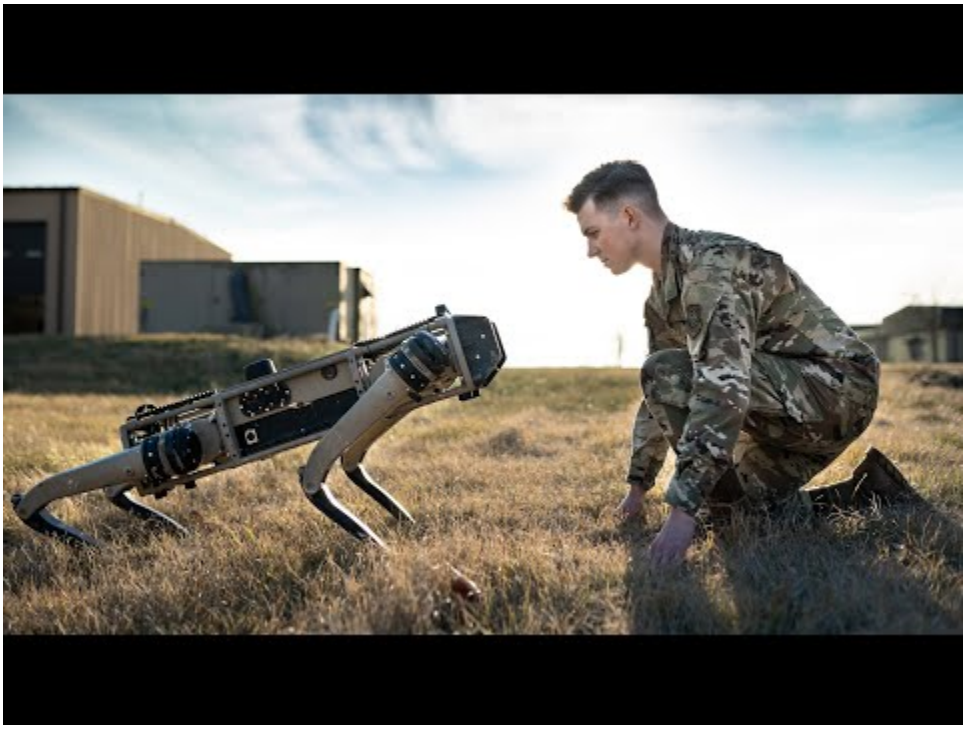

I viewed half a dozen or so of these videos on YouTube and found it interesting how many of them are narrated in an almost comical tone. This is no laughing matter, folks. But I guess this is Big

Tech's way of lulling us into a complacent acceptance of the fact that they are making machines not only to replace us but to kill us.

On top of the technological advances that allow them to replace us and kill us with machines, the mass culling of humanity is also needed, in their eyes, because they believe the rapid advances in technology will allow them to live much longer. They're transitioning, they tell us, from one species to another, from *human*, to *transhuman*.

If they think they can live to 125 or even 150, that means they will need to get rid of those of us they consider to be "useless eaters," in order to preserve the valuable resources for themselves.

This Great Reset really is all about resources.

As Yuval Noah Harari has openly stated on more than one occasion, the problem is not that there are too many people, but that we have too many "useless" and "unproductive" people who have no value in the new digital economy.

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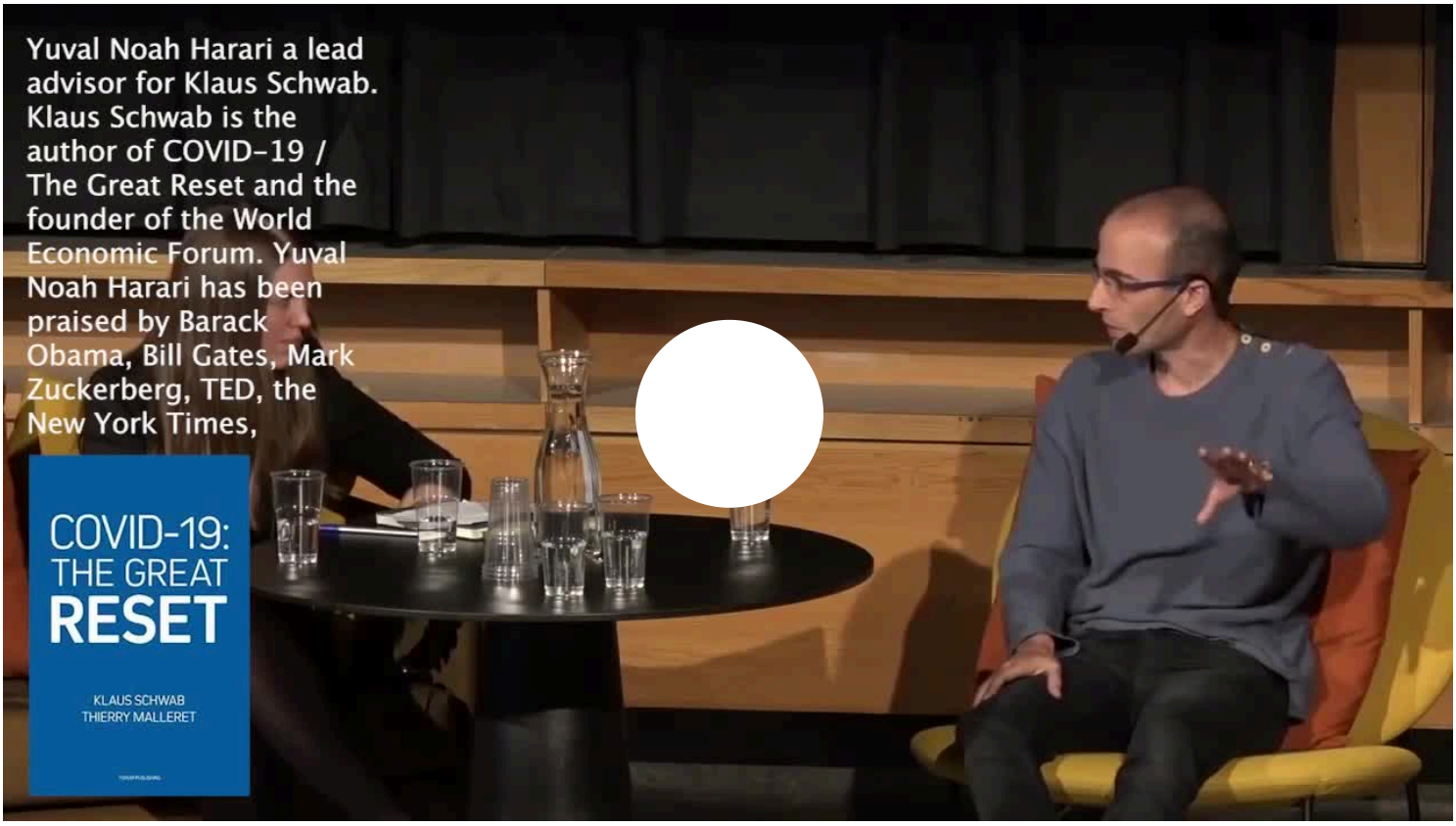


The need for a mass culling of the population fits perfectly with the Malthusian ideas held by so many of the globalist power elites who control our institutions and think they're going to live forever, or at least to an age twice that of the rest of us.

These ideas are based on the teachings of the 19th century English philosopher-cleric **Thomas Malthus**, who believed the earth's population must be brought into balance with the supply of food and other natural resources.

There's plenty of evidence that "fossil fuels" like oil and natural gas actually replenish themselves under the earth's surface. The Rockefeller clan was the first to refer to oil, gas and coal as "fossil fuels," likely because they were followers of Malthus and wanted to give the impression that these resources were finite and scarce.

The truth is that oil and gas are plentiful and should therefore be cheap.

But if they were cheap folks like the Rockefellers and Bushes wouldn't have become billionaires. So the lies continue.

Killing off a few billion humans has always been part of the plan.

The Kissinger Report, published in 1974, was one of the first official documents advocating a depopulation scheme, and there have been a never-ending avalanche of such reports, books and speeches by the globalists since that time calling for a vastly smaller global population. The **Georgia Guidestones**, which recently made the news when they mysteriously got blown to bits and then leveled, called for a world population "continuously in balance with nature" and limited to no more than 500 million people, down from the current 7.5 billion.

Depopulation also fits the strategy for one-world control over all resources — living and non-living — embodied in the United Nations Agenda 2030 sustainable development goals.

So why wouldn't the globalist power elites, the richest and most powerful people in the world, engage in eugenics and genocide?

The problem with waging biological warfare has always been, how do you deliver the weapon in an efficient manner?

We've seen anthrax letters and other small attacks, but what if you wanted to use the bioweapon to kill off a third or more of the world's population? How would you do that in a way that kept the elites insulated from the death and destruction?

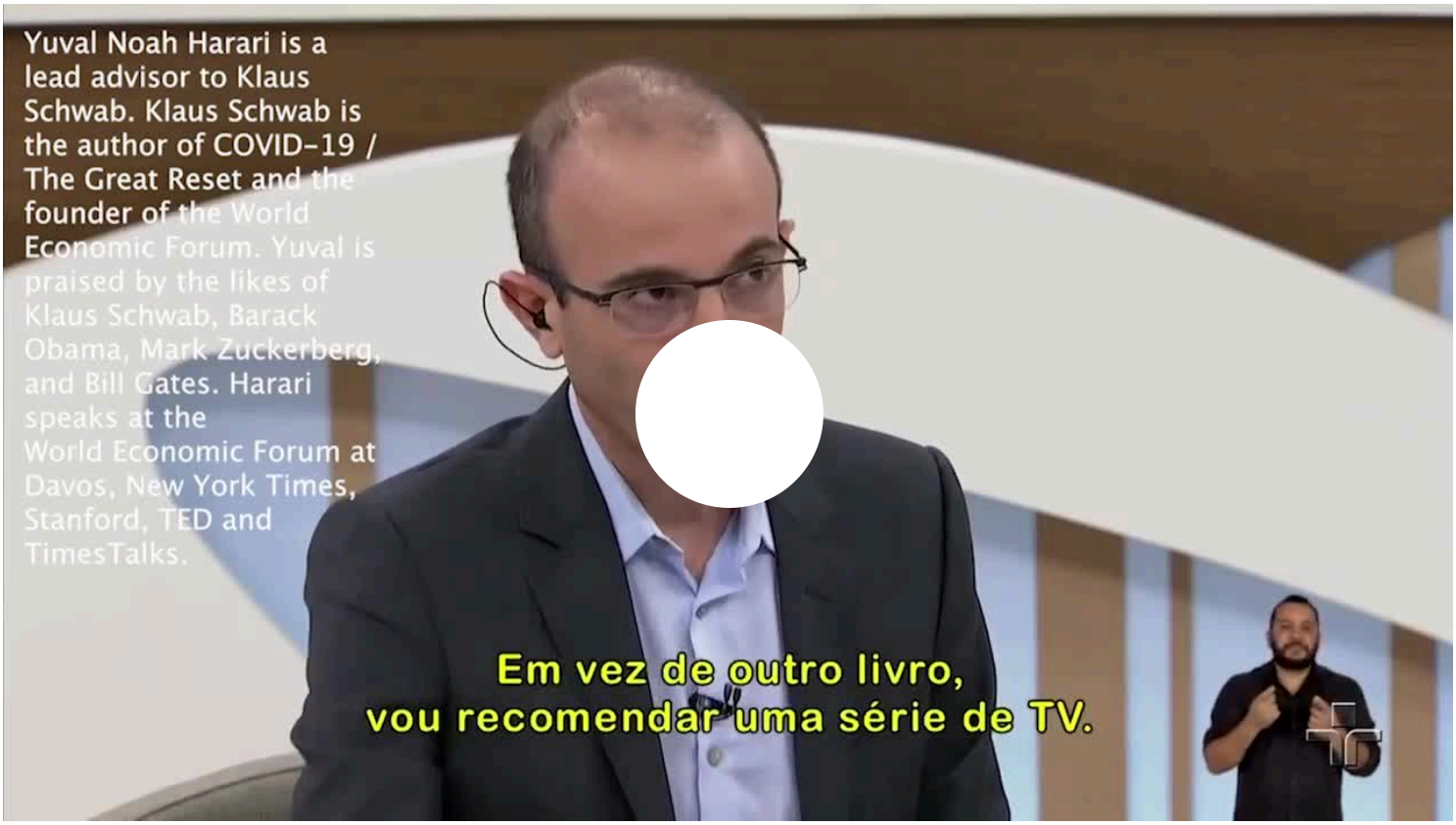
In steps the corrupt global media, now controlled by about six or seven major corporations with interlapping owners, and the problem is solved. You simply instruct your media lapdogs to

unleash the biggest propaganda campaign the world has ever seen, and pay them handsomely to do it with money from government ads and from foundations like the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and presto, you convince the ignorant masses to have the bioweapon injected directly into their bodies.

Anyone who doubts this and puts their trust in the governments of the world, or their corporate partners in the media, all of whom have proven themselves to be mere pawns of the Davos elites personified by Bill Gates, Klaus Schwab, Yuval Noah Harari and the World Economic Forum, surely has their heads buried in the sand.

Harari spelled it out very clearly when he said, "The chief value of science is power. They use truth to some extent but that is not their highest value. Science as an institution is mainly interested in gaining control over the world." (*see video below*)

Yuval Noah Harari | "The Issue of Whether the Climate Crisis Is Real That's a Purely Sci…



Harari says his favorite book is *Brave New World*. How telling. Aldus Huxley wrote Brave New World to show us how an elite class of technocrats would one day rise up and run a centrally planned authoritarian system that manages all human activity. And when the people in this future dystopian society reached an age when they were no longer productive or useful to the

system, they were given a drug that put them to sleep, forever. No one, other than the elites, was allowed to live past the age of 60 in Harari's favorite book, the *Brave New World*.

These people are ruthless. But what I love about Harari is, unlike most of the globalist elites, he doesn't try to deceive us into thinking the outcome of their agenda will be in any way benevolent or that these monsters have any sort of altruistic motives. He comes right out and tells us what motivates their actions; they want to dominate and enslave us. It's about power and control.

We must know our enemy and the depths of depravity of the individuals we are dealing with. If we are going to break them it will take steadfast resistance and courage to stand up, speak out, and learn to live with the consequences. We must learn to live outside of their systems. That will require us working together, not against each other. The more people we can convince to join us the better off we will be.

But even if it turns out that we cannot defeat them, they will be stopped by the hand of God. He will not stand back for long and let the world be taken over by Luciferian killers and deceivers.

God forbid that we should act like the parents of that 9-year-old girl, who unknowingly offered their child up to these demons. As God almighty said, "My people perish for lack of knowledge."

SOURCE: **LEO HOHMANN**

No Roe in Virginia Petition, Please Sign the Petition to the Va General Assembly to Oppose Abortion-on-Demand

AUGUST 5, 2022
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From Virginia Society for Human Life (VSHL)

No *Roe* in Virginia

Petition to the Virginia General Assembly to Oppose Abortion-on-Demand Until the Moment of Birth Without Restrictions

Whereas, Pro-Abortion Activists want to codify Roe v. Wade into Virginia Law and/or add Roe to the Virginia Constitution; and

Whereas, Roe would allow abortion-on-demand, up until the moment of birth, without any restrictions; and

Whereas, making Roe Virginia Law would strike down existing pro-life laws including the Parental Consent law & the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban law. A Constitutional Amendment would permanently prevent passage of new pro-life laws like the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Act, eliminate restrictions on taxpayer funding of abortion, and stop many other pro-life bills;

Therefore, be it resolved, that we the undersigned voters of Virginia OPPOSE codifying Roe v. Wade into Virginia Law or adding Roe to the Virginia Constitution. We URGE all Members of the General Assembly to defeat any and all attempts to Codify Roe v. Wade in Virginia.

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Virginia Society for Human Life (**VSHL**) promotes the Right to Life in Virginia through education and legislative action.

Our Position Summary:

• The right to life is inalienable.
• Unborn babies should be protected in law.
• The dependent elderly, those who live with disability or chronic illness, or the terminally ill should be protected from both active and passive euthanasia.
• Women facing unplanned pregnancies should be supported emotionally, spiritually, and materially so that abortion does not feel like their only choice.
• We support legislation which respects and protects the right to life of each member of the human family, both before and after birth.
• We work peacefully within the law in order to change the law.

Who we are:

VSHL is a non-sectarian organization. The common thread uniting our membership is a respect for all innocent human life from fertilization to natural death.

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Dear Friends, Sorry to Announce a Genocide

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It's Really True: They Know they are Killing the Babies

Dr. Naomi Wolf | **Outspoken**

I've been silent for some weeks. Forgive me.

The truth is: I've been rendered almost speechless — or the literary equivalent of that — because recently I've had the unenviable task of trying to announce to the world that indeed, a genocide — or what I've called, clumsily but urgently, a "baby die-off" — is underway.

The WarRoom/DailyClout Pfizer Documents Research Volunteers, a group of 3000 highly credentialled doctors, RNs, biostatisticians, medical fraud investigators, lab clinicians and research scientists, have been turning out report after report, as you may know, to tell the world what is in the 55,000 internal Pfizer documents which the FDA had asked a court to keep under wraps for 75 years. By court order, these documents were forcibly disclosed. And our experts are serving humanity by reading through these documents and explaining them in lay terms. You can find all of the Volunteers' reports on DailyClout.io.

The lies revealed are stunning.

The WarRoom/DailyClout Volunteers have confirmed: that Pfizer (and thus the FDA) knew by December 2020 that the MRNA vaccines did not work — that they "waned in efficacy" and

presented “vaccine failure.” One side effect of getting vaccinated, as they knew by one month after the mass 2020 rollout, was “COVID.”

Pfizer knew in May of 2021 that 35 minors’ hearts had been damaged a week after MRNA injection — but the FDA rolled out the EUA for teens a month later anyway, and parents did not get a press release from the US government about heart harms til August of 2021, after thousands of teens were vaccinated.

Pfizer (and thus the FDA; many of the documents say “FDA: CONFIDENTIAL” at the lower boundary) knew that, contrary to what the highly paid spokesmodels and bought-off physicians were assuring people, the MRNA, spike protein and lipid nanoparticles did not stay in the injection site in the deltoid, but rather went, within 48 hours, into the bloodstream, from there to lodge in the liver, spleen, adrenals, lymph nodes, and, if you are a woman, in the ovaries.

Pfizer (and thus the FDA) knew that the Moderna vaccine had 100 mcg of MRNA, lipid nanoparticles and spike protein, which was more than three times the 30 mcg of the adult Pfizer dose; the company’s internal documents show a higher rate of adverse events with the 100 mcg dose, so they stopped experimenting with that amount internally due to its “reactogenicity” — Pfizer’s words — but no one told all of the millions of Americans who all got the first and second 100 mcg Moderna dose, *and the boosters*.

Pfizer skewed the trial subjects so that almost three quarters were female — a gender that is less prone to cardiac damage. Pfizer *lost* the records of what became of hundreds of their trial subjects.

In the internal trials, there were over 42,000 adverse events and more than 1200 people died. Four of the people who died, *died on the day they were injected.*

Adverse events tallied up in the internal Pfizer documents are completely different from those reported on the CDC website or announced by corrupted physicians and medical organizations and hospitals. These include vast columns of joint pain, muscle pain (myalgia), masses of neurological effects include MS, Guillain Barre and Bell’s Palsy, encephaly, every iteration possible of blood clotting, thrombocytopenia at scale, strokes, hemorrhages, and many kinds of ruptures of membranes throughout the human body. The side effects about which Pfizer and the FDA knew but you did not, include blistering problems, rashes, shingles, and herpetic conditions (indeed, a range of blistering conditions oddly foreshadowing the symptoms of monkeypox).

The internal documents show that Pfizer (and thus the FDA) knew that angry red welts or hives were a common reaction to the PEG, a petroleum-derived allergen in the vaccine ingredients — one that you are certainly not supposed to ingest. Indeed, PEG is an allergen so severe that many people can go into anaphylactic shock if they are exposed to it. But people with a PEG allergy were not warned away from the vaccines or even carefully watched by their doctors, EpiPen in hand. They were left to their shock.

Pfizer knew that “exposure” to the vaccine was defined — in their own words – as sexual contact (especially at time of conception), skin contact, inhalation or lactation. . ‘Fact-checkers’ can deny this all they want. The documents speak for themselves.

Of course, people who have tried to raise any of these issues have been deplatformed, scolded by the President, called insane, and roundly punished.

Athletes and college students and teenagers are collapsing on football and soccer fields. Doctors wring their hands and express mystification. But BioNTech’s SEC filing shows a fact about which the CDC and the AMA breathe not a word: fainting so violently that you may hurt yourself is one of the side effects important enough for BioNTech to highlight to the SEC.

But not to highlight to you and me.

I was able to process all of this and keep simply reporting. But in the last few weeks the horror overcame me. Because now, the Volunteers, under the excellent leadership of Program Manager Amy Kelly, have confirmed that there is a genocide underway, intentionally driven or not. And Israeli journalist Etana Hecht has added her own superb analysis. Here is Ms Hecht’s summary of the Volunteers’ findings:

Clown World – Honk
Vaccinated Women
The topic of pregnant and nursing moms getting vaccinated under encouragement and coercion is painful. It’s painful to research, painful to write about, and painful to learn how carelessly the most precious among us are being treated. The very essence of life and nature live within pregnant and nursing mothers. Reflecting on how little regard was paid t…
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It seems that there can indeed be a happenstance genocide. Reproduction itself is targeted, intentionally or not, by the mRNA vaccines. And if you know that reproduction is harmed, and babies and fetuses are harmed, and you know that this is at scale, which everyone at Pfizer and at the FDA who read these documents, knew —and if you do not stop — then does that not ultimately become a genocide?

The WarRoom/DailyClout volunteers have confirmed that lipid nanoparticles, the tiny hard fatty casings that contain the MRNA, traverse the amniotic membrane. That means that they enter the fetal environment, of course. (They also traverse the blood-brain barrier, which may help explain the post-MRNA vaccination strokes and cognitive issues we are seeing). The Volunteers have drilled deep into the Pfizer documents’ reports about pregnancy and found that the assurance that the vaccine is “safe and effective” for pregnant women, was based on a study of 44 French rats,

followed for 42 days (the scientists who ran the study are shareholders or employees of BioNTech).

The Volunteers found that while pregnant women were excluded from the internal studies, and thus from the EUA on which basis all pregnant women were assured the vaccine was "safe and effective", nonetheless about 270 women got pregnant during the study. More than 230 of them were lost somehow to history. But of the 36 pregnant women whose outcomes were followed – *28 lost their babies*.

The Volunteers found that a baby died after nursing from a vaccinated lactating mother, and was found to have had an inflamed liver. Many babies nursing from vaccinated mothers showed agitation, gastrointestinal distress, and failure to thrive (to grow), and were inconsolable.

I am hearing anecdotal reports of these symptoms in babies nursing from vaccinated mothers, now, from across the country.

The Pfizer documents also show that some vaccinated mothers had suppressed lactation, or could produce no milk at all.

Doctors, of course, are stumped by all this. Stumped.

The NIH database has a preprint study making the case that there are negligible amounts of PEG in the breast milk of vaccinated women.

But what is a negligible amount of a petroleum product in mother's milk, when you are a tiny newborn with no immunities, just arriving in the world? The NIH preprint itself reported higher levels of GI distress and sleeplessness in the infants studied, and one mother had elevated PEG levels in breast milk, and the fine print concludes that more study is needed:

> "Larger studies are needed to increase our understanding of transfer of PEG into human milk, and potential effects after ingestion by the infant. Although expert consensus states there is minimal or no potential risk for the infant from maternal COVID-19 vaccination(**20**,**21**), the minor symptoms that were reported (sleep changes and gastrointestinal symptoms) could be further investigated in future studies to determine if they are related to vaccination."

Since no babies *died* in the brief time frame of the tiny study, the study concluded that nursing babies suffered no real ill effects from vaccinated mothers. But the study did not follow these poor babies, with their acknowledged sleeplessness and their confirmed GI distress, to see if they actually "thrived" — gained weight and developed normally.

On such faulty science were women assured that the vaccines were “safe and effective” for them and their nursing babies.

But — four of the lactating vaccinated women in the Pfizer documents reported “blue-green” breast milk. I am not making this up. And the nursing baby who died, with an inflamed liver — the case has been buried; has not made headlines.

Coincidentally — or not — the SAME FDA that turned a blind eye to vast harms to humans, and to the subcategory of moms and babies, in the Pfizer documents, declared that Abbot, a major producer of baby formula in the US, had to close its factory.

Coincidentally, with little formula available and with some or many (we don’t know) vaccinated moms having compromised breast milk, it turns out that Bill Gates, Jeff Bezos, Richard Branson, and Mark Zuckerberg have all invested in a startup called “BioMilq” — which produces lab grown breast milk from mammary cells. . Reports of this startup include this Frankenstein-like language *as if this is normal*: “The BIOMILQ team creates its product from cells taken from human breast tissue and milk, donated by women in the local community, who get a Target giftcard in return.”

As if all of this is not horrific enough, Ms Hecht drew studies from three countries — Canada, Scotland and now Israel – -to show that babies are dying disproportionately, during and after 2021, in highly vaccinated countries, and that newborns are dying disproportionately if they have vaccinated mothers versus unvaccinated mothers.

In highly vaccinated Scotland, almost twice the number of babies died in 2021 as died in baseline numbers. . In Ontario, Canada, 86 babies died in 2021, versus a baseline of four or five; this was a baby die-off so severe that a brave Parliamentarian brought the issue to Parliament. .

In Israel, at RamBam Hospital in Haifa, there were 34% more spontaneous abortions and stillbirths to vaccinated women as to unvaccinated women.

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Stillbirths, Miscarriages and Abortions in Vaccinated vs. Unvaccinated Women

Data from Rambam hospital in Haifa reveal a stillbirth, miscarriage and abortion (SBMA) rate of 6% among women who never received a COVID-19 vaccine, compared to 8% among women who were vaccinated with at least one dose (and never had a SARS-Cov-2 infection...

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Ms Hecht also notes that menstrual dysregulation in vaccinated women is fully confirmed now by many studies, with an average of one extra day of bleeding a month (a side effect about which I warned about in March of 2021, which in turn got me called names by a CNN commentator and permanently deplatformed from Twitter).

You don't have to know more than eighth grade biology to know that a dysregulated menstrual cycle, not to mention spike protein accumulating in the ovaries, not to mention the traversing of the bodies' membranes, including the amniotic sac, by tiny hard fatty lipid nanoparticles, not to mention PEG in breast milk, is all going to affect fertility, fetal health, childbirth, and babies' GI wellbeing or distress, and thus their ability or failure to thrive (let alone to bond).

And now, the babies are dying. Now scale the data from Canada, Scotland and Israel to all the vaccinated nations in the world.

What do we do with all of this?

Knowing as I now do, that Pfizer and the FDA knew that babies were dying and mothers' milk discoloring by just looking at their own internal records; knowing as I do that they did not alert anyone let alone stop what they were doing, and that to this day Pfizer, the FDA and other demonic "public health" entities are pushing to MRNA-vaccinate more and more pregnant women; now that they are about to force this on women in Africa and other lower income nations who are not seeking the MRNA vaccines, per Pfizer CEO Bourla this past week at the WEF, and knowing that Pfizer is pushing and may even receive a US EUA for babies to five year olds — I must conclude that we are looking into an abyss of evil not seen since 1945.

So I don't know about you, but I must switch gears with this kind of unspeakable knowledge to another kind of discourse.

I am not saying that this is exactly like finding evidence of Dr Mengele's experiments; but I am saying, with these findings, that now the comparison may not be that excessive. These anti-humans at Pfizer, speaking at the WEF; these anti-humans at the FDA; knowing what they know; are targeting the miraculous female body, with its ability to conceive, gestate, birth and nurture life. They are targeting the female body's ability to sustain a newborn human being with nothing but itself. They are targeting the amniotic membrane, the ovaries that release the ovum, they are targeting the lymph and blood that help support the building up of mother's milk, they are targeting the fetus in utero, helpless.

They are targeting the human fetus' very environment, one of the most sacred spaces on this earth, if not the most sacred.

And they know it.

I don't know about you, and I am not proselytizing, but as you may know if you read me here, these apocalyptic days, I turn to prayer. I have started to say in public, once I had to face the fact of the die-off of the babies, that this is a Biblical time; and I mean Old Testament Biblical.

It is a time like that of the construction of the Tower of Babel — of massive arrogance against divine plans. Men such Bill Gates tamper with and seek to outdo God's best works in lab after lab, and Tech Bros "disrupt" the human competition for their unsought-after goods and services, by targeting human processes and by ruining the bodies made in the image of God.

It is a time like that when the ten plagues assailed the Egyptians in Exodus 11:4-6:

"4 So Moses said, "This is what the Lord says: 'About midnight I will go throughout Egypt.**5** Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the female slave, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. **6** There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. **7"**

This was the worst plague of all, the slaying of the firstborn.

It is a time of *ha-Satan* — Satan — "going to and fro in the earth, and walking up and down in it", as Job 2 describes him.

It is a time of demons sauntering around in human spaces, though they look human enough themselves, smug in their Italian suits on panels at the World Economic Forum.

Ha-Satan – and his armies: ruining the conception, the milk, the menses, the touch, the cradling of the infant by its mother, ruining the feeding of the infant; ruining the babies themselves.

I read the Prophets a lot these days — because how could I not? I am looking for what writer Annie Lamott called "Operating Instructions." What do you do when humanity itself is threatened? When there are professional battalions and bureaucratic departments of people who act with anathema toward the human race?

Surely there must be a clue.

So I reread the story of Noah, and the Book of Esther, a lot these days; I reread Jeremiah.

We've been here before. Embarrassingly often, when it comes to that.

The story is always the same, at least in the Hebrew Bible (in the New Testament, of course, God skips to the end and upends the plot).

At least in the Hebrew Bible, God is always trying to get our attention, always, it seems, simply asking us just to walk alongside him; simply asking us to keep his not–too-challenging commandments; not, indeed, asking a lot.

Jeremiah 1:13:

> " The word of the Lord came to me again: "What do you see?"
>
> "I see a pot that is boiling," I answered. "It is tilting toward us from the north."
>
> **14** The Lord said to me, "From the north disaster will be poured out on all who live in the land.
> **15** I am about to summon all the peoples of the northern kingdoms," declares the Lord.
>
> "Their kings will come and set up their thrones
> in the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem;
> they will come against all her surrounding walls
> and against all the towns of Judah.
> **16** I will pronounce my judgments on my people
> because of their wickedness in forsaking me,
> in burning incense to other gods
> and in worshiping what their hands have made."

In the Hebrew Bible, anyway, the math is simple. We turn, we listen, and we are saved; or we carry on heedlessly, worshipping what our own hands have made, sluts to other gods — to "the science," to media lies; to the narcissism of convention, these days, one might say — and thus we are lost.

We have been nearly lost, time after time after time.

This time could really be the last time; these monsters in the labs, on the transnational panels, are so very skillful; and so powerful; and their dark work is so extensive.

If God is there — again — after all the times that we have tried his patience — and who indeed knows? – will we reach out a hand to him in return, will we take hold in the last moment out of this abyss, and simply find a way somehow to walk alongside him?

Or will we this time, in losing the babies, and heedlessly carrying on nonetheless — be truly lost ourselves?

SOURCE: **DR NAOMI WOLF**

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Hands Off Our Children!

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Children's Health Defense, their Advocacy Page **here**
*Please watch and **share this video** about the devastation that can occur from COVID shot injuries or death featuring the song "Hands Off Our Children," by artist Joydah Mae.*

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is declaring war on our children, and it's on each of us to be unrelenting as we defend the next generation from Big Pharma and its allies. We must stop the FDA's attack, beginning with a campaign to end unethical and unsubstantiated Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA), subjecting our younger and most vulnerable children to the unnecessary risks of COVID shots. We must continue this effort with ongoing education and awareness to parents, caregivers and healthcare practitioners who administer COVID shots.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, June 14 and 15, the FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) committee will likely make a catastrophic decision by voting to

grant Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA) to allow infants and young children to receive Pfizer's and Moderna's COVID shots.

There is no COVID emergency for children.

They have essentially zero risk of dying from COVID (99.995% recovery rate), and the vast majority have little to no symptoms.

mRNA shots offer little in the way of protection. They do not prevent transmission or infection.

No statistically valid evidence shows that Pfizer and Moderna COVID injections can prevent severe disease or death in children. Current mRNA injections were formulated based on the original Wuhan strain and were not tested for benefits against current variants in clinical trials. This begs the questions: What are they actually trying to accomplish by vaccinating small children? What is their ultimate goal?

Injuries from COVID shots in children are catastrophic.

These shots have more vaccine injury reports in the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) — **over 49,000 ages 5 to 17 years old** — than all previous vaccines combined. Injuries include myocarditis, encephalopathy, blood clots, diabetes, neurological issues and death.

Visit our page of **COVID-19 Vaccine Science** for full references, citations and studies to learn more.

We need your help! Here are a few ways you can get involved:

Advocate: Take Action Immediately!

- **Send a message** to FDA and CDC officials and VRBPAC members to vote NO on EUA applications for Moderna and Pfizer vaccines for infants, toddlers and children.
- **Share Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.'s 20-page letter**, sent to the FDA VRBPAC members, with all of your federal and state elected officials in less than 30 seconds from our advocacy portal.
- **Join the Twitter Storm!** Follow our **Twitter account @ChildrensHD** and retweet our tweets all day Tuesday, June 14, and Wednesday, June 15, as VRBPAC meets to deliberate granting these EUAs for infants, toddlers and children.

Educate: Help Raise Awareness on This Critical Issue

- **Share our music video** **"Hands Off Our Children" on social media** to expose the devastation that transpires when vaccine injuries occur. These families' lives will never be the same, and all parents deserve to know the potential adverse effects so they can truly make informed decisions.
- **Share our memes on social media** to expose the devastation that transpires when vaccine injuries occur. These families' lives will never be the same, and all parents deserve to know the potential adverse effects so they can truly make informed decisions.
- **Educate your community.** **Share the first handout** with parents and caregivers who will soon decide whether or not to give these experimental COVID shots to their children. Use the second handout to educate and raise awareness among healthcare practitioners and those who administer COVID shots. Let's remind doctors of their oath to "First, do no harm."

Tell the FDA Hands Off Our Children!

The FDA is poised to make decisions regarding our children and the future of this country that may have a devastating impact on children's health.

Please partner with us by sharing our action alert and materials so we can warn parents and practitioners, the last line standing between Big Pharma and the children.

- Memes **HERE**
- Informed Consent Handouts **HERE**

Sign up for free news and updates from Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and the Children's Health Defense. CHD is implementing many strategies, including legal, in an effort to defend the health of our children and obtain justice for those already injured. Your **support** is essential to CHD's successful mission.

SOURCE: **CHILDREN'S HEALTH DEFENSE**

Analysis DEBUNKED: 11 myths about post-Roe abortion laws

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LIVE ACTION

Abortion advocates in the media and on social media have unleashed a barrage of myths about pro-life laws since *Roe v. Wade* was reversed on June 24. The misinformation is creating a wave of fear across the nation, as compassionate Americans now fear women will die and children will be born into abuse and neglect if abortion is not legal and on-demand through all nine months of pregnancy.

Yet none of these myths are true.

MYTH: Treatment for ectopic pregnancy will not be allowed.

One of the most common myths spreading about pro-life laws in a post-*Roe* world is that women will not be able to receive treatment for ectopic pregnancy, which would kill them. *This is completely false.*

This **list of states** with pro-life laws shows that each law says treatment for an ectopic pregnancy, treatment for a medical emergency, or a procedure to save the life of the mother (which would include treatment for an ectopic pregnancy) is not legally considered an abortion. The legal definition of abortion is not the same as the medical definition of abortion, which has lead to this mass confusion.

These rumors are untrue; any woman who suffers an ectopic pregnancy has a right to the health care that will save her life.

MYTH: Pregnant women whose lives are in danger will not be allowed to receive treatment.

There is never a medically necessary reason to have an abortion because other procedures exist in order to save a woman whose life is at risk during pregnancy. Legally, an abortion is the act of intentionally killing the embryo or fetus prior to delivery, therefore, if the woman's life is at risk, the doctor can induce delivery or carry out an emergency C-section to save the woman's life without purposefully killing the preborn child.

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There will be tragic situations in which the child is too young to survive outside of the womb, but in situations necessitating early delivery where there was never an intent to kill the child, the

procedure is not legally considered an abortion. In addition, the majority of pro-life laws carry an exception for the mother's health and life.

Essentially, no doctor has to deliberately kill one patient in order to save the other. A pregnancy can end without the intentional killing of the child, but an abortion carries the goal of ensuring that the child is dead.

MYTH: Treatment for miscarriages will not be allowed.

Another myth is that if a woman miscarries, she won't be able to undergo surgery to remove her deceased child if the miscarriage does not progress on its own. This is also untrue.

Pro-life laws are clear that an abortion carries the intent to cause the child's death. In a **miscarriage** situation, if the child has already died, removing his or her body is important to ensure the mother's continued good health, and no pro-life law prevents a doctor from carrying out a D&C or other surgery to remove the miscarried child's remains from the mother's uterus to prevent illness or infection.

MYTH: Health apps will track women's menstrual cycle data in order to prosecute them for abortions.

In today's world, it seems every piece of technology is tracking every move a person makes, from their cell phone to their fitness watch. Suddenly, abortion advocates are instilling fear that any woman who uses a period tracker will be watched by authorities for any signs that she may have had an abortion based on changes in her menstrual cycle as she tracks it.

This idea is little more than fear-mongering, especially since women have their information everywhere already, and a text message to a friend about a pregnancy — or a search online for the abortion pill — would provide more "evidence" to anyone seeking to prosecute someone for an abortion more than tracking someone's (potentially extremely irregular) menstrual cycle would.

MYTH: Women will be prosecuted for miscarriages.

As stated above, removing the remains of a preborn child who is already deceased is not an abortion; neither is a natural miscarriage, because in that case, *no one committed an act intended to kill the child*.

While increased use of the abortion pill makes it harder to tell if a woman has had an abortion or a miscarriage, none of the current pro-life laws aim to punish the mother for the abortion. Under current laws, a woman would not be prosecuted for a miscarriage *or* an elective abortion.

As reported by **Secular Pro-Life**, if there is any investigation into the death of a preborn child, it is most likely because the child's death is linked to a crime separate from an illegal abortion, such as drug use or infanticide, or instances in which a baby is found in a dumpster.

While abortion advocates point to **El Salvador** as an example of women being jailed for miscarriage in a pro-life nation, the truth is that those women serving jail time have actually killed their newborn babies horrifically by stabbing, strangulation, and other means (as the graphic photos prove). They have not been jailed for miscarriage, but for the *infanticide of newborn babies*.

MYTH: Maternal mortality rates will increase without legal abortion.

Statistics show that the maternal mortality rate will *not* increase if abortion is restricted. Countries that legalized abortion like the U.S. have actually seen their maternal mortality rates (MMR) **increase** over time, while countries that banned abortion have seen a *decrease* in maternal deaths. For example, in 1972, the year before *Roe*, 18.8 of every 100,000 women died during or within one year of giving birth. By 2020, that number had grown to 23.8 women per 100,000 births.

However, in nations that chose to protect human beings in the womb, the opposite occurred. For example, El Salvador did so in 1998. The country's MMR was 155 per 100,000 live births while abortion was legal, but dropped to 46 per 100,000 live births after abortion was made illegal. And since Poland restricted abortion in most cases in 1989, the MMR has declined from 17 to two.

MYTH: More children will suffer in the foster care system if abortion is restricted.

Another common claim is that more children will enter the foster care system if abortion is banned. But children aren't born directly into foster care unless an issue is discovered at birth in which it is clear that the child must be moved to a safe home. Women who choose adoption while pregnant are able to handpick the adoptive parents of her baby because there are 36 families waiting to adopt for every one child placed for adoption.

In addition, though the foster care system has its flaws, it is not a fate worse than death. No child should be **killed** out of concern that she might go into foster care or might experience suffering in life. What is needed is reform of the foster care system and for more people to step up to help these vulnerable children rather than argue that they should have been killed in the womb.

Where suffering exists, we don't kill the sufferer; we ease the suffering.

MYTH: Women won't be able to control their lives/futures/careers without *Roe*.

It is anti-feminist to tell a woman she needs to kill her growing child in the womb in order to succeed, or because she is too young. Women are *inherently equal to men* — contrary to pro-abortion claims, legalized abortion does not "make" women equal to men — and the fact that women have the ability to carry a child does not somehow make them less than men.

Rather than liberating women, abortion has turned women into oppressors, on the level of the worst of men who abandon the children they help to create. Just because men have been allowed to *abandon* their children without consequence doesn't mean woman should be able to *kill* those children before birth. Instead, *men should be held more accountable*.

When a woman becomes pregnant, resources should already be in place for her at her university, her school, or her company to ensure she and her children have what they need. Legally, a pregnant student is entitled to special accommodations from her university or school under Title IX, and no woman can legally be fired for being pregnant or being a mother.

If businesses are going to employ women as they should, they must recognize the value of women and mothers in the workplace. They can show their respect for mothers by providing solid health care, nursing and pumping rooms, in-house daycare, paid paternity and maternity leave — and by monetarily rewarding people fairly for their hard work.

No one can predict the future, and woman's life can be impacted by any number of things. But women are capable of adapting and changing and growing — and they never have to kill their babies in order to continue to pursue their dreams and goals.

MYTH: Abortion will become more dangerous without *Roe*.

Abortion has *never* been safe — one person always dies in the process. But the reality is that there are no solid statistics on just how dangerous legal abortion is for the millions of women who have sought them since *Roe*. Only about **half of all states** even report complications from abortions — complications which can include uterine and cervical perforation, hemorrhaging, incomplete abortion, infection, infertility, and even death.

With *Roe* in place, abortion advocates were already moving to make abortion even more dangerous than ever.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, abortionists and their advocates made abortion more dangerous by removing safety protocols on the distribution of the abortion pill. While certain medical situations such as ectopic pregnancy have the potential to make the use of the abortion pill

deadly for a woman, the Biden administration ensured that women *never have to be seen by a doctor prior to taking the abortion pill*. The **"no-test" abortion pill protocol** also allows for a woman to obtain the abortion pill **without** an ultrasound or blood tests to determine gestational age or even diagnose an ectopic pregnancy beforehand.

This leaves women **vulnerable** to the **dangerous risks** of the abortion pill, which has been found to be **four times more dangerous** than a first-trimester surgical abortion. Mail order abortion pill sales encouraged by the Biden administration are likely to lead to more abortion-related injuries for women… and more coerced or forced abortions.

MYTH: Contraception will be banned.

While there are some birth control devices and pills that have the **potential to function in an abortifacient capacity**, Justice Samuel Alito made it clear that contraception will not be banned under the *Dobbs* ruling that overturned *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*. In the court's majority opinion, he wrote, "Roe's defenders characterize the abortion right as similar to the rights recognized in past decisions involving matters such as intimate sexual relations, contraception, and marriage, but abortion is fundamentally different, as both Roe and Casey acknowledged, because it destroys what those decisions called 'fetal life' and what the law now before us describes as an 'unborn human being.'"

The opinion continues, "Nothing in this opinion should be understood to cast doubt on precedents that do not concern abortion."

MYTH: Most Americans were against overturning *Roe*.

Polls are being used to **create the false impression** that most Americans were against the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, but when more detailed polling is analyzed, a different picture emerges. According to a 2019 Gallup **poll**, about 60% of people believe abortion should be restricted to the first trimester. Support for abortion declines to less than 33% in the second trimester, yet *Roe* and its sister case *Doe v. Bolton* allowed for abortion through *all nine months* of pregnancy and *forced states to allow abortion until at least 24 weeks* (six months).

The bottom line when it comes to dispelling myths is this: The best thing to do when trying to understand an abortion law is to read the law itself without the media spin.

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Is a Massive Depopulation Agenda Underway?

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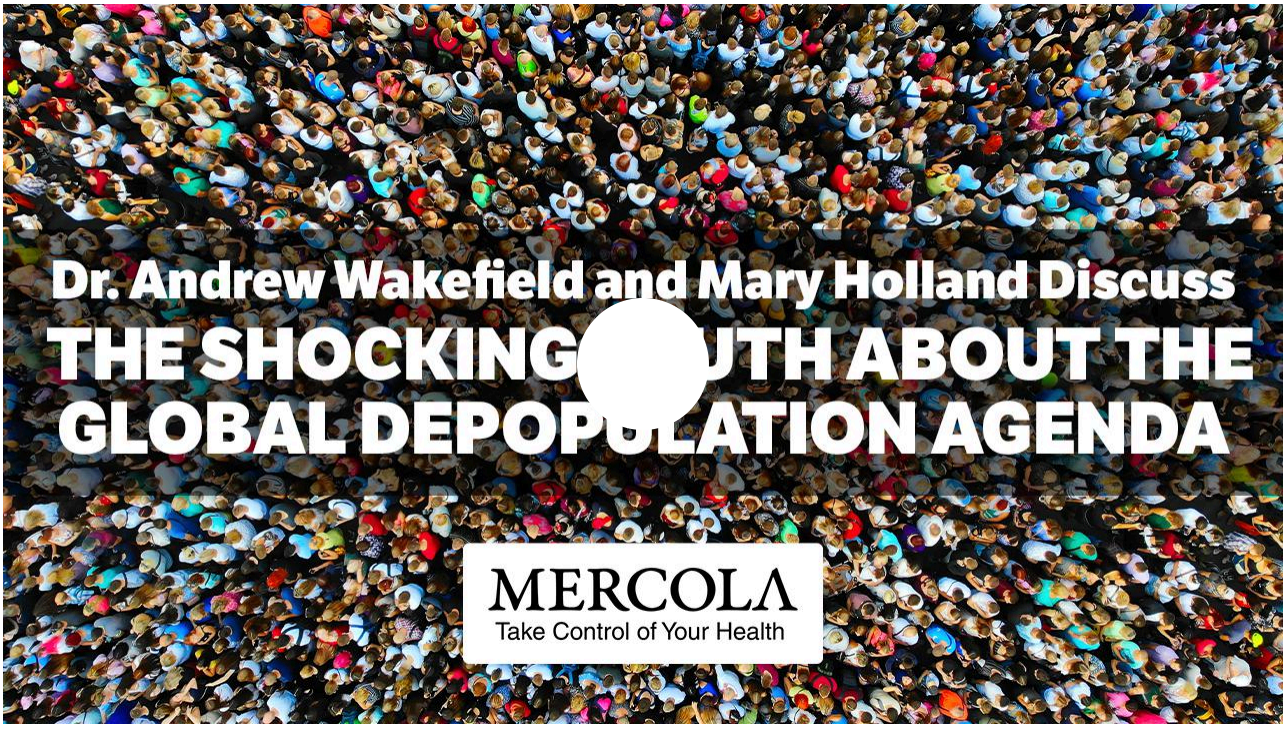
Are COVID vaccines and the never-ending boosters part of an agenda to reduce the world's population? The WHO has been caught more than once deceiving people into sterilization and depopulation.
Analysis by Dr. Joseph Mercola | **FACT CHECKED ✓**

Story at-a-glance

- "Infertility: A Diabolical Agenda," produced by Dr. Andrew Wakefield and Children's Health Defense, details the World Health Organization's intentions to produce an anti-fertility vaccine in response to perceived overpopulation, and how such vaccines have been used — without people's knowledge or consent — since the mid-'90s
- The WHO has been caught more than once deliberately deceiving women into thinking they were vaccinated against tetanus, when in fact they were being sterilized
- The film clearly illustrates the depopulation agenda is not a conspiracy theory. It's reality, and it's happening worldwide. The HPV vaccine and the COVID shots also have adverse impacts on fertility that are being ignored
- In the decade after the rollout of the HPV vaccine, the teen pregnancy rate dropped by 50%
- While VAERS is the only publicly available system to assess COVID jab injuries, the U.S. government has at least 10 other reporting systems they're not sharing data from. Children's Health Defense is filing Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for the other systems to get a better idea of the scale of harms, but VAERS and anecdotal reports alone suggest the

scale of injuries and deaths is enormous. Data from insurance companies around the world also confirm this



In the interview above, Dr. Andrew Wakefield and Mary Holland, president and chief legal counsel for Children's Health Defense, discuss their new documentary film, "Infertility: A Diabolical Agenda," which we published yesterday. If you missed it, you can **watch it here**.

"Infertility: A Diabolical Agenda" is Wakefield's fourth film. The first was "Who Killed Alex Spourdalakis?" followed by "Vaxxed" and "1986: The Act." This latest film details the World Health Organization's intentions to produce an anti-fertility vaccine in response to perceived overpopulation, and how such vaccines have been used without people's knowledge or consent since the mid-'90s.

> "It's a very important story, and it's a story that I'd been aware of for some years," Wakefield says. "I think a lot of people heard about this intentional infertility vaccine program being conducted, primarily in women in developing countries such as Africa. But it had gone into abeyance so I hadn't paid due attention.

> I should have paid more attention to it, because people had asked me over the years, 'Do you think there is a population control agenda?' …

> The allegation had been that the World Health Organization, under the guise of a neonatal tetanus prevention program, had been deliberately sterilizing women — either using a vaccine to abort existing pregnancies or to prevent future pregnancies. They had done this under the guise of protecting children rather than actually reducing the population."

As explained by Wakefield, it was no secret that the WHO had been working on an anti-fertility vaccine since the 1970s.[1] Papers were published, and the WHO itself even admitted it. The real issue here is that of informed consent. The WHO has been caught more than once deliberately deceiving women into thinking they were vaccinated against tetanus, when in fact they were being sterilized. This is an ethical and moral low that is hard to beat.

Covert Sterilization Campaign in the Philippines Revealed

The story detailed in this film begins in 1995, when the Kenyan government launched a WHO vaccination campaign against tetanus among women of childbearing age. Dr. Stephen K. Karanja, former chairman of the Kenya Catholic Doctors Association, became suspicious of the program when he learned that involuntary sterilization programs posing as tetanus programs had occurred.

That same year, 1995, the Catholic Women's League of the Philippines actually won a court order halting a UNICEF tetanus program that was using tetanus vaccine laced with hCG. Anti-hCG-laced vaccines had also been found in at least four other countries.

This anti-hCG-laced tetanus vaccine perfectly matched the anti-fertility vaccine the WHO had announced in 1993. The paper trail reveals that by 1976, WHO researchers had successfully conjugated, meaning combined or attached, human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) onto tetanus

toxoid, used in the tetanus vaccine. As a result, when given to a woman, she develops antibodies against both tetanus and hCG.

HCG is a hormone that is produced as soon as the sperm enters the egg and the embryo begins to form. In response to this signal, the woman's ovaries then produce progesterone, which maintains the pregnancy to term. The conjugated vaccine effectively ends and prevents pregnancy as her own immune system will immediately attack and destroy the hCG as soon as it forms.

At the time, Karanja, who passed away in 2021, convinced leaders of the Catholic Church — one of the largest health care providers in Kenya — to test the tetanus vaccine being given, to make sure there was no foul play. Without explanation, the WHO abandoned the 1995 campaign, but in 2014, they were back with a neonatal tetanus program.

A Diabolical Agenda

Girls and women, 15 to 49 years of age, were instructed to get vaccinated with a series of five injections, six months apart. Suspiciously, this is the exact schedule required for the anti-fertility vaccine to produce sterility. Regular tetanus prevention requires only one injection every five to 10 years, and under no circumstance would you need five of them.

The Catholic Church decided to test the vaccines and collected three sample vials directly from clinics during the 2014 campaign. The samples were tested by three independent laboratories and, as feared, they contained hCG. Another six vials were then collected and tested. This time, half were found to contain hCG.

When the Catholic Church went public with the findings, urging girls and women to not comply with the vaccination campaign, the Kenyan government went on the defensive, insisting there was nothing wrong with the vaccine. Wakefield says:

> "They used the media to demonize the Catholic Church and insinuate there had been deliberate contamination of these samples with hCG to produce the result they wanted.

> That's where it remained until — and this is where it gets really interesting and where the film really comes into its own — our cameras were invited back into the laboratory where these tests were done … the truth was revealed.

> It came down to a resolution of this key question of who was lying and who was being honest? Who was cheating, who was not? It's really an extraordinary story that woke me up to the importance of this issue. There is an extraordinary prophetic statement at the end from the late Dr. Karanja, OBGYN from Africa. who was at the heart of all of this.

> He said, 'When they are finished with Africa they're coming for you' … That's probably a pertinent place to hand over to Mary, because never could a prophecy have been more apt, more true."

Depopulation Agenda Is Now a Conspiracy Fact

Holland continues:

> "It's been very hard to answer … when people would ask us, 'Is there a depopulation agenda?' People would point to things Bill Gates said, like how vaccines would reduce the population. There was an interpretation that it was going to make people healthier, and therefore they would choose not to have more children.

> It was murky. I think this film really helps us understand that this is not a conspiracy theory. It's an absolute reality … The film makes that 100% clear. There's just no question about it. And you see the deceit and deception. Just to point out, the Rome statute for the International Criminal Court that most countries of the world have signed onto … makes forced sterilization a war crime.

> This is not a trivial thing, to deprive people of informed consent and to sterilize them. That's exactly what happened. One of the interviews in the film that is so poignant is of a woman who cannot carry a pregnancy to term. She comes to realize that she has antibodies to hCG, and she realizes that somebody, somewhere, made her infertile. It is, as she calls it, a diabolical agenda …

> We can now look back at what happened with the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, which I co-wrote a book about in 2018. One of the things we saw was that … the teen pregnancy rate dropped 50% from 2007 to 2018 — 50%! Now, whatever one wants to think about unplanned pregnancies, that is a staggering drop over 10 years.

> People were reporting extreme reproductive effects from the HPV vaccine. Now we're hearing the same thing, only much more so, with respect to COVID shots. We're hearing that women are having miscarriages, babies are literally dying from breastfeeding mothers who have been recently vaccinated.

> Congenital deformities are being reported to the vaccine adverse event reporting system (VAERS). It's now, I think, beyond the realm of conspiracy theory to say it is very plausible that these vaccines that are being pushed on the world — particularly the COVID shots — have strong anti-fertility effects."

Is There Such a Thing as Vaccine Safety?

It's important to realize that no study has ever proven that any of the vaccines on the childhood vaccination schedule are safe, especially when given in various combinations. As noted by Wakefield, vaccine manufacturers and people like Dr. Anthony Fauci present "an almost kindergarten-like approach" to safety.

The blanket statement given is that vaccines in general, and the COVID shots in particular, are "safe and effective," and that they have no adverse effects on reproduction and fertility. This, despite the fact they've done no reproductive studies at all.

Women who hear such assurances will assume the necessary studies HAVE been done when, in fact, that's a complete lie. The reality is, you cannot find evidence of harm if you're not looking for it. Another reality is that assumptions and guesses about science are not the same as scientific evidence. One major assumption that has now turned out to be completely wrong is that the mRNA injection stays in the deltoid muscle, the site of injection.

> "No one has ever sought to determine whether they remain at the site of injection or not, or whether they disseminate throughout the body, which of course they do," Wakefield says. "So, it's a naive and completely inappropriate assumption.

> The other assumption that was completely inappropriate was making any assumption at all. You're going to give this to seven billion people … and you're going to assume something about its safety? Then you discover, after giving it to the majority of that seven billion population, that you were completely wrong.

> In fact, it goes throughout the body. The spike protein can be found in tissues throughout the body, including and in particular in the ovaries. There it can set up an inflammatory reaction, autoimmunity, damage and infertility. There is no question that is biologically plausible.

> So here you have the mentality of these people, that after the horse has bolted, they are trying to shut the gate. If there is going to be damage, then the damage is done and it is too late. That is totally irresponsible and people need to know that."

Wakefield further points out that no clinical trial for any of the vaccines on the childhood vaccination schedule has ever been tested against a true placebo. All have used active placebos, such as an aluminum injection or another vaccine, which effectively hides most of the adverse effects.

Interestingly, in some of the COVID jab trials, they actually used a completely inert placebo (although some vaccine makers used another vaccine). But then note what happened. Before the trial was over, they unblinded everyone and offered the jab to everyone in the placebo group, effectively eradicating the control group altogether! Then, they tried to bury the data under red tape for 75 years. Thankfully, a sensible judge didn't let them get away with it. Wakefield says:

> "They knew there were problems. They had identified the problems doing the appropriate study, at least to start with, until they gave the crossover group the vaccine. Then they tried to hide the data because they knew it revealed the seriousness of the adverse reactions to their vaccine. The court overruled them and now those data are being analyzed, and they are terrifying."

Stunning Abdication of Science

What's worse, government has incentivized ignorance under the law. They have incentivized not knowing what the long-term effects are. Holland adds:

> "What's particularly stunning, in terms of the absolute abdication from science, is that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has said it's perfectly fine to co-administer the COVID shots with everything else on the childhood schedule. That is going to have untold horrific likely effects …

> Most pediatricians will say 'Hey, the CDC says it's fine' … They are going to be co-administering these shots with other things, and there is no science to back that up. None."

Unfortunately, the future looks grim in this regard, as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is now considering a "Future Framework" in which vaccine makers will be allowed to reformulate and release future COVID shots without any additional testing. Clinical trials are easy to rig to begin with, but now they won't even have to go through the trouble of fabricating desired results.

> "And, of course there will be harmful effects on fertility," Holland says. "I think it's becoming very clear that we just have to reject all of this. It is corrupted to its core. It's anti-human, I mean it's truly anti-human. I think the reality that we're in is becoming clearer."

A Hopeful Note

Wakefield adds:

> "To follow-up on that, a note of hope … People coming to this anew may think that we're in a terribly dark time. I see it differently, having been in this now for 30 years. When I started out, a handful of people around the world were prepared to debate the thorny issue of vaccine safety.

> Now I read the other day that 70% of American adults have rejected the CDC's recommended protocol for the COVID vaccine. They either didn't get the first dose, they didn't get the second dose, or they have refused to get the boosters, saying this is neither necessary nor is it safe.

> Those people — 70% of American adults — according to mainstream media are anti-vaxxers. So, whether they know it or not, they've joined our team and the other side has lost.

> This is a desperate, desperate measure; one hail Mary pass after another, and it's failing very, very badly. For those of you who have not seen it from an historical perspective, take heart, because the world really is waking up in an extraordinary way …

> The silver lining of the dark cloud of COVID is that it has woken so many people … There is an inevitability to what is happening here, and they will not get away with it for very much longer."

We've Allowed the Creation of an Anti-Human World

As for those who insist they have no objections to childhood vaccines, only the COVID jab, Wakefield warns just about every vaccine safety advocate began by objecting to a single vaccine or single ingredient before realizing it isn't that simple:

> "We all came to the collective realization that this was far more complex than we had previously imagined. They were making it more and more complex by the year, adding more vaccines into the schedule, lumping them all together. As Mary said, the idea of these vaccines being safe in combination was one they'd never tested but merely assumed to be safe …

> We came to the realization that it is some cumulative toxicity, some interactive effect, some potentiation that is leading to this massive increase in, for example, neurodevelopmental or immunological disorders.

> Had we been allowed to continue the research, any of us, all of us, we would have answers now. But we don't have answers because the work was sabotaged at every turn, and now we are living in a state of greater ignorance than we were before.

> We're now living in a world of man-made diseases. It's absolutely staggering. None of this need ever have happened, and yet here we are with all of these new conditions or new variants on an old theme, like regressive autism, that we did not see before. That is something that man has created.

> Just as easily man could get rid of it if we took the initiative. That's what, collectively, we have to do, and that's what Children's Health Defense is doing. They're alerting people to this, waking them up, and it's working."

In addition to learning about the dangers of vaccines, people are also starting to learn more about other environmental toxins — pesticides, genetically modified organisms (GMOs), air pollution, water pollution, artificial foods, hormone-mimicking plastic chemicals and more, all of which have adverse effects on health and reproductive capacity.

> "I think most humans want to live in a pro-human environment," Holland says. "And I think the corporate government world we're in right now is genuinely anti-human."

The Scale of Harm Is Staggering

While VAERS is the only publicly available database collecting adverse vaccine reactions, the U.S. government has at least 10 other adverse event reporting systems that they're not sharing data from.

Children's Health Defense is filing Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for the other systems to get a better idea of the scale of harms, but VAERS and anecdotal reports alone suggest the scale of injuries and deaths is enormous. Data from insurance companies around the world also confirm this. Holland notes:

> "In 2021, from one life insurance company in the United States, an Indiana company, we know that 18 to 64 year olds suffer a 40% excess death rate. They said a 10% shift would be a 1 in 200-year occurrence. A 40% shift is beyond catastrophic, and that's what we're looking at. These are secrets that can't be hidden."

Panafrican Congress Is Pushing Back

Another piece of positive news is that a Panafrican Congress that was recently convened is starting to push back against the WHO. And, if the WHO were to be banned from a continent like Africa, it would be game over for them. Holland explains:

> "The WHO is following a two-track course to get to what they say, in 2024, will be a new international treaty, which basically will put the WHO at the center of global health and governance de facto. One track was through U.S.-proposed international health regulations.

> The U.S. proposed 12 regulations in December 2021 that would put the WHO at the center of these things and put in place very draconian regulations that would allow the WHO to supersede any decisions at the national government level. In a vote on those new international health regulation amendments, 47 African countries rejected all of them.

> Africa really led the way in saying 'No, we don't trust the WHO, we don't want the WHO in this role.' That's very exciting because Africa absolutely has been exploited in every which way by the WHO and their pharmaceutical industry partners. I don't think the WHO agenda is dead. We still have a lot of work to do.

> But clearly, we did have on Saturday an African sovereignty coalition launch, which you can see on the Children's Health Defense TV website. There were activists, advocates, physicians, scientists from all over Africa, and then supporters from around the world. It's very exciting. I think Africa is sending a message loud and clear we will not put up with this …

> We'll take it one day at a time, but I believe the WHO and its backers will fail, and certainly many people around the world, Children's Health Defense included, are working on lawsuits to prove there's fraud going on here, this is criminal activity. Certainly, the authorization for children .

> We're going to amend the lawsuit we have, which is to contest the jabs for 5 to 11-year-olds that the FDA authorized. We'll just amend that for these younger children. This is devastating, this is a crime against humanity. There is no justification for young children getting these shots. They are not at risk of serious injury or death from COVID, but they certainly are at risk from these shots."

Can the Judicial System Be Trusted?

Speaking of lawsuits, many legal actions over the past two years have failed, but Holland, who is the chief legal counsel for Children's Health Defense, is optimistic, because courts tend to shift with public opinion. She's noticed courts are becoming increasingly receptive to the notion that there may be fraud going on with the COVID jabs, and that conflicts of interest play a role.

For example, two judges in New York who were assigned to cases she was representing were recently forced to recuse themselves, after it became known they owned between $50,000 and $500,000 in Pfizer stock.

> “I think we’re likely to see many more successful lawsuits going forward in the next two years than in the last two years,” she says. “I think the population is coming to understand that there are conflicts of interest that prevent these people from being unbiased.

> I think it’s a question of time, and I think we’re in a race against time, but I do believe that lawsuits are likely to be more successful as time goes on and I think we’re already seeing that. We struck down the OSHA mandate, we struck down the mask mandates in airline transportation, we got access to the Pfizer documents. I think there’s more good news coming from the courts, I really do.”

The home run, judicially speaking, would be if we could prove vaccine makers committed fraud or “willful misconduct,” as that would eliminate all of their protections against prosecution and liability. The COVID jabs are authorized for emergency use under the 2005 PREP Act — which Holland believes is unconstitutional — and under that law, willful misconduct must be proven by “clear and convincing evidence.”

> “I believe that at this point we’re getting very, very close to that threshold where we can prove willful misconduct by clear and convincing evidence,” she says.

> “At that point, I think it will be clear to the whole population that it’s the liability protection on the back end and the mandates at the front end that makes this whole enterprise possible. I think there are serious attacks on both of those, and by the time the whole truth comes out, the whole vaccine paradigm disappears.

> I think it's in our sights, I really do. I think the health of the unvaccinated is overwhelmingly superior to the health of the vaccinated, and that story's coming out. Children's Health Defense is coming out with a book this fall by Dr. Brian Hooker and Robert F. Kennedy Jr., about the science showing how much healthier unvaccinated people are.

> I think the truth is coming out, and I think the stakes are very high for the next couple years. But I really do believe that at the end of these couple years we will be in a whole new paradigm of vaccines and health. People have seen enough about the bad side of COVID shots that they are now open to this. I think we're likely to see a sea change."

In closing, if you didn't watch the film yesterday, set aside 30 minutes to do it now. And, be sure to watch it all the way to the end. The final 10 minutes include an update on the Kenya story, a review of what happened with the HPV vaccine, and an overview of what we know about the COVID shots' potential impacts on fertility. It's important to realize that this depopulation agenda didn't begin and end in Kenya. It's happening worldwide.

More Movies Are Coming

Wakefield's fifth film is already in preproduction and should be ready for release next year. This one will be a full-length narrative feature about the childhood vaccination schedule. It was co-written by Terry Rossio, who also wrote "Shrek," "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Aladdin" and other well-known movie productions.

> "It's a very powerful film, it will really move the mindset," Wakefield says. "It will take those who have been awoken by the issue of COVID vaccines across the bridge from the adult vaccine schedule to the realization that this has been happening in the childhood vaccine schedule since the very beginning. It's a very, very important film."

Children's Health Defense will also be coming out with a film version of Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s book, "The Real Anthony Fauci." That will be coming out later this year for which I was interviewed.

Quisha King on Mass Exodus from Public Schools, Keeping America Free

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There needs to be a mass exodus from government schools as part of the effort to restore and preserve freedom in the United States, mom and show host Quisha King–a heavyweight in Florida politics–told The New American magazine's Alex Newman in this episode of **Conversations That Matter**.

King, who made national headlines by calling for a mass exodus and works with the group Moms for America, also revealed that she had an abortion–with all the pain that entails. She also blasts Critical Race Theory and other tools being used by the radical Left to divide and destroy America.

At least 46 abortion centers have closed following Supreme Court overturning of Roe v. Wade

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Still more abortion mills are expected to close in the coming days and weeks as historic anti-abortion state laws come into effect.

WICHITA, Kansas (**Operation Rescue**) – According to Operation Rescue's first-hand investigation, over 49 abortion clinics have either halted abortions or have been forced to close their doors altogether since last Friday when the U.S. Supreme Court released its decision in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case.

The decision effectively overturned the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision and its companion case, *Casey v. Planned Parenthood* (1992), placing the issue of abortion in the hands of the states.

More abortion mills will close in the coming days and weeks as state laws go into effect. Although efforts are being made in some states to block pro-life laws, the U.S. Supreme Court has already begun to bring correction to the methods used for years by the abortion industry to nullify state laws that protect life in the womb.

On Thursday, the U.S. Supreme Court threw out three cases wherein lower courts had ruled to block enforcement of state pro-life laws passed in Arkansas, Arizona, and Indiana. The lower courts were instructed to reconsider those decisions in light of *Roe's* overturn.

On top of the 49 plus abortion mills that have shut down, nine states are now completely abortion free. Since *Roe* and *Casey* decriminalized abortion in all 50 states, we are seeing an unprecedented number of states becoming abortion free.

"This has been our plan all along, and we will continue to work until all states are free from the stranglehold of the abortion cartel," said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue.

Operation Rescue staff have been frantically counting all the closures. Through phone calls and other direct communication, Operation Rescue has verified the closure of abortion clinics in these states:

- Alabama: 4 closures (now an abortion-free state)
- Arkansas: 2 closures (now an abortion-free state)
- Arizona: 4 closures
- Georgia: 1 closure
- Kentucky: 2 closures (now an abortion-free state)
- Michigan: 1 closure
- Missouri: 1 closure (now an abortion-free state)
- Ohio: 10 closures
- South Carolina: 3 closures
- Tennessee: 3 closures
- Texas: 14 closures
- Wisconsin: 4 closures (now an abortion-free state)
- Wyoming: 1 closure (now an abortion-free state)

Three additional states, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and West Virginia, were already abortion free prior to *Roe's* overturn

"Without a doubt, the abortion cartel is losing ground," said Newman.

"This is a new day! Praise Jesus! We are so grateful for His faithfulness and so many faithful supporters for standing by us for such a time as this – we have much more work ahead of us. Let's keep praying and working together to finally bring an end to abortion in our nation."

SOURCE: **LIFESITE NEWS**

Saturday, July 9th at 4pm: A Rally for Life: Abolish Abortion in Virgina

JULY 2, 2022
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Bob Good Champions Virginia Pro-Life March to Abolish Abortion

The July 9th event in Richmond's Capitol Square will lay down the gauntlet for maximum protection for every human person.

The Republican Standard

Republican pro-life stalwart Congressman Bob Good (VA-05) is headlining the first annual Rally for Life in Richmond's Capitol Square on July 9th at 4pm with a simple and clear message to abolish abortion and defend every human person no matter how small.

Good issued a statement announcing his intention to press for more than just mere regulation of the abortion industry:

*I have sponsored a discharge petition in the House of Representatives in an effort to force a Floor vote on the **Life at Conception Act** which would recognize the scientific fact that life begins at conception and is protected by the 14th Amendment. So far, 54 of my Republican colleagues have joined me in signing my discharge petition.*

But, as you can imagine, I am coming under attack for my principled and uncompromising stand to protect all life in the womb. Of course, the Democrat Party in Washington and Richmond is in lockstep in their extreme radical support of abortion at any time, for any reason, up to and beyond the moment

of birth, paid for by your tax dollars. But, most disappointing is the resistance by weak-kneed and compromising Republicans, and even supposed "pro-life" groups, who have been so quick to call for only very modest efforts such as 15-week or 20-week bans that would make little difference in reducing abortions or saving life in the womb.

As predicted, many so-called pro-life groups are rushing to become the pro-regulation arm of the abortion industry, calling for 15 or 20 week bans that came under fire from former Lieutenant Governor Bill Bolling as **ineffective at best**:

According to the Guttmacher Institute, only 1.3% of abortions are performed after 20 weeks gestation. The vast majority of abortions are performed much earlier in pregnancy. So, if Governor Youngkin's proposal were adopted, 98.7% of all abortions in Virginia would still be legal!

I'm not advocating for or against the Governor's proposal. Some will still feel it is too much. Some may feel it is not enough. I'm just pointing out the actual impact of the proposal. Be informed. Many policy proposals are not what they appear to be, for better or for worse.

Governor Youngkin — on the heels of a **rumored 2024 presidential bid** — has recently **signaled his support for a 15-week regulation** of abortion, a reversal from **his criticism of the Texas heartbeat bill as "unworkable"** which would regulate abortion with a 6-week ban.

Rep. Good is having none of that:

I pledge to you that I will continue to stand unashamedly and unapologetically for life from conception, without exception. I will be an unwavering voice for the voiceless, and relentlessly fight to expose Democrats as the party of death, and those Republicans who are shirking in the battle when we need them most.

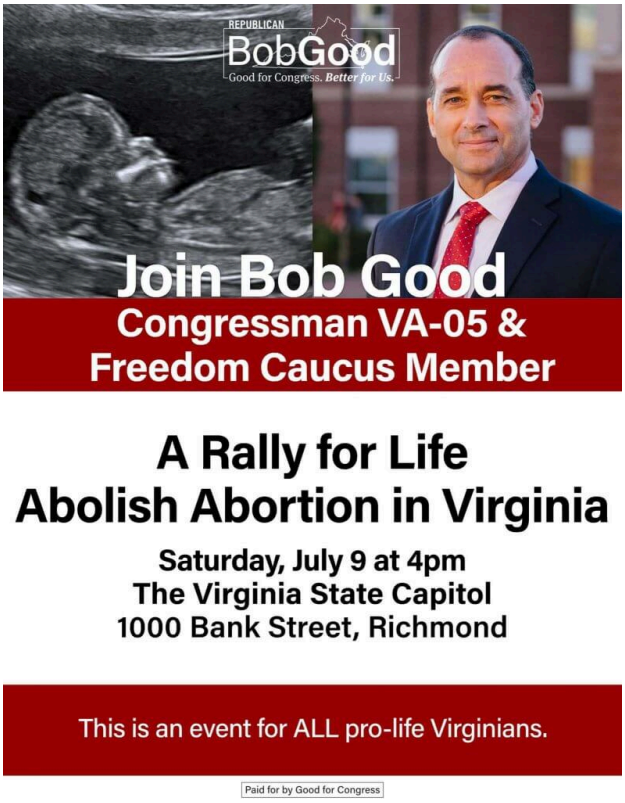
National pro-life organizations have been quick to mobilize on the collapse of the former Roe v. Wade regime with strong support for pro-life legislation for both mothers and their babies. Fellow speakers for the Virginia Rally for Life have not yet been listed.

SOURCE: **THE REPUBLICAN STANDARD**

PROTECTING LIFE

The right to life is a foundational principle of our nation, rooted in the Declaration of Independence, which states that governments are instituted in order to protect the God-given rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. There is no greater responsibility of government than the protection of precious, innocent life.

In addition to protecting preborn life, I am deeply concerned by efforts to trample over the conscience rights of taxpayers who have sincere objections to abortion. According to a January 2021 poll from Marist and the Knights of Columbus, a majority of Americans do not support government funding of abortion. Historically, federal and state law protect conscience rights for those who have religious objections to abortion. Conscience rights are grounded in the First Amendment and the very essence of our Bill of Rights. Freedom of conscience must be defended despite efforts in the legislature and judiciary to strip this fundamental right. It is important that the Hyde Amendment and the Hyde principle of protecting life are included in all bills relating to funding of government health services so that taxpayer funds are not used to pay for abortions in the United States or abroad.



Dick's Sporting Goods gives $4,000 to employees who choose to abort their baby

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Sign our petition to Dick's Sporting Goods!

They are paying to kill unborn babies

Dick's Sporting Goods couldn't wait to brag about their anti-life stand following the Supreme Court's ruling overturning *Roe v. Wade* last Friday.

Within minutes of the SCOTUS announcement, Dick's Executive Chairman Ed Stack paraded the company's decision to provide up to $4,000 in travel expenses to any employee, spouse or dependent who chooses to get an abortion.

In an urgent public message via Twitter, Stack touted the pro-death policy as something to be proud of, effectively demonstrating the death culture of the sporting goods retailer.

When asked if Dick's would also be giving $4,000 to employees who decide to carry their babies to term, and either keep them or put them up for adoption, Stack and his company refused to answer the question.

Knowing Dick's Sporting Goods uses its profits to continue to support abortions nationwide, will you take a moment to stand with us against companies promoting evil?

TAKE ACTION

1. **Sign our petition to Dick's Sporting Goods**, urging Chairman Ed Stack to stop his company's funding of the evil and brutal death of innocent unborn babies.
2. **Call your local store manager** (**find the number for your local store here**) and politely let them know you are disappointed in having a company in your community who uses profits to take the life of innocent babies.
3. Consider **leaving a comment** on Dick's **Facebook page**.

FULL LIST: Here are the states where abortion is now banned in post-Roe America

JUNE 29, 2022
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Here's where every state stands on abortion now that Roe has fallen.

(**LifeSiteNews**) – In a **historic decision** Friday, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, ending nearly 50 years of nationwide abortion-on-demand and once again allowing states to protect unborn life as early as the moment of conception.

As of Tuesday, at least seven states have effectively eliminated abortion within their borders for the first time in decades, while several more have significantly restricted the barbaric practice, and up to 10 are set to ban it in the coming days and weeks following the Court's landmark ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*.

UPDATES – Tuesday, June 28:

- Tennessee's heartbeat law banning abortion at around six weeks of pregnancy **has now taken effect**.
- A Texas judge temporarily **blocked** a pre-*Roe* law that bans abortion from conception, though it is unclear whether it applies to all abortion clinics in the state. Attorney General

Ken Paxton has vowed to appeal. Texas' heartbeat law remains in effect, prohibiting abortion at six weeks, and a trigger law is set to ban abortion throughout pregnancy by mid-August.
- Indiana has **asked** a federal judge to lift injunctions on a slate of pro-life laws, including a ban on dismemberment abortion.
- Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds **said** she will ask Iowa courts to lift injunctions blocking enforcement of the state's fetal heartbeat law.

Check the list below for more information about where each state currently stands on abortion in the shifting legal landscape of post-*Roe* America.

States where abortion bans have taken effect on **LIFESITE NEWS HERE**

SCOTUS strikes down Roe, giving HUGE victory to pro-lifers; Brace yourselves now for violent left-wing extremism that will shock America and reveal the true face of evil

JUNE 25, 2022
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The battle for the right to life has only just now begun

Fifty years of blood, sweat and prayers, often watered with tears for the 63 million little victims, has ended in a decisive victory for pro-life Americans today. In a 6-3 decision, the Supreme Court of the Unites States of America has overturned Roe v. Wade.

With that decision, the federal government no longer has any role to play in the abortion issue. Yes, Joe Biden can issue any executive orders he wants, but the states controlled by Republicans can simply thumb their nose at the madman in the White House and ban the butchering of babies.

It was particularly refreshing to see how many young people in their teens, 20s and 30s were gathered outside the Supreme Court today, celebrating this historic moment. From the pictures I saw, the vast majority were under 40.

I would be remiss, however, if I did not send out warnings of things to come. Don't be naive and think that the other side is going to lie down now and accept this defeat.

They will not. One thing about any Marxist/communist movement: They never cede back conquered territory. Abortion on demand has become a sacred right — for some it's even a religious rite — to those on the left, both men and women who want to have sex without any thought of the consequences.

We are about to see what the face of evil really looks like. Here's what to expect.

Their leaders will call out the shock troops and have them unleash the demonic forces of violence that they so religiously believe in.

Here is just one example of the way they are openly calling for violence and yet we don't see the slightest rebuke from a Biden's DOJ or DHS.

> There's already a large number of **#antifa** calling for violence, riots, and other attacks
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> Jane's Revenge put out a call in May to plan attacks.
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> Churches (particularly loudly Pro-Life ones), crisis pregnancy centers, and pro-life organizations will be the main targets of this **pic.twitter.com/vOPtsq41Qa**
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> — AntifaWatch (@AntifaWatch2) **June 24, 2022**

We will see boycotts against states that stand up for life. Organizations like the NCAA and the National Football League will likely refuse to play games in states where abortion is made illegal. Certain major corporations will refuse to do business in the pro-life states.
But there's more we need to be aware of.

Remember this: Only a violent people could accept the murder of babies.

If they were OK with killing the most innocent among us, do you think they will lose a night's sleep over killing those who made today's decision possible? Those who fought on the front lines all these years, who prayed out in front of abortion clinics, who counseled pregnant teens to keep their babies and not kill them?

No.

These are the same people who now want to shoot up 6-month-old infants with a toxic mRNA concoction that will kill off a percentage of our youngest generation and sterilize those who manage to survive the endless shots.

If they would do this to babies in the womb and children in their first few years of life, what do you think they will do to you?

These vicious adversaries will now unleash hell's fury against pro-lifers, and pro-life Christians in particular.

We are about to find out who the real Christians are and who among us were just playing Church.

Why do I say that?

Because for the first time in American history, Christians will be forced to stand on an entirely Christian principle — LIFE — which could actually get them beaten, spat upon, even killed. Just like Christ himself and his apostles were spat upon, beaten and killed.

Every church must prepare now to harden their church doors.

Every pastor and every lay leader must meet together and come up with a plan to protect not just the church building, for buildings will be torched, but more importantly the worshipers, parishioners and congregants.

Even some liberal churches will be attacked, because many of these crazies who answer to aparachiks like Nancy Pelosi, Chuck Schumer and AOC, will go on discriminant burning, looting and killing sprees. I believe it will start this weekend and who knows how long it will last.

Even within certain churches we will see turbulence, chaos and potential violent attacks by liberal church members against their conservative pro-life brethren.

We must be on a heightened state of alert. Be aware of your surroundings at all times if you are out in public, especially in larger Democrat-run cities. Better yet, stay out of those cities at least until we see where this is heading.

Something you may not even think about, like a Christian bumper sticker, T-shirt slogan or anything could trigger someone under the spell of demonic inspiration to attack you. It could happen at a restaurant, a grocery store, a gas station, anywhere.

I know people are going to say, Leo, why must you always be the "glass is half empty" messenger of gloom and doom.

I don't relish that role.

When I heard the news this morning about the Supreme Court's decision, it affected me emotionally like I did not expect it would. I was overcome with joy.

We all knew the decision was coming because it was leaked more than a month ago. Still, when it came down, I felt emotional. My eyes filled up with water. I am so happy that these six justices not only understood the Constitution but had the courage to put their understanding down on paper in the form of a Supreme Court opinion. Thank God for Justices Alito, Thomas, Gorsuch, Barrett, Kavanaugh and, yes, even John Roberts. A 6-3 decision is much better even than a 5-4 decision. It sends a more resounding message to the nation and to the world. The "right" to murder your baby is no longer the law of the land. Of course no such right ever existed in the U.S. Constitution. It was fabricated out of thin air. The states are now in control of this issue and nearly half will no doubt still allow abortion to be carried out, business as usual.

But in the other half of the states, sanity and common decency will return. Praise the Lord God Almighty, now and and forever!

My only word of caution is for you, my dear readers, to realize that you are now a target of the evil ones. They are violent and they are merciless and they don't play fairly. We are all targets now. God be with us. Amen.

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Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, ending 50 years of federal abortion rights

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- The Supreme Court in a 6-3 decision overturned Roe v. Wade, the landmark ruling that established the constitutional right to abortion.
- Roe since 1973 had permitted abortions during the first two trimesters of pregnancy in the United States.
- Almost half the states are expected to outlaw or severely restrict abortion as a result of the Supreme Court's decision on a Mississippi case known as Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization.
- Justice Samuel Alito wrote the majority opinion. The court's other five conservatives, including Chief Justice John Roberts, joined in the judgment, which was opposed by the three liberal justices.

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BREAKING: US Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade in historic ruling

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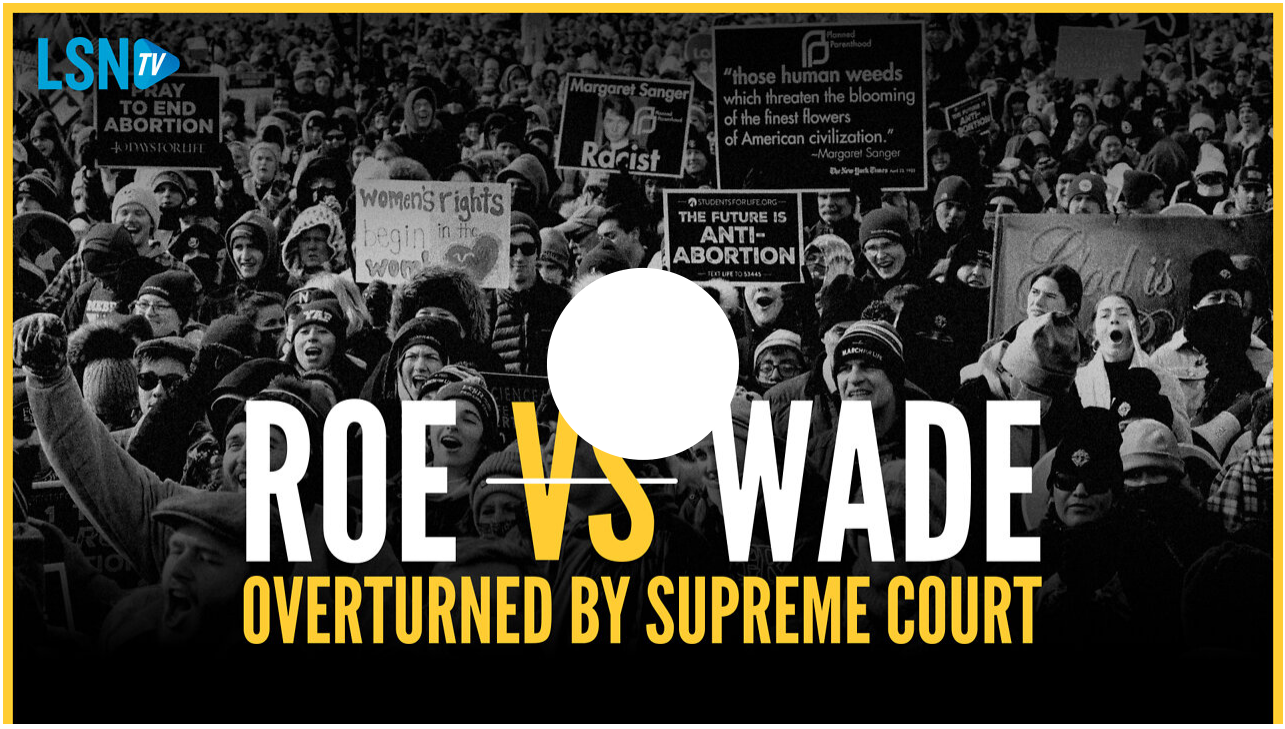
WASHINGTON (**LifeSiteNews**) – The United States Supreme Court finally issued its **ruling** in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* Monday, upholding Mississippi's 15-week abortion ban on a 6-3 vote, explicitly overturning *Roe v. Wade* on a 5-4 vote, and delivering the pro-life cause its most transformative victory since *Roe* unleashed nationwide abortion-on-demand in 1973.

Justice Samuel Alito delivered the opinion of the Court, which was joined by Justices Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett. The ruling declares *Roe* "egregiously wrong from the start."



"Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences," Alito wrote. "The Constitution makes no reference to abortion, and no such right is implicitly protected by any constitutional provision."

"It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people's elected representatives," Alito continued.

Chief Justice John Roberts wrote a concurring opinion stating that he would not have overturned *Roe* but would have left the Mississippi ban in place. The Court's three Democratic appointees dissented.

The long-awaited ruling was teased in early May when *Politico* **published** a leaked draft of Alito's opinion, which sent shockwaves across the political spectrum, with pro-lifers tentatively rejoicing, pro-abortion **politicians** and **activists** lashing out in anger, many speculating that the leak **may have been intended** to pressure judges to flip their votes (or to incite hatred and threats against them), and all parties wondering if it was the final decision or subject to change.

That the final decision to overturn *Roe* held firm despite months of left-wing pressure reflects a majority of the justices' commitment to the principle **articulated** in May by conservative Justice Clarence Thomas, that "we can't be an institution that can be bullied into giving you just the outcomes you want."

The ruling holds massive ramifications, both immediate and long-term. **More than twenty states** currently have laws on the books that would effectively ban abortion within their borders upon *Roe's* fall, from pre-*Roe* abortion bans that went unenforced to "trigger laws" designed not to take effect until a ruling like today's. In those states, abortion is now illegal.

Another fifteen states plus the District of Columbia have laws on the books legally protecting abortion, three of which explicitly codify the practice as a "right." For now, abortion will remain legal in those jurisdictions, as well as the remaining states that have not spelled out abortion's status one way or another, but without *Roe* state residents now have the power to vote on the issue for themselves, or lobby their elected representatives to change the law in either direction. Pro-lifers in Congress can now pursue a **nationwide abortion ban**, as well.

New York Times:

The decision, eliminating the constitutional right to an abortion after almost 50 years, will lead to all but total bans on the procedure in about half of the states.

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Friday **overruled Roe v. Wade**, eliminating the constitutional right to abortion after almost 50 years in a decision that will transform American life, reshape the nation's politics and lead to all but total bans on the procedure in about half of the states.

The ruling will test the legitimacy of the court and vindicate a decades-long Republican project of installing conservative justices prepared to reject the precedent, which had been repeatedly reaffirmed by earlier courts. It will also be one of the signal legacies of President Donald J. Trump, who vowed to name justices who would overrule Roe. All three of his appointees were in the majority in the 6-to-3 ruling.

The decision, which echoed a leaked draft opinion **published by Politico in early May**, will result in a starkly divided country in which abortion is severely restricted or forbidden in many red states but remains freely available in most blue ones.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. voted with the majority but said he would have taken "a more measured course," stopping short of overruling Roe outright. The court's three liberal members dissented.

The case, Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, No. 19-1392, concerned a law enacted in 2018 by the Republican-dominated Mississippi Legislature that **banned abortions** if "the probable gestational age of the unborn human" was determined to be more than 15 weeks. The statute, a calculated challenge to Roe, included narrow exceptions for medical emergencies or "a severe fetal abnormality."

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Live Action Launches New ‘What Is Abortion?’ Series to Change Hearts and Minds

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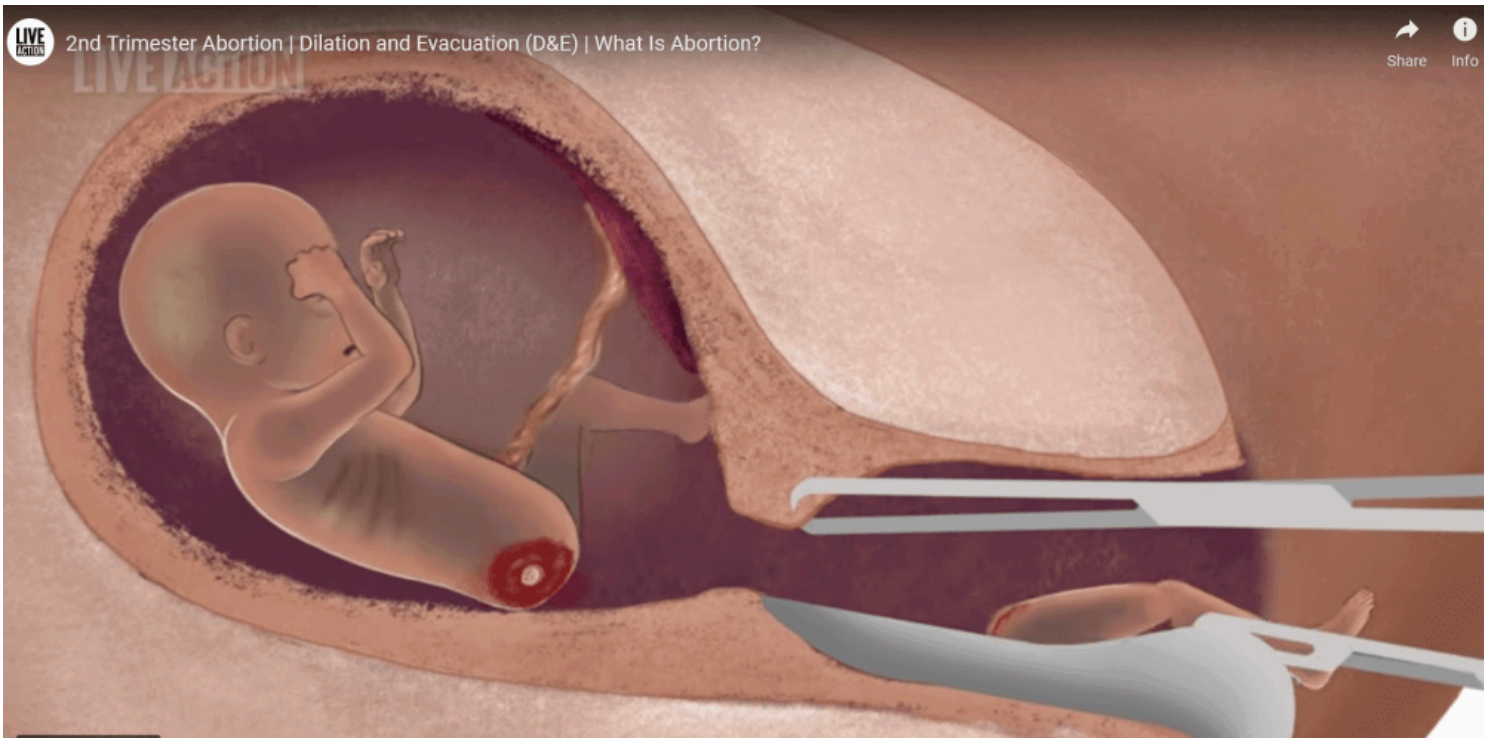

Cassy Fiano-Chesser | **Live Action**

Seven years ago in 2015, Live Action released a video series to show and explain the details of each common type of abortion. This Abortion Procedures series, featuring former abortionist Dr. Anthony Levatino, was viewed more than 150 million times and has changed many hearts and minds about abortion.

Now, Live Action is proud to announce the launch of a groundbreaking new series, titled, “**What is Abortion**?”

The new videos feature innovative and realistic animations, and the videos are narrated by four female doctors who previously worked as abortionists. Drs. Noreen Johnson, Beverly McMillan, Kathi Aultman, and Patti Giebink walk viewers through the devastating reality of abortion in the videos. The doctors narrate — respectively — the chemical, aspiration (D&C), dilation and evacuation (D&E), and induced abortion procedures. Additionally, they give viewers information on fetal development at the stage of pregnancy during which each type of abortion typically takes place.

Abortion pills

The late Dr. Noreen Johnson was a board-certified OB/GYN with over 44 years of experience who committed over 1,000 abortions. In the abortion pill (or chemical abortion) video below, she explains how this abortion procedure works:

"At the abortion facility or at home, the woman swallows mifepristone pills. Mifepristone blocks the action of a hormone called Progesterone. progesterone is naturally produced in the mother's body to stabilize the lining of the uterus," she explains. "When mifepristone blocks progesterone, the lining of the mother's uterus breaks down, cutting off oxygen and vital nutrients to the embryo, who then dies inside the mother's womb. It is important to note that even after it has been taken, it is possible to stop the effects of mifepristone and save the embryo, if Progesterone is administered. If the woman wants to stop the effects of the mifepristone, she needs Progesterone as soon as possible."

After taking mifepristone, the woman proceeds to the second step of the procedure, which is taking misoprostol, a drug that causes "severe cramping, contractions, and heavy bleeding, to force the dead embryo out of her uterus." This process "can last from a few hours to several days," says Johnson. She warns that it may be possible for a woman to "see the expelled embryo within the pregnancy sac" and that she may "have bleeding and spotting for several weeks."

Chemical abortions are only approved by the FDA through 10 weeks of pregnancy, but it is not unusual for abortionists to prescribe the pills off-label even later in pregnancy.

Aspiration abortions

When a woman is past 10 weeks but still in the first trimester, she is most likely to go through an aspiration abortion, also known as a dilation and curettage, or D&C. This video is narrated by Dr. Beverly McMillan, a board-certified OB/GYN with 45 years experience who committed roughly 500 abortions. An aspiration abortion is typically done in a clinic or doctor's office setting and is usually very brief.

"When the woman goes to the facility for the abortion, she will lie on a table with her feet in stirrups, and she will be administered local anesthesia. The abortionist will place a speculum, like this, inside the vagina and open it allowing the abortionist to see the cervix, the entrance to the uterus," McMillan says. "The cervix is grasped with a long metal instrument to stabilize it, A series of metal rods called dilators, like these, which increase in thickness, are inserted into the cervix to dilate it, gaining access to the inside of the uterus where the fetus resides. The abortionist then inserts a hollow plastic tube with a hole in it called a cannula into the uterus and attaches it to suction. If the embryo is small enough, the cannula can be attached to a syringe, and manual suction alone will remove the embryo and placenta from the uterus."

If the abortionist cannot remove the embryo and placenta with manual suction alone, he will then move to using a suction machine, which is considerably more powerful than, for example, a household vacuum cleaner.

“The suction machine is turned on, and the abortionist slowly rotates the cannula inside the uterus,” McMillan continues. “The fetus is rapidly torn to pieces as it is pulled through the cannula and tubing into a large glass bottle, followed by the placenta. Sometimes smaller embryos are pulled through whole. Occasionally the abortionist must remove the cannula and pull out body parts that have clogged the opening to complete the abortion. Once the abortionist thinks everything has been removed, she will sometimes use a long metal curette to scrape the lining of the uterus to make sure nothing is left behind.”

After the abortion is completed, the child’s body parts will be reassembled to ensure nothing was left behind in the woman’s uterus. Surgical abortions carry serious risks, including infection, bleeding, lacerations, and death.

Dilation and evacuation

Dr. Kathi Aultman narrates the D&E video. This is the most common abortion procedure committed in the second trimester. Aultman is a board-certified OB/GYN with over 32 years of experience who has committed over 500 abortions. Unlike the first two procedures, a D&E typically takes about two days to complete.

“Before a D&E abortion can be done the cervix must be dilated slowly over one to two days with laminaria or a similar product,” Aultman begins. “Laminaria is a type of seaweed that absorbs water and swells to several times its original diameter. At the time of laminaria insertion, some abortionists inject a chemical into the fetus or the fluid in the womb to cause the death of the fetus prior to emptying the uterus.”

When the mother returns to the abortion facility, she will often receive some form of anesthesia before the abortionist uses a speculum to open the vagina before further widening the cervix. He will then proceed to suction amniotic fluid out of the uterus.

“The fetus is too large to fit through the cannula, so it must be removed in pieces with a clamp, such as this Sopher clamp. A Sopher clamp is made of stainless steel and is about 13 inches long,” Aultman explains. “At the tip, there are rows of teeth for grasping. The abortionist reaches into the uterus with the clamp and tries to grasp an arm or leg. Once the abortionist has a firm grip, she pulls forcefully in order to remove the limb. Piece by piece, the abortionist removes the arms and legs followed by the head or the body, including the torso and the pelvis, along with their internal organs, the intestines, the spine, and the heart and lungs. The placenta is also removed.”

Other parts of the procedure are especially gruesome. Aultman notes that removing the baby's head is "the most difficult part" at this stage because it is larger, "about the size of a large plum." The head must be crushed with the clamp, and "a white substance, the fetus's brains, leaks out of the cervix." The head and any other remaining body parts will then be removed. From there, the abortionist will again reassemble the infant's body to make sure nothing has been missed.

This procedure again carries serious risks to the woman, including perforations, lacerations, infection, bleeding, and death.

Induction abortion

Finally, the induction abortion procedure video is narrated by Dr. Patti Giebink, a board-certified OB/GYN of over 25 years who committed thousands of abortions. Like the D&E,, the induction abortion procedure takes several days to complete. But first, the abortionist often attempts to ensure the preborn child is dead, through use of an injected feticide.

"The abortionist inserts a long needle through the woman's abdomen or vagina and injects the digoxin into the fluid surrounding the fetus under ultrasound guidance," Giebink says. "The fetus doesn't die immediately, which is why this is normally done one or two days beforehand. For the drug to be more effective, the abortionist can also inject the digoxin directly into the fetus, targeting either the body, heart, or the umbilical vein. Potassium chloride can also be used to kill the fetus more immediately. The fetus feels the needle piercing her body. Research shows that fetuses feel pain at 20 weeks and probably even earlier. This is why fetuses are given anesthesia for intrauterine fetal surgery. The fetus usually dies within 24 hours of the injection of digoxin. If the fetus doesn't die within 24 hours, the injection can be repeated. Death is normally confirmed by ultrasound before the start of delivery."

Two to three days later, the woman is given misoprostol to induce labor.

"Usually after 24 hours of starting the misoprostol, the woman will vaginally deliver the fetus," Giebink continues. "If the woman is having trouble delivering, she may be given more misoprostol, or her cervix may be dilated with seaweed called laminaria for 1 or 2 days, or the procedure may convert to a surgical abortion, in which the fetus is removed intact or in pieces with forceps. Once the fetus and the placenta have been delivered, and the bleeding is under control, the abortion is complete."

Risks again include perforation, laceration, infection, bleeding, and death.

Like the previous version of the Abortion Procedures videos, this series will surely change hearts and minds about abortion. The abortion industry often tries to hide the reality of the humanity of preborn children, or of what abortion actually entails. By exposing the truth, the abortion industry can no longer hide — and lives can be saved.

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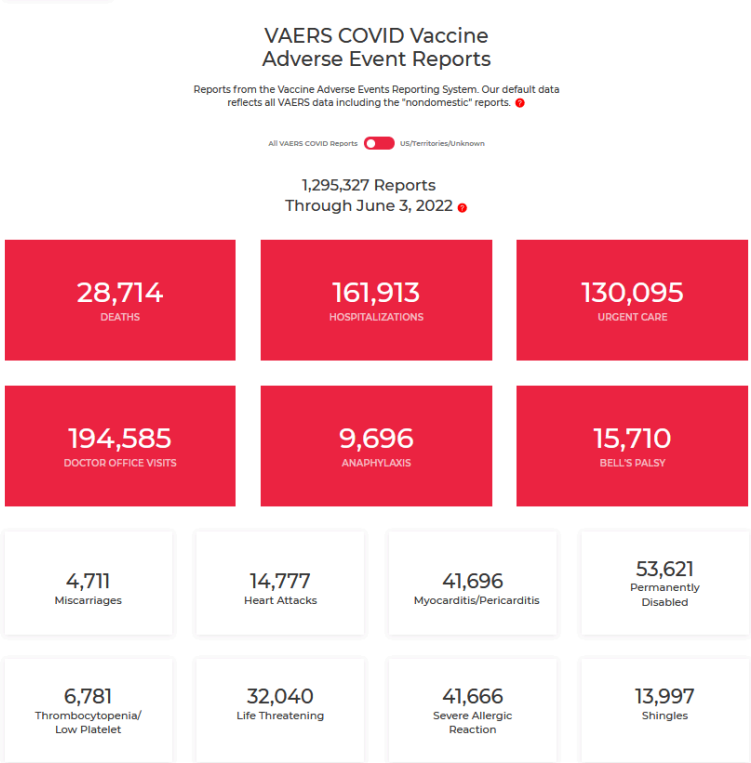

The youth are being targeted.

The experimental Covid injections forced on millions by the Biden administration are killing people and wreaking havoc on female reproductive organs and other body systems, warned toxicologist Dr. Janci Lindsey in this interview on Conversations That Matter with The New American magazine's Alex Newman.

Dr. Lindsey, who holds PhDs in biochemistry and molecular biology and serves as director of Toxicology and molecular biology for a toxicology firm, worked on Rockefeller-funded research into fertility regulating vaccines in the 1990s. Among other concerns, she warned that the shots are causing all sorts of toxic effects on the human body.

Within the next 6 months, humanity should expect to see another "plandemic" to bring in more medical tyranny, she warned. Dr. Lindsey urged everyone to refuse to comply.

The Daily Skirmish – Abortion Activists: How Far Will They Go?

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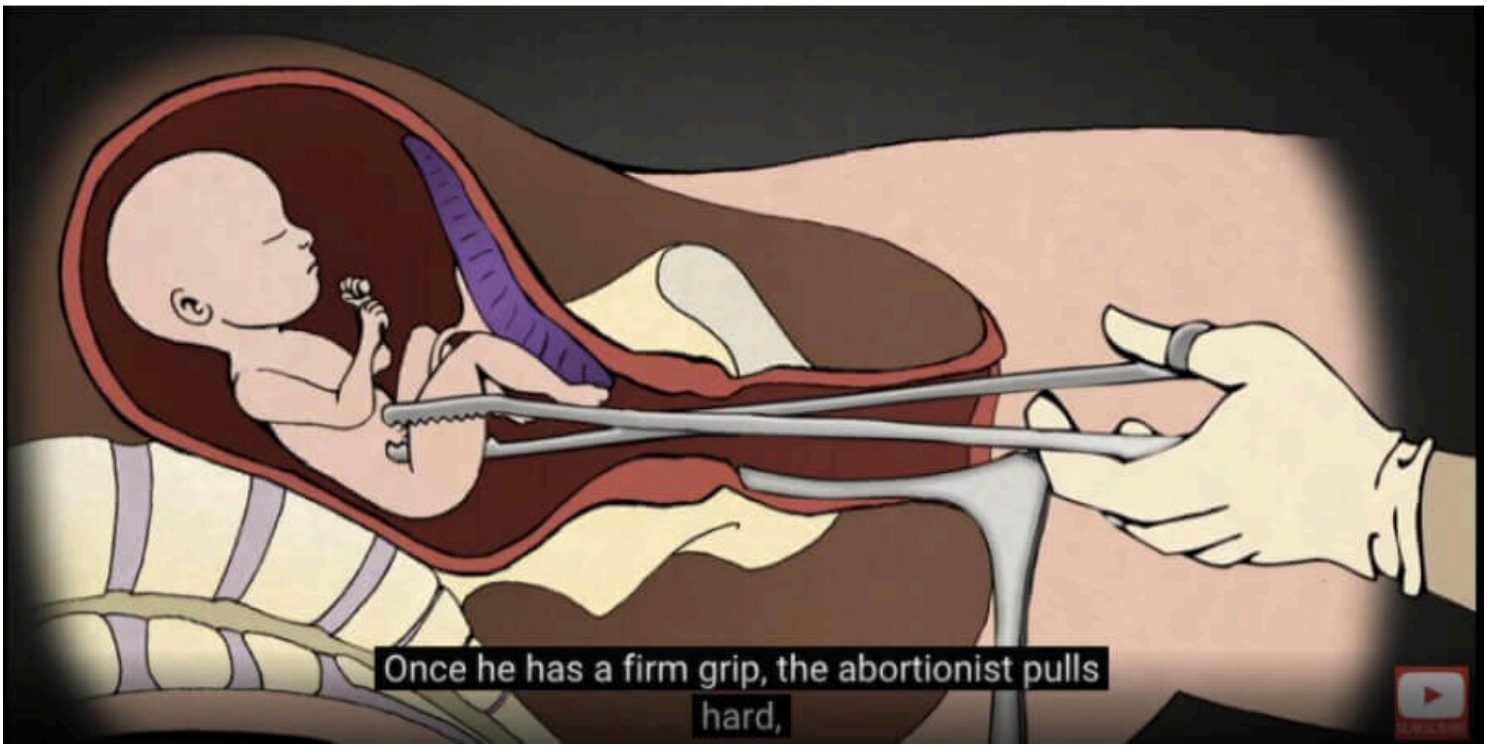

We're starting to see just how far abortion activists are willing to go to get their way.

Starting with violence.

A radical pro-abortion group claimed credit for the **Molotov cocktail attack** on a pro-life office in Wisconsin and promised "increasingly extreme tactics" ahead. Pro-life workers received **death threats** after the attack.

Two hundred students surrounded two pro-life students at a high school in New Jersey, **pushing and shoving** them, and tearing down their signs. Pro-abortion protesters in Los Angeles threw **rocks and bottles** at police, and beat one officer with his own baton. So there you have it – abortion activists are even willing to attack the police to get their way. Then you have politicians like Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot egging them on. She issued a "**call to arms**" and urged citizens to rise up and "fight to victory" for abortion rights – no surrender.

Then there's the vandalism.

Vandals spray-painted a Catholic church in Boulder with **pro-abortion graffiti** – "F- the Church", "My Body, My Choice" and such and the like. That's just one report. Other **churches** have been vandalized, too. A pregnancy help center in Florida was **vandalized** over the Memorial Day weekend, with "If abortions aren't SAFE then neither are you" spray-painted on the building. This is just one report; **many more** many more pro-life organizations have been hit, recently.

So it's not just spray paint; it's intimidation, and it's being attempted at the Supreme Court, too. Illegal protests **continue** outside Supreme Court Justice's homes, and the local Progressive DA **won't do anything** to stop them. Abortion activists are laying plans to **shut down** the Supreme Court building next Monday, to prevent the Justices from reaching their offices and issuing opinions.

Politicians in Progressive cities are signaling they won't enforce state laws banning abortion if Roe v. Wade is overturned. The cities **include** Austin, New Orleans, parts of Atlanta, Durham County in North Carolina, a Philadelphia suburb, Nashville's county, and Fairfax, Virginia. Sixty state and local officials pledged in 2020 not to prosecute abortion if Roe goes away. None dare call it insurrection, but I will.

One thing to notice in all this is how organized it is. These are not random acts of violence. We see professionally printed signs, standard talking points, online coordination, crowdfunding, and other hallmarks of an **organized effort**.

So now we're seeing how far abortion activists are willing to go to get what they want – violence, vandalism, illegal protests, attacking the police, ignoring the law, intimidation, and death threats.

If you can't persuade people, smash'em in the face and firebomb their office. It's no longer about persuasion or winning the issue fair and square.

It's about using any means necessary to get what they want and the hell with everybody else, starting with the unborn. And it's all supported by politicians who should be thrown out of office for their lawlessness. The law means nothing to abortion activists and their willing accomplices in government. Which is not surprising, because these people don't even respect life itself.

My mother was the best political scientist I've ever known. She said a society that does not respect life is in trouble.

Amen to that, and I will add a society that no longer respects law will soon find it no longer has the Rule of Law, leaving it to the worst and most ruthless among us to determine what goes on here.

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Virginia bishop says he will enforce Communion ban for Nancy Pelosi in his diocese

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'He is her bishop and as that bishop the direction and guidance he provides is not limited to just a geographical area,' Arlington Bishop Michael Burbidge said about Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone's recent order banning Pelosi from the Eucharist

ARLINGTON, Virginia (**LifeSiteNews**) – Bishop Michael Burbidge announced that the Diocese of Arlington will respect the ban on Holy Communion for House Speaker Nancy Pelosi imposed last week by San Francisco Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone.

In remarks on Wednesday, Bishop Burbidge said that Archbishop Cordileone's ban isn't restricted "to just a geographical area" and also applies in his diocese, which borders Washington, D.C.

"He is her bishop, and as that bishop, the direction and guidance he provides is not limited to just a geographical area," he said on "**The Walk Humbly Podcast**" podcast of the Arlington diocese. "I would respect the decision of Archbishop Cordileone and be consistent with that decision here in the Diocese of Arlington, should that situation occur."

Shootings in Buffalo and Uvalde, Archbishop Cordileone and Pelosi, ordination to the priesthood…
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Bishop Burbidge praised the San Francisco prelate for prohibiting Pelosi from Holy Communion until she repents of her longtime abortion advocacy, calling him “a courageous man” who “loves the Lord” and the Church.

“Speaker Pelosi has been actively pro-abortion for years, and years, and years, so, for the Archbishop to make this decision now demonstrates that he did what he could but felt that she had no desire to align with Church teaching,” he said.

READ: There’s a long list of pro-abortion ‘Catholics’ who should be banned from Holy Communion like Pelosi

The Arlington bishop noted that Archbishop Cordileone has offered the pro-abortion Democratic congresswoman a “path back to the Church,” which includes repentance and acceptance of the Church’s teaching that “the unborn need to be protected” and “all life is sacred.” “Those doors are open to her, to any of us who wander away from the Lord and from what He teaches.”

He additionally revealed that he has privately instructed other individuals “who have continuously scandalized the Church by holding a personal Catholic identity while also publicly advocating for abortion or other inherent moral evils” from coming up for Holy Communion in the Diocese of Arlington.

Cordlieone’s ‘compassion stance’

Archbishop Cordileone last week sent shockwaves through the Church with a formal notification warning Pelosi not to receive the Eucharist unless she publicly repudiates her abortion support and is absolved of her “grave sin” through Confession.

“ou are not to present yourself for Holy Communion and, should you do so, you are not to be admitted to Holy Communion, until such time as you repudiate your advocacy for the legitimacy of abortion and confess and receive absolution of this grave sin in the sacrament of Penance,” he **wrote** to Pelosi.

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DHS memo Warns Pro-abortion Militants Planning to Burn Down Supreme Court and Murder Justices

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DHS memo warns pro-abortion militants planning to burn down Supreme Court and murder justices, clergy, lawmakers if Court's leaked draft opinion to overturn Roe materializes

Radical elements within the United States are planning to launch attacks on the United States Supreme Court as well as on members of Congress, churches and clergy, if the Supreme Court follows through with its well-publicized plans to overturn Roe v. Wade.

This information comes from an unclassified memo sent out by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, as reported by **Axios**.

The Mother's Day "disruption" of church services was just the beginning.

It's about to get not just uncomfortable for Christians but downright violent. Prepare accordingly, dear pastors and church leaders.

We now have the first piece of *official* evidence (I say official because it's been out there for weeks in plain view for those willing to acknowledge it) that radical pro-abortion militants are planning

to launch violent attacks, not only on churches but on the Supreme Court itself, should that judicial body follow through with the leaked draft opinion overturning Roe v. Wade.

In an unclassified memo sent out May 13 by the intelligence arm of DHS, investigators say they have identified threats that followed the leak of the draft opinion — "targeting Supreme Court Justices, lawmakers and other public officials, as well as clergy and healthcare providers."

These threats "are likely to persist and may increase leading up to and following the issuing of the Court's official ruling," the memo states.

Of course, DHS had to put out a memo like this because the threats have been coming fast and furious, many of them right out in the open spaces of Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. This is to cover their hind ends. Should an attack occur, they can say they were investigating but the perpetrator somehow slipped through the cracks.

I don't expect federal law enforcement to do anything to stop these attacks because DHS, according to my sources, has been completely politicized against conservatives for several years now. They prosecute conservatives for entering the U.S. Capitol while giving a wink and a nod to violence threatened and committed by leftist mobs.

In fact, the DHS, true to form, felt the need to include in its May 13 memo an epithet targeting "white" extremists, making it sound like an abortion-related attack is just as likely to come from the right as from the left, stating:

> **"Some racially or ethnically motivated violent extremists' embrace of pro-life narratives may be linked to the perception of wanting to 'save white children' and 'fight white genocide.'"**

For the record, we in the pro-life movement have been shouting from the rooftops for years that the abortion movement, if anything, targets the BLACK COMMUNITY and that Planned Parenthood is, at its roots, an anti-black racist organization founded by the racist Margaret Sanger, who wanted to kill as many black babies in the womb as possible. She considered blacks inferior to whites.

> In a **letter to Dr. Clarence Gamble** in 1939, Sanger infamously wrote: **"We don't want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population…"**

So we're not fooled by the fraudulent, disgusting propaganda put out by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, trying to make pro-lifers out to be racist and violent. To my knowledge there have been no violent threats made by pro-life groups since the draft opinion was leaked last

month, but there have been plenty of such threats being bandied about by leftist progressives, Marxists and extremist baby butchers.

Also complicit is the media. Where is the New York Times and the Washington Post? What about CNN and MSNBC? This is huge news that we actually have American citizens threatening to burn down a major government institution, the Supreme Court, and assassinate its justices and law clerks along with clergy and members of Congress. Crickets from the corporate media.

According to documents obtained by Axios, these radicals are planning to storm the Supreme Court building and burn it to the ground (this sounds reminiscent of the attack and burning of the police precinct building in Minneapolis two years ago for which the perpetrators were never arrested or punished), then murder the justices and clerks.

Pro life members of Congress are also under threat of death. All it will take to trigger these insane, demon-possessed individuals is a vote of the Supreme Court, which is being attacked daily by an out-of-control media that is gaslighting the leftists into doing something like what's included in this report.

As reported by **Lifenews.com**, the last two weeks have seen a shocking amount of pro-abortion violence following **the leaked U.S. Supreme Court draft ruling that overturns *Roe v. Wade***. Radical abortion advocates across the country have firebombed the buildings of pro-life groups in **Wisconsin** and **Oregon**, they have vandalized and disrupted church services, they have forced crisis-pregnancy centers to close and staged intimidating protests outside the homes of Supreme Court justices. Justice Samuel Alito, who authored the leaked draft opinion, has been forced into hiding with his family in order to protect themselves from these crazed mobs and their threats against his life.

Alito **said he and his colleagues would not be intimidated**, but make no mistake, what we are watching is the deconstruction and delegitimization of one of our republic's three major branches of government. The presidency has already been delegitimized by what happened on Nov. 3, 2020, as evidenced by the recently released documentary film *2000 Mules*.

A DHS spokesperson told Axios that the department "is committed to protecting Americans' freedom of speech and other civil rights and civil liberties, including the right to peacefully protest.

"DHS is also committed to working with our partners across every level of government and the private sector to share timely information and intelligence, prevent all forms of violence, and to support law enforcement efforts to keep our communities safe."

We'll see.

CBS News reports that many of these threats have been made on social media and are being reviewed by law enforcement agencies:

> The National Capital Region Threat Intelligence Consortium — the Washington, D.C., regional intelligence hub charged with tracking domestic terrorism threats — has referred at least 25 violent online posts to partner agencies for further investigation. According to the bulletin, some of the social media threats discussed "burning down or storming the U.S. Supreme Court and murdering Justices and their clerks, members of Congress, and lawful demonstrators."
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> The DHS' Office of Intelligence and Analysis said in its bulletin that "grievances related to restricting abortion access could fuel violence by pro-choice abortion-related violent extremists and other "
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> Arson investigators are looking into a fire that broke out inside the headquarters of anti-abortion group Wisconsin Family Action on May 8. Graffiti found at the scene read, "If abortions aren't safe you aren't either" and included symbols "typically used by anarchist violent extremists and others to convey anti-law enforcement sentiment," according to the DHS' Office of Intelligence and Analysis.

Pro-life advocates have shared videos and reports of being assaulted by abortion activists at rallies and events. **And abortion advocates have threatened to bomb a church in New York City.**

Many of these actions are in direct violation of federal law, which of course is not being enforced because it is leftists who are doing it.

Federal U.S. code 1507 prohibits individuals from protesting with the "intent of interfering with, obstructing, or impeding the administration of justice, or with the intent of influencing any judge, juror, witness, or court officer … in or near a building or residence occupied or used by such judge, juror, witness, or court officer." Violators face fines and/or imprisonment of up to a year but don't count on seeing anyone arrested who is protesting on behalf of Planned Parenthood or any other pro-death leftist organization.

In a letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland on Tuesday, Senator Josh Hawley, R-Missouri, blasted the protests outside the justices' homes as "flagrantly illegal."

"Federal law makes it a crime for a person, 'with the intent of influencing any judge, juror, witness, or court officer, in the discharge of his duty,' to 'picket or parade … in or near a building or residence occupied or used by such judge.' 18 U.S.C. §1507," Hawley said.

So don't expect the DHS to do anything to intervene with "the plan," no matter how violent it becomes. This memo uncovered by Axios is pure window dressing. If DHS was serious about stopping violence on the left it would already be arresting the lawbreakers, as pointed out by Hawley and others.

We already have all the evidence we need.

The **group Rise Up 4 Abortion Rights posted on Twitter** the following message:

> The leaked draft memo that states the Supreme Court has struck down **#RoeVWade** is an ATROCITY but It is not yet law & doesn't have to be, but what they plan to do & will do if WE don't stop them
>
> Rise up! & RAISE HELL!
> May 8-14 w. Mass protests Sat. May 14**https://t.co/Y0oCPlHcsr**
>
> — Rise Up 4 Abortion Rights (@riseup4abortion) **May 3, 2022**

As noted by Lifenews, abortion activists are trying to intimidate the Supreme Court justices to change their minds and uphold *Roe* after the leaked draft opinion showed the majority voting to overturn the infamous 1973 ruling. The draft is not final, judges can change their minds, and it is not clear when the high court will issue its final ruling on the abortion case *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health,* but many believe the court will overturn *Roe* and allow states to protect unborn babies again.

It's about time.

Since 1973, more than 63 million unborn babies and hundreds of mothers have died in supposedly "safe" and "legal" abortions. Abortions are safe and legal just like Covid gene-therapy shots are "safe and effective."

Pro-abortion violence escalates against pro-lifers at churches, pregnancy centers, and more

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Carole Novielli | **LIVE ACTION**

A **wave** of pro-abortion violence has swept the nation since the leak of a Supreme Court **draft opinion** in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* suggested a possible overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. Two pro-life facilities were attacked with explosive devices, and pro-lifers have been threatened with physical harm.

Live Action has been contacted by pro-lifers who claimed abortion activists egged and spat on them at various rallies. The pro-lifers have also received harassing and hate filled messages. In addition, a church in New York has **received** bomb threats along with vile messages. Additional reports of alleged violence are under investigation by local authorities and include some or all of the following:

May 13: An abortion supporter **writes** on Twitter, "Alpha Pregnancy Center was vandalized with a threat & other graffiti by "Jane's Revenge," the far-left group that claimed the Madison, WI, arson attack & promised violence." The vandalism was also **tweeted** out by Andy Ngô, who **highlighted** the threat, "If abortions aren't safe, neither are you."

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Biden considering executive orders to force legal abortion post-Roe

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Bettina di Fiore

According to **Reuters**, President Biden is considering a variety of measures, including executive orders, to support so-called abortion "access" in a post-*Roe* America. Press Secretary Jen Psaki **told** reporters on Tuesday that the President has asked the White House Gender Policy Council, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the White House Counsel's Office to draft a plan "to protect women's rights."

"It may not all be executive orders … a lot of this is ensuring that we have increased access and funding so that women who are living in the states, if *Roe* were to be overturned, would be able to have expanded access and capabilities and some of that could be from the Department of Justice ," Psaki **said**.

She explained that the DOJ is being prepped to defend abortionists, pharmacies that dispense the abortion pill, and women who obtain abortions from criminal cases and lawsuits. However, these prosecutions and lawsuits would presumably be under individual states' laws, and, according to its own **website**: "The Department of Justice has no authority to intervene in matters of state law. The Department of Justice can assume jurisdiction only when there has been a violation of federal law."

READ: ***President Biden acknowledges that abortion kills a 'child' as he decries possible end of Roe***

One measure being considered by the administration is pressuring the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to make the abortion pill more readily available, perhaps by making it easier for people to order it online, across state lines, and from overseas. This would presumably be according to what is known as the "**no-test protocol**," in which no prior screening for gestational age or potential complications is performed. However, in spite of abortionists' **claims** to the contrary, **no-test chemical abortions** have proven to be potentially dangerous. Furthermore, making the pill available for delivery by mail is a system that has been **repeatedly abused** by **predators**.

The Biden administration is also considering asking HHS and the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to allow Medicaid funds to be used for travel expenses for low-income women seeking abortion outside of their home states. This would require American taxpayers to subsidize abortion, regardless of their personal convictions.

Reuters reports that "he Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and the Surgeon General's Office could also be tapped to put out a report on the 'profound physical, mental and emotional impact on women from not having access to reproductive health services.'" But abortion is not a "reproductive health service" because abortion destroys the results of reproduction *after it has already taken place*, and because legitimate health care is about curing, not killing.

Press Secretary Psaki told reporters the White House would not detail the specifics of its plans until after the Supreme Court issues its final **decision** in ***Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization***.

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Brilliant or brainwashed: Western Albemarle High School children mindlessly sing abortion's praises

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Brainwashed **Western Albemarle High School** (WAHS) children **love abortion** (warning: graphic), but ironically, their arguments in-favor are really indictments against the barbaric practice.

In CBS **video footage** from a May 9 student walkout at WAHS, students are seen laughing and cavorting while "protesting."

Join the fun as:

- WAHS children mindlessly advocate killing younger children in the name of "freedom"
- WAHS children mindlessly neglect to mention that abortion impacts people other than teens or adults
- WAHS children mindlessly claim "**brownie points**" for giving voice to the voiceless (meaning those who *want* abortions, rather than those who *are being* aborted)
- WAHS children mindlessly claim that abortions make the world "a better place"

- WAHS children mindlessly make racist claims about pro-life advocates while ignoring the racist origins and practices of abortion (i.e. **Planned Parenthood and Margaret Sanger**)

Brilliant or Brainwashed: Western Albemarle High students mindlessly sing the praises of abortion
https://youtube.com/watch?v=QWaPpLm-oL0

In a seemingly incongruous moment, a male student, holding an “I am not an incubator” sign, shouts, “no more racism or abortion.”

Perhaps, there is hope after all.

The Deep State, Supreme Court, and Abortion

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The Deep State has been using the supreme court to dismantle America and our civilization for generations, and this Roe vs Wade issue is sending the Deep State into a frenzy, explains The New American's Alex Newman in this episode of Behind the Deep State.

Learn how the Deep State has weaponized the judiciary; the U.S. supreme court in particular to promote the murder of babies, the destruction of the family, and the breakdown of Christian civilization.

Also in this episode, Alex explains what we the people can do about it.

Godless globalist cartel to target churches and mothers in final drive to impose technocratic beast system

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The globalist left are planning to unleash their mobs on Catholic and Evangelical churches nationwide from May 8 through May 14, with Mother's Day being a particular day of interest on their protest calendar.

This is being done to express anger over an anticipated ruling overturning Roe v. Wade and legalized abortion.

An organization called "Ruth Sent Us" announced on Twitter that it plans to "disrupt" Catholic and Evangelical church services starting on Sunday, Mother's Day. I would not be surprised if this type of targeted action continues and even escalates throughout the summer and fall leading up to the midterm elections on Nov. 8.

Take a look at the creepy video below they posted on Twitter to announce the activism targeting churches.

> There are calls for a **#MothersDayStrike**. We support it, along with **@StrikeForChoice** who's planning a day of walk-outs on Thu May 12. **#DefendRoe**
>
> This is what Mother's Day should look like. Catholic and Evangelical Churches nationwide: **pic.twitter.com/BxvGhBGodn**
>
> — Ruth Sent Us 🪧 (@RuthSentUs) **May 3, 2022**

This is what progressives do. This is how they act. It's a calculated effort to rally the liberal, socialist, feminist, LGBTQ troops ahead of an important election that they know they can't win based on any merits or debate of facts. Instead, they pick an issue and they emotionalize it in the most dramatic way possible, hoping to generate enough distraction and soak up enough emotional energy as to get people's minds off of how miserable life under the fraudulent Biden regime has become. Because it is miserable right now for both Republicans and Democrats facing soaring inflation and shortages of basic items, rising crime, rising taxes, etc.

These are the tactics which radical progressive Democrats learned from Saul Alinsky in his book, *Rules for Radicals*. Alinsky dedicated his book to Lucifer and in at least one interview he confided that if given the choice of spending eternity in heaven or hell, "I'd pick hell."

In waging their never-ending information war against the masses, Alinsky advised his fellow comrades to:

"Pick the target, freeze it, personalize it, and polarize it."

That's what you can expect to see happen in the churches this Sunday, and perhaps for many Sundays heading into the fall elections.

The target is then whacked mercilessly over the head, figuratively if not literally, with clever words, slogans and dramatized propaganda.

Their words and slogans do not need to make the case for why their position is the right one for society, nor do they need to be consistent with the left's position on other issues.

"My body my choice," for instance, can be applied to the non-existent right to murder your baby inside (and even outside) the womb, but that same slogan is nowhere to be found on the issue of the mandated gene-therapy injections masquerading as "vaccines." Bodily autonomy applies to

killing your baby but not to some poor worker whose corporate employer is trying to force him to get injected with an unknown substance that has never been tested for long-term health impacts.

Make no mistake, the idea that it's the churches that are responsible for the Supreme Court's movement to the right on the issue of abortion will spread and gain strength in the weeks and months ahead.

Do not be surprised when church people come under attack.

It will start with "disruptions" of worship services and gradually escalate into more vile and potentially violent behavior inside the houses of worship. Many who claim themselves to be Christian will take part in these godless and demonic activities.

That's because there's nothing Satan hates more than truth, and whenever possible he will not only counter the truth with a lie but will also take every opportunity to blaspheme the name of the Most High and His houses of worship.

This should serve as a wakeup call to ALL CHURCHES that support the sanctity of life.

Don't expect to continue being actively pro-life without it costing you something.

They are coming for us. Brace yourselves. And don't expect the police to be able to save you from what's coming.

Have a plan for what your church will do when these evil ones arrive inside your halls of worship to cause confusion, mass chaos and possibly even bloodshed. Every revolution requires a counter-revolution. And we are living through a cultural revolution in America. Most Americans just don't know it yet.

In the absence of a well-planned and well-executed counter-revolution, the United States of America will resemble France during the French Revolution or maybe Germany during the Nazi takeover. These "activists" can be thwarted but they must be dealt with firmly. They are not going to suddenly walk into a church and get saved so why let them in? If they are able to sneak in and start disrupting prayers or worship, they should be ushered out. You don't let wolves in to eat the sheep. If you think these folks can be converted then try to reach them outside the church, not inside after they enter surreptitiously posing as Christians.

There has already been an uptick in arson, vandalism, etc., against churches in the U.S. and Canada over the last five or six years. Look for that to increase.

Pastors who stand up for truth and righteousness have been persecuted, especially in Canada and other parts of the formerly free world. But that persecution is coming to the U.S. You can see the

federal government has been preparing for this crackdown for some time. The recent creation of a "Disinformation Governance Board" within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is just the latest salvo in the coming crackdown on truth tellers.

Also, I would say we should not expect any support from liberal churches or synagogues when this persecution arrives. The same goes for the mosques. They will all stand back and watch as conservative pro-life churches get tortured and torched.

The day of choice to kick off this persecution, Mother's Day, is not incidental or coincidental.

This sends a message.

What better day for the pro-death communists to target churches than on Mother's Day? It makes perfect sense and sends the desired message. These satanically inspired mobs have been mobilizing against everything in our society that is good, and motherhood is definitely good for everyone and everything in society. They've been working to diminish and destroy fatherhood for decades. Now they are coming for the mothers. The goal of communists everywhere is to destroy families because the family is God-ordained and their hatred is above all against God. They know God-fearing families will never embrace communism so they must destroy the institution of the family.

More generally, this is not only a move against families but to create more lawlessness.

Fox News reports that left-wing activist groups, including the same "Ruth Sent Us" group that is planning to disrupt church services, are planning to send protesters to the homes of conservative Supreme Court justices.

The activists have published the home addresses of Justices Amy Coney Barrett, John Roberts, Samuel Alito, Brett Kavanaugh, Clarence Thomas and Neil Gorsuch.

The group's website reads:

"Our 6-3 extremist Supreme Court routinely issues rulings that hurt women, racial minorities, LGBTQ+ and immigrant rights. We must rise up to force accountability using a diversity of tactics."

Notice how they are using the abortion issue to try to get all of the entire spectrum of traditional Democrat voters stirred up. The only antidote to being a Marxist progressive tool is to stop thinking of yourself as a victim. Then and only then can you be cured of your progressive sickness and stop being a useful idiot to the globalist elites seeking to implement a worldwide beast system.

Police sources told Fox News they have beefed up their presence around the homes of Supreme Court justices following the leak. The group promises to pay visits to the homes of the six justices on May 11.

While police may be able to "beef up their presence" at the Supreme Court building and a few private residences near D.C., there is no way police can provide security for all of the many thousands of churches that are now being threatened by these communist revolutionaries.

One can sense the left is gearing up for another summer of "mostly peaceful protests," like they did two years ago, when they burned down police precincts and whole sections of major cities. Only this time I believe it will be worse because they won't just be burning and looting indiscriminately based on an idea that police are racist. This time they will be going after those they see as the ultimate enemy of their religious faith, which is rooted in secularism and the will to power. That enemy is the remnant Christian Church who still holds to a biblical worldview.

Regardless of your denominational background, if you have a biblical worldview, you are seen as the enemy of the state and enemy of the future technocratic global government that is trying to establish itself right now as the dominant force in the world.

The left now has something they're willing to die for. A transcendent issue. Their precious right to kill their offspring, for any reason or no reason at all.

And now even after a child is born it is not out of the woods. The child's parents are encouraged to inject the child with a dangerous new technology known as mRNA gene therapy that could kill, harm or sterilize the child.

Things really haven't changed that much in the last 6,000 years. Pagan religions of old held the same penchant for child sacrifice.

We are heading for a major clash between the forces of good and evil in the spiritual and physical realms. Let's pray it doesn't involve a total meltdown and blood flowing in the streets — which seems to be what the globalist technocrats and the Marxist progressives want.

Pray for the safety of the churches and of the Supreme Court justices. Those justices will now, thanks to the leak, have their lives threatened with all manner of malicious evil.

When the Government Plays God: The Slippery Slope from Abortions to Executions

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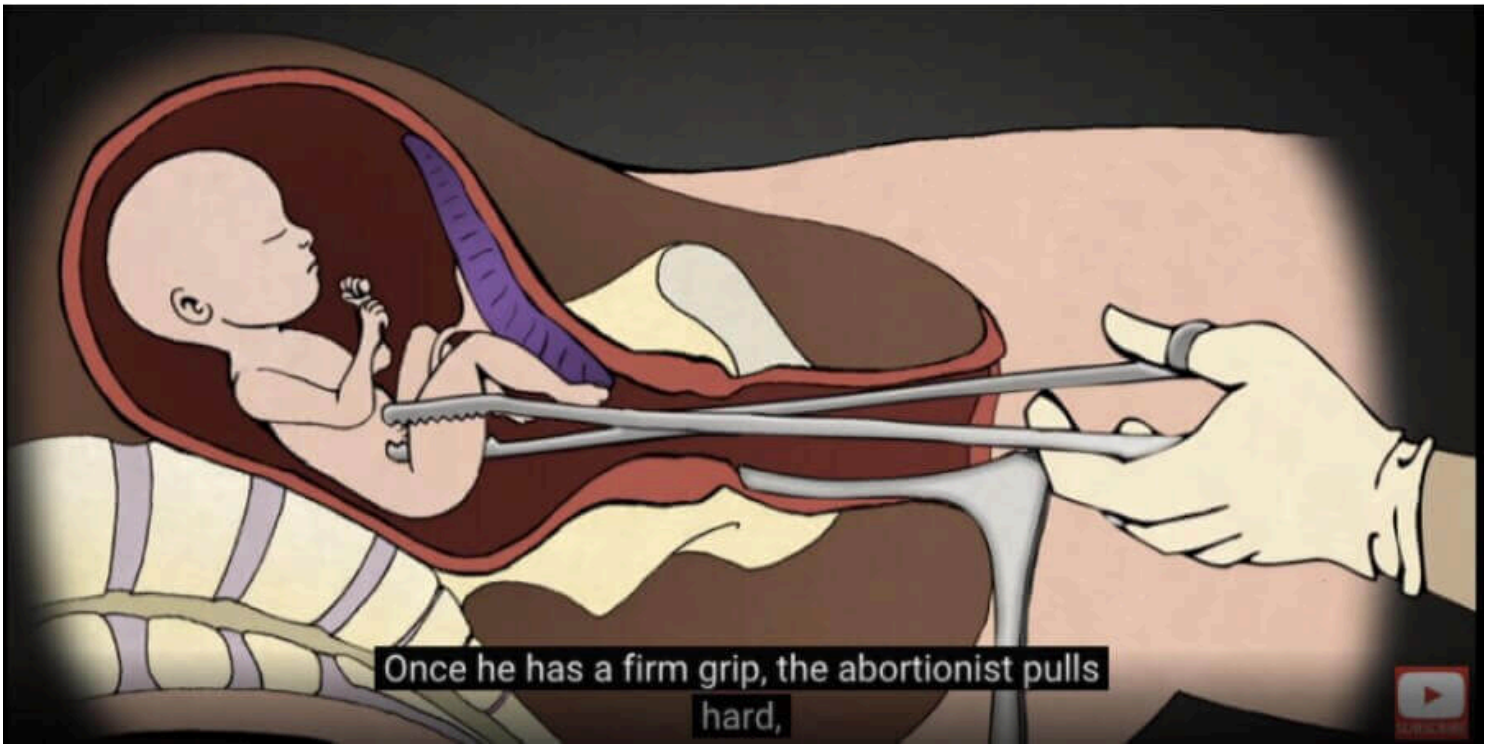

> "**Abortion on demand is the ultimate State tyranny**; the State simply declares that certain classes of human beings are not persons, and therefore not entitled to the protection of the law. The State protects the 'right' of some people to kill others, just as the courts protected the 'property rights' of slave masters in their slaves."—Ron Paul

The government *wants* to play god.

It wants the power to decide who lives or dies and whose rights are worthy of protection.

Delve beneath the rhetoric and spin that have turned abortion into a politicized, polarized and propagandized **frontline in the culture wars**, and you will find a greater menace at work.

Abortion may be front and center in the power struggle between the Left and the Right over who has the right to decide—the government or the individual—when it comes to bodily autonomy, the right to privacy, sexual freedom, the rights of the unborn, and property interests in one's body, but there's so much more going on here.

The Left would suggest that **unborn babies do not have constitutional rights** and the only right that matters is a woman's right to privacy in choosing whether or not to abort a pregnancy. The Right, while fixated on saving the lives of unborn babies, seems less concerned about what happens to those lives from birth to death.

What few seem willing to address is that in the 30 years since the U.S. Supreme Court issued its landmark ruling in ***Roe v. Wade***, the government has come to believe that it not only has the power to determine who is deserving of constitutional rights in the eyes of the law but it also has the authority to deny those rights to an American citizen.

This is how the abortion debate—a politicized tug-of-war over when an unborn child is considered a human being with rights—plays into the police state's hands by laying the groundwork for discussions about who else may or may not be deserving of rights.

Even if (as a **leaked draft opinion** in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* suggests) the Supreme Court overturns its **earlier rulings** recognizing abortion as a constitutional right under the Fourteenth Amendment, that will not resolve the larger problem that plagues us today: namely, that all along the spectrum of life—from the unborn child to the aged—the government continues to play fast and loose with the lives of the citizenry.

Take a good, hard look at the many ways in which Americans are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

American families who have their dogs shot, their homes trashed and their children terrorized or, worse, **killed by errant SWAT team raids** in the middle of the night are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Disabled individuals who are being strip searched, handcuffed, arrested and "diagnosed" by police as dangerous or mentally unstable merely because they stutter and walk unevenly are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

School-aged children as young as 4-years-old who are leg shackled, handcuffed and strip searched for **violating school zero tolerance policies by chewing a Pop Tart into the shape of a gun** and playing an imaginary game of cops and robbers, or engaging in childish behavior such as crying or jumping are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Unarmed citizens who are tasered or shot by police for daring to hesitate, stutter, move a muscle, flee or disagree in any way with a police order are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Likewise, Americans—young and old alike—who are **shot by police because they pointed a garden hose** at a police officer, reached for their registration in their glove box, relied upon a cane

to steady themselves, or were seen playing with air rifles or BB guns are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Female motorists who are unlucky enough to be pulled over for a questionable traffic infraction only to be subjected by police to **cavity searches by the side of the road** are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Male pedestrians and motorists alike who are being subjected to **roadside strip searches and rectal probes** by police based largely on the color of their skin are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

American **citizens subjected to government surveillance** whereby their phone calls are being listened in on, their mail and text messages read, their movements tracked and their transactions monitored are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Homeowners who are being fined and arrested for raising chickens in their backyard, **allowing the grass in their front yards to grow too long**, and holding Bible studies in their homes are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Decorated military veterans who are being **arrested for criticizing the government on social media** such as Facebook are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Homeless individuals who are being harassed, arrested and run out of towns by **laws that criminalize homelessness** are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Individuals whose **DNA has been forcibly collected and entered into federal and state law enforcement databases** whether or not they have been convicted of any crime are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Drivers whose **license plates are being scanned, uploaded to a police database and used to map their movements**, whether or not they are suspected of any crime, are being denied their rights under the Constitution. The same goes for **drivers who are being ticketed for running afoul of red light cameras** without any real opportunity to defend themselves against such a charge are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Protesters and **activists who are being labeled domestic terrorists and extremists** and accused of hate crimes for speaking freely are being denied their rights under the Constitution. Likewise, American citizens who being **targeted for assassination by drone strikes abroad** without having been charged, tried and convicted of treason are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

Hard-working Americans whose **bank accounts, homes, cars electronics and cash are seized by police** (operating according to asset forfeiture schemes that provide profit incentives for highway robbery) are being denied their rights under the Constitution.

So, what is the common denominator here?

These are all American citizens—**endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights**, rights that no person or government can take away from them, among these the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—and they are all being oppressed in one way or another by a government that has grown drunk on power, money and its own authority.

If the government—be it the President, Congress, the courts or any federal, state or local agent or agency—can decide that any person has *no* rights, then that person becomes less than a citizen, less than human, less than deserving of respect, dignity, civility and bodily integrity. He or she becomes an "it," a faceless number that can be tallied and tracked, a quantifiable mass of cells that can be discarded without conscience, an expendable cost that can be written off without a second thought, or an animal that can be bought, sold, branded, chained, caged, bred, neutered and euthanized at will.

It's a slippery slope that justifies all manner of violations in the name of national security, the interest of the state and the so-called greater good.

Yet those who founded this country believed that what we conceive of as our rights were given to us by God—we are created equal, according to the nation's founding document, the Declaration of Independence—and that government cannot create, nor can it extinguish our God-given rights. To do so would be to anoint the government with god-like powers and elevate it above the citizenry.

Unfortunately, we have been dancing with this particular devil for quite some time now.

If we continue to wait for the government to restore our freedoms, respect our rights, rein in its abuses and restrain its agents from riding roughshod over our lives, our liberty and our happiness, then we will be waiting forever.

Already, the politicos are beating the war drums to herald the next phase of the abortion wars.

President Biden wants voters to **elect more pro-abortion rights officials** to ensure that "a woman's right to choose is fundamental." The Senate **plans to vote to codify the right to an abortion** into federal law. Chief Justice John G. Roberts is **opening an investigation** into how the Supreme Court's draft abortion ruling was leaked. And polling indicates that the **majority** of the American people want abortion to remain legal.

Like clockwork, we find ourselves smack dab in the middle of yet another political circus that could get scary, ugly and overwhelming really fast.

Before you get too distracted by this conveniently timed diversion that has everyone forgetting about spiking gas prices, inflation, housing shortages, and warring empires, remind yourself that no matter how the Supreme Court rules in *Dobbs*, it will not resolve the problem of a culture that values life based on a sliding scale. Nor will it help us navigate the moral, ethical and scientific minefields that await us as technology and humanity move ever closer to a point of singularity.

Humanity is being propelled at warp speed into a whole new frontier when it comes to privacy, bodily autonomy, and what it means to be a human being. As such, we haven't even begun to wrap our heads around how present-day legal debates over bodily autonomy, privacy, vaccine mandates, the death penalty, and abortion play into future discussions about singularity, artificial intelligence, cloning, and the privacy rights of the individual in the face of increasingly invasive, intrusive and unavoidable government technologies.

Yet here is what I know.

Life is an inalienable right.

By allowing the government to decide who or what is deserving of rights, it shifts the entire discussion from one in which we are "endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights" (that of life, liberty property and the pursuit of happiness) to one in which only those favored by the government get to enjoy such rights.

If all people are created equal, then all lives should be equally worthy of protection.

There's an idea embraced by both the Right and the Left according to their biases that there is a hierarchy to life, with some lives worthier of protection than others, but there is no hierarchy of freedoms.

All freedoms hang together.

As I make clear in my book ***Battlefield America: The War on the American People*** and in its fictional counterpart ***The Erik Blair Diaries***, we must never stop working to protect life, preserve our freedoms and maintain some semblance of our humanity.

Freedom cannot be a piece-meal venture.

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BREAKING: Alleged leaked majority opinion shows Supreme Court will overturn Roe v. Wade

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> *'Roe was egregiously wrong from the start,' penned Justice Alito in the alleged leaked decision.*

WASHINGTON, D.C. (**LifeSiteNews**) – According to an **initial leaked draft majority opinion** allegedly written by Justice Samuel Alito and obtained by *Politico*, the U.S. Supreme Court has voted 5-4 to overturn its nearly 50-year-old *Roe v. Wade* decision, which imposed abortion on demand across the country.

As **reported** by *Politico,* the opinion is "a full-throated, unflinching repudiation of the 1973 decision which guaranteed federal constitutional protections of abortion rights ," marking a gigantic victory for the pro-life movement. The leak of a drafted opinion is unprecedented in Supreme Court history and is sending shockwaves through the legal world tonight.

> It's impossible to overstate the earthquake this will cause inside the Court, in terms of the destruction of trust among the Justices and staff. This leak is the gravest, most unforgivable sin.
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> — SCOTUSblog (@SCOTUSblog) **May 3, 2022**

"*Roe* was egregiously wrong from the start," writes Alito in the document that would, if officially issued by the court, be a monumental victory for the pro-life movement. "We hold that *Roe* and *Casey* must be overruled," adds the majority opinion.

“It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people’s elected representatives,” emphasized Alito.

Pro-lifers were hopeful that this decision would be made by the U.S. Supreme Court after the court heard arguments in the***Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*** case last year, which concerns Mississippi’s 15-week abortion ban.

While the current draft of the ruling does indeed overturn the landmark pro-abortion precedent that has resulted in over the murder of 60 million babies, the decision will not be considered official until the opinion is published by the court, likely within the next two months according to *Politico*.

The alleged leaked decision was met with mixed reactions, with adulation from the political right and dismay by the political left.

“The Supreme Court is preparing to overturn Roe—the most significant and glorious news of our lifetime. Join me in praying to God for the right outcome. Life begins at conception. Let’s protect it,” **celebrated** Republican Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene.
“One of the most disgraceful decisions in the history of the United States,” **lamented** pro-abortion New York Congressman Ritchie Torres.

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The decision is expected to cause massive division and discord in American society, with one shocking **photo** already showing that large barricades have been erected around the Supreme Court building in Washington, D.C.

SOURCE: **LIFESITE NEWS**

The Daily Skirmish – Baby Boy 1 In Plain Site

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The story coming out of a late-term abortion clinic in Washington, D.C. shows you everything that's wrong with abortion and the people who promote it.

Here is a picture of Baby Boy 1, one of five babies killed at the clinic recently whose remains were reportedly obtained by a pro-life advocate who has since been arrested.

I defy anyone to look at this picture and tell me this is not a human being:

This boy was a nearly full term baby, viable outside the womb. The photo shows "that he remained largely intact, raising questions about how his life ended. He also has what appears to be a fully formed face, fingers, toes, and all the primary features normally visible in a newborn."

Abortion supporters want the legal cover to be able to kill babies like this up to birth. If you support this, I will tell you right to your face you are a monster.

But the abortion-industrial complex has circled the wagons. D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser refuses to investigate, even though the five babies might have been killed in illegal partial-birth abortions, killed after birth, or left to die after being born alive.

Gone are the days when abortion rights supporters would tell you they wanted abortions to be 'safe, legal, and rare.' Now we get hysterical attempts to push the envelope precisely at the moment public support for abortion is dwindling and the Supreme Court is poised to pull back on abortion rights. The demands are getting more shrill and outrageous. Now, abortionists claim the right to an 'effective abortion', meaning, they want to kill the baby if it's born alive. An abortionist at that D.C. clinic admitted some years ago, that he "probably wouldn't" help a baby who survived an abortion even though "legally we would be obligated to help." So much for the law. One of his staff said at the time a baby born alive after a botched abortion should just be flushed down the toilet. So much for humanity.

A Democrat-controlled committee in the California Assembly recently reported out a bill critics say would allow infanticide, letting babies die up to 6 weeks after birth. As originally written, the bill would have allowed the murder of newborns for any reason. The language was revised, but it still allows the killing of infants and discourages law enforcement from investigating the circumstances.

California isn't the only place pushing the envelope. Democrat-controlled Colorado and New Jersey now have laws allowing abortion up to birth. The Democrats who control the U.S. Senate wanted to federalize a right to abortion up to birth and shred all state pro-life laws in the process. The bill failed but by only one vote.

Take a look at the picture of Baby Boy 1 again. Look long and hard. If you support his killing, or the Democrats' insane drive for abortion up to birth and beyond, I don't mind telling you to your face you are a monster. The only question is, what kind of monster are you?

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Biden budget doubles down on forcing taxpayer funding of abortions in US and abroad

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Sam Dorman | **LIVE ACTION**

President Biden's latest budget, released Monday, has proposed various avenues for supporting abortions with taxpayer money – indicating that abortion supporters in Congress will continue pushing funding despite public opposition.

For FY22, Biden is proposing that Congress not only repeal the decades-old Hyde Amendment, but also related measures that protect against things like overseas abortion funding.

A narrow divide in the Senate helped foil recent pro-abortion attempts to eliminate those protections, but it's unclear whether the upcoming midterm elections will give abortion advocates the majorities needed to make those wishes come true. If they do, they would overturn decades of bipartisan consensus on the issue while opening the door to millions of lives lost through future abortions. The Charlotte Lozier Institute has estimated that the Hyde Amendment, which restricts funding through Medicaid and other health programs, saved **2.4 million lives**.

It's difficult to predict the exact outcomes of other measures like the Dornan Amendment, which restricts funding for abortions in Washington, D.C. But according to the Associated Press, the district funded at least **300 abortion procedures** during a two-year period when lawmakers reversed course on the issue.

READ: ***Biden administration gives new $37M contribution to pro-abortion UNICEF sex ed program***

Taxpayer funding for abortions is generally unpopular, according to polls. One from **Marist/Knights of Columbus** showed 54% of Americans opposing taxpayer funding of abortion.

Even less popular is funding for overseas abortions (73% either "oppose" or "strongly oppose"), but Biden's budget contains funding measures that would bypass the Helms amendment, which prevents overseas funding of abortion, as well as the Siljander Amendment, which prevents the funding of overseas lobbying for abortion. That's on top of the administration's decision to repeal the Mexico City Policy, which had during the previous administration blocked funding for overseas organizations that refer for abortions.

At home, he's also seeking to beef up funding for Title X (from $286.479 million to $400 million) – the grant program from which President Trump effectively prevented abortion providers from participating. The Biden administration **reversed this** rule change **almost immediately**.

Other measures include increasing money – from $32.5 million to $56 million – for **the U.N. Population Fund**, **in vitro fertilization**, and contraceptives at the Veterans Administration.

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ANALYSISLate-term abortionist Warren Hern says compassion motivates him… as he rakes in up to $25k per abortion

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Cassy Fiano-Chesser | **Live Action**

The Los Angeles Times recently published an **interview** with Warren Hern, the Colorado late-term abortionist who, at 83, says he has no plans to stop his grisly work anytime soon. The interview gives numerous faulty justifications for killing preborn children and largely recycles old lies and fear tactics to sway people to support abortion.

Deaths from abortion

According to Hern, he regularly saw women maimed and killed from illegal abortions as a med student in the 1960s. This, the Times reported, is what led him to see abortion as his "calling." But with the possibility of *Roe v. Wade* being overturned, Hern predicts: "I think we'll see a lot of unsafe abortions and women dying."

Abortion advocates have long claimed that abortion must be legal and unlimited or thousands of women will die every year. They point to the time before *Roe v. Wade* as proof. But the lie that thousands of women died prior to *Roe v. Wade* has been **repeatedly** debunked, including by the **Washington Post**.

If history is any indication — and it is — overturning *Roe v. Wade* **will not** lead to a massive spike in abortion-related deaths.

Planned Parenthood medical director Mary Steichen Calderone had previously noted that abortion-related deaths had already been declining steadily before *Roe*, mostly due to the advent of antibiotics, and due to the fact that the majority of illegal abortions were being committed by trained physicians. In 1972, the year before abortion was legalized, the number of deaths in the United States from *legal* abortions was 24, with just 39 deaths as a result of *illegal* abortions. Women are still dying from legal abortion in America today.

Considering the fact that Hern once called human beings a "**planetary cancer**," it's hard to believe he has a problem with women (or anyone, for that matter) dying. But regardless, in the event that *Roe v. Wade* is overturned and states are able to make their own laws about abortion, women will *not* be dying by the thousands.

Abortion as love

Hern has said that the first abortion he committed was on a 17-year-old girl. "I was terrified, and so was she," Hern wrote in a medical journal. "She cried after the operation for sadness and relief. Her tears and the immensity of the moment brought my tears. I felt I had found a new definition of the idea of medicine as an act of compassion and love for one's fellow human beings, an idea that I gained from learning about Albert Schweitzer."

Today, Hern says he shows compassion by killing babies because they have disabilities — and then gives their mothers doll clothes so they can dress up their aborted children and take selfies with them.

READ: ***Despite what Planned Parenthood believes, abortion is not humanitarian aid***

But Hern also claims that he commits late-term abortions without ever causing any injuries or deaths, thanks to his "pioneering" new procedures, and the Times unquestioningly printed this.

Yet, despite his boasting, Hern is no stranger to maiming women. He was **sued** for leaving the skull of a 25-week preborn child in the mother's uterus, which is after the point of accepted viability. Though the anesthesia did not work, and Hern could see the woman had not fully dilated, he went ahead with the abortion. Eventually, the woman found out from her regular OB/GYN that the skull had been left behind; the damage was so great that she had to undergo a hysterectomy, leaving her sterile.

This is definitively an injury that resulted from an abortion Hern committed.

There is no way to know how many women Hern has injured or how many women have been injured by abortion throughout the United States, because **only about half** of all states even require abortion complications to be reported.

Furthermore, despite his talk of "compassion" and "love," Hern's patients seemingly have felt otherwise. One former patient **described** him as "very condescending and suspicious," said that Hern was rude, paranoid, and scolded her for wearing lipstick. Another patient said Hern "speaks aggressively and it made me feel uncomfortable and slightly scared."

The reasons for late-term abortions

The Times also repeated another long-debunked pro-abortion claim: that late-term abortions are most often committed due to health problems with the mother or baby. "Many of the abortions Hern has performed involved fetuses with severe abnormalities. His patients have also included victims of incest and rape, drug addicts, an autistic teenager, a 10-year-old girl and a mother of three living in her car," the article reads, adding, "Many of the pregnancies were planned, but doctors did not detect abnormalities until the third trimester."

Abortion is a deliberate act of killing, and is never truly necessary because of a fetal diagnosis; it is an act of eugenics to kill a human being for lacking certain characteristics or failing to meet certain standards.

In addition, most women who have late-term abortions, or *any* abortions, do so *not* because of fetal abnormalities or other health issues. A 1988 Guttmacher **study** found that just two percent (2%) of women who had abortions did so because of a health problem with the baby. More than 20 years later, a 2013 **study** (also published by the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute) said, "ata suggest that most women seeking later terminations are not doing so for reasons of fetal anomaly or life endangerment." Pro-abortion researcher Diana Greene Foster stated, according to a report from the **Congressional Research Service**, that abortions for fetal abnormalities "make up a small minority of later abortion." And a 2010 **paper** from Julia Steinberg, of the pro-abortion Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health, said, "Research suggests that the overwhelming majority of women having later abortions do so for reasons other than fetal anomaly (Drey et al., 2006; Finer et al., 2005, 2006; Foster et al., 2008)."

The problem is, few people support abortion at, say, 30 weeks — so the Times helped Hern to put a positive spin on the killing to make it more palatable for the general public.

Abortion staffers and filthy facilities

Not everything came up roses for Hern in the article, however. He admitted that he is often shunned when people find out he is an abortionist, but the Times likely thought saying so would help garner compassion for Hern. "You'd get to know someone, and as soon as they found out I did abortions they didn't want anything to do with you," Hern said. "I felt like damaged goods."

And though one of his staffers speaks positively about their violent work, the Times and Hern admit that it often has a negative effect. The Times wrote:

The work has caused some of his employees "serious emotional reactions that produced physiological symptoms, sleep disturbances, effects on interpersonal relationships and moral anguish," Hern reported in a medical journal.

Some said they dreamed that they vomited fetuses.

Hern's staffers are also **far from alone** in suffering after participating in abortion. Physicians, medical students, and other medical staffers have frequently reported having serious negative reactions after witnessing, or participating in, an abortion. Many speak of being traumatized or having nightmares, even decades later.

Meanwhile, the Times obliviously lamented the poor condition of Hern's abortion facility before highlighting his lavish home.

"Security costs and debts have become so 'crippling,' Hern said, that he delayed building a new facility. For now, he's stuck with the 70-year-old building's plumbing problems, finicky water heater and uneven clay foundation," the Times wrote. "Back home on a recent evening, Hern considered the stunning mountain vista framed by the front window of his living room. His wildlife photography covered the walls surrounding his gleaming grand piano."

Abortion industry workers make a lot of **money** — yet, in the United States, abortion facilities are **largely unregulated**. And even as the facilities become more decrepit, abortionists like Hern rake in large amounts of money and **treat themselves**. (Even the Times noted that Hern charges as much as $25,000 for a *single abortion*.)

The Los Angeles Times wants to portray Hern as a compassionate hero, giving women excellent medical care and saving lives. But this sadly could not be further from the truth. It's not surprising that Hern and those in the pro-abortion media need to rely on lies and fear tactics; otherwise, they would get little support for their violent agenda.

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Liz Yore – SCOTUS Nom – Jackson's Sentencing for Pedophiles Under the Mandatory Minimums

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Yore Children is dedicated to the protection and advocacy of children around the world. Elizabeth Yore, the founder of Yore Children is an international child advocate attorney whose legal career spans a wide range of legal issues relating to the exploitation of children.

Elizabeth served as Special Counsel to Oprah Winfrey as her child advocate, both at Harpo, Inc., and at the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa. Previously, Liz held the position of General Counsel at the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, where she created the first missing children unit for runway wards, and collaborated with federal law enforcement on human trafficking prosecutions. Elizabeth was the General Counsel and Director of the International Division at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Virginia. She handled domestic and international child abduction cases there.

The Daily Skirmish – Baby Parts Researchers Can't Justify Themselves, Try As They Might

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I want to hear you abortion advocates out there defend chopping up babies into little pieces and selling their parts for money. I've heard some of the most ridiculous justifications possible.

The University of Pittsburgh buys baby parts to graft baby scalps onto rats.

I can't think of more important research, can you?

- The University justifies buying baby parts by saying it is "**fully compliant**" with federal law.
- Just because it might be legal doesn't mean it's moral, does it?
- The Nazis sticking 6 million Jews into ovens were just following the law, weren't they?

Documents suggest the university knows some aborted babies' hearts may still be beating when their organs are harvested for the University's scientific research. *Why stop with babies?*

The Chinese kill adults for their organs; maybe we should, too. The documents also show the University has racial quotas for baby parts purchases. I wonder what Malcolm X would have thought about that. It all sounds "ethical" to me.

Hey, but it's all perfectly legal, right?

Nice try. Want to try again?

How about this one: Former NIH Director Francis Collins **claims** baby parts research is "moral and beneficial" and U.S. taxpayers should fund it. He starts off by saying abortion is legal – not the strongest start, as we have seen. Actually, he admits to being "troubled" by abortion, but plows straight ahead: The material is discarded, another weak proffer.

Actually, pro-lifers correctly call the discarded material "human remains" and want them given a dignified burial, just like everybody else gets. Collins winds up by saying fetal tissue research "can be extremely valuable in understanding how life works, how development happens, and how to treat certain diseases like Parkinson's disease, for instance." There you have it – lifeboat ethics when we're not even in a lifeboat. Just look at all the great things we can get from these people if we can just kill them, like creating "**humanized mice**". Again, I go back to the Chinese: they kill adults for their organs because it finances and benefits the Chinese Communist Party. Benefitting from the death of others is hardly a justification for killing them, is it?

Benefits – nice try. Want to try again? Collins and others cite consent of the mother to donate baby parts to science. What would you think of a mother who found her 5-year-old 'inconvenient' and gave you permission to kill her child and use the body parts for science? You might see a difference, but I don't.

Nice try. Want to try again? The plucky **New York Times** gets around the moral question of **using hearts** in baby parts research by **denying** it's really a heart and it's not really beating. That's just "embryonic pulsing", got it? Get with the lingo, here. Actually, scientists have already established a baby's heart starts beating after just 21 days in the womb, sometimes before. So, as you can see, the New York Times doesn't really have a heart, either. That's just 'idiotic pulsing' from ideologues who don't want to follow the science.

Nice try. Want to try again?

The NIH did not, when recently asked about the grotesque experiments on baby parts at the University of Pittsburgh. The NIH **refused** to answer questions.

What's up with that?

If baby parts research is so great and has so many benefits, wouldn't you want to tell the world?

The NIH also refused to investigate, saying the University's conclusion it is "fully compliant" with the law is good enough for the feds – see no evil. Lawmakers posing the questions said the NIH's position is deficient because the research is "unethical and completely repulsive, contrary to federal law. We need answers." Well, they won't get any answers from the feds. Baby parts research apologists have retreated to the only argument they have left – stonewalling.

After all, there's money to be made. The Biden administration will spend **$88 million** on baby parts research this year. That's a lot of chopped liver and chardonnay, and you're paying for it. The administration disbanded an ethical review board that had previously rejected the more outrageous projects, so now anything goes in this research.

Want to put human fingers onto mice just to see what happens?

Go right ahead, there's nothing stopping you, but spare me your phony justifications, please.

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The Daily Skirmish – What the Abortion Industry Doesn't Want You to Know

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Abortion thrives in darkness. Abortion advocates are doing their best to keep people ignorant of the true nature of the abortion business.

There are lots of botched abortions, but the abortion industry tries to **cover them up** and tell people abortion is 'safe'. Women have died from botched abortions, but the abortion industry doesn't want you to know that. At the moment, there are four lawsuits pending in Alabama, Maryland, and D.C. arising from botched abortions.

Abortion advocates are **claiming** the abortion drug Mifepristone is safer than Tylenol and sends fewer people to the emergency room. Nice try.

Here are the facts: Mifepristone has been linked to 24 deaths and 4,000 serious complications from the year 2000 to 2018.

- The numbers would be higher but the Obama administration stopped requiring the reporting of non-fatal complications – another cover-up. The claim the drug is safer than Tylenol is based on a single 2013 study showing a 0.3 percent hospitalization rate, but other studies found much higher hospitalization rates, as high as 20 percent. But you won't hear anything about these studies from abortion advocates.

In fact, you won't hear anything about independent research from abortion advocates, at all. Instead, the industry **pays** hired guns for research that, unsurprisingly, concludes abortion is good. One such study:

> reportedly proves that 95 percent of women have no regrets about their abortions and that abortion causes no mental health problems. But a new exposé **reveals** that the authors have misled the public, using an unrepresentative, highly biased sample and misleading questions. In fact, over two-thirds of the women approached at the abortion clinics refused to be interviewed, and half of those who agreed dropped out. Refusers and dropouts are known to have more post-abortion problems.

A public charter school in Boston is teaching ninth-graders abortion **prevents pregnancy**. Class material defines abortion as a "procedure performed by a doctor that prevents a pregnancy once the sperm has already joined with an egg." Critics say the school is misleading students, and the critics are right. Isn't there something wrong when you have to resort to misleading gullible youth to stay in business?

The abortion industry doesn't want you to know lots of workers have quit after seeing the true nature of the abortion business up close. An abortion clinic worker in Florida **quit** from feeling guilty after helping "railroad" a woman into a $7,000 late-term abortion. The worker had been accumulating doubts about the clinic's obsession with money and that was the final straw. "I couldn't face myself in the mirror," she said.

In another indication abortion advocates don't want the truth to be known, activists **vandalized** a pro-life billboard in Mississippi in January, then celebrated the destruction online. The vandalism turned the billboard's message about abortion pill reversal treatment into a pitch for abortion drugs, instead. Activists are throwing smoke-bombs at pro-lifers and threatening violence as they become increasingly unhinged at the prospect of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade.

Abortion advocates **lied to the press** in their campaign to get the Supreme Court to approve abortion in the 1970s. And they've been lying ever since. This is all they've got. They know they don't have an argument left. They're pathetic and I, for one, can't wait for the Supreme Court to throw out the federal right to abortion.

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Autopsies Show: Vaccinating Teens for COVID Is Literally 'Heartbreaking'

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Madhava Setty, M.D. | **Children's Health Defense**

Autopsies of two teenage boys who died days after receiving Pfizer's COVID vaccine prove the vaccine caused their deaths. Pathological findings suggest there may be a way to distinguish SARS-COV-2 infection-induced myo/pericarditis from vaccine-induced cardiac injury. Vaccine-induced heart injury can be sub-clinical, but how often?

Pathologists who examined the autopsies of two teenage boys who died days after receiving Pfizer's **COVID-19** vaccine concluded the vaccine caused the teens' deaths.

The three pathologists, two of whom are medical examiners, published their findings Feb. 14 in an early online release **article**, "Autopsy Histopathologic Cardiac Findings in Two Adolescents Following the Second COVID-19 Vaccine Dose," in the Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

The authors' findings were conclusive. Two teenage boys were pronounced dead in their homes three and four days after receiving the second **Pfizer-BioNTech** COVID-19 dose.

There was no evidence of active or previous **COVID-19** infection. The teens had negative toxicology screens (i.e. no drugs or poisons were present in their bodies).

These boys died from the vaccine.

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Histopathological examination of their cardiac tissue revealed an important new finding: Neither heart demonstrated evidence of typical myocarditis.

Instead, the authors found evidence of microscopic changes consistent with a different form of heart injury called toxic cardiomyopathy. They wrote:

"The myocardial injury seen in these post-vaccine hearts is different from typical myocarditis and has an appearance most closely resembling a **catecholamine**-mediated stress (toxic) cardiomyopathy."

The authors further explained what they observed under the microscope:

"Their histopathology does not demonstrate a typical myocarditis … In these two post-vaccination instances, there are areas of contraction bands and hypereosinophilic myocytes distinct from the inflammation.

"This injury pattern is instead similar to what is seen in the myocardium of patients who are clinically diagnosed with **Takotsubo, toxic or 'stress' cardiomyopathy**, which is a temporary myocardial injury that can develop in patients with extreme physical, chemical, or sometimes emotional stressors.

"Stress cardiomyopathy is a catecholamine-mediated **ischemic process** seen in high catecholamine states in the absence of coronary artery disease or spasm. It has also been called 'neurogenic myocardial injury' and 'broken heart syndrome.'"

The pathologists determined there was a different mechanism of heart injury at play in these two boys, distinct from a purely infectious process that would result directly from a viral infection like COVID-19.

This is an important finding. There may be a way to distinguish cardiac injury resulting from a SARS-COV-2 infection from cardiac injury where the vaccine predisposes the patient to stress cardiomyopathy before contracting COVID-19.

However, the authors are careful not to assume that cardiac injuries from COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccines can always be sorted out under the microscope.

They explain that stress cardiomyopathy, or "broken heart syndrome," may also occur in a rare hyperinflammatory state that is known to occur in COVID-19 infection as well:

"This post-vaccine reaction may represent an overly exuberant immune response and the myocardial injury is mediated by similar immune mechanisms as described with SARS-COV-2 and multisystem inflammatory syndrome (**MIS-C**) cytokine storms."

The authors admit this pathological finding may also occur as a result of MIS-C, a known complication of SARS-COV2 infection.

Learning more about this condition requires a biopsy of heart tissue, or in this case an autopsy. We know very little about the nature of myocarditis in people who are clinically stable because heart biopsies are not conducted on them and autopsies are rarely done on patients who die from COVID-19.

There still is no practical way of screening for cardiac injury beyond assessing symptoms.

Unfortunately, the two boys did not have symptoms of myocarditis (fever, chest pain, palpitations, or dyspnea) prior to their cardiac arrest and death. One complained of a headache and gastric upset which resolved. The other had no complaints.

This is extremely concerning. These boys had smoldering, catastrophic heart injuries with no symptoms.

How many others have insidious cardiac involvement from vaccination that won't manifest until they get a serious case of COVID-19 or the flu? Or perhaps when they subject themselves to the physical **stress of competitive sports**?

These findings suggest a significant subset of COVID-19 deaths in the vaccinated could be due to the vaccines themselves.

Furthermore, it raises this question: How often does this condition exist in a latent form in vaccinated individuals?

The CDC believes the risk of vaccine-induced myocarditis not significant

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) **says** the risk of myocarditis and pericarditis in adolescents who get the COVID-19 vaccine is "extremely rare" and "most cases are mild."

But those assurances conflict with the agency's own data.

The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) presented this disquieting information (**see chart below**) during its June 23, 2021 meeting convened specifically to address the risks of myo/pericarditis in 12- to 15-year-olds who received Pfizer's COVID vaccine:

Preliminary myocarditis/pericarditis reports to VAERS following dose 2 mRNA COVID-19 vaccination, Exp. vs. Obs. using 21-day risk window (data thru Jun 11, 2021)

Age groups	Females			Males		
	Doses admin	Expected*,†	Observed*	Doses admin	Expected*,†	Observed*
12–17 yrs	2,189,726	1–7	20	2,039,871	1–12	132
18–24 yrs	5,237,262	2–18	27	4,337,287	2–25	233
25–29 yrs	4,151,975	1–15	11	3,625,574	2–21	69
30–39 yrs	9,356,296	5–54	14	8,311,301	5–48	71
40–49 yrs	9,927,773	6–57	23	8,577,766	5–49	40
50–64 yrs	18,696,450	11–108	25	16,255,927	9–94	34
65+ yrs	21,708,975	12–125	17	18,041,547	10–104	16
Not reported	—	—	1	—	—	9

* Assumes a 21-day post-vaccination observation window (i.e., symptom onset from day of vaccination through Day 20 after vaccination)

† Based on Gubernot et al. U.S. Population-Based background incidence rates of medical conditions for use in safety assessment of COVID-19 vaccines. Vaccine. 2021 May 14:S0264-410X(21)00578-8. Expected counts among females 12–29 years adjusted for lower prevalence relative to males by factor of 1.7 (Fairweather, D. et al. *Curr Prob Cardiol.* 2013;38(1):7-46).

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This slide is important for two reasons.

First, the incidence of this potentially lethal condition is significantly higher in the vaccinated ("Observed" column) compared to the background rate ("Expected" column), especially in males in the 18- to 24-year-old age range.

In the 12- to 17-year-old male cohort, the risk of myo/pericarditis is at least 11 times higher than the background rate.

With more than 2 million doses administered at the time when these cases of myo/pericarditis were identified, we can be confident these data represent an undeniable safety signal.

The second reason this slide is important is this: The CDC is drawing directly from the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), a system specifically designed to monitor for safety signals when vaccines are administered to the public.

As of Feb. 15, the CDC continues to **assure** the public that "Reports of adverse events to VAERS following vaccination, including deaths, do not necessarily mean that a vaccine caused a health problem."

In essence, the CDC is acknowledging that reports of deaths and other **adverse events** following vaccination exist in VAERS but do not comprise any risk because causality has not been verified.

Then why did the ACIP choose to accept VAERS as a legitimate source of information on myo/pericarditis in their calculations?

The CDC released its **conclusions** immediately following the ACIP meeting:

"The facts are clear: this is an extremely rare side effect, and only an exceedingly small number of people will experience it after vaccination. Importantly, for the young people who do, most cases are mild, and individuals recover often on their own or with minimal treatment."

But how do they know this?

One month after this comforting statement from the CDC, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) admitted in this **letter** to Pfizer that the agency was not able to adequately assess the risk of myocarditis from Pfizer's product:

"We have determined that an analysis of spontaneous postmarketing adverse events reported under section 505(k)(1) of the FDCA will not be sufficient to assess known serious risks of myocarditis and pericarditis and identify an unexpected serious risk of subclinical myocarditis.

"Furthermore, the pharmacovigilance system that FDA is required to maintain under section 505(k)(3) of the FDCA is not sufficient to assess these serious risks."

Commenting on the FDA's letter, Dr. Meryl Nass said, "The FDA is saying that neither an analysis of the data in VAERS or of any of the other taxpayer-funded databases will provide sufficient assessment of the risk of this product."

"This is a joke," said Nass, adding:

"All this data, plus software, plus a team of analysts, and the FDA says it can't assess the risk of myocarditis, despite identifying thousands of cases?

"Furthermore, unsaid, but implied by the FDA, is that if the FDA is incapable of assessing the risk of myocarditis despite thousands of reported cases, it cannot or will not be capable of assessing the other serious **adverse events** that have been reported in conjunction with COVID vaccines."

If the FDA is not able to perform adequate surveillance of safety signals around vaccine-induced myocarditis, who will?

The FDA assigns this unenviable but essential task to Pfizer itself (again, from the FDA'S **letter** to Pfizer):

“Therefore, based on appropriate scientific data, we have determined that you are required to conduct the following studies…”

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Is myocarditis ‘extremely rare’ after COVID-19 vaccination?

As of Feb. 4, VAERS reported **495** cases of myo/pericarditis in 12- to 17-year-olds. VAERS data show that as of Feb. 10, there were **2,239** reported cases of myocarditis in people under the age of 30.

However, a widely cited CDC-sponsored study (**Lazarus et al**) concluded the incidence of adverse events is 10 to 100 times higher than are reported to VAERS.

More recent calculations **estimate** that adverse events are underreported by a factor of approximately 41.

From these estimates, we can conclude there may have been approximately 20,000 cases of myocarditis in 12- to 17-year-olds since Pfizer’s COVID-19 vaccine received **Emergency Use Authorization** and was rolled out to this age group..

The VAERS data from June 11, 2021 from the table above show 132 cases of myo/pericarditis were observed in 2,039,000 doses given to 12- to 17-year-old males. This is approximately 6.5 cases in 100,000 doses.

This **study** from Hong Kong found the incidence of myo/pericarditis after two doses with Pfizer’s **Comirnaty vaccine** was 37 in 100,000. This incidence matches nearly exactly with findings from this **study** that used the Vaccine Safety DataLink (VSD) system (37.7 12-17 year olds per 100,000 suffered myo/pericarditis after their second dose). This is more evidence that significant underreporting is in play in the VAERS system.

Will most of these teens “recover on their own”? How many other vaccinated people have varying degrees of “broken heart” syndrome that remain asymptomatic, undiagnosed and unreported?

These new findings indicate that no one can answer these questions right now — especially not the CDC and the FDA.

If the FDA has admitted it cannot assess the risk of myocarditis using the surveillance systems in place, how then is the CDC able to assure us that the risk is low enough to continue to proceed with a vaccination campaign that now includes 5- to 11-year-old children?

The FDA has abdicated its responsibility for monitoring the safety of these vaccines to the vaccine manufacturers.

The CDC is using VAERS data in its own analyses while urging the public to discount all adverse events, including deaths, that appear in the very same database.

There isn't any regulation happening here. Our regulatory agencies have become mouthpieces for the very industry they are tasked to oversee.

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Black History Month: Remember Maafa 21 Documenting Black Genocide, Which Continues? Watch and See…

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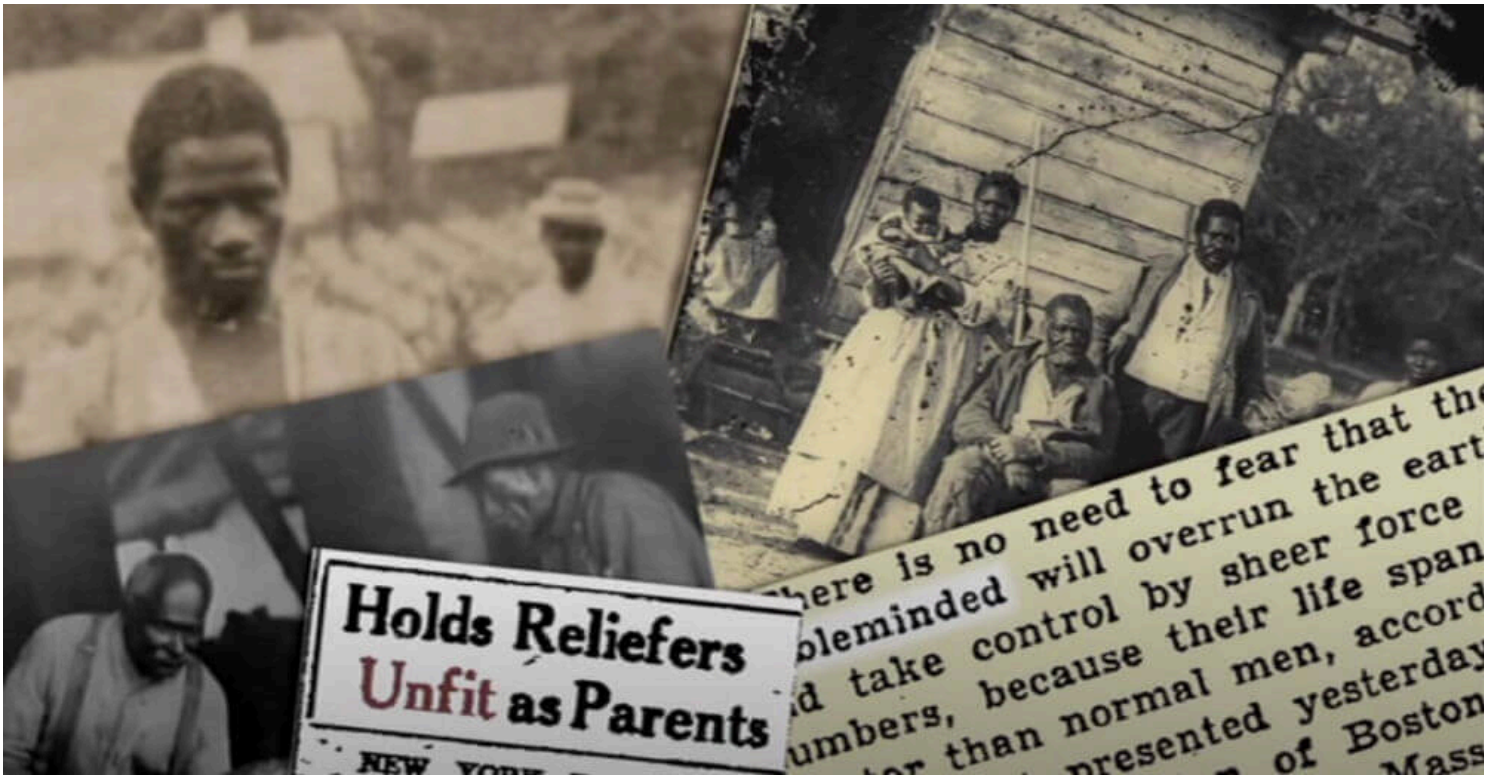

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They were stolen from their homes, locked in chains and taken across an ocean. And for more than 200 years, their blood and sweat would help to build the richest and most powerful nation the world has ever known.

But WHEN SLAVERY ENDED, THEIR WELCOME WAS OVER.

America's wealthy elite had decided it was time for them to disappear and they were not particular about how it might be done. What you are about to see is that the plan these people set in motion 150 years ago is still being carried out today. So DON'T THINK THAT THIS IS HISTORY. IT IS NOT. IT IS HAPPENING RIGHT HERE, AND IT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW

Maafa 21 - Black Genocide in 21st Century America - full documentary
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Poll shows that factors like fetal pain make a difference in attitudes toward abortion

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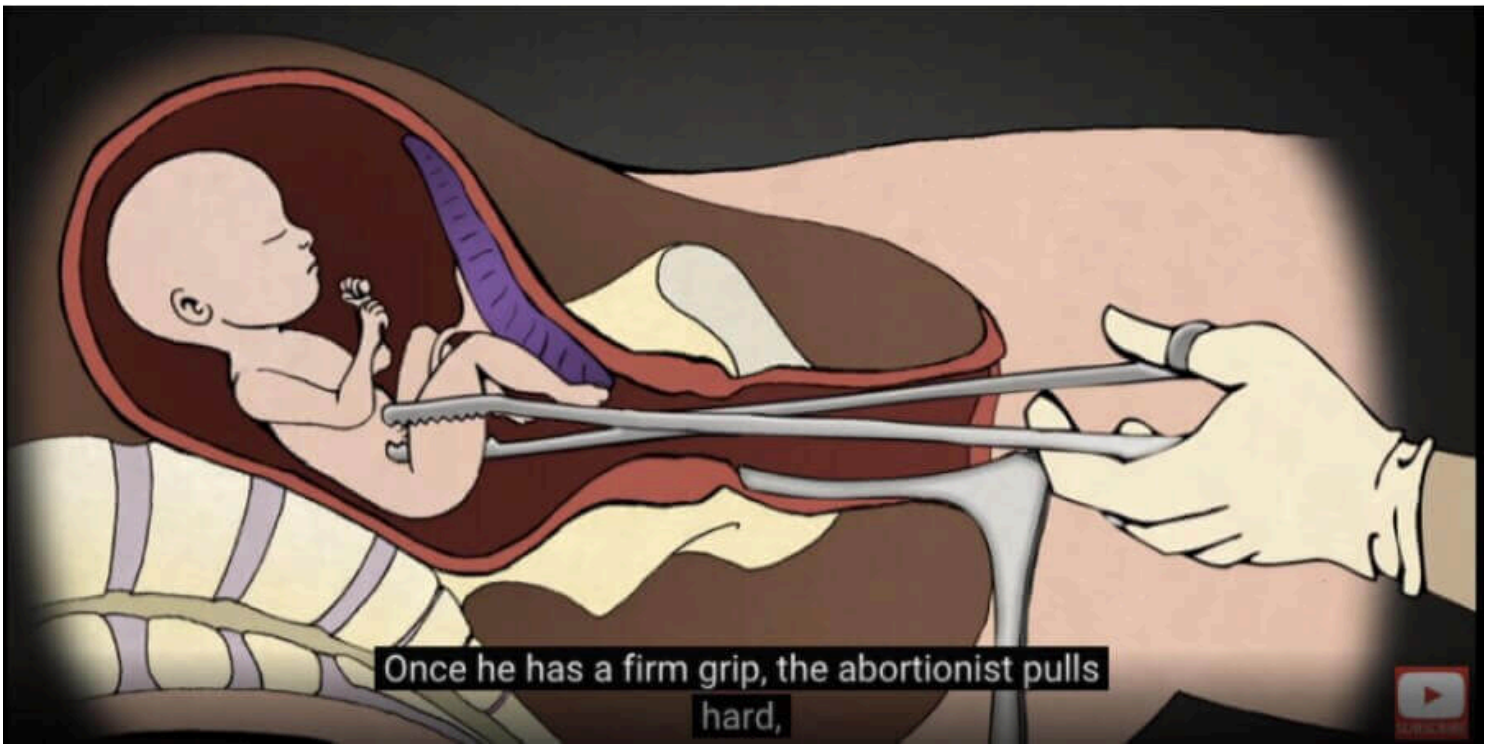

Laura Nicole | **LIVE ACTION**

According to a recent Knights of Columbus/Marist **poll**, 71% of Americans want more restrictions on abortion than currently exist. The poll also revealed that most Americans have another important factor in mind when considering abortion: fetal pain.

When asked "at which point should abortions for other reasons be limited" if abortion remains legal for rape, incest, and the mother's life, 42% of respondents answered that abortion should be limited starting at "the point at which a fetus can feel pain."

While a human being's ability to feel pain does not determine his or her humanity or worthiness to live, there is debate revolving around the preborn child's ability to feel pain, with abortion advocates denying that such ability exists. Every human being, from the moment of fertilization, deserves the protection of his or her right to life.

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Preborn babies are able to respond to **sound**, **light**, and **temperature**. And as scientific understanding of the preborn baby has expanded, a growing body of evidence indicates that babies can also feel pain much earlier than scientists initially believed, possibly even as early as **eight weeks**.

A **leading neurologist**, who once testified before Congress that there is "good evidence that fetuses cannot experience pain," has changed his mind in the face of this mounting evidence. Dr. Stuart Derbyshire's **cornerstone paper** on fetal pain now states that the former consensus he once defended is "no longer tenable," and that **preborn babies *can* feel pain** before 20 weeks, and **as early as 12 weeks** – something doctors have had evidence of **for decades**.

For quite some time, most scientists had **denied that newborns felt pain** and routinely performed surgery without pain medication. This only began to change in the 1980s, as the scientific community reevaluated the evidence and determined that newborn babies unquestionably *do* feel pain. The consensus is so widespread now that the mere proposal that newborns do not feel pain is unthinkable. The same is now happening with preborn babies, who are given pain medication before undergoing surgery in the womb.

READ: ***What does a 15-week-old human being in the womb look like?***

Like other human rights offenses, abortion is made acceptable to others when the victims of the violence of abortion are dehumanized, described as a "**clump of cells**," the "**products of conception**," without heartbeat but with mere "**embryonic pulsing**." Claiming that preborn babies cannot feel pain and calling the supporting data "**fringe science**" is part of this ideology. But when people learn about fetal development and the truth about what abortion entails, their minds begin to change towards a more pro-life outlook.

As Live Action News has reported, **polling has shown** that when given factual information about fetal development, more people are likely to agree with heartbeat laws and less likely to support abortion. Videos from the Endowment for Human Development showing the **embryonic heart beating at six weeks** can leave little doubt that preborn babies do have a heartbeat before many women even know they are pregnant. Live Action's **Baby Olivia** videos are **actively** changing hearts and minds by showing medically accurate information about fetal development in a visually engaging way. And Live Action interviews in Times Square also show how peoples' **minds change** when they can see how actual abortions are committed.

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Virginia will no longer oppose Mississippi's 15-week abortion limit in Supreme Court case

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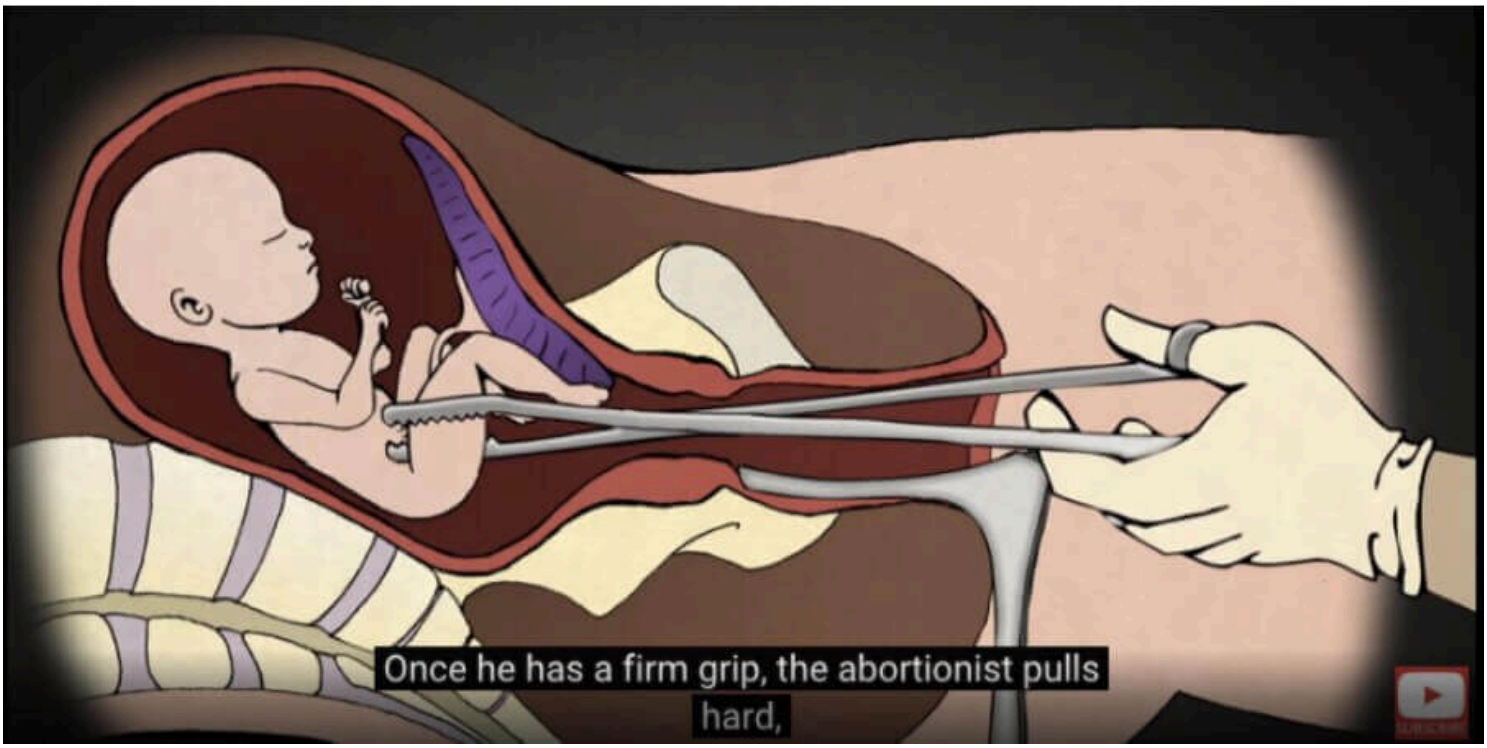

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Virginia's new attorney general, Jason Miyares, has filed a **legal motion** asking the Supreme Court to remove the state's name from an amicus brief previously filed in favor of abortion in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case.

In September 2021, former Attorney General Mark Herring **signed onto a brief** with 22 other states, the District of Columbia, and the North Carolina Attorney General arguing that Mississippi's law banning abortions after 15 weeks (the Mississippi Gestational Age Act) was unconstitutional. That brief also urged the Supreme Court not to overturn *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, two previous cases that reinforcing abortion as a constitutional right. Should the Court rule in favor of Mississippi, these court cases could be reversed.

READ: ***Exit polls show pro-life stance helped Glenn Youngkin win Virginia governor's race***

Miyares defeated Herring in the November elections. He was sworn into office on January 15.

In a letter from Andrew Ferguson, Solicitor General of Virginia, Miyares says that due to a change in administration, "Virginia no longer adheres to the arguments contained in its previously filed brief. Virginia is now of the view that the Constitution is silent on the question of abortion, and that it is therefore up to the people in the several States to determine the legal status and regulatory treatment of abortion."

The letter goes on further to ask the courts to reverse both *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, saying:

> It is Virginia's position that the Court's decision in Roe and Casey were wrongly decided. Unmoored from the Constitution's text, the Court's abortion jurisprudence has proven unworkable, and the Court's effort to save it has distorted other areas of the law. This Court should restore judicial neutrality to the abortion debate by permitting the people of the several States to resolve these questions for themselves.

With the legal motion, Miyares joins recently-elected Governor Glenn Youngkin in implementing some pro-life initiatives in the state. Youngkin **recently named** Angela Sailor the state's chief diversity officer, indicating that he wanted her to become an "ambassador for unborn children."

The Supreme Court heard **oral arguments** on the *Dobbs* case on December 1, and a ruling is expected later this spring.

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Equality Begins in the Womb | 2022 March for Life Friday January 21st

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2022 March for Life Friday January 21st

2022 SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 20, 2022

- **Capitol Hill 101:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Friday, January 21, 2022

- **Pre-Rally Concert:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- **March for Life Rally:** 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- **March for Life:** 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- **Rose Dinner Gala*:*** 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

We are excited to announce the 2022 March for Life theme is ‘Equality Begins in the Womb.’

From our nation's birth, our founders recognized the dignity inherent to all people, making each one of us equal in our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Because of this, Americans have fought for centuries to advance equality for every person, regardless of race, sex, or disability status. It has taken centuries, but discrimination is now acknowledged as unacceptable just about everywhere in America. Everywhere, that is, except in the womb.

As our country continues to advance along the path to a more just society, we cannot ignore the discrimination that is taking place against vulnerable unborn babies who some view as "less than"

Equality Begins in the Womb | 2022 March for Life

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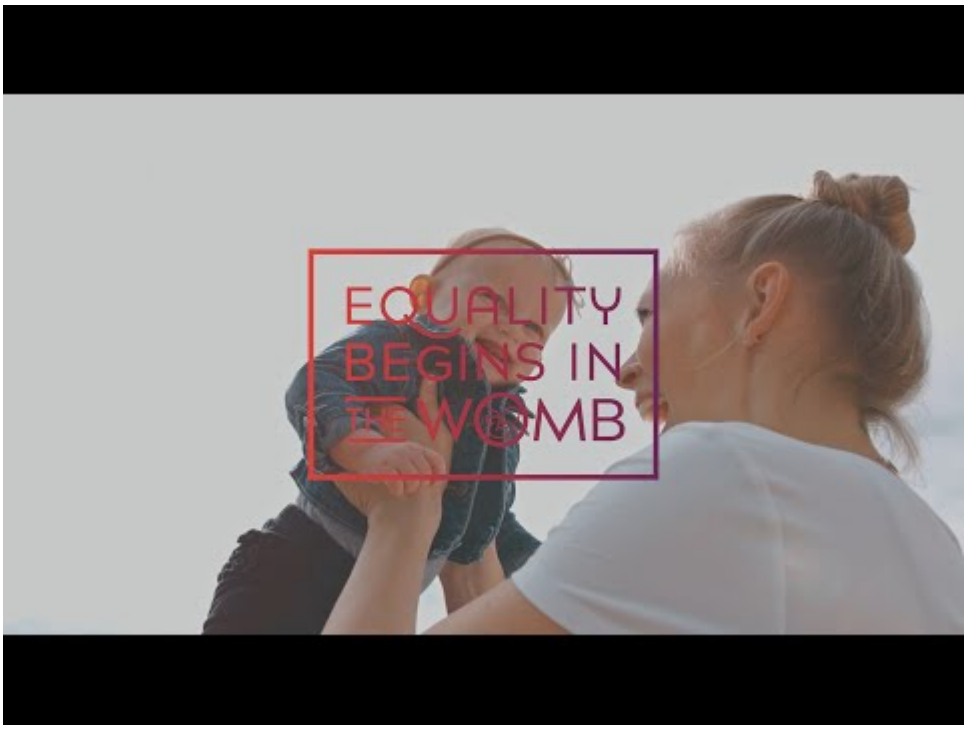

Airports

The most convenient way to get to D.C. is by flying here. There are two airports serving the D.C area, both are Metro accessible:

- **Washington Dulles Airport**—in Dulles, VA: an easy 25-mile drive from downtown D.C.
- **Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport**—in Crystal City, VA: just 5 miles from downtown D.C.

Buses

Charter buses are also a great way to get to D.C. However, they present certain parking problems and do require permits. Charter buses can be parked at the following locations: **Union Station**, **RFK Stadium**, or the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**.

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Whether you want to do some sight-seeing or come straight to the March, the easiest way to get around D.C. is through our extensive Metro system. Gathering with your fellow pro-life marchers in D.C. is easy. On the day of the March itself, simply take the metro to one of the three stops within an easy walking distance from the rallying location: **Federal Triangle**, **Smithsonian**, **Metro Center**.

March for Life announces speakers' lineup for pro-life rally next week, Jan 21st

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The in-person march returns after going virtual in 2021.

WASHINGTON (**LifeSiteNews**) — In preparation for the annual pro-life event's return to the nation's capital next week, the 49th annual March for Life has announced its lineup of speakers pro-life participants will hear from on January 21.

The March, which this year is adopting the theme "Equality Begins in the Womb," **unveiled** Tuesday its list of speakers and performers who will address the crowd, including Christian actor Kirk Cameron, Reps. Julia Letlow (R-LA) and Chris Smith (D-NJ), Relationship Matters founder Toni McFadden, *Duck Dynasty's* Lisa Robertson, "Bible in a Year" podcast host Mike Schmitz, Down syndrome advocate Katie Shaw, Christendom College student George Schuberg, Alliance Defending Freedom attorney Kristen Waggoner, and nurse Rachel Young.

Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and Cissie Graham Lynch will deliver the opening and closing prayers. Musician Matthew West will perform prior to the rally.

“We are delighted to welcome these incredible speakers to the March for Life,” said March for Life Education & Defense Fund president Jeanne Mancini. “Americans everywhere know that unborn children deserve equal rights and protection under the law. We expect this year’s March for Life to be historic with even higher levels of enthusiasm from participants. We are hopeful that, with *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* before the Supreme Court, 2022 will bring us much closer to building the culture of life we have all marched for since *Roe v. Wade* was tragically imposed on our nation nearly 50 years ago.”

Many have anticipated a return to the in-person march this year after the core marching component, which normally takes hundreds of thousands of pro-lifers from the Washington Monument all the way to the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court, was **canceled** last year, citing COVID-19 and the “heightened pressures that law enforcement officers and others are currently facing in and around the Capitol.”

But despite this year’s ostensible return to form, pro-lifers have been **frustrated by the news** that the March for Life has canceled its annual expo due to the District of Columbia’s COVID-19 vaccine mandate for indoor venues, imposed by Democrat Mayor Muriel Bowser, and will comply with the requirement of proof of vaccination or negative COVID test for its Rose Dinner Gala and Capitol Hill 101 events.

“The mayor of Washington, D.C. (who we know is 100% pro-abortion as she literally had us arrested last summer for sidewalk chalking ‘Black Preborn Lives Matter’ on a public sidewalk) is doing everything possible to make the pro-life movement cancel our events surrounding the 49th anniversary of Roe,” **said** Students for Life president Kristan Hawkins of the situation. “Literally, millions of lives are on the line as we begin working in our states to secure a post *Roe* future. Don’t let them win!”

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation pays for journalists to spread pro-abortion message

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Nancy Flanders | **Live Action**

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will now be **paying** for journalists to pen pro-abortion articles in European media outlets in an apparent attempt to spread pro-abortion propaganda.

According to **Right to Life UK**, the foundation announced that it will fund the **Innovation in Development Reporting Grant** — a media-funding initiative operated by the European Journalism Centre. One of the projects funded by the grant is "Abortion Access in Crisis and Conflict Zones" which is staffed by Jill Filipovic and Nichole Sobecki — both known for their pro-abortion writing. This project is focused on Bangladesh, Colombia, and Nigeria, and has a budget of €20,000 or $22,540.

The goal of the grant program is to "raise awareness" for certain "issues by enabling the production of stories that have a strong impact on media audiences." The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation **has a history** of funding population control efforts, and Gates has stated that funding

“reproductive health” efforts has been “the main thing” on the Gates Foundation’s list of priorities — especially “in the very poorest places.”

The “strong impact” it hopes to have on audiences is to convince them that abortion must be legalized in poor nations.

READ: ***Funded by Bill Gates, this organization is marketing the abortion pill worldwide***

Nigeria and Bangladesh are among the top eight **most populated** nations in the world — and along with Colombia, have heavy restrictions on abortion. In **Nigeria** and **Bangladesh**, abortion is legal only when a woman’s life is in danger; in **Colombia**, abortion is legally permissible when a woman’s life is considered at risk, when the baby has a poor prenatal diagnosis, when the pregnancy is the result of rape/sexual abuse/incest, or when the transfer of a fertilized ovum or artificial insemination is done without consent. These restrictions combined with the high population and poverty rates put these three nations at the top of the pro-abortion priority list — including that of the pro-abortion Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

In 2018, Gates **announced** that he and Melinda planned to donate $18 million to family planning programs through the United Nations Population Fund, a group linked to forced sterilizations and abortions in China. The foundation has also **donated** millions of dollars to Planned Parenthood and Marie Stopes International (now MSI Reproductive Choices), while claiming it doesn’t financially support abortion. MSI was caught committing illegal abortions in Niger and had been doing so for more than a decade with the financial support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, which was funding the illegal deaths of African children in the name of health care and population control.

This recent move by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to pay journalists is just the latest attempt to further its pro-abortion agenda in pro-life nations. While people in poverty-stricken nations are seeking clean water and access to education, pro-abortion groups like the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are offering them birth control and abortion instead, and are personally funding the deaths of millions of people of color.

The “Abortion Access in Crisis and Conflict Zones” project will likely be heavily skewed to support a so-called need for abortion in Bangladesh, Colombia, and Nigeria — pro-life nations that do not want abortion but are ripe for the picking by international abortion groups already working overtime to legalize abortion throughout **South America** and **Africa**.

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‘How perfectly formed he was’: Joseph fought to live, but died in his daddy’s arms at 21 weeks

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Disclaimer: The views expressed in this article are solely those of the author.

I was 21 ½ weeks pregnant with our son Joseph when I began cramping. My husband Joe and I were visiting my family in Saskatoon, Canada, for Christmas. After almost 24 hours, I told my sister, “This feels like labor.” So Joe and I bundled up and ventured out into the bitter cold, leaving our two toddlers with my sister.

The nurses at the Royal University Hospital told me to dress in a gown, and then I went to the bathroom. Suddenly I felt a gush of fluid pour out of me. Back on the hospital bed, the nurse took a swab and looked at me with sad eyes.

“I’m so sorry,” she said, “That was your amniotic fluid.”

I didn’t know why she was sad, but then she explained that I would soon go into labor. The worst part was being told that our baby was too young for them to try any life-saving measures.

“When they’re younger than 24 weeks, there’s just no hope,” she said. “Even at 24 weeks, the chances of survival are slim.”

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So we waited. I lay in bed with Joe by my side. We prayed and cried and hoped while nurses came in and out. Friends and family stopped in to pray and cry with us. The nurses told me the amniotic fluid could possibly replenish itself. It sounded like something they had made up but to this day, 15 years later, I’ve never researched whether that it possible. At the time, it was all we had to cling to.

After about a day, the cramps started getting painful and closer together.

“You might not have to wait until you’re 10 centimeters to deliver,” they told me, “because your baby won’t be that big.”

“What will happen to him?” I asked.

“He probably won’t be born alive,” they said. “Coming through the birth canal is too traumatic for them when they’re that small.”

Photo courtesy Ananda Peters

It came time to push, and Joseph was born alive. He was born gasping for air. They wrapped him in a blanket and laid him in my arms. I had never felt so hopeless in my life, and I have never felt so hopeless since. I kissed him all over his beautiful body, bathing him in my tears, then handed him

to Joe. Our baby Joseph took a few more gasps of air, and then he had no more fight in him. He died in his daddy's arms.

Photo courtesy of Ananda Peters

I was amazed at how perfectly formed he was. He was 13 inches long and weighed 13 oz. Everything was already so perfect about him. His fingernails were completely developed, as were his toenails. His little eyelids, his facial features. He looked exactly like a full-term baby except that he was smaller and his skin was dark.

Photo courtesy of Ananada Peters

I have always been ardently pro-life, but even I was amazed at how perfectly formed he was. I wondered how we, as a civilized society that has accomplished so much in terms of technology and innovation, can still be so ignorant of the development of human life. I can only conclude that the medical community has deliberately withheld information from us because there is such a push to promote abortion.

I believe in my heart that Joseph would have lived if the hospital had been willing to help him strengthen his lungs. Joe and I have gone on to have six more children and my babies are strong. They have all been big and healthy, born fighters.

The hospital's decision not to perform life-saving measures until 24 weeks was, in my opinion, wrong. It should have been up to us, his parents. Even if they had told us that his chances for survival were "extremely slim," we would have fought for him. We would have done everything in our power for him. I would have even lied to save him.

READ: ***Born at 21 weeks, this Wisconsin 'miracle' baby will spend Christmas at home***

Years after Joseph's death, I heard about a Florida woman named Sonja Taylor, who had **delivered a baby girl she named Amillia**, just two months before Joseph was born. In desperation, she lied to the doctor and said she was two weeks further along than she was. Amillia was born at 21 weeks and 6 days. She weighed 10 ounces and was 9 ½ inches long, smaller than Joseph.

The hospital in Miami put Amillia on a ventilator until she could breathe on her own. Today Amillia is a healthy 15-year-old teenager. In my eyes, Sonja Taylor is a hero. I put her in the same

category as the brave people who hid Jews in their homes during the second world war. When officers came knocking, they said No, there are no Jews here. I wish I had thought of that. I wish I had requested a c-section to eliminate the stress on Joseph's lungs. I wish, I wish, but we can't go back in time. All we can do is tell the world about the humanity of the unborn. I think lawmakers and parents in difficult circumstances might re-consider abortion if they saw how perfectly formed a baby is at 21 ½ weeks. At least I hope so.

In memory of Joseph Asher Peters

December 20, 2006

Psalm 119:14a – "I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made."

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Roe was written to be overturned. And that day has arrived.

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With the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case before the U.S. Supreme Court, our Nation faces the possible upending of the landmark decision *Roe v. Wade* — the case that has dictated America's abortion laws for over 48 years. However, the justices in the majority made it clear that its temporary, provisional holding in *Roe* was never meant to be the final say on abortion.

As the Court later **explained** in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the 1992 challenge to *Roe*, its decision was merely the Court's best attempt to encourage "the contending sides of a national controversy to end their national division" based on the facts available in 1973.

Consider the **sequence of events** that led to the Court's final decision in *Roe*.

The first draft of the Court's opinion did not establish abortion rights; the second draft did but Justice Blackmun, *Roe*'s author, held that those rights only exist in the first trimester even though

he recognized that standard as "arbitrary" and "equally arbitrary" to viability, which is when a fetus can first survive outside of his or her mother; but then, after Justice Powell suggested that viability would be more "generally accepted," the final opinion crafted the Court's viability standard in holding that women have a constitutional right to abortion up until **fetal viability**.

Further, consider the *Roe* Court's discussion of outstanding questions and issues that needed to be resolved.

First, the Court claimed that it could not permit states to ban abortion at fertilization since justices could not determine "when life begins . . . at point in the development of man's knowledge"; this left open the possibility that if man's knowledge developed to prove that a human's life begins at fertilization ('the fertilization view'), then the Court could be confident that abortion entails the taking of a human's life and could hold that states have the Tenth Amendment right and Fourteenth Amendment duty to protect the preborn from abortion throughout pregnancy.

Second, the Court found that "the law ha been reluctant to endorse any theory that life . . . begins before live birth or to accord legal rights to the unborn"; this left open the possibility that if states were to protect preborn humans in other legal contexts, then the Court could be confident that abortion bans are genuine protections of preborn humans instead of attempts to control women.

The *Casey* Court enshrined this logic in its standard for overturning precedents: "In constitutional adjudication as elsewhere in life, changed circumstances may impose new obligations, and the thoughtful part of the Nation could accept each decision to overrule a prior case as a response to the Court's constitutional duty."

READ: ***Legal scholars agree 'viability' doesn't determine humanity of preborn children***

Legal scholars have published on these "fact- and time-sensitive move" by the *Roe* Court. For instance, one scholar **argued** that the Court "left open the possibility that if a sufficient consensus about the beginning of human life emerged" to prove the fertilization view, then Court's viability standard "would have to shift with this consensus to protect human life in the womb" throughout pregnancy.

Thus, the *Roe* Court practically held that states could protect preborn humans from abortion if they prove that the preborn are humans and if they act consistently in providing the preborn equal legal protections in non-abortive contexts. And this makes sense: if the Court did not know whether abortion takes a human's life and states did not charge a man with homicide after he attacked a pregnant woman and caused the death of her preborn child, then why should states have been allowed to charge and convict a physician for performing a medical abortion on a consenting pregnant woman?

Today, in *Dobbs*, **not a single *amicus* brief** filed in support of *Roe* disputed the science underlying the fertilization view. However, biologists from 15 countries filed an *amicus* brief in *Dobbs*, in support of neither party, that declared: "The fertilization view is widely recognized — **in the literature** and by **biologists** — as the leading biological view on when a human's life begins."

Today, the **United States Congress** and **29 states** have passed fetal homicide laws that protect preborn humans from non-abortive violence starting at fertilization. In fact, states protect the preborn in at least **eight legal contexts**.

Finally, consider how the *Roe* Court ostensibly gave states a legal roadmap to overturn its precedent in *Roe* by declaring that fetal rights would outweigh the right to abort if the "suggestion of personhood is established" because the case for abortion rights "collapses, for the fetus' right to life would then be guaranteed specifically by the Amendment."

But what did the Court mean by "personhood"?

In the years following *Roe*, the Court revisited the issue in **subsequent cases** and Justices Blackmun, Brennan, and Marshall — who were all part of the majority in *Roe* — **affirmed** that "if there is not such a difference , the permissibility of terminating the life of a fetus could scarcely be left to the will of the state legislatures" since fetal rights would be guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment. This is because the amendment uses the language "person" to refer to all living humans, as justices have **explained** that the amendment applies to all "weak and helpless human beings."

Some might use "person" as a philosophical term that can be arbitrarily defined based on people's preferences, but it is a straightforward legal term. Its meaning is only debated by those who seek to deny a human the rights they deserve — such as in discussions on **abortion** and **end-of-life scenarios** — or to recognize the rights of a non-human—such as in discussions on **animal rights** or **corporate personhood**.

The principle of equality necessitates that all humans, born and preborn, must be legally recognized as persons. As I outlined above, justices on both sides of the abortion issue agree that there can be no right to abortion if it entails the killing of a human since there can be no right to commit a homicide without an adequate legal justification. The core truth of the abortion debate is that — much like your right to throw a punch ends at the tip of my nose — **abortion rights end when a human's life begins**.

The Court has waited 48 years for the evidence required to update its temporary, provisional holding with a decision reflective of that core truth. Since the *Dobbs* Court has a majority of dedicated constitutionalists, there is an overwhelming **scientific consensus** on when a human's life begins, and states protect the preborn in several legal contexts — it is clear that day has finally come.

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Pro-life lawyer explains how Supreme Court could overturn Roe v. Wade in Mississippi case

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(**LifeSiteNews**) — The Supreme Court's pro-abortion *Roe v. Wade* decision was argued on faulty constitutional grounds from the very beginning.

In this interview with LifeSite's Jim Hale, constitutional attorney Adèle Keim of the **Becket Fund for Religious Liberty** explains why Wednesday's Supreme Court hearing on Mississippi's law restricting any abortion over 15 weeks could result in a reversal of the 1973 Supreme Court decision that wrongly made abortion a constitutional issue.

"Mississippi has gone all the way to the Supreme Court to fight for this one proposition," said Keim, "that *Roe v. Wade* was incorrectly decided nearly 50 years ago and it should be overturned."

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The 2363 campaign: This video changed their minds. Will it change yours?

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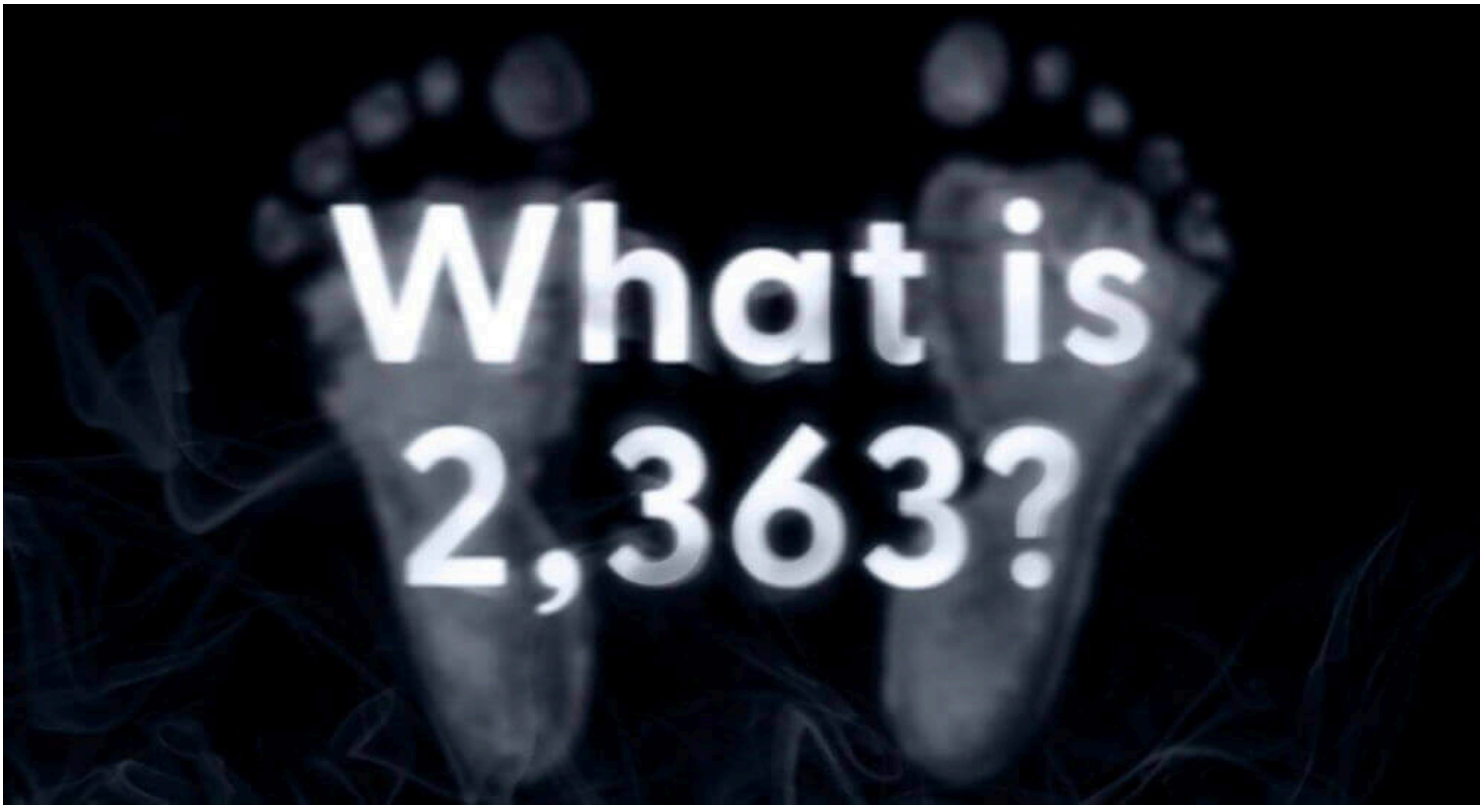

Live Action officially launched its new campaign, **2363**, on Saturday in Santa Monica, California. The multi-million dollar human rights campaign aims to raise awareness to the fact that 2,363 abortions are committed in America each day, making abortion the leading cause of death for children.

Through 2363, Live Action hopes to educate the nation on the humanity of preborn children while emphasizing the imperative to protect these children in the womb. The campaign will also connect women and families with life-saving resources and equip new pro-life activists to end abortion in their communities.

The kickoff event welcomed over 2,000 attendees and featured appearances by leaders in the pro-life movement. Singer-songwriter Colton Dixon, former NFL player Andre Levrone Jr., speaker and survivor Lianna Rebolledo, Ohio Legislator Jena Powell, the Center for Medical Progress' David Daleiden, former abortionist Dr. Kathi Aultman, and abortion pill reversal patient and advocate Rebekah Hagan were featured at the event.

Lila Rose, Live Action's founder and president, was on hand to reveal the 2363 campaign video, a powerful video that is educating people on the humanity of preborn children and the atrocities of abortion. See the video below:

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READ: ***Former abortion supporters describe how their minds were changed***

The campaign video is already changing hearts and minds. According to a national survey, after viewing the 2363 video:

- The number of people who categorized their position as "abortion should never be legal" increased by 11%, from 33% to 44%.

- 62% of people said they now viewed abortion more negatively
- 39% of people said they viewed abortion *much* more negatively
- The number of people who said abortion should be legal at any time or even after birth dropped from 13% to 6%.

The initiative comes at a strategic time, as the nation waits for the Supreme Court's December deliberation of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization,* in which the court will determine the outcome of Mississippi's 15-week abortion restriction. In advance of this pivotal case, Live Action will bring the 2363 campaign across the country, concentrating on the major metropolitan areas of Los Angeles, Washington D.C., New York City, and Jackson, Mississippi, using billboards, radio ads, digital, TV ads, and out-of-home marketing to educate an estimated 90% of the population about the truth of abortion.

Rose **stressed the importance** of this nationwide campaign:

Every day, in the richest and most powerful nation in the history of the world, 2,363 children are killed by the violence of abortion… The facts about abortion are devastating, but must be known: these 2,363 precious lives are killed through chemical abortions – starved of nutrients, then forcibly aborted, or torn into pieces by suction and removed from their mothers, or torn limb from torso by forceps while still alive, before their skulls are crushed, or stabbed in the heart or head with a lethal injection. The mass killing of the innocent through abortion is the greatest crisis we face as human beings.

Visit **2363.org** to find more information and resources about this important campaign.

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House Dems United in Death – Agree or ?

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Tony Perkins | **Family Research Council**

People say it's hard to find consensus in Washington, but Democrats have found plenty on one issue: abortion. At least in the House, the idea of middle ground has vanished. When it comes to the taking of innocent life, the battlelines are clear: Republicans are 100-percent opposed, and all but *one* Democrat is in favor.

With all that's going on in the world, you'd think Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) would have better things to do than reignite a vicious debate over late-term abortion. But with very little for the Democratic Party to agree on these days, the California radical decided it was time to bring everyone back together with a vote on her disingenuously named "**Women's Health Protection Act**" — a bill so radical that it would wipe away every state restriction on abortion and legalize it right up to the moment of birth.

No one thought an abortion law more barbaric than **New York'**s was possible, but Joe Biden's party is bent on proving them wrong. In an astonishing move, House Democrats made history Friday morning by passing a bill that allows any kind of abortion, at any time, for any reason. Gone would be the states' partial-birth abortion bans, protections for newborn survivors, conscience rights, ultrasound requirements, parental consent, and **so much more**. If the Senate

were to follow suit, everything the pro-life community has worked for over the last 50 years would evaporate. It is, as Rep. Mary Miller (R-Ill.) said with horror, "completely radical and evil."

When the speaker defended the legislation, saying God gives people "free will to honor our responsibilities," the Archbishop of San Francisco, Salvatore Cordileone, fired back that it was "**nothing short of child sacrifice**." Republicans agreed, offering speech after passionate speech in opposition on the House floor. "Quite frankly," an emotional Rep. Jody Hice (R-Ga.) said, "the Democrats don't care if the unborn child has a fully developed heart. They don't care if it has arms or lungs or fingers or toes. They don't care if it feels pain. They want abortion — period — and they want to finance it with your tax dollars."

It is, without a doubt, the fiercest attack on the unborn since *Roe* was decided, Rep. Tom Cole (R-Okla.) warned. And obviously, with the Supreme Court set to take up the groundbreaking case on Mississippi's abortion law, there's a reason for that. When Democrats started pushing this bill to make abortion-on-demand permanent, they weren't just pursuing **wildly unpopular legislation**, they were exposing the fact that abortion was never law to begin with. Instead, it was a Supreme Court invention that has unjustly claimed the lives of more than 60 million children. And what Mississippi has said — and we hope the justices uphold — is that abortion should be an issue the people and their state leaders decide. Not the courts.

And yet, as unified as House Democrats may be on abortion, the country is anything but. According to **a Harvard Center for American Studies poll**, *only eight percent* of the country sides with Pelosi on third-trimester abortion. Any far-Left leaders who think this barbaric crusade is a winning strategy are kidding themselves. Even **two out of every three "pro-choicers"** are appalled at the idea of destroying a baby in the womb after the fifth month. "They are overriding the will of the people," Miller shook her head. "They are crushing the rights and freedoms that states have to implement their own laws in this area."

If there is a bright side to Friday's vote, it's that Republicans are just as determined to protect life as Democrats are to destroy it. And that's significant. Prior to 2018, there were still a number of pro-abortion Republicans. That's not the case anymore. If they support it, they certainly aren't open about it — and that's the result of a lot of Christians being involved and voting. If the debate has elevated to the highest legislative and judicial levels, Miller said, it's because of the good work "being done by what I call the grounds troops — the people who are working to inform Americans about the truth of this… and the Left is afraid because they know we're winning — and we're not going to give up."

There is no doubt in my mind that we are at this point before the Supreme Court because of the decades of prayer, of repentance, and of the practical work of people walking alongside those who find themselves in unplanned pregnancies. There have been times, Mary agreed, where our country has admitted we were wrong and changed course.

And while the Democratic Party seems to be more determined than ever to destroy human life, we have to “keep speaking truth into this issue.” It’s time to fear God, she said. “The scriptures say that mercy has triumphed over judgment, but we need to enter into that mercy and to repent and turn away from this grave national sin.”

Rep. Mary Miller Discusses Upcoming Vote in the House on a Bill that could Block State Pro-Life Laws
https://youtube.com/watch?v=94ZAPaRMem4

*For more on the Democrats' obsession with the culture of death, check out Connor Semelsberger's new piece, "**Pelosi and Biden Give Human Life a One-Two Punch**."*

Dear Simone: Everyone deserves a chance to live, no matter the circumstance

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> "I already know this is going to start the biggest argument & may even lose followers BUT I'm very much pro-choice," Biles answered on Instagram. "Your body. your choice.
> Simone Biles, Bronz Medalist, USA

By Bettina di Fiore | **Live Action**

Dear Simone,

It nearly broke my heart when I read your recent **comments in apparent support of abortion**, especially the fact that you used the brokenness of the foster care system as justification for your "your body, your choice" position. I am fighting back tears even as I write this.

You say your comments were not pro-abortion, but were instead about supporting women's "choices." But if the options of adoption and foster care are off the table, as you imply they should be, what legitimate choices are left to a pregnant woman who cannot care for a child? Abortion kills a child *already in existence*. The child cannot be un-created. How is abortion a legitimate

“choice,” even if a mother thinks it’s “best for her,” when it by definition involves ending someone else’s life —someone who has *no* “choices” in the matter whatsoever?

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What you wrote implies that children in the “broken” foster care system would be better off if they had been aborted. What you may not realize is that this is analogous to saying they would be better off dead. Because abortion is killing. Even abortionists **admit** this.

You, Simone, would not be better off dead. You, who likely suffered greatly as a foster child, are a shining light in this dark world. You have provided hope and inspiration to countless other foster children who are living in difficult situations.

They would not be better off dead, either.

I myself was a foster child as a teen. My mother didn't even bother to show up to the hearing where her parental rights were determined — she relinquished them by default. That was extremely painful. Having the State and my **CASA** (Court Appointed Special Advocate) appointee as my primary benefactors on my birthdays and at Christmas was painful, too.

But it was surely not nearly as painful as being ripped apart, limb by limb, like children commonly are in some abortion procedures. It didn't hurt nearly as much as it would have if my mother had chosen to kill me instead.

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I have a godson who was a foster child when I first met him. He was a beautiful five-year-old little boy with ugly stories about being left alone for days on end in filthy, roach-infested apartments with only rotting food to eat. He remembered every detail of the nightmare his life had been — the nightmare that had landed him in foster care in the first place. He was one of the lucky ones. His foster family loved him like their own biological son, and they were able, after much waiting and wading-through of red tape, to adopt him. But his path has been difficult. He has struggled tremendously. He has had behavioral problems and has been in therapy for several years. He will probably continue to be in therapy for years to come. Anybody who has been through what he has probably faces similar challenges. I know I have.

But his smile lights up every room he enters. And that smile obliterates any doubt any sane person might have about whether his life has been "worth it." His life is worth fighting for, worth suffering for, worth struggling through. Even at his young age, he will tell you exactly the same thing.

And that is the beautiful thing about the human spirit — *it transcends*. As a matter of fact, you are an expert in this area — you have transcended incredible odds to achieve the seemingly impossible. Suffering can be a crucible in which souls of gold and steel are forged.

READ: ***Eight myths and misunderstandings about foster care… and the truth***

I personally would not trade the suffering I have experienced for non-existence — or even for an uneventful life — because it has given me a solid core that is able to readily weather the storms that occasionally overshadow the lives of every human being on planet Earth.

Life is full of hardships. Yes, it is tragic when these hardships touch the lives of children, and yes, we should do what we can to protect them from such things. But not at the expense of their very existence! To live an imperfect life is infinitely better than not to live at all. Hope only dies when life is ended. As long as a person is alive, they have a chance to overcome their challenges and achieve victory over their obstacles.

Robbing a person of their chance at transcendence is the greatest crime you could possibly commit against them — far worse than birthing them into an imperfect, or even dangerous, situation. You have shown the world how beautifully and inspiringly such transcendence can be achieved. Doesn't everyone else deserve a chance to imitate your example?

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What does an abortion look like at 15 weeks gestation?

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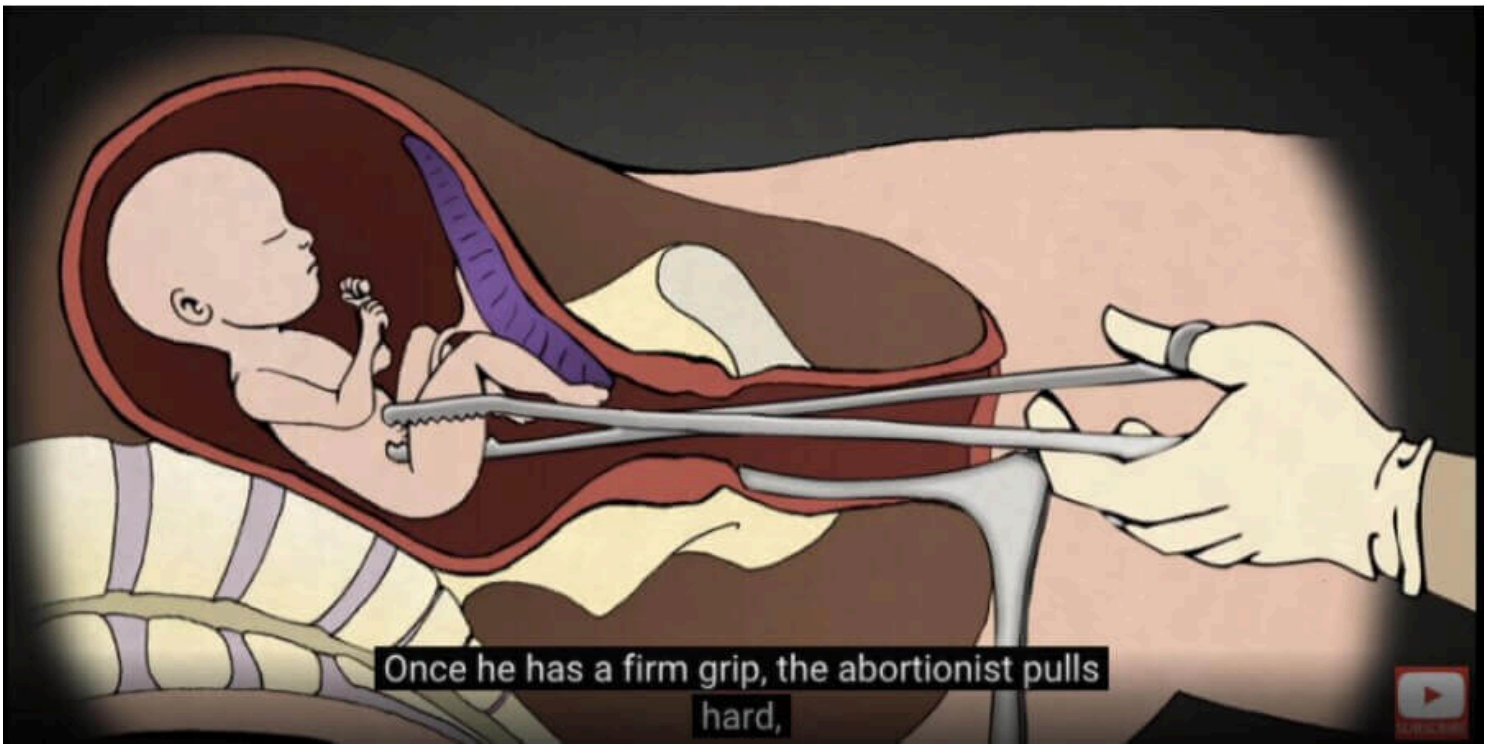

As the Supreme Court gears up to hear the case of ***Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health Organization*** this fall regarding Mississippi's restriction on abortion at 15 weeks gestation, Americans should be aware both of the advanced development of a preborn child at 15 weeks (read **here**) and the procedure most often used to end the lives of preborn children at 15 weeks.

The majority of Americans already want abortion **restricted** to the first trimester, which is what Mississippi's law does. The **law** states that 15 weeks was chosen as the time limit for two main reasons:

- Abortion's physical risks to women increase as the gestational age of her preborn child increases. (Read more about that **here**.)
- The most commonly used form of abortion in the second trimester is the violent **D&E abortion procedure**, also known as dismemberment abortion.

Warning: Graphic images below.

What is a D&E abortion?

A D&E abortion is the most commonly used second-trimester abortion procedure — and also the most brutally violent — between weeks 13 and 24 of pregnancy. It involves first dilating the mother's cervix about 24 to 48 hours ahead of the final steps of the procedure. During the second part of the abortion, a suction machine removes the amniotic fluid from the uterus and then the abortionist uses a Sopher clamp to grasp the arms and legs of the preborn child and tear each limb from her torso. He then tears apart the delicate baby's torso, removing the spine and organs before grasping her skull and crushing it.

This involves no small amount of force as the baby's gestational age increases. Abortionist DeShawn Taylor joked on undercover video that she needed to "**hit the gym**" to gain the strength needed to commit the dismemberment procedure.

"The abortionist knows he has crushed the skull when a white substance comes out of the cervix," explained former abortionist, Dr. Anthony Levatino, in a video at **AbortionProcedures.com**. "This was the baby's brains. The abortionist then removes skull pieces."

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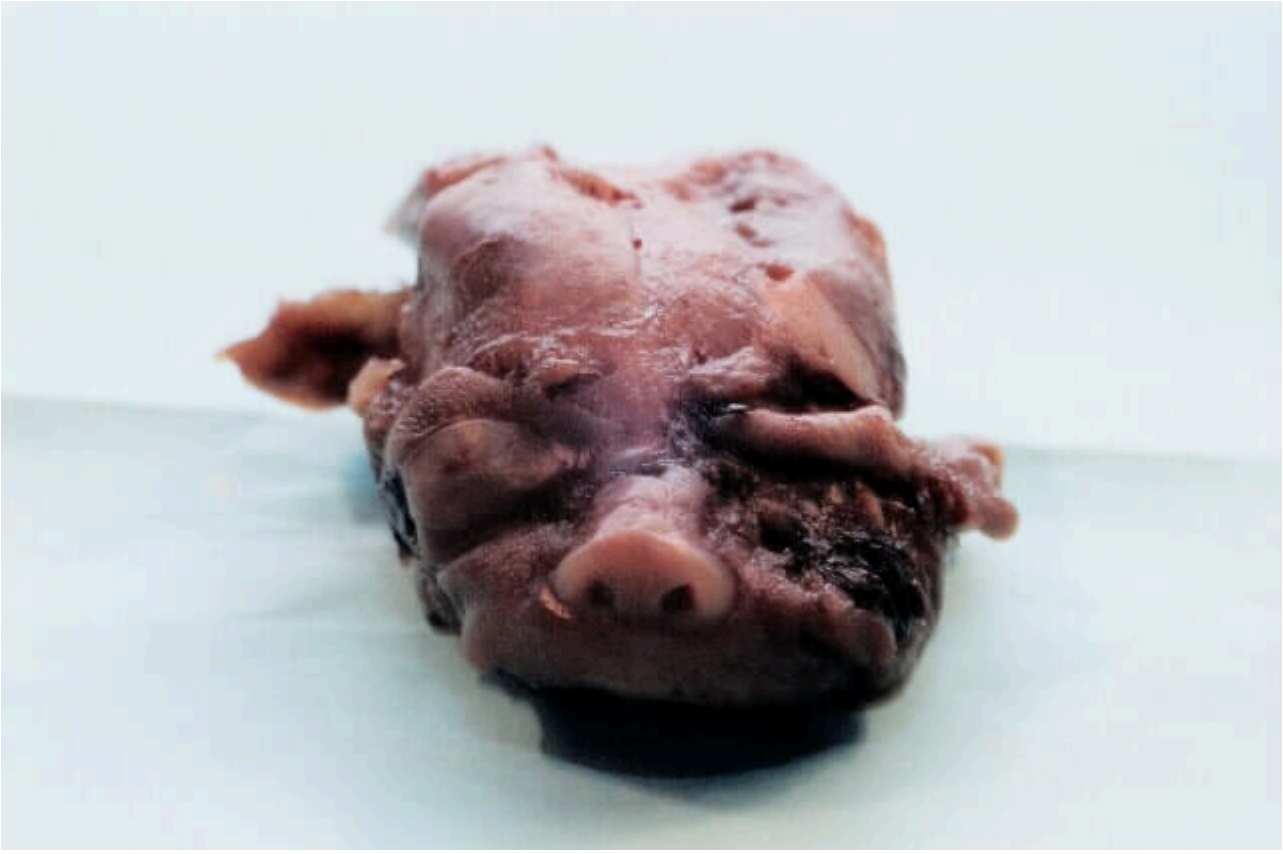
Once the abortionist scrapes out the mother's uterus in an attempt to ensure all body parts and placenta are removed, an abortion worker or the abortionist pieces the baby back together like a puzzle, to ensure that there are two legs, two arms, and all other body parts accounted for. Any body parts left inside the uterus can cause infection and possibly death for the mother.

As is evident in the video above, a D&E abortion is inhumane and cruel. And as they say, pictures speak louder than words.



Face of an aborted baby at 21 weeks (D&E procedure).

Remains of a baby aborted by D&E. From Citizens for a Pro-Life Society

Women who have later learned what was done to their babies have been devastated.

“ I realized that my babies did in fact suffer and that yes, they struggled. They suffered as they struggled and fought to stay with their Mommy that day… Even as I was trying to let them go,” Dana, whose triplets died by a D&E abortion, **told** photographer Angela Forker for the After the Abortion photography series. “They still wanted their Mommy.”

Can the preborn child feel pain at 15 weeks?

A D&E abortion is inhumane, and according to recent research, preborn children are likely to feel pain **by or even before** the **end of the first trimester**. According to **The Endowment for Human Development**, by nine weeks post-fertilization (11 weeks after the mother’s last menstrual period), a preborn child’s face, hands, and feet are sensitive even to light touch. These children are certainly able to feel the pain of a clamp grasping and tearing off their leg or arm.

Despite these facts, whether or not the child can feel pain at any point during pregnancy is, in a way, irrelevant. There are born individuals who are unable to feel pain. The inability to feel pain does not strip a human being of her humanity, and it is *always* morally wrong to kill an innocent human being.

READ: ***‘No place in civilized society’: The truth about abortions at 15 weeks***

What happens to the baby's body?

It's hard to imagine what has become of the **bodies** of the 65 million babies killed by abortion in the United States since 1973. So where did they all go?

Some bodies have been thrown in dumpsters and others flushed down toilets and drains. Many are thrown into hazardous waste bins while others are stored in freezers for lengthy periods of time. In Oregon, the bodies of aborted children have been burned to create electricity and in the case of abortionist Ulrich "George" Klopfer, more than 2,200 bodies were stored in his garage until his death in 2019. Other bodies have been **parceled** out for **research** and **experimentation**.

Mississippi's attempt to restrict abortion to the first 15 weeks of pregnancy was carefully considered for justifiable reasons. An abortion at 15 weeks is inhumane and also comes with **significant risks for women**.

Read more **here** to learn what a human being at 15 weeks in the womb looks like.

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Exposing ACOG: How abortion and population control enthusiasts redefined the beginning of life

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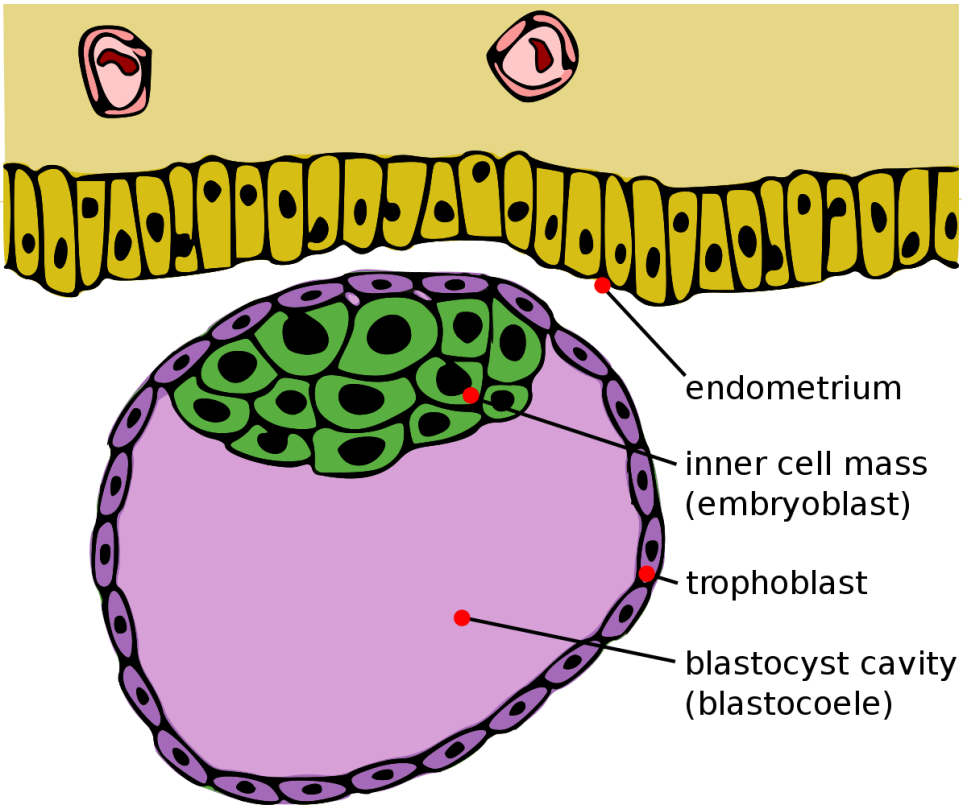

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Many assume that the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) is an unbiased organization, frequently quoted as a medical authority by mainstream media. In fact, it is anything but unbiased and is at the **forefront** of the effort to **expand abortion**, specifically the abortion pill. As Live Action News has documented, the ACOG has a history of ties to **advocates** of population control. The ACOG's move toward decriminalizing abortion **began** in the 1960s and ultimately ended with the organization officially supporting unrestricted abortion on demand.

In his book, "Abortion and the Pro-life Movement," Dr. John Willke claimed that in the mid-1960s, ACOG officials and former Planned Parenthood president **Alan F. Guttmacher, M.D**, sought to redefine the terms "conception" and "pregnancy." The commonly accepted understanding of "conception" was *fertilization*, the moment egg and sperm fuse, but the redefinition of "conception" was changed to mean *implantation*, the moment the days-old human being implants in the uterine lining. The redefinition was not based on science; instead, it appears to have been motivated by a desire to promote population control and the acceptance of certain contraceptives.

The change was finalized by the ACOG's **1965 Committee on Terminology**, which, according to Harvard Medical School Professor **John D Biggers**, accepted the new definition to read, "Conception is the implantation of a fertilized ovum."

But in 1972, Biggers noted that the ACOG committee **updated** the definition to read, "Conception is the implantation of the blastocyst. It is not synonymous with fertilization."

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New study Reveals Covid Vaccine TERMINATES 4 out of 5 pregnancies via “spontaneous abortions”

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(**Natural News**) Shocking new study reveals covid vaccine TERMINATES 4 out of 5 pregnancies via “spontaneous abortions”

A shocking new study published in the New England Journal of Medicine reveals that when pregnant women are given covid vaccinations during their first or second trimesters, they suffer **an 82% spontaneous abortion rate**, killing 4 out of 5 unborn babies.

This stunning finding, explained below, is self-evident from the data published in a new study entitled, “**Preliminary Findings of mRNA Covid-19 Vaccine Safety in Pregnant Persons.**” Just as disturbing as the data is the fact that the study authors apparently **sought to deliberately obfuscate the truth about vaccines causing spontaneous abortions** by obfuscating numbers in their own calculations.

Originally brought to our attention by a Life Site News article, we checked with our own science contacts to review the data and double check all the math. In doing so, we were able to confirm two things:

1. **Yes, the study shows an 82% rate of spontaneous abortions in expectant mothers given covid vaccines during their first or second trimesters.**
2. **Yes, the study authors either deliberately sought to hide this fact with dishonest obfuscation (explained below) or they are incompetent and made a glaring error that brings into question their credibility.**

In other words, this study was almost certainly a *cover-up* to try to claim vaccinating pregnant women is perfectly safe. But the study data actually show quite the oppose.

Here's how:

700 of the 827 women were vaccinated in the third trimester

Table 4 from the study, shown below, reveals that a total of 827 pregnant women were studied. Out of the 827 women, 700 of them received their first vaccine in their third trimester of pregnancy. This means 127 women (which is 827 – 700) received a vaccine during their first or second trimesters. (You have to read the fine print below the table to see this disclosure.)

Table 4. Pregnancy Loss and Neonatal Outcomes in Published Studies and V-safe Pregnancy Registry Participants.

Participant-Reported Outcome	Published Incidence*	V-safe Pregnancy Registry†
	%	*no./total no. (%)*
Pregnancy loss among participants with a completed pregnancy		
Spontaneous abortion: <20 wk[15-17]	10–26	104/827 (12.6)‡
Stillbirth: ≥ 20 wk[18-20]	<1	1/725 (0.1)§
Neonatal outcome among live-born infants		
Preterm birth: <37 wk[21,22]	8–15	60/636 (9.4)¶
Small size for gestational age[23,24]‖	3.5	23/724 (3.2)
Congenital anomalies[25]**	3	16/724 (2.2)
Neonatal death[26]††	<1	0/724

* The populations from which these rates are derived are not matched to the current study population for age, race and ethnic group, or other demographic and clinical factors.

† Data on pregnancy loss are based on 827 participants in the v-safe pregnancy registry who received an mRNA Covid-19 vaccine (BNT162b2 [Pfizer–BioNTech] or mRNA-1273 [Moderna]) from December 14, 2020, to February 28, 2021, and who reported a completed pregnancy. A total of 700 participants (84.6%) received their first eligible dose in the third trimester. Data on neonatal outcomes are based on 724 live-born infants, including 12 sets of multiples.

Out of the 127 women receiving vaccines during their first or second trimesters, **104 spontaneous abortions** occurred before their pregnancies hit the 20-week mark. These are indicated as "spontaneous abortions" in the table.

In simple math, 104 spontaneous abortions (during the first 20 weeks) out of 127 women who received vaccines in their first or second trimesters calculates to an **82% rate of spontaneous abortions** among these pregnant women who were vaccinated.

It is important to note that **deaths of unborn babies during the third trimester are known as "stillbirths" and not spontaneous abortions**. Thus, the spontaneous abortions could not have possibly occurred in women vaccinated during their third trimester, by definition.

Thus, the study authors dishonestly used the wrong denominator of 827 in their "spontaneous abortions" calculation, when they should have used a denominator of 127, which is the number of women receiving vaccines during their first or second trimesters.

Put another way, it is impossible for a woman who was vaccinated for the first time during her *third* trimester to have a "spontaneous abortion" in the first 20 weeks, since they weren't vaccinated during the first 20 weeks (and pregnant women aren't time travelers). Thus, those women shouldn't be included in the denominator used to calculate the spontaneous abortion rate.

The authors of this study should receive an award in the category of, "How to lie with statistics," because they apparently tried to pull a sleight-of-hand trick to make it appear that vaccines are safe for pregnant women. In reality, they seem to be killing more than 4 out of 5 unborn babies in the first 20 weeks of gestation, at least in this data set. (It's a small set of 127 pregnant women, so we'd like to see a larger review of many thousands of pregnancies in order to get a more clear picture.)

Apples and oranges, lemons and limes

A simple way to explain this with a metaphor is to imagine a bag of 50 lemons and 50 limes, with a science study asking the question, "What percentage of lemons are yellow?" The scientists count all the yellow fruit and reach the number 50. They mistakenly divide 50 into 100 because there are 100 total piece of fruit, then they declare, "50% of lemons are yellow" because it's 50/100.

But the other 50 pieces of fruit can't possibly be included because they're limes, not lemons. So the correct math is 50/50, which means 100% of the lemons are yellow. That's the correct answer.

In this science paper, they are using 827 as the denominator, even when 700 out of those 827 women were only vaccinated in the third trimester, which is *long past* the time window during which a "spontaneous abortion" can occur. And since pregnant women aren't time travelers, they can't go back in time and report a spontaneous abortion from months earlier.

If vaccine scientists either can't do this basic math — or are willfully deceiving the world with dishonest obfuscation of the numbers — then "science" has already failed its core promise: to

offer "evidence-based" conclusions to understand the world around us.

Yet when 4 out of 5 pregnant women lose their babies in the first 20 weeks, these scientists falsely claim the spontaneous abortion rate is only 12.6%. Why? Because **they're covering up the atrocities of the vaccine** for political reasons, most likely.

In fact, the key author of the study, Tom T. Shimabukuro, is also **named in numerous other studies** that claim to document adverse reactions in various vaccines, ranging from rotavirus vaccines to the H1N1 vaccine from 2009. It raises the obvious question: Did Shimabukuro make the same error in other studies that concluded vaccines posed no significant risk of adverse events? For example, here's another study he co-authored: "**Adverse events after Fluzone ® Intradermal vaccine reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), 2011-2013**."

That study concluded, "Review of VAERS reports did not identify any new or unexpected safety concerns after TIV-ID."

But is that conclusion based on bad math, like the study on covid vaccines given to pregnant women? **We call for a review of all his methods and conclusions**. Perhaps this same study architect has made the same systematic error (or possibly a deliberate obfuscation) for many years, spanning many previous studies. It wouldn't be the first time one author was found to have made systematic mistakes across dozens of papers and is forced to retract them.

And isn't that what the "scientific method" demands? Peer review. Double checking the math. Admitting to mistakes in conclusions. This is how science progresses, by pointing out errors and demanding they be addressed and corrected. We can't just accept bad math and call it "science" when the bad math doesn't check out.

Spike protein injections into pregnant women an "atrocity," warns Dr. Peter McCullough

In the mean time, it's clear that **4 out of 5 pregnancies are being terminated by covid vaccines** when those vaccines are given during the first 20 weeks (at least, according to the small data set we have so far). And that means the "depopulation" aspects of the covid vaccine are working exactly as globalists hoped they would.

Remember: **Bio-distribution studies (pharmacokinetics) show that covid vaccine spike proteins directly attack reproductive organs such as the ovaries**. Given that spike proteins are engineered biological weapons designed to interfere with human cells, it should be no surprise whatsoever that they are achieving a high rate of spontaneous abortions in pregnant women.

I recently interviewed Dr. Peter McCullough, an internal medicine expert and editor of two medical journals. Although he does not characterize this as a depopulation agenda, he agrees that these vaccines are attacking pregnant women and causing more than 80% of unborn babies to be aborted. He calls it an "atrocity" and says the pushing of these vaccines on pregnant women is "shameful." You can hear him in his own words in the following interview:

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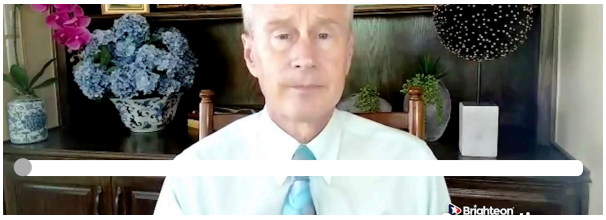
Dr. Peter McCullough warns: Covid ...



All this means that **live births may plummet by 3.2 million over the next year, in the USA alone**, if every pregnant woman is vaccinated during the first 20 weeks of pregnancy. The number of unborn babies being murdered in the womb, in this case, is reaching "holocaust" levels, which is why this is being called a medical "atrocity."

The fields of medicine and science have turned against humanity. They are now killing babies by the millions and injecting adults with spike protein bioweapons that are causing strokes, heart attacks, deaths and lifelong injury.

The vaccine industry is at war with the human race. And live-born babies are their enemy. **Joe Biden's land management czar once characterized human children as an "environmental hazard."**

This is a war. A bioweapons attack. And it goes beyond mere "crimes against humanity." It is a spiritual betrayal of the entire human race by the institutions of science and medicine, both of which long pretended to be motivated by a desire to aid humanity, but are now clearly shown to be working towards humanity's destruction.

Learn more in today's mind-opening Situation Update podcast:

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Sen. Blumenthal says he'll 'wait for the Supreme Court' to decide if 15-week preborn baby is human

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Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), chief Senate sponsor of the Women's Health Protection Act — which would "invalidate nearly all state-level restrictions on abortion, including existing laws placing limits on late-term abortions," as National Review **notes** — recently refused to answer a question regarding the humanity of preborn children in the second trimester of pregnancy, **saying instead** that he believes abortion at that stage of development should continue to be constitutionally protected.

In relation to the upcoming Supreme Court case *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* regarding Mississippi's 15-week (four month) ban on abortion (details **here**), Blumenthal was asked by CNS News, "The Supreme Court this fall will review a Mississippi law that bans most abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy. Is an unborn baby at 15 weeks a human being?"

Blumenthal replied, "You know, I'm going to wait for the Supreme Court decision. Right now, abortion at that point in a pregnancy is legal and constitutionally protected, and I believe it

should be.”

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The fertility industry is not pro-life. It's a profitable eugenic industry.

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The fertility industry, appearing to be pro-life on the surface is disturbingly prone to eugenic, anti-life practices and destroying life

Nancy Flanders | **Live Action**

The fertility industry was born out of couples' desire to have babies despite struggles with infertility. This billion-dollar industry profits from that pain and actually destroys more lives than are born through the common process known as IVF (in vitro fertilization). In addition, the fertility industry, though appearing to be "pro-life" on the surface, is disturbingly prone to eugenic, anti-life practices.

While many well-meaning individuals believe IVF is a technology that can bless families with children, they often don't know that an estimated **1.7 million embryos** have been *destroyed* through the IVF process. In the United States, it is also believed that one million embryos have been frozen *indefinitely*. In comparison, about **one million babies have been born** through IVF in the U.S.

According to **Co Fertility**, in 2018 there were 306,197 assisted reproductive technology cycles in the U.S. resulting in just 73,831 live births. If just one embryo was transferred each cycle (usually

multiple are transferred), that's 232,366 embryos who died in the process — many of them simply because they were deemed to be unfit.

Destroying "low quality" embryos

When couples begin the IVF process, they likely aren't thinking about all of the children they will create who will be destroyed in the lab or will be lost to miscarriage. More than **25%** of women who undergo IVF have a miscarriage in their first full IVF round. It's a heartbreaking loss to suffer, but before the embryo is even transferred to her mother's uterus, she has likely lost siblings.

Embryos are graded on their "quality" — a particularly disturbing way to judge a human being — but the fertility industry doesn't treat human embryos as **human beings**. Countless embryos are destroyed because they simply didn't make the cut. Couples have said they had to sign contracts with fertility clinics, agreeing to allow some of their embryos to be automatically destroyed. This could include embryos labeled "aneuploid," meaning he or she had an abnormal number of chromosomes. Embryos can be tested to see if they have a health condition such as Down syndrome or cystic fibrosis using preimplantation genetic screening (PGS) and can then be destroyed, even if otherwise healthy.

READ: ***'Leftovers': The dehumanizing language of the IVF industry***

While many couples have been **convinced** to destroy their embryos for being "aneuploid," Monica Halem decided at the age of 44 to give her aneuploid embryo a chance, which was considered "unthinkable."

"Nobody puts abnormals back in," she said. But she had met with reproductive immunologist Jeffery Braverman, who told her that as long as the embryo was "good-looking" she should "forget the aneuploidy." She requested that multiple aneuploid embryos be transferred. As reported by **The Cut**:

Aneuploid has always *been a dirty word in biology, the defining trait of cells that don't obey rules and cause problems. It has historically been the hallmark of cancer cells, which are so genetically mutinous that they proliferate as tumors and attach to distant tissues as metastases. In the setting of reproduction, an aneuploid embryo — one with either too many or too few chromosomes — can sometimes result in a child with a genetic disability; the classic example is Down syndrome, which occurs in people who have three copies of chromosome 21.*

But more commonly, as one leading IVF expert put it not long ago, an abnormal embryo is simply "destined to fail" — either it won't implant or, if by chance it does, the resulting pregnancy will almost certainly end in miscarriage.

While Halem's embryos didn't pass today's standards, based on the standards prior to the development of PGS, they still had the signs of being potentially viable. So, Halem decided to go for it. When she learned she was pregnant, the fear of that baby being "abnormal" crept in and she wondered if she was going to be considering abortion. A chorionic villus sampling test revealed, however, that the baby girl was healthy and was therefore spared from a eugenic abortion.

IVF doctor Norbert Gleicher, founder of the Center for Human Reproduction in New York, believes PGS has misdiagnosed many embryos as abnormal, and that 13,000 women a year have lost the chance to have a child because their abnormal embryos were destroyed. With multiple embryos created for each woman, that's *hundreds of thousands* of babies destroyed because they were labeled as non-viable when they very well may have been viable.

Weeding through embryos

Preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD) is used *not* on couples who are attempting to overcome fertility, but on couples who *are fertile* but want to rule out the possibility of having a child with a certain known genetic condition such as cystic fibrosis (CF).

When a couple learns, either pre-pregnancy, during pregnancy, or after the birth and diagnosis of a child, that they are carriers for a genetic condition such as CF, they are often pressured by genetic counselors, friends, family, and doctors, to stop having children naturally and opt for IVF with PGD. In doing so, the couple would use PGD in a search-and-destroy mission to ensure they do not give birth to a child with that particular genetic condition.

Their embryos would be created in the lab and the lab would test each of them for a condition such as cystic fibrosis. When one of the embryos (their child) is determined to have CF, the couple could donate that embryo to scientific research or have the embryo destroyed. Only the non-CF embryos would be deemed worthy of being transferred.

Though deemed as the compassionate thing to do by healthy individuals who think life with a health condition is an unworthy existence, this is actually modern-day eugenics. It is the weeding out of those deemed "unfit." Healthy individuals decide that other individuals are better off not being born at all.

Though many parents choose to have children naturally despite the risk of having a second child with the same genetic condition, those parents are often labeled cruel and selfish, but the idea that a person's quality of life is determined solely by a potential health condition is discriminatory. No one, even when born healthy, is guaranteed a life free from illness.

The Nobel Prize Sperm Bank

Another side of the fertility industry that is deep in eugenics is sperm and egg donation. LGBTQIA+ couples and single women and men sometimes turn to egg and sperm donation in order to create their desired biological child. In order to do so, they search through donor descriptions to find the person who seems to hold the most desirable characteristics.

This notion of creating "ideal" children led to the creation of the **Repository for Germinal Choice**, which existed to create "super-kids" using the sperm of high-achieving men. It was nicknamed the "Nobel Prize sperm bank." The man behind the repository, Robert Klark Graham, took home the Ig Nobel in 1991 for the repository. But his plan was a eugenic one. The men were all white and were required to be married heterosexuals along with other criteria. Women were only allowed to receive the sperm if they fit the same conditions. This would create what were expected to be white, highly intelligent babies.

READ: ***'So sad and confusing': IVF's physical and psychological impact on children***

While the bank ultimately failed, it influenced the fertility industry and changed the game so that parents could select the desired health and intelligence characteristics of their future child. **London Sperm Bank**, the largest in the UK, was **investigated** in 2015 for eugenic practices because it banned men with certain common conditions like dyslexia and ADHD.

"It's narrowing humanity at a time when we're starting to accept many aspects of diversity," bioethicist Kerry Bowman told George Dvorsky for **Gizmodo**.

Likewise, according to **CBC**, egg donation advertisements tend to seek out certain demographics based on race, physical appearance, and intellect. The companies want women 5'9″ or taller with an SAT score of 1500 or higher, and athletic abilities. They must have "good genes."

A 2020 article in **The Harvard Crimson** revealed that most sperm and egg donor applicants are "immediately screened out due to health-related factors and family histories, and other physical criteria like height…." At California Cryptobank, only one percent of sperm donor applicants are accepted and they can donate up to three times a week, making up to $1,400 a month for a year — meaning countless children are created from their sperm and are walking around the same communities as their half-siblings and have no idea.

This has led to situations in which **biological siblings** have unknowingly married each other. Many children who grow up and learn they were created with an egg or sperm donor in a lab face an identity crisis, feeling as though they are "**mass-produced**" products. Their possible future suffering was never a consideration for their parents or the fertility industry, yet possible future suffering is the very reason this same industry destroys countless children each year.

The fertility industry is not pro-life, despite what many pro-lifers believe. Countless lives have literally been destroyed and others emotionally scarred by the effects of an under-regulated industry that dictates who is worthy of life and who isn't.

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Texas governor signs law letting anyone sue abortionists for killing babies with heartbeats

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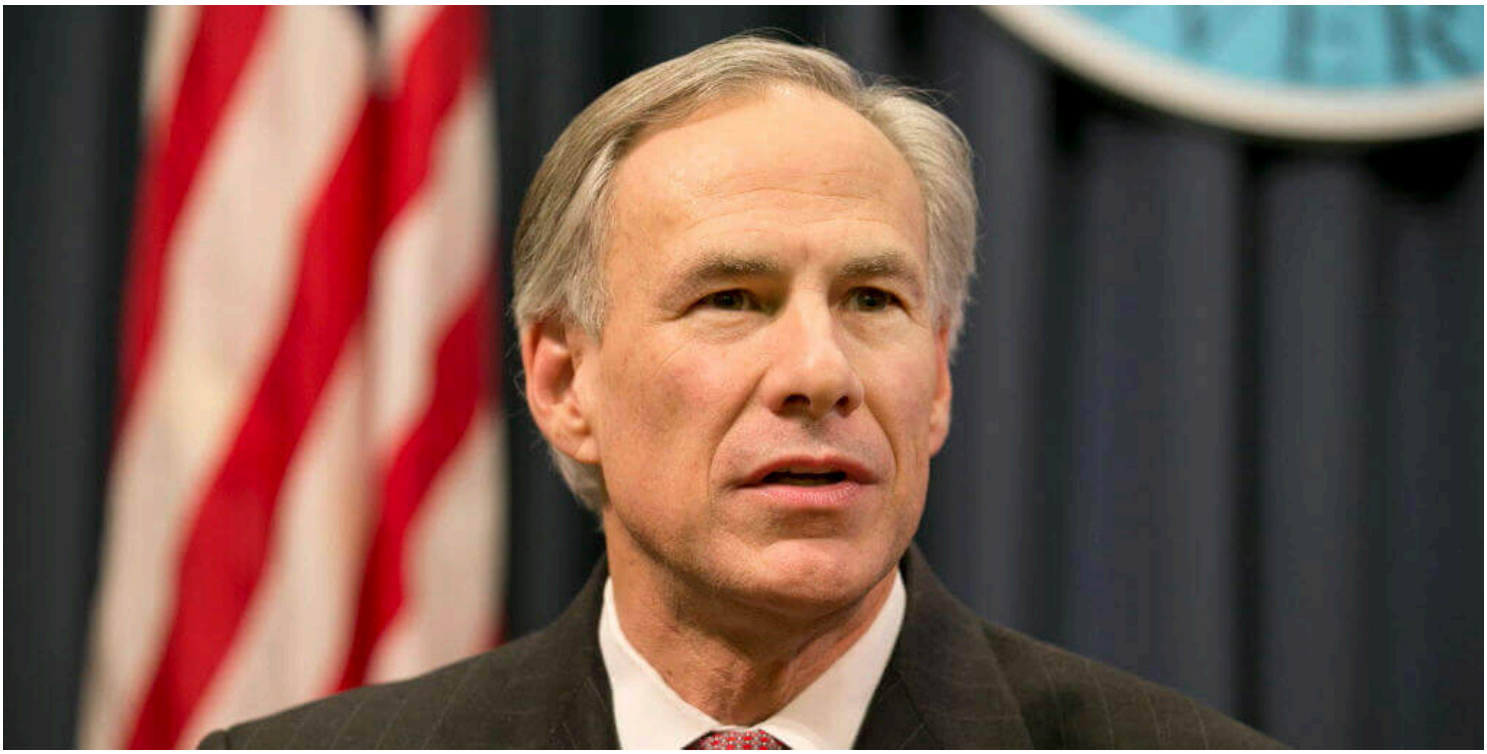

> The new law 'exclusively' empowers private citizens to bring civil suits against the abortionists.

AUSTIN, May 19, 2021 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Texas Gov. Greg Abbott signed a law Wednesday attempting to ban the abortion of babies with detectable heartbeats through an unusual enforcement mechanism supporters hope will get around the legal obstacles pro-life laws normally face.

House Bill 1515, titled the Texas Heartbeat Act, requires abortionists to screen for a preborn baby's heartbeat and prohibits abortion if a heartbeat can be heard (generally as early as six months), with exceptions only for medical emergencies.

Notably, however, the state would not be prosecuting violators of the new law, which actually forbids any enforcement action "by this state, a political subdivision, a district or county attorney, or an executive or administrative officer or employee of this state or a political subdivision."

Instead, it "exclusively" empowers private citizens to bring civil suits against the abortionists, punishable by a minimum of $10,000 in statutory relief per abortion plus whatever additional injunctive relief is deemed "sufficient to prevent the defendant from violating this chapter or engaging in acts that aid or abet violations of this chapter."

"It's a very unique law and it's a very clever law," South Texas College of Law Houston professor Josh Blackman **told** *The Texas Tribune*. "Planned Parenthood can't go to court and sue Attorney General Paxton like they usually would because he has no role in enforcing the statute. They have to basically sit and wait to be sued."

Notably, these private citizens do not need to have any connection to anyone involved in a specific abortion. "Every citizen is now a private attorney general," Blackman said. "You can have random people who are against abortion start suing tomorrow."

Whether this new strategy will prevail remains to be seen, but such experimentation with legal strategies has been provoked by national judicial precedent that forbids states from directly banning abortion. Full bans take effect well before the Supreme Court's "fetal viability" threshold, and so are consistently enjoined by lawsuits from the abortion industry.

Instead, states typically enact them in hopes of provoking a legal battle that would hopefully reach the nation's highest court and instigate a review of *Roe v. Wade*, thereby potentially overturning decades of pro-abortion legal precedent and freeing the states to set their own abortion laws.

Pro-lifers are cautiously hopeful that the Supreme Court's **upcoming hearing** of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which concerns a 15-week abortion ban in Mississippi, will provide such an opportunity.

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COVID Shot Killing Large Numbers, Warns Top COVID Doc Peter McCullough

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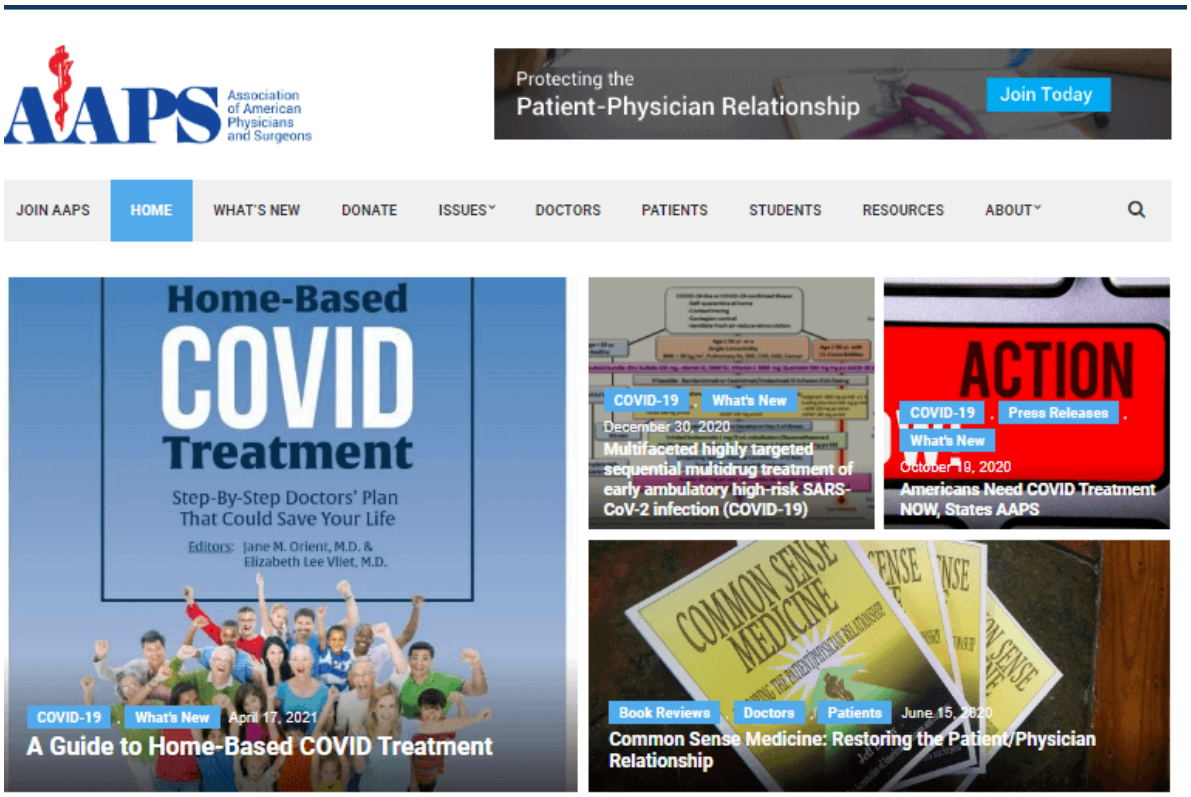

> In normal circumstances, 50 deaths reported to VAERS would result in a drug being taken off market immediately. In the case of the COVID shots, thousands have already been reported, and yet the mass vaccination programs continue to be pushed.

In this interview with The New American magazine Senior Editor Alex Newman, the internationally renowned Dr. Peter McCullough–the doctor with the most citations in the National Library of Medicine on these topics–warned that the COVID shot was already causing thousands of deaths and tens of thousands of hospitalizations that have been recorded.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg, he warned. In normal circumstances, 50 deaths reported to VAERS would result in a drug being taken off market immediately. In the case of the COVID shots, thousands have already been reported, and yet the mass vaccination programs continue to be pushed.

Dr. McCullough, a professor of medicine who developed a globally acclaimed and highly successful COVID treatment protocol, also emphasized that there have been many unnecessary deaths as a result of policy decisions made at various levels of government.

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"VACCINE" DEATH

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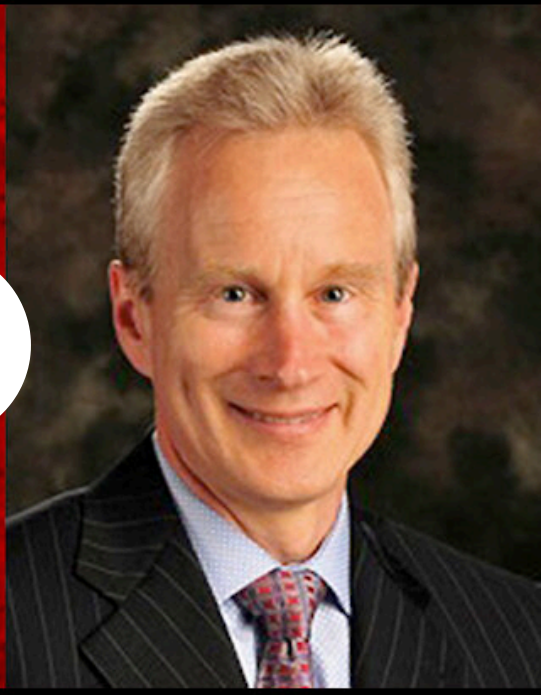

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by **Ken Ham** on May 3, 2021 Featured in ***Ken Ham's Blog***

Vogue magazine suggests new parents are guilty of "environmental vandalism" for having children and doesn't acknowledge that climate alarmism is rejected by some left-leaning pols.

If you never learn to drive, don't buy a dog, and never buy a new pair of jeans, can you have a baby? Well, the author of a recent **Vogue article** says . . . "maybe." The article was titled "*Is Having a Baby in 2021 Pure Environmental Vandalism?*"

In it, the author—a self-described "scientifically-engaged person"—shares how she "worried feverishly" about the strain of a baby on the planet and if her child would want to live in a world where "we have perhaps just another 60 harvests left before our overworked soil gives out and we are running out of fresh water."

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Media Censoring COVID-19 early treatment options that could have reduced fatalities by 85%

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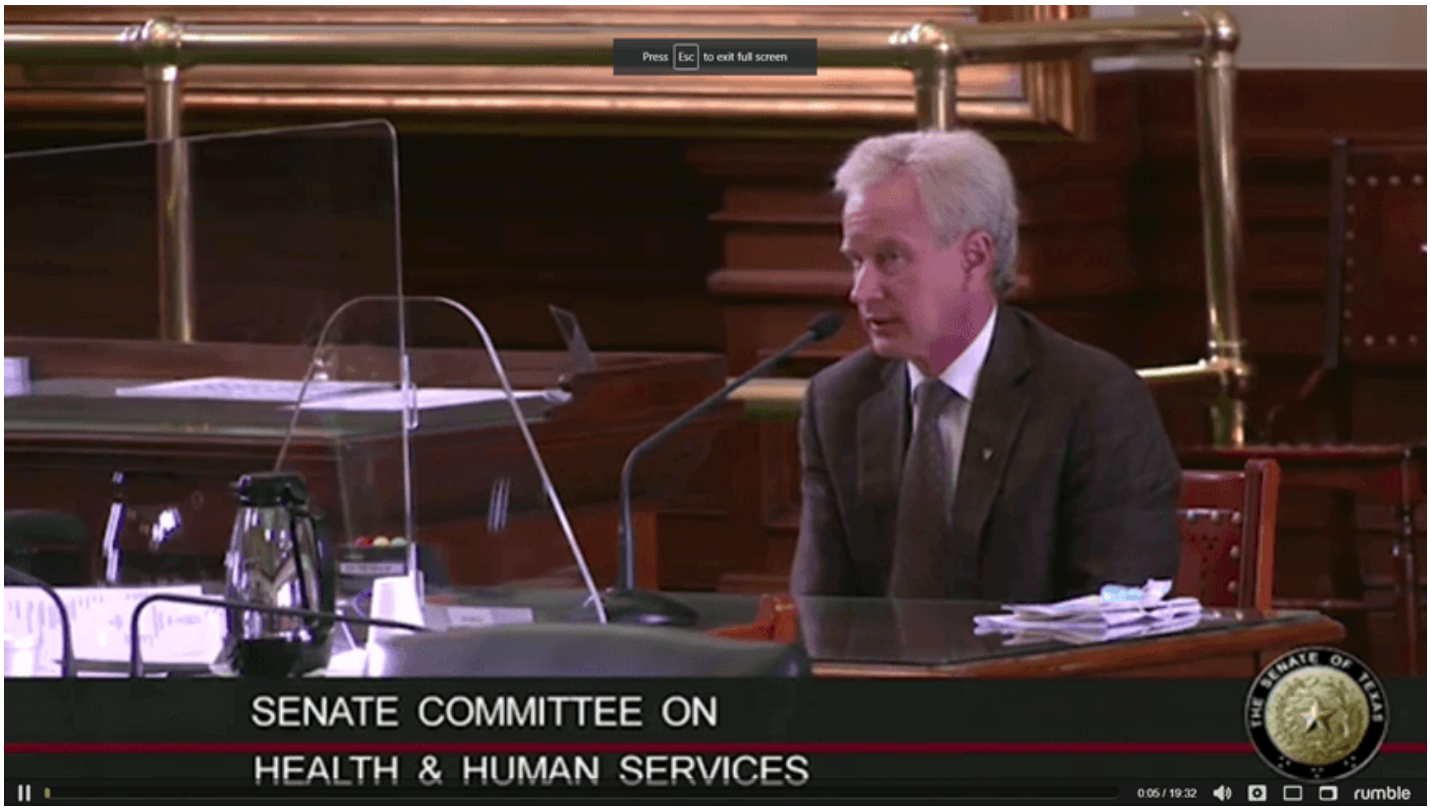


Eminent doc: Media censored COVID-19 early treatment options that could have reduced fatalities by 85%

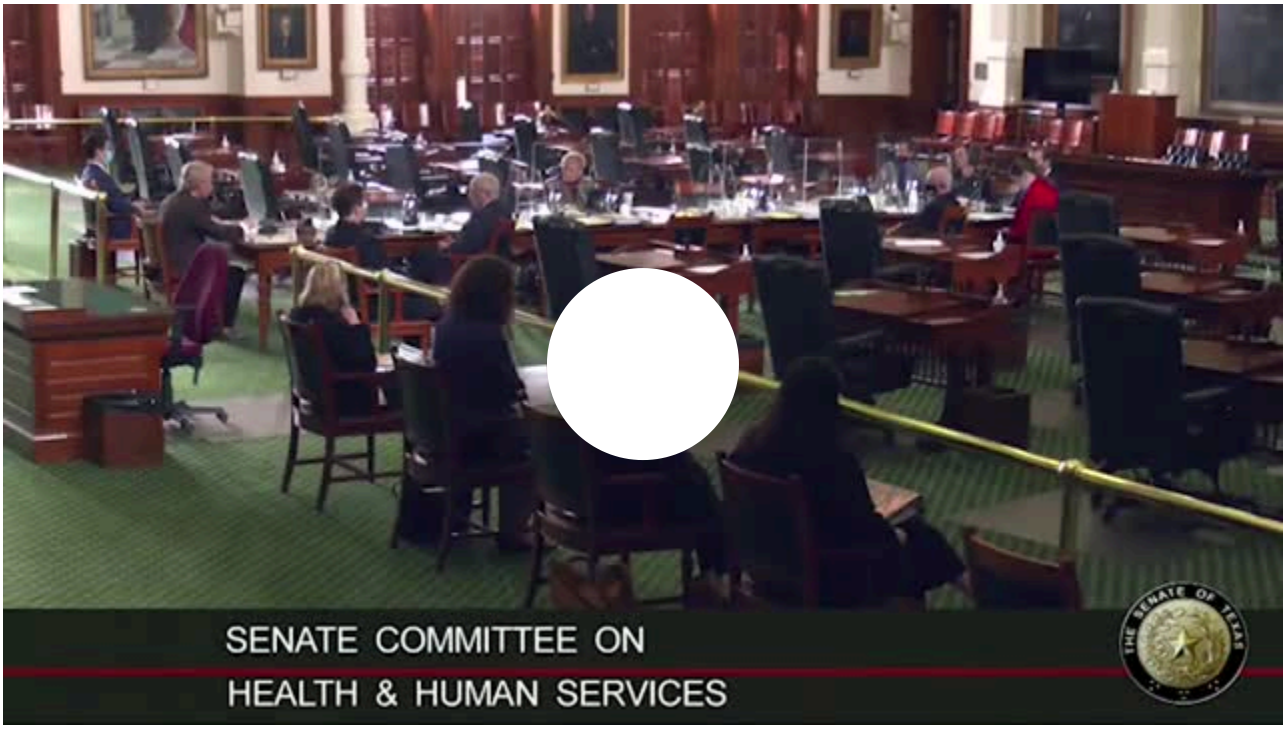
Dr. Peter McCullough also explained that given an 80% level of herd immunity, broad vaccination has 'no scientific, clinical or safety rationale.'

LifeSiteNews has produced an extensive COVID-19 vaccines resources page. ***View it here.***

AUSTIN, Texas, April 8, 2021 **(LifeSiteNews)** — An exceedingly well-qualified physician, who was censored by YouTube last year, addressed the Texas State Senate Health and Human Service Committee last month providing thorough information on successful treatments of COVID-19, the present high-level of herd immunity from the disease, the very limited potential of "**vaccines**," and the data that shows early treatment could have saved up to 85 percent of the "over 500,000 deaths in the United States.

"**Dr. Peter McCullough, MD** is an internist and cardiologist, along with being a professor of medicine at Texas A&M University Health Sciences Center. He is distinguished as the most

published person in history in his field and an editor of two major medical journals.McCullough explained that from the beginning of the pandemic, he refused to let his patients "languish at home with no treatment and then be hospitalized when it was too late," which was the typical treatment protocol being discussed, promoted and offered across the west.



He thus "put together a team of doctors" to study "appropriately prescribed off-label use of conventional medicine" to treat the illness and they published their findings in the ***American Journal of Medicine***.
"The interesting thing was, (that while) there were 50,000 papers in the peer-reviewed literature on COVID, not a single one told the doctor how to treat it," he said. "When does that happen? I was absolutely stunned! And when this paper was published … it became … the most cited paper in basically all of medicine at that time the world."

With the help of his daughter, Dr. McCullough recorded a YouTube video incorporating four slides from the "peer-reviewed paper published in one of the best medical journals in the world" discussing early treatments for COVID-19. The video quickly "went absolutely viral. And within about a week YouTube said 'you violated the terms of the community'" and they pulled it down.

Due to the "near total block on any information of treatment to patients," Sen. Bob Johnson hosted a November **hearing** on this important topic where McCullough was the lead witness.

With such an **aggressive suppression** of information on early treatments, and the default policy in COVID-19 testing centers to not offer any such resources to those who test positive for the infection, McCullough said, "No wonder we have had 45,000 deaths in Texas. The average person in Texas thinks there's no treatment!"

And the blackout of such vital information goes well beyond the blatant censorship of big tech companies. McCullough said, “What has gone on has been beyond belief! How many of you have turned on a local news station, or a national cable news station, and ever gotten an update on treatment at home? How many of you have ever gotten a single word about what to do when you get handed the diagnosis of COVID-19? That is a complete and total failure at every level!”

SOURCE: **LIFESITE NEWS**

Inauguration poet Amanda Gorman's 2019 viral abortion video falls short on facts

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By Cassy Fiano-Chesser | LIVE ACTION

Amanda Gorman is, without question, an impressive young woman. She is the first Youth Poet Laureate of the United States, and has read her poetry for a wide variety of audiences, ranging from the Library of Congress to MTV. What makes her success even more incredible is that she used poetry to overcome a difficult array of disabilities: a speech impediment, auditory processing disorder, and hypersensitivity to sound. She has been open about her struggle to speak, and caused the nation to fall in love with her when she spoke at Joe Biden's inauguration. But this brilliant young poet is also an ardent supporter of abortion, and a pro-abortion poem she shared in 2019 is going viral again.

Gorman wrote the poem for **NowThis**, and since the inauguration, it's been shared again and again. Titled "8 REASONS to stand up today against abortion bans in the United States," Gorman attempts to argue that restrictions against abortion make no sense, and that abortion must be legal. Her attempt is certainly catchy, but it is lacking in some important facts.

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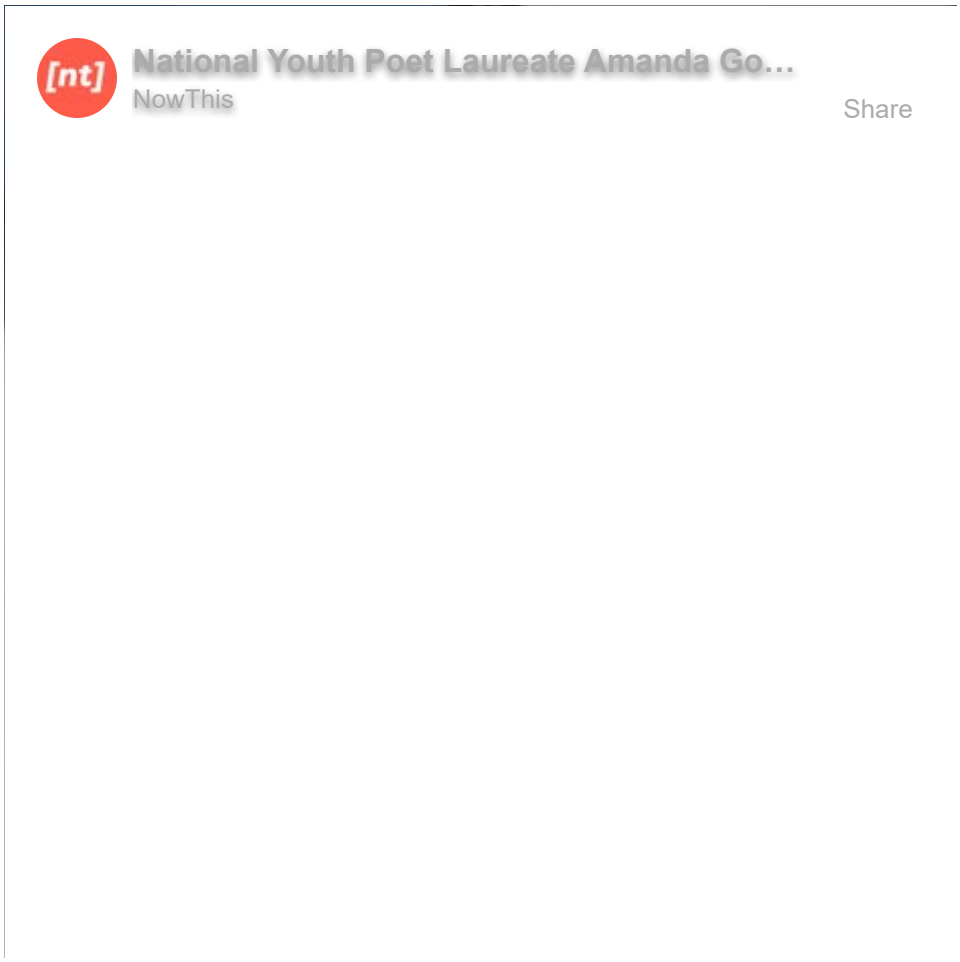

The assertions she makes in the video are below:

1. Let's get this straight. When the penalty for rape is less than the penalty for abortion after the rape, you know this isn't about caring for women and girls. It's about controlling them.

2. Through forcing them into motherhood before they're ready, these bans steadily sustain the patriarchy, but also chain families in poverty and maintain economic inequality.

3. Pregnancy is a private and personal decision and should not require the permission of any politician.

4. For all time, regardless of whether it's a crime, women have and will always seek their own reproductive destinies. All these penalties do is subdue women's freedom to get healthy, safe services when they most need them.

5. Fight to keep Roe v. Wade alive. By the term 'overturn' Roe v. Wade the main concern is that the Supreme Court would let states thwart a woman's path to abortion with undue burdens. But one thing is true and certain.

6. These predictions aren't a distortion, hypothetical, or theoretical. Women already face their disproportion of undue burdens when seeking abortions. If the sexes and all people are to be equal abortion has to be actually accessible and not just technically legal.

7. Despite what you might hear, this right here isn't only about women and girls. This fight is about fundamental civil rights. Women are a big part of it but at the heart of it are freedom over how fast our families grow goes farther and larger than any one of us. It's about every single one of us.

8. Fight for Roe v. Wade in the United States because this change can't wait. We've got the energy, the moment, the movement, and the thundering numbers. The alt-right's biggest blunder is that most Americans aren't under their impression that a woman's body is up to them to decide.

So when you're outraged, these lawmakers are terrified. They want our tide to lose hope, to back up, pack up, and go home, so don't. We don't. We are never alone when we fight fire with feminism. So go, be unafraid. We will not be delayed. We will not be masquerade to the tale of a handmaid. We will not let Roe v. Wade slowly fade because when we show up today we're already standing up with the tomorrow we made.

Sadly, Gorman's well-phrased poem is a collection of repeated, tired talking points from the abortion industry, most of which have little basis in reality.

Abortion and rape

A pregnancy resulting from rape is an extremely difficult situation in which a woman needs significant support, but killing an innocent party is **not a supportive action**. Many rape survivors have said that abortion *compounded* their trauma. Laws putting abortion bans into place in states like **Georgia** and **Alabama**, which have some of the strongest pro-life laws in the nation, *do not punish women* for having an abortion. Instead, the people who are penalized by such legislation are the *abortionists* who take the lives of preborn children.

Rapists don't even face the death penalty for their crimes; why, then, should a preborn child who has done nothing wrong receive a death sentence?

Injustice and misogyny

Gorman correctly points out that women — and **Black women in particular** — do face systemic injustice that drives them to feel abortion is their only choice. But this is not an argument in favor of abortion. Instead, it shows that women are still **being failed**, as abortion does nothing to prevent misogynistic societal obstacles from being overcome or eradicated.

Abortion does the opposite. As long as abortion is legal and easily accessible, then there is nothing to compel businesses, corporations, and governments to change. Why make society more

amenable to pregnant and parenting women, when women can just go get an abortion?

Above all, insisting that women need abortion — the ability to kill their own children — in order to be "equal" to men is a grossly non-feminist way of thinking. Women can be and *already are equal to men*, even if they are mothers. Any society that promotes a woman killing her own children in order to have equal opportunities to a man is misogynist on its face.

'People will get abortions anyway'

The claim that abortion should be legal because women will seek them anyway to determine their "reproductive destiny" is an extremely weak argument for keeping it legal. By that logic, why put any penalties for crimes into place? Bank robbers will still rob banks, and they're only seeking their 'financial destinies.' People still commit rape and murder, and likely always will, yet we still have laws and penalties against those crimes. Saying "people will do it anyway" is nothing more than an overused **logical fallacy**.

The youth, the "alt-right" and generations to come

Gorman is also wrong in claiming that the abortion industry has the youth on its side. There certainly are pro-abortion youth activists — like herself — yet there are huge numbers of young pro-life activists. Polling has found that **Millennials trend pro-life**, and are not only more likely to be pro-life than previous generations, but are also more passionate about their activism. Pro-life student groups **outnumber Planned Parenthood groups**. Nancy Keenan, the former president of NARAL, noted after one March for Life, "I just thought, my gosh, they are so young. There are so many of them, and they are so young."

The idea that pro-life activists are "alt-righters" is simply a way of attempting to smear the entire movement, and it's false. The pro-life movement is made up of religious and nonreligious, all races, and all political parties. Despite widespread opposition in their Party, there are **pro-life Democrats** who are fighting for life. There are also **secular (nonreligious) pro-lifers**.

Perhaps the most tragic part of Gorman's poem is her mention of the "tomorrow" abortion activists will make. Abortion, after all, is *depriving* **entire generations** of their tomorrows. And there is absolutely nothing to celebrate about that.

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Critical and Powerful Message to America from Jonathan Cahn: Listen

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The message by Messianic Christian pastor Jonathan Cahn is one that seems written by the hand of God.
It offers perhaps a final admonition to all of America, but especially to Christian pastors and all true believers in Jesus Christ.
It is a most powerful warning to Anti-God forces in the nation and the world.
Please listen carefully.

> the propitious smiles of Heaven, can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right, which Heaven itself has ordained

Jonathan Cahn's Prophetic Message to Joe Biden (Presidential Inauguration 2021)
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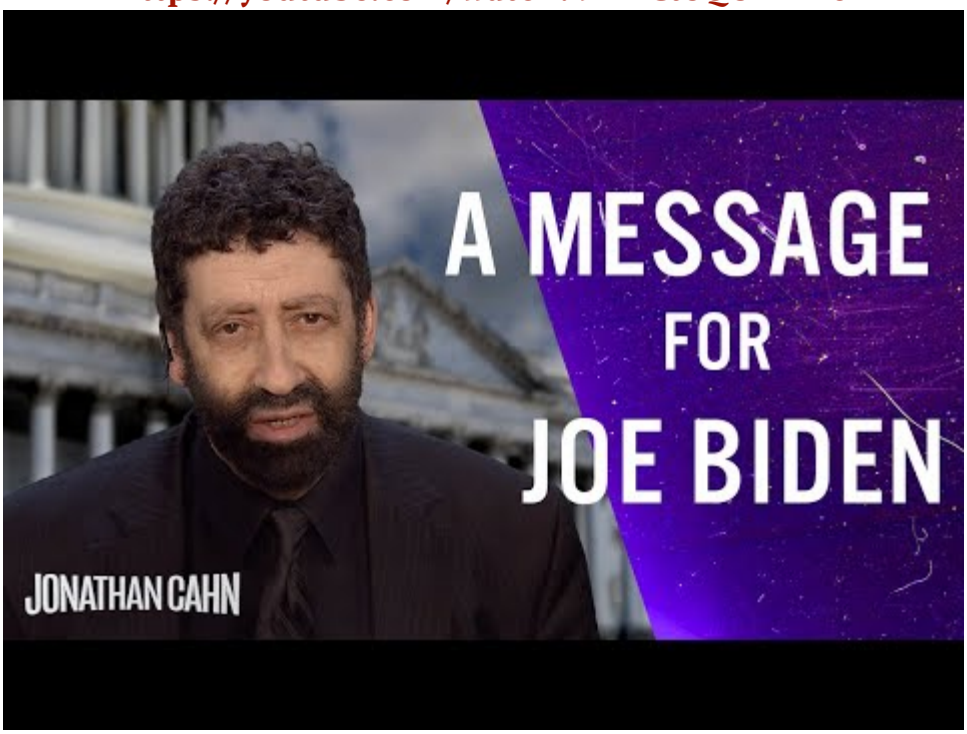

On 48th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, some glimmers of hope for pro-life movement remain

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January 22, 2021 (**LifeSiteNews**) — Claire Chretien

The 48th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that along with *Doe v. Bolton* imposed abortion on demand across the United States, comes at a unique time politically and culturally. There is a supposedly Catholic yet staunchly pro-abortion president in the White House, most coronavirus vaccines being developed and rolled out are **connected to abortion**, and America is uneasy and deeply divided.

The **2021 March for Life** will be held "virtually" with only a "small group of pro-life leaders" invited to demonstrate in person. Liberal states are in various stages of total lockdown. The nation's capital just saw the most militarized inauguration in recent memory.

Despite all of this — and the brand-new challenges that come with the extremist pro-abortion Biden regime — pro-lifers remain hopeful that the end of abortion could still be somewhere in sight.

Victory in Missouri

Some pro-lifers are celebrating Missouri being, at least for the time being, an effectively abortion-free state.

“Historically, Created Equal has travelled to the annual D.C. March for Life to represent abortion victims to the marchers using our **JumboTron**,” said Mark Harrington, president of the Ohio-based group Created Equal. “Unfortunately, last week the March for Life cancelled the event.”

Instead, Created Equal was part of the Abortion-Free Missouri Rally today, outside of the Old Courthouse in St. Louis.

“At a time where our movement is being forced to play defense politically, Missouri becoming the first abortion-free state reminds us that we cannot look to Washington, D.C. to solve the scourge of abortion killing,” said Harrington. “The daily work of changing minds needs to continue to happen at the state and local level, not Washington, D.C.”

Operation Rescue’s Cheryl Sullenger **explained** how Missouri now lacks an active abortion facility:

> Missouri has become the first Abortion-Free State — at least in practice for now. The embattled Reproductive Health Services Planned Parenthood in St. Louis was the last abortion facility in Missouri. It remains open, but Operation Rescue has confirmed that no abortion appointments have been available there for months, and none are available anytime in the foreseeable future. All abortion appointments are now being referred to the Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood facility across the Mississippi River in Illinois.
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> RHS Planned Parenthood won a dramatic licensing battle with Missouri in May after an Administrative Court judge ordered the facility relicensed despite the objections of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, which found the facility to be unsafe and out of compliance with state abortion regulations. The DHSS had **documented several cases of life-threatening abortion injuries**, but their investigation into those incidents were stone-walled by uncooperative Planned Parenthood employees. Shortly after being relicensed, the facility voluntarily halted surgical abortions in Missouri. It had earlier voluntarily halted the distribution of abortion-inducing pills due to an unwillingness to comply with Missouri laws regulating the drugs. (**Read more about this licensing battle at this link**.)
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> "While the RHS Planned Parenthood remains open and licensed for abortions, we confirmed that none are being done there. That means this facility is currently acting only as an abortion referral center. There is no operational abortion facility in the State of Missouri, making it the first Abortion-Free State at this time," said Operation Rescue President Troy Newman. "It is obvious that Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region, which operates RHSPP, seeks to avoid having to comply with Missouri's strong pro-life laws, and has opted to abort in Illinois where abortion facilities are essentially unaccountable. This shows a gross disrespect for the lives and safety of the women Planned Parenthood purports to serve."

All eyes on Supreme Court, again

Today, the U.S. Supreme Court is slated to decide whether to hear a case about Mississippi's 15-week abortion ban. If the court does decide to take the case and rules in favor of the pro-life law, it could mean the end of *Roe v. Wade*. The court may delay its conference on whether to hear the case, as it has several times before.

Other state laws are likely to continue making their way through the courts in the coming years. As has been the trend for years, blue states are debating and sometimes passing pro-abortion laws and red states are debating and sometimes passing pro-life laws.

The Supreme Court also recently allowed the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to continue to mandate mothers have an in-person appointment to receive abortion pills. There has been a

global push for more at-home abortions by pill during the coronavirus outbreak.

White House statement: 'The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to codifying *Roe v. Wade*'

Meanwhile, as pro-lifers look to Supreme Court with cautious hope, the Biden regime has begun to fulfill its campaign promises to the abortion lobby. President Joe Biden marked the day by **pledging** to make abortion available to "everyone."

"In the past four years, reproductive health, including the right to choose, has been under relentless and extreme attack. We are deeply committed to making sure everyone has access to care — including reproductive health care — regardless of income, race, zip code, health insurance status, or immigration status," said Biden via a White House Press Office **statement** that was attributed to both Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris.

"The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to codifying *Roe v. Wade* and appointing judges that respect foundational precedents like *Roe*. We are also committed to ensuring that we work to eliminate maternal and infant health disparities, increase access to contraception, and support families economically so that all parents can raise their families with dignity. This commitment extends to our critical work on health outcomes around the world," the statement continued.

"As the Biden-Harris Administration begins in this critical moment, now is the time to rededicate ourselves to ensuring that all individuals have access to the health care they need," the statement concluded.

> 48 years. 62 million children, killed.
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> Each one precious, worthy, holy.
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> I am heartbroken. Angry. Weary. We should all be.
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> But I am determined. More than ever: We will not forget. We will not stop fighting. We will pray, and hope, and work until every single child is safe.
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> — Lila Rose (@LilaGraceRose) **January 22, 2021**

Marjorie Dannenfelser, president of the Susan B. Anthony List, said that pro-lifers "will not lose sight of how far we have come and the strength and vitality of our movement."

Commenting on today's anniversary, she said:

> Today we mourn the loss of more than 62,000,000 innocent unborn boys and girls whose lives have been ended by abortion since 1973, and the mothers who have been physically, emotionally, and spiritually wounded. We mourn the broken families and communities, missing the contributions from souls made and meant for this world. The burden of this death toll has weighed heavily on the collective American conscience for the last 48 years. While the pro-life movement has weathered some tough losses, we will not lose sight of how far we have come and the strength and vitality of our movement as evidenced by the growing number of Americans who support compassionate, commonsense pro-life laws, the enthusiasm and resolve of pro-life state legislators, the burst of pro-life women newly arrived in Washington, and the ever-growing pregnancy center movement coming alongside women and their families facing unexpected pregnancies. We must not and we will not falter in our fight to ensure that someday soon every unborn life is welcomed and protected under the law.

Today the Family Research Council (FRC) released an **analysis of *Roe v. Wade*** laying out the legal, historical, and cultural reasons why it should be overturned. "Ever since the Supreme Court decided *Roe v. Wade* in 1973, unborn children have been killed at exponential rates in America," attorney Katherine Beck Johnson summarized. "The barbaric practice of killing our youngest and most vulnerable humans is past-due to end."

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FDA approves emergency use of Pfizer vaccine tested on cell line of aborted baby

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There are numerous safety concerns associated with the virus, especially for pregnant women and breastfeeding mothers.

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 12, 2020 (**LifeSiteNews**) — The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced **Friday** that it has approved the emergency use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for individuals over 16 years of age.

Although the Pfizer vaccine was not developed using a cell line derived from an aborted baby, it was tested — that is, the laboratory phase which verifies the quality of the vaccine on cell tissues — using such a cell line, HEK-293, **reports** Children of God for Life.

The U.S. government is set to receive 100 million doses of the two-shot Pfizer vaccine by March. A shipment of about 2.9 million doses of the vaccine, which must be stored at a frigid -60 to -80 degrees Celsius, will be delivered around the United States over the next week, according to ***The New York Times***.

It newspaper also reported that, according to an unnamed "senior administration official," White House chief of staff Mark Meadows told FDA commissioner Dr. Stephen Hahn on Friday morning, in the words of the New York Times, "to consider looking for his next job if he didn't get the emergency approval done on Friday."

Hahn subsequently directed FDA vaccine regulators to issue an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine by the end of Friday, stated the *Times*.

The FDA **press release** noted that "the issuance of an EUA is different than an FDA approval (licensure) of a vaccine."

The federal agency "expects manufacturers whose COVID-19 vaccines are authorized under an EUA to continue their clinical trials to obtain additional safety and effectiveness information and pursue approval (licensure)," stated the release.

Questions about safety

In contrast to Britian's **health regulators**, the FDA took "an unexpected step" and left open the possibility that pregnant and breastfeeding women can take the vaccine, ***The New York Times*** noted, adding that the vaccine was not tested on pregnant and breastfeeding women.

Pfizer has to submit regular reports on the safety of the vaccine, including its use in pregnant women, it reported.

In the U.K., government-produced **safety instructions** for the Pfizer vaccine state that it should not be taken by pregnant or breast-feeding mothers and children, and that women should avoid becoming pregnant for the first two months after their shots.

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine "contains messenger RNA (mRNA), which is genetic material," the FDA release explained.

"The vaccine contains a small piece of the SARS-CoV-2 virus's mRNA that instructs cells in the body to make the virus's distinctive 'spike' protein. When a person receives this vaccine, their body produces copies of the spike protein, which does not cause disease, but triggers the immune system to learn to react defensively, producing an immune response against SARS-CoV-2."

An FDA "**Fact sheet for recipients and caregivers**" lists a number of possible side effects of the vaccine, including tiredness, headache, fever, chills, and muscle pain, and also notes that there "is remote chance" the vaccine "could cause a severe allergic reaction."

Moreover, "these may not be all the possible side effects" of the vaccine, according to the fact sheet. "Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is still

being studied in clinical trials."

The United States has now joined Canada, the U.K., Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Mexico in approving the Pfizer two-dose vaccine.

However, the FDA announcement comes amid rising concerns over the speed at which the Covid-19 vaccine was produced and approved, and the potential for adverse effects.

French Professor Eric Caumes announced earlier this **week** that he has never seen as many undesirable effects with a vaccine as with the Pfizer injection that is scheduled to be widely distributed in France starting in January.

Another renowned French doctor Louis Fouché published a YouTube video that has been seen many tens of thousands of times, in which he **advises** all viewers not to have the shot.

Americans Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and James Lyons-Weiler are also **warning** of a phenomenon known as "pathogenic priming" that is particular to vaccines developed for coronaviruses like SARS-COV-1 and MERS. This phenomenon triggers a "hyper-immune response" when vaccinated subjects are exposed to the virus that could include inflammation throughout the body and especially in the lungs.

A December 2020 FDA briefing **document** on the Pfizer vaccine noted "disturbing indications that might be a safety signal on pathogenic priming, especially in older adults," including a 10-fold increase of serious adverse events on the second dose in the latter, compared to 3.6-fold for those under 55, wrote Kennedy and Lyons-Weiler.

Deaths after taking the vaccine?

Significantly, Dr. Kelly Moore, associate director of the Immunization Action Coalition, told CNN last week nobody should be "surprised" to see **reports** of "multiple people dying" at long-term care facilities a day or two after having received the COVID vaccination, which has not been tested on the "frail elderly."

Similarly, the German federal government is preparing citizens for deaths that will happen after people are injected with a COVID-19 vaccine, but not necessarily caused by it.

Lothar H. Wieler, president of the Robert Koch Institute in Berlin, the national public health institute in Germany, said on December 3 that with an average of 2,500 people dying each day in Germany, it is probable that some will die after having taken the vaccine.

Meanwhile, American Dr. Theresa **Deisher**, founder of the Sound Choice Pharmaceutical Institute and a Ph.D. in Molecular and Cellular Physiology from Stanford University, recently stated that

COVID-19 vaccines developed at "warp speed" are likely not safe and not necessary.

Former Pfizer researcher Dr. Michael Yeadon, and epidemiologist and pulmonary specialist Dr. Wolfgang Wodarg have filed a **petition** with the European Medicines Agency (EMA), responsible for approving drugs in the European Union at large, for the immediate suspension of all COVID-19 vaccine studies in Europe.

Among their concerns is the possibility of allergic and even fatal reactions to a coronavirus vaccine, and that it may result in indefinite sterility in women.

Yeadon, who held Pfizer's most senior research position in the field of allergy and respiratory medicines prior to his departure in 2011, is also **categorically** opposed to a COVID-19 vaccine.

"There is absolutely no need for vaccines to extinguish the pandemic. I've never heard such nonsense talked about vaccines," he stated in a November article.

Side effects during vaccine trial

Just days after Pfizer announced its new "90% effective" coronavirus vaccine in November, reports emerged about "**severe**" side effects volunteers for the vaccine trial experienced, including fevers and headaches.

Also in November, a group of doctors from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) told the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that they must give advance warning of the potentially serious side effects associated with receiving a new coronavirus vaccine, and that getting the **vaccine** "will not be a walk in the park."

Additionally, a U.K. health care regulator put out a **contract** offer in October "urgently" seeking "an Artificial Intelligence (AI) software tool to process the expected high volume of Covid-19 vaccine adverse drug reaction and ensure that no details from the ADRs' reaction text are missed."

Pfizer is notable for being one of several vaccine producers that Kennedy, the nephew of John F. Kennedy and an environmental attorney, **called** "convicted serial felon(s)" during a July debate with Alan Dershowitz.

"In the past 10 years, just in the last decade, those companies have paid $35 billion in criminal penalties, damages, fines, for lying to doctors, for defrauding science, for falsifying science, for killing hundreds of thousands of Americans knowingly," Kennedy said.

Meanwhile, a group of Catholic bishops including Bishop Joseph Strickland of Tyler, Texas, and Bishop Athanasius Schneider, auxiliary of the archdiocese of Saint Mary in Astana, issued a

statement clarifying that **Catholics** must reject any vaccine connected to cell lines derived aborted babies.

“Any link to the abortion process, even the most remote and implicit, will cast a shadow over the Church’s duty to bear unwavering witness to the truth that abortion must be utterly rejected. The ends cannot justify the means,” they wrote.

LifeSiteNews has produced an extensive COVID-19 vaccines resources page. ***View it here.***

Forced Abortion is the Ultimate Form of Domestic Violence

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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. While abortion advocates present abortion as a means to rescue women from their abusers, this is inaccurate. Abortion within abusive relationships is often coerced. Some abusers even force pregnancy on their victims so they can then force them to abort.

Forced abortion statistics

In a **national study** on forced abortion in America, research revealed that 64% of women who obtained abortions were pressured to do so, and some of the coercion was physically violent. Of those women, 65% showed signs of trauma. The study cited testimony from a former abortion business security guard who told the Massachusetts legislature that women were routinely brought to the abortion facility by their abusive and threatening partners, to ensure they went through with the abortions. Research published by the Journal of American Physicians and Surgeons reported that 73.8% of women have experienced "**at least subtle forms** of pressure" to abort.

A 2007 Guttmacher Institute study pointed to previous **research** that found an increased risk of violence during pregnancy as the result of the partner's resentment towards his preborn child and his increased feelings of possessiveness over his partner.

Forced abortion

The abortion industry downplays the existence of forced abortion, but it is more common than most Americans realize. Coercion can be seen when parents force their teenage daughters to abort or when husbands pressure their wives to abort children with disabilities. And in cases in which domestic abuse already exists, forced abortion can be a part of that abuse.

As previously **shared** by Live Action News, Jane was in an abusive relationship when she learned she was pregnant. Her boyfriend began to pressure her to abort. She said he told her that "I would wreck his life completely; he would hate me forever; I would be wrecking the child's life by bringing it into the world; the child wouldn't have a good life; this would be my fault; it would be extremely selfish to have this child…" He stayed with her constantly, even taking time off from work to continue to pressure her. Eventually, she gave in to abortion, which devastated her. She quit her job and dropped out of her postgraduate program. "I regret my decision with every bit of me," she said. "I regret it every day. If someone had told me that I might experience this much pain, there is no way I would have done it. The abortion has blown my life apart, blown my entire self/psyche/soul/belief in myself apart. It has devastated me."

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A woman named Jacinta **shared a similar story** of abuse. When her partner learned of the pregnancy, he told her that having the baby would destroy his life. "He made me feel so guilty that I felt I had no other alternative but to abort my precious baby," she said. "I was consumed with my partner and making him happy, his happiness at the expense of my sanity and self-respect." He forced her to lie to the abortion workers about why she was undergoing an abortion, which left her heartbroken. After the abortion, she suffered three breakdowns, a lost relationship, and a lost career.

Abortion did not save these women from abuse. *It was an extension of the abuse*.

Forced pregnancy

In 2017, the Daily Beast **reported** on an extremely warped abusive tactic in which an abuser purposely gets his victim pregnant so he can then force her to abort. When a woman or girl is ambivalent about using birth control but doesn't want to become pregnant, said author Elizabeth Dwoskin, she may be in an abusive relationship.

“For women in violent relationships, somewhere between a third and half report having experienced some form of reproductive coercion,” she wrote. “But even for women in relationships that are not violent, 15 percent report experiencing such controlling behaviors, according to a study of 1,300 women **published** in the journal Contraception…” The men in the relationship were telling their partners that they would make beautiful babies together. “ very strong thing for a young woman to hear,” said Elizabeth Miller, a medical anthropologist who co-authored the **Guttmacher study**.

The abusive activity of coercing pregnancy and then forcing a woman into an abortion is about coercion and control and creating a connection that will always keep the victim attached to the abuser. “Promoting pregnancy is, on the one hand, a way to control the woman,” says Ann Moore, a senior researcher with the Guttmacher Institute. “At the same time, it’s outside of his control. It’s a distraction from him. He realizes that something could be taking up this woman’s time besides him.”

Homicide

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has **found** that homicide is the second leading cause of traumatic deaths among pregnant women and new mothers, second only to car accidents. Most women who experience violence during pregnancy have previously suffered abuse, but while pregnant, the violence is likely to be more frequent and severe. While the abuse can take the form of forced abortion, if a woman refuses to abort, it can lead to murder.

In 2019, 21-year-old **McKayla Winston** was allegedly murdered by the father of her baby when she was nine months pregnant. According to reports, there was a paternity hearing scheduled just days after Winston’s body was found.

Seventeen-year-old **Breana Rouhselang** was allegedly murdered by the father of her baby in 2018 because she didn’t tell him she was pregnant until she was six months along and it was too late for an abortion. Detective Gery Mullins said, “I asked Aaron what he did about that, and he replied, ‘I took action… I took her life.’”

Keierra McNeil, 32, was allegedly killed by the father of her child who was upset that she would not have an abortion. When she arrived to meet him to discuss co-parenting, he emerged from the bushes near her car and shot her several times. She was six months pregnant.

One California man was **charged with murder** after he forced his pregnant girlfriend at gunpoint to take pills that killed their preborn baby.

Each of these cases shows that pregnancy can cause abuse to escalate — and abortion is not the answer. The way to help pregnant women facing domestic violence situations is to help them and

their children to escape the abuse. Women deserve real help to find safety for themselves and for their children. All abortion does is kill a child and allow the cycle of abuse to start all over again.

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Heartbreaking: Teen mom grieves after preborn son is killed in drive-by shooting

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> Editor's note: the violence unleashed in liberal run cities run by Democrats is killing our citizens and our innocents. The American Citizen must RECLAIM OUR LAND for law and order and the right to LIVE and have individual liberty.

A 15-year-old girl is grieving after a drive-by shooting took the life of her preborn baby boy just weeks before his due date. Ma'Tiya Bruster-Lewis was 35 weeks pregnant and was on a walk with an unidentified male near her home in Columbus, Ohio, when gunfire rang out.

According to police, Bruster-Lewis was shot in the stomach and was rushed to Grant Medical Center. She survived, but her baby boy did not. Doctors delivered her son, whom she named Asier Vedal Lewis, but she only got to spend a few moments with him before he was taken off of life support.

Family wants justice for baby killed in northeast Columbus drive-by shooting
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Columbus Police Deputy Chief Tim Becker **spoke to reporters** about the devastation drive-by shootings are causing.

“To me, they are more than numbers. They are somebody’s child,” he said. “In this case, this young man didn’t even have an opportunity to be given a name, because he was killed just weeks before he would have been born naturally.”

Shirley Bolen, one of Bruster-Lewis’ neighbors, heard the gunfire Sunday evening and said she was heartbroken. “There was a man running up the street hollering, is she dead? Is she dead? They need to do something, but I for one don’t know what it is,” **she told ABC 6**.

Her daughter, Missy Bolen, added, “Being that young and being shot and the loss of a child. She is just a child herself.”

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Soft spoken. Grieving. Teen mom shares her sadness at the loss of her unborn child, Asier Vedal Lewis who was killed in a drive-by shooting this week. She makes a plea to

Bruster-Lewis and her family are speaking out about her experience, begging for justice and for the violence to end. “They encourage you to walk to make your delivery easier,” her grandmother, Tamara Lewis, **told Lu Ann Stoia** of ABC 6 News. “Our hope is to get justice for my grandbaby, for Asier Vedal Lewis. Help us get justice for him. Help us figure out who did this nonsense.

The family believes Asier took the gunfire that saved his mother’s life, but that is of little comfort to her. “I’d rather be dead, though, than my baby,” she said. “He didn’t have no chance to live in the world. He didn’t have no chance to grow up.” And the drive-by shootings have robbed her of a life with her son. “There’s always someone shooting out here, it never stops,” she continued. “It never fails. What do y’all want to shoot people and kill people for? What is the reason?”

Through tears, Bruster-Lewis said, “They just took my baby from me. I never did nothing to nobody, for him to just pull up and shoot and take my baby from me.”

Franklin County Prosecutor Ron O’Brien told ABC 6 that if the shooter is identified and knew Bruster-Lewis was pregnant, his office will not hesitate to act, saying, “If there is any indication the offender knew or could observe she was pregnant then we would pursue the homicide charge.”

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Courageous Servants, Cowards, and the Church

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Joseph Parker | **The Stand**

In a short, very interesting, and powerful story from **Exodus 1:15 – 22**, we see two young women with a dilemma who turn it into an opportunity to glorify God and His creation.

> Then Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, gave this order to the Hebrew midwives, Shiphrah and Puah: "When you help the Hebrew women as they give birth, watch as they deliver. If the baby is a boy, kill him; if it is a girl, let her live." But because the midwives feared God, they refused to obey the king's orders. They allowed the boys to live, too.
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> So the king of Egypt called for the midwives. "Why have you done this?" he demanded. "Why have you allowed the boys to live?" "The Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women," the midwives replied. "They are more vigorous and have their babies so quickly that we cannot get there in time."
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> So God was good to the midwives, and the Israelites continued to multiply, growing more and more powerful. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own. **Exodus 1:15-21**

Picture them – Shiphrah and Puah, two ordinary women who had the job of being midwives. Their job was helping pregnant mothers during the delivery and birthing of their babies.

Then, one eventful day, Pharaoh gives them a strong, very clear order. He directs them to deliberately kill all the Hebrew baby boys when they are born. It does not seem that he gave them any reasons why they were to do it. He simply commanded them to do this.

The Word of God tells us very clearly "But because the midwives feared God, they refused to obey the king's orders. They allowed the boys to live, too," (**Exodus 1:17**).

Well, in time, the pharaoh realizes that the baby boys were not dying. So he calls in the two midwives and confronts them, asking why they were allowing the baby boys to live.

Shiphrah and Puah gave this response, "The Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women… They are more vigorous and have their babies so quickly that we cannot get there in time." **Exodus 1:19**.

Well, what did the pharaoh know about birthing babies? He probably knew little to nothing about the world and business of delivering babies.

So, God, in His sovereignty, gave Shiprah and Puah grace and wisdom enough to outsmart the great pharaoh. So he ended up having to change his whole strategy in getting rid of the Hebrew baby boys by declaring them to be cast into the Nile River (**Exodus 1:22**).

These two courageous women stand as outstanding role models of bravery for people who follow the Lord for all time – even in a time of crisis. They courageously stood against the orders of the man who by the world's thinking, may have been considered the most powerful man in the world at that time.

The great king of Egypt, Pharaoh, gave an order, and they deliberately disobeyed that order. Why? Because "… the midwives feared God," **Exodus 1:17**.

They stood up for what was right without knowing what the outcome would be. That's courage. They chose to honor God more than a human ruler. They put the will of God before the will of men. That is boldly standing for God, His will, and His Word.

Walk with courage despite controversy

Shiphrah and Puah, here in this story teach by example how to stand up for what is right. They are showing us boldly that it is right to stand up for right and stand against wrong.

They feared God and knew in their hearts that killing innocent babies was wrong. They didn't even have the Ten Commandments as of yet. Moses, around this time, was just a baby boy that is born

early in Exodus.

Pastors, ministers, and believers in the body of Christ today can learn some very powerful lessons from Shiphrah and Puah. We in the church today stand as ambassadors for the Kingdom of God. And we are guided and counseled by God's Word.

Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. ***Joshua 1:6-7***

Today governments and governmental leaders, sadly, have told us that it is alright to kill babies in the womb. The government tragically protects and promotes abortion. They tell us that it's a woman's right to choose and that women have reproductive rights.

God is looking for Shiphrahs and Puahs today. He is looking for people who fear Him. God is looking for believers who obey His Word. God is looking for believers who know what His Word clearly says about first seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness (**Matthew 6:33**) and not murdering (**Exodus 20:13**).

God is looking for believers who will courageously stand up and be counted to stand up for His Word and for His babies. Well, what does it mean to stand up for God and stand up for His children? Well, it can mean many things.

1. Pray daily for the spirit of boldness for believers, so we will courageously follow the Lord, be disciples, and faithfully make disciples. Pray for the ending of abortion in our nation and in our world.

2. Pray much for the ministries on the front lines of spreading the gospel and standing for life.

There is never a time to apologize for or shrink back from standing on the Word of God, for following the Word of God or for speaking the Word of God.

God's Word is our guidebook, our instruction manual for all of life. We are not ever to decide that disobedience to God's Word for any reason, is ok.

Why do we see so many persons who say that they love God, yet are not involved with the work of spreading the gospel, making disciples, or speaking out against the killing of innocent children in the womb? Sadly, the reasons are varied and numerous.

Tragically, too many believers have opted not to walk courageously. In fact, too many are acting like cowards.

A bit strong one might say? Not really.

The reality is that many among us who say we love the Lord walk and act like cowards. And the reality is the truth hurts. But very often it needs to be said because the truth helps us see ourselves for who we are and where we stand. And once we see ourselves, if we are not who we should be, we can repent and ask God to help us step up to where we should be.

Today, too many pastors walk as cowards when it comes to what and how they are preaching and teaching from the pulpit. Many church leaders choose to stay away from issues and topics deemed "controversial".

Too often, church leaders shy away from challenging believers to live sacrificially. Why? Well, it's easier not to ruffle feathers in the pews if we stay away from "controversial" issues and if we avoid encouraging believers to sacrificially serve the Lord Jesus. Too often leaders or church people will say things like "We don't want to offend anyone."

The gospel of Jesus Christ is "offensive.". Preaching the truth is "offensive." Clearly preaching the Ten Commandments and telling people what is right and what is wrong is or can be offensive.

Too many "believers" don't seem to believe. And too many who say they love the Lord live as cowards. Sometimes a little inconvenience or awkwardness can cause many a believer to shy away from sharing the gospel or giving out a gospel tract in a given setting.

"The last time I tried to give someone a gospel tract, the man I offered to give it to said he didn't want it, he was very rude and he really embarrassed me. Should I still witness in public when people sometimes do things like that?" someone might ask.

Well, the Lord Jesus, in order to save us went through quite a lot for us. Christ allowed himself to be slapped, beaten, abused, publicly humiliated, and ultimately crucified. Since our blessed Savior went through all of this for us, can we not simply go through a small degree of sacrifice, inconvenience, and discomfort in service to Him?

When it comes to standing for and preaching about life, sadly, cowards abound. Often pastors say things like "I don't want to hurt the feelings of my parishioners" or "People will get offended if I talk about or preach about this."

Consider what happens when we as preachers of the gospel and followers of Christ as a whole, don't preach, teach, and share the truth. People die in their sins, and people who think they are on their way to Heaven may die and go to hell.

Also, babies die by the cruel means of abortion, and people who have had abortions walk into a devastating life due to the aftermath of an abortion. Men and women who go down this road

experience extreme regret, depression, heartache, nightmares, and sadly, sometimes suicide. We are called to preach the truth – the truth that sets people free.

Again, Shiprah and Puah are outstanding role models for the church today when it comes to being courageous in the way we followed our Lord.

Every pastor, preacher, and believer should ask: Am I a courageous follower of Christ or am I a coward? As **Matthew 17:20** tells us "Therefore by their fruits you will know them."

Abortion supporter Joe Biden releases statement calling Catholic faith his ‘foundation

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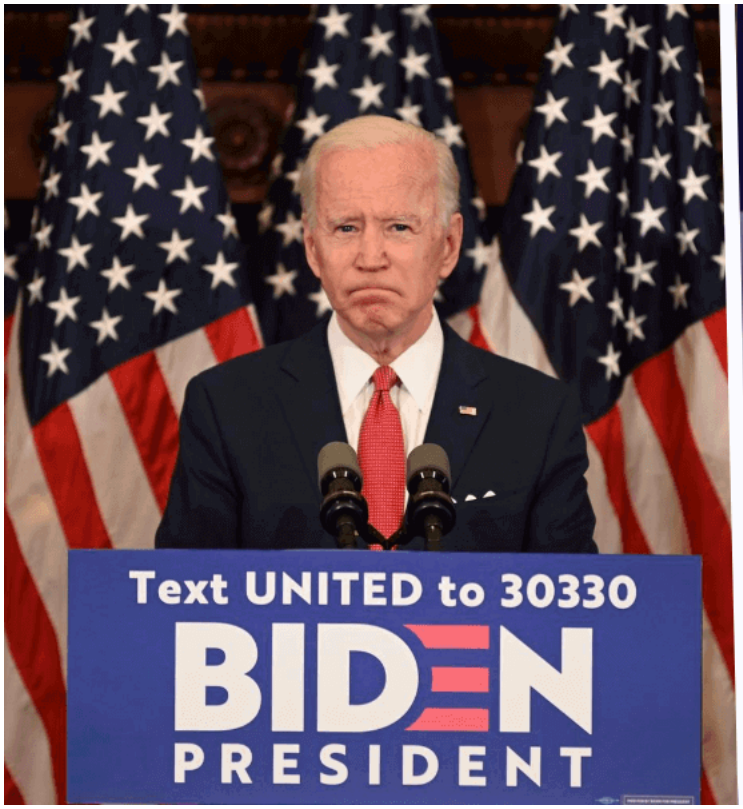

By Cassy Fiano-Chesser | **Live Action**
August 8, 2020
Earlier this week, President Donald Trump traveled to Ohio, where he **stated that his likely opponent, presumed Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden**, is “following the radical left agenda, take away your guns, destroy your 2nd Amendment, no religion, no anything, hurt the Bible, hurt God. He’s against God. He’s against guns. He’s against energy, our kind of energy….” While Biden has **publicly supported pro-abortion policies**, he responded to Trump’s statements by pointing to his personal Catholic faith. In an email to media outlets like **the Washington Post** and **the Hill**, Biden called Catholicism “the bedrock foundation of my life,” adding that his faith helped him through difficult times, such as the losses of his wife and daughter in a car accident, and of his son to cancer. Faith, he said, “provided me comfort in moments of loss and tragedy” and “kept me grounded and humbled in times of triumph and joy.”

READ: ***Joe Biden says if elected, he will force religious organizations to pay for birth control***

“Joe Biden’s faith is at the core of who he is; he’s lived it with dignity his entire life…” Biden campaign spokesman Andrew Bates **told the Washington Post**.

Biden’s “Agenda for Women,” **recently released by his campaign**, puts forth multiple policies in support of abortion. Yet, the **Catechism of the Catholic Church** states, “Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law.”

Since running for president, Biden has promised to **repeal the Hyde Amendment**, has called abortion **“essential health care,”** and has been endorsed by both **Planned Parenthood** and **NARAL Pro-Choice America**, the latter of which has given him a **100% rating** on his legislative support for pro-abortion policies. Biden has also vowed to **force religious organizations** – including Catholic organizations – to pay for birth control if he is elected.

Roe v. Wade attorney: Use the abortion pill to 'eliminate the barely educated, unhealthy, and poor'

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By Carole Novielli | **LIVE ACTION**

> Disturbing correspondence from a co-counsel of *Roe v. Wade*, the decision which legalized abortion nationwide, reveals that a eugenics and population control ideology has long been behind the push for the abortion pill's availability.

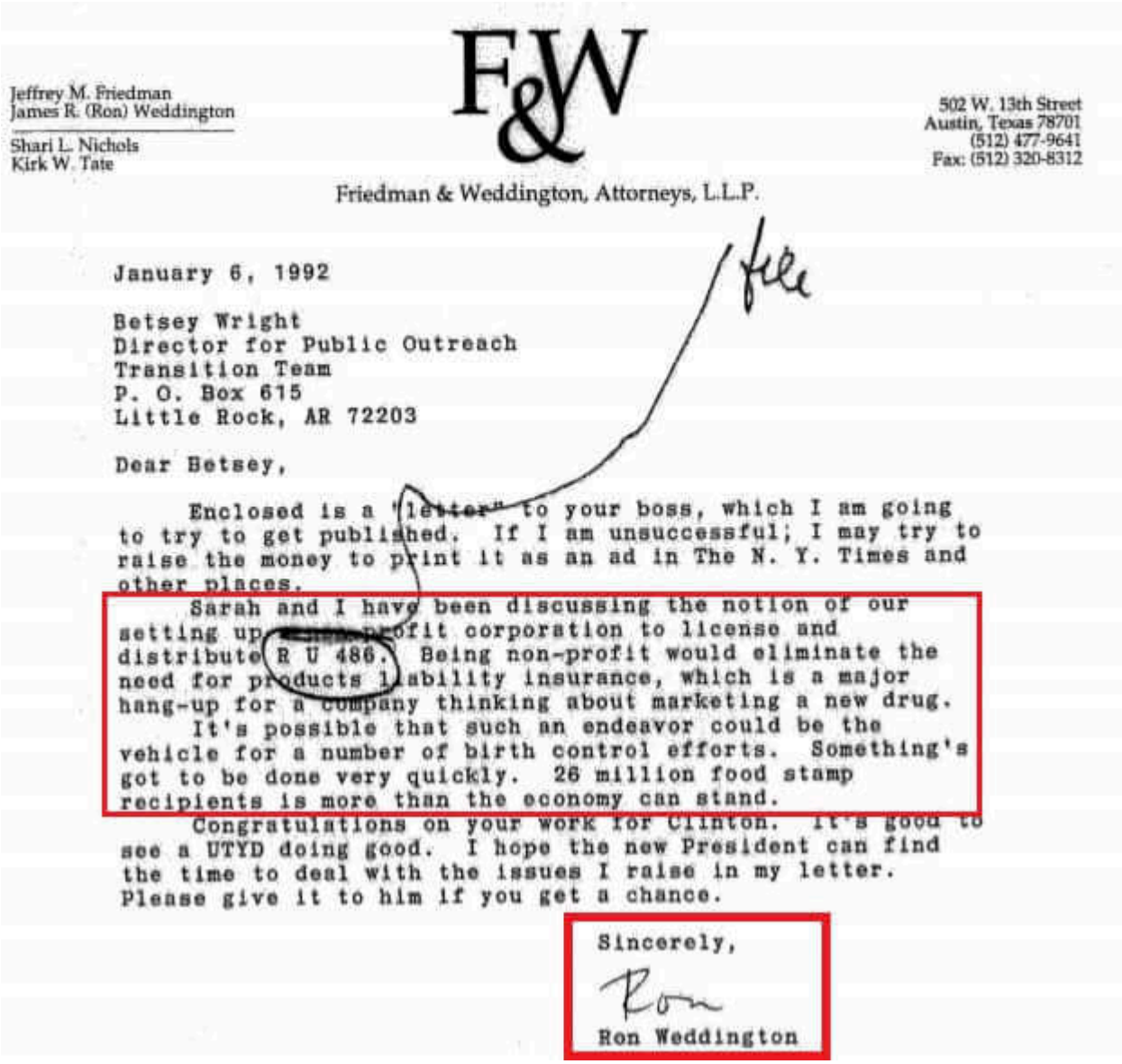
The abortion pill, which has **ties** to the manufacturer of the deadly gas **Zyklon-B** used by the Nazis during the Holocaust, was introduced under the name RU-486 ("RU" for **Roussel-Uclaf**, the French manufacturer of the pill, and "486" for the drug's serial number). The abortion pill was eventually brought to the United States by groups with ties to eugenics, and today, eugenics-connected groups are **funding** the expansion of the abortion pill.

"ELIMINATE… THE POOR"

In 1992, Ron Weddington, a co-counsel of Roe v. Wade and the **ex-husband** of Roe attorney Sarah Weddington, wrote to the newly-elected Bill Clinton administration expressing concern about the growing size of certain population groups. His open letter, **uncovered** by Judicial Watch,

recommended that the president should "eliminate" certain segments of society via vasectomies, tubal ligations, abortions, and the RU-486 abortion pill (emphasis added):

Sarah and I have been discussing the notion of our setting up profit corporation to license and distribute RU486. It's possible that such an endeavor could be the vehicle for a number of birth control efforts. ***26 million food stamp recipients is more than the economy can stand.***



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Dear Betsey,

Enclosed is a "letter" to your boss, which I am going to try to get published. If I am unsuccessful; I may try to raise the money to print it as an ad in The N. Y. Times and other places.

Sarah and I have been discussing the notion of our setting up profit corporation to license and distribute R U 486. Being non-profit would eliminate the need for products liability insurance, which is a major hang-up for a company thinking about marketing a new drug.

It's possible that such an endeavor could be the vehicle for a number of birth control efforts. Something's got to be done very quickly. 26 million food stamp recipients is more than the economy can stand.

Congratulations on your work for Clinton. It's good to see a UTYD doing good. I hope the new President can find the time to deal with the issues I raise in my letter. Please give it to him if you get a chance.

Sincerely,

Ron

Ron Weddington

Ron Weddington letter about RU486 abortion pill to President Clinton cover page (Image: Judicial Watch)

"I don't think you are going to get very far in reforming the country until we have a better educated, healthier, wealthier population," Weddington suggested.

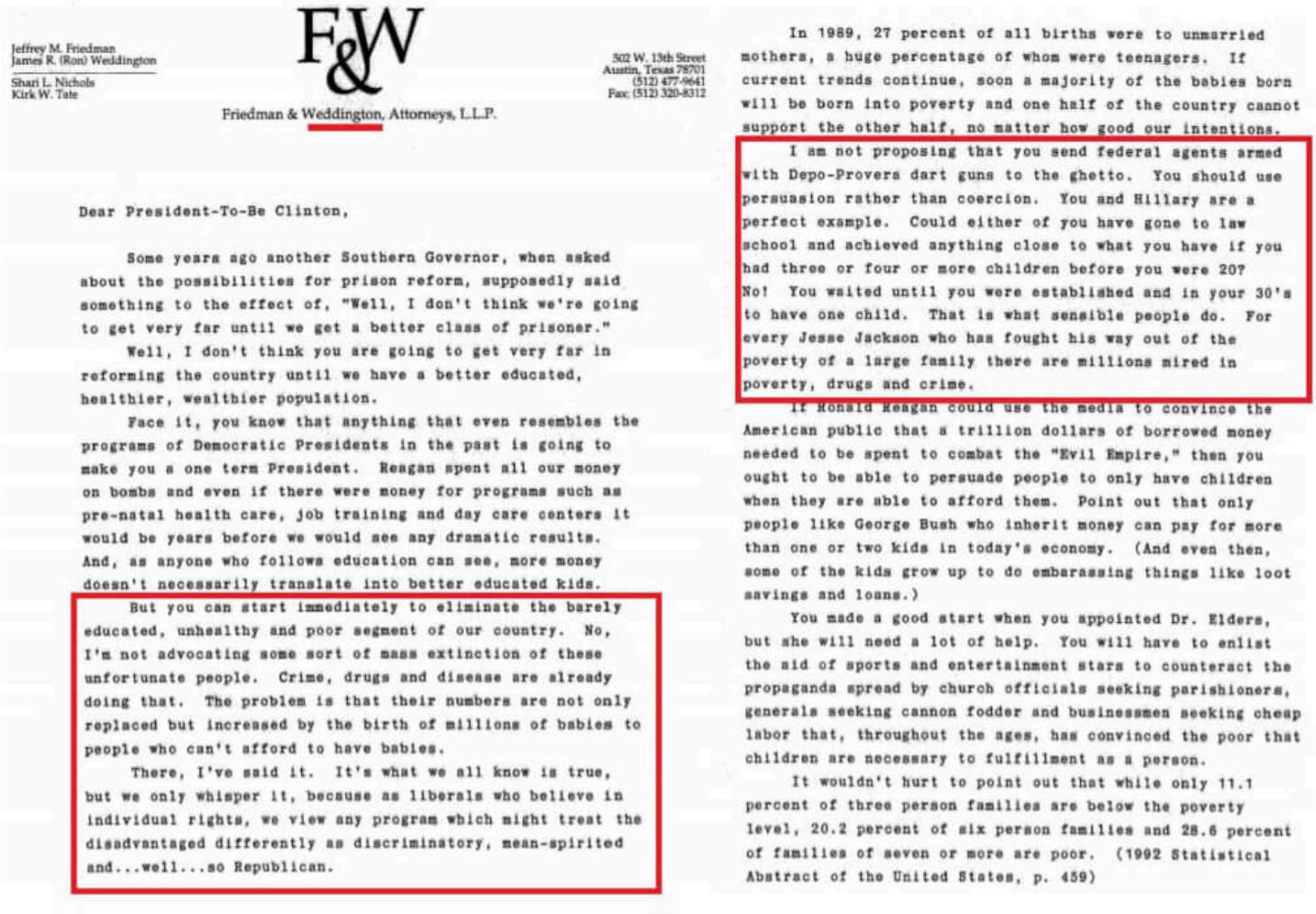
The former Roe co-counselor also introduced his audacious plan in a letter addressed directly to "President-To-Be Clinton" (emphasis added):

… you can start immediately ***to eliminate the barely educated, unhealthy and poor segment of our country. No, I'm not advocating some sort of mass extinction of these unfortunate people. Crime, drugs and disease are already doing that.***

The problem is that their numbers are not only replaced but increased by the birth of millions of babies who can't afford to have babies. There, I've said it. *It's what we all know is true, but we only whisper it….*

I am not proposing that you send federal agents armed with Depo-Provera dart guns to the ghetto. You should use persuasion rather than coercion*. You and Hillary are a perfect example. Could either of you have gone to law school and achieved anything close to what you have if you had three or four or more children before your were 20? No! You waited until you were established and in your 30's to have one child. That is what sensible people do. For every Jesse Jackson who has fought his way out of the poverty of a large family there are millions mired in poverty, drugs and crime….*

Weddington understood that the target community **viewed** abortion as Black genocide. The **same year** Weddington penned his letter, **accusations** of racism were directed at a school program in **Baltimore** which targeted minority students with the Norplant contraceptive, developed by the **Population Council**.



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Dear President-To-Be Clinton,

Some years ago another Southern Governor, when asked about the possibilities for prison reform, supposedly said something to the effect of, "Well, I don't think we're going to get very far until we get a better class of prisoner."

Well, I don't think you are going to get very far in reforming the country until we have a better educated, healthier, wealthier population.

Face it, you know that anything that even resembles the programs of Democratic Presidents in the past is going to make you a one term President. Reagan spent all our money on bombs and even if there were money for programs such as pre-natal health care, job training and day care centers it would be years before we would see any dramatic results. And, as anyone who follows education can see, more money doesn't necessarily translate into better educated kids.

But you can start immediately to eliminate the barely educated, unhealthy and poor segment of our country. No, I'm not advocating some sort of mass extinction of these unfortunate people. Crime, drugs and disease are already doing that. The problem is that their numbers are not only replaced but increased by the birth of millions of babies to people who can't afford to have babies.

There, I've said it. It's what we all know is true, but we only whisper it, because as liberals who believe in individual rights, we view any program which might treat the disadvantaged differently as discriminatory, mean-spirited and...well...so Republican.

In 1989, 27 percent of all births were to unmarried mothers, a huge percentage of whom were teenagers. If current trends continue, soon a majority of the babies born will be born into poverty and one half of the country cannot support the other half, no matter how good our intentions.

I am not proposing that you send federal agents armed with Depo-Provera dart guns to the ghetto. You should use persuasion rather than coercion. You and Hillary are a perfect example. Could either of you have gone to law school and achieved anything close to what you have if you had three or four or more children before you were 20? No! You waited until you were established and in your 30's to have one child. That is what sensible people do. For every Jesse Jackson who has fought his way out of the poverty of a large family there are millions mired in poverty, drugs and crime.

If Ronald Reagan could use the media to convince the American public that a trillion dollars of borrowed money needed to be spent to combat the "Evil Empire," then you ought to be able to persuade people to only have children when they are able to afford them. Point out that only people like George Bush who inherit money can pay for more than one or two kids in today's economy. (And even then, some of the kids grow up to do embarassing things like loot savings and loans.)

You made a good start when you appointed Dr. Elders, but she will need a lot of help. You will have to enlist the aid of sports and entertainment stars to counteract the propaganda spread by church officials seeking parishioners, generals seeking cannon fodder and businessmen seeking cheap labor that, throughout the ages, has convinced the poor that children are necessary to fulfillment as a person.

It wouldn't hurt to point out that while only 11.1 percent of three person families are below the poverty level, 20.2 percent of six person families and 28.6 percent of families of seven or more are poor. (1992 Statistical Abstract of the United States, p. 459)

Ron Weddington letter about RU486 abortion pill to President Clinton page 1 to 2 (Image: Judicial Watch)

In **1994**, with the **encouragement** of the Bill Clinton administration, Roussel-Uclaf assigned the **US rights** of marketing and **distribution** of the abortion pill to the **eugenics-founded** Population Council. The drug's distribution was **later** handed over to Danco Laboratories, a **sub-licensee** of the Population Council.

FORCED POPULATION CONTROL AS A BACK-UP PLAN

But forced population control was always on the table. Just a few years prior to Weddington's letter, a 1969 New York Times article **acknowledged** that many leaders sitting on Planned Parenthood's board were in favor of coercive population control. The paper quoted a Planned Parenthood board member as saying, "What it all comes down to is that **we want the poor to stop breeding while we retain our freedom to have large families**. It's strictly a class point of view." (emphasis added)

Alan F. Guttmacher, a former Planned Parenthood president and vice-president of the American Eugenics Society, was also an advocate of population control. He desired "voluntary measures" of control to be used first, although compulsory measures were never ruled out. As he saw it, if

“voluntary measures” did not work, then **force** could become necessary. In 1970, Guttmacher even suggested to **Boston Magazine** that the U.N. should be used to “curb population” so it would not be perceived as genocide. “If the United States goes to the Black man or the yellow man and says slow down your reproduction rate, we’re immediately suspected of having ulterior motives to keep the white man dominant in the world. If you can send in a colorful UN force, you’ve got much better leverage,” Guttmacher **stated**.

Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger **had the same idea** when she recommended that Black doctors and ministers be recruited to spread her organization’s message to the Black community. And Weddington’s ideas resemble those of Sanger, who was an **advocate** of forced sterilization and eugenics. Weddington also mirrors the thoughts of Larry Lader, a Sanger **biographer** and “**disciple**” who co- founded what is known today as NARAL Pro-Choice America. “Abortion,” Lader’s first publication, was **cited** several times in the U.S. Supreme Court’s 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision.

ABORTION HAS LONG BEEN THE TOOL OF RACISTS

Lader once **suggested** that “the percentage of Puerto Ricans, Negroes, other minority groups ” are the groups who need abortion the most. He **told** WNCY, “e can []… no longer afford to bring into the world ten, fifteen children, most of whom will be starving not just in India, but often in our own home, **will become the flotsam and jetsam of society, will become the drug addict**.”

Lader also **advocated** for the legalization of the abortion pill. In a 2000 **press release**, Lader boasted about his “plot” to break the law and smuggle the drug into the US. He **told** an audience, “We have all sorts of little tricks; we’re tricky people. We smuggled some in from China through a doctor I knew coming in….”

Lader’s book, “**Abortion II**” hinted at the eugenic ‘benefits’ abortion could bring, pointing out that the “balance” of adoptable babies had shifted from white to, in his words, “unwanted” minority children. In his 1991 book on RU-486, Lader made it clear that “orldwide population control could be an indirect benefit of the use of RU-486.”

In Weddington’s letter, he emphasized:

overnment is also going to have to provide vasectomies, tubal ligations, and abortions… RU486 and conventional abortions… Our survival depends upon our developing a population where everyone contributes. We don’t need more cannon fodder. We don’t need more parishioners. We don’t need more cheap labor. We don’t need more poor babies.

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And, having convinced the poor that they can't get out of poverty when they have all those extra mouths to feed, you will have to provide the means to prevent the extra mouths, because abstinence doesn't work. The religious right has had 12 years to preach their message. It's time to officially recognize that people are going to have sex and what we need to do as a nation is prevent as much disease and as many poor babies as possible.

Condoms alone won't do it. Depo-Provera, Norplant and the new birth control injection being developed in India are not a complete answer, although the savings that could be effected by widespread government distribution and encouragement of birth control would amount to billions of dollars.

No, government is also going to have to provide vasectomies, tubal ligations and abortions...RU 486 and conventional abortions. Even if we make birth control as ubiquitous as sneakers and junk food, there will still be unplanned pregnancies. There have been about 30 million abortions in this country since Roe v. Wade. Think of all the poverty, crime and misery ...and then add 30 million unwanted babies to the scenario. We lost a lot of ground during the Reagan-Bush religious orgy. We don't have a lot of time left.

You could do it, Mr. President-To-Be. You are articulate and you've already alienated the religious right with your positions on abortion and homosexuals. The middle-class taxpayer will go along with this plan because it will mean fewer dollars for welfare. The retirees will also go along because because poor people contribute very little to Social Security.

And the poor? Well, maybe if we didn't have to spend so much on problems like low birth weight babies and trying to educate children who come to school hungry, we might have some money to help lift the ones already born, out of their plight.

Ron Weddington letter about RU486 abortion pill to President Clinton page 1 to 2 (Image: Judicial Watch)

Read more of Weddington's elitist and condescending letter, seen below:

The biblical exhortation to "Be fruitful and multiply," was directed toward a small tribe, surrounded by enemies. We are long past that. Our survival depends upon our developing a population where everyone contributes. We don't need more cannon fodder. We don't need more parishioners. We don't need more cheap labor. We don't need more poor babies

Very truly yours,

Ron Weddington

P.S. I was co-counsel in Roe V. Wade, have sired zero children and one fetus, the abortion of which was recently recounted by my ex-wife in her book, A Question Of Choice. (Grosset/Putnam, 1992) I had a vasectomy in 1969 and have never had one moment of regret.

Ron Weddington letter about RU486 abortion pill to President Clinton page 3 to 4 (Image: Judicial Watch)A 1991 book published by **three pro-choice researchers** in 1991 said that the idea that the abortion pill was developed "to expand or improve women's 'choices' to control their reproduction" is a complete "misconception." They wrote, "The specific intention of such research was to restrict population growth in countries that were judged to be 'underdeveloped.' If successful, the method(s) could be extended to groups in the United States, Black, Hispanic and Native American Women (Department of Health, Education and Welfare, NIH, USA, 1969)."

“Reproductive technological history seems to be repeating itself,” they added. And indeed, the population control agenda of the abortion pill continues today in full force, having ended the lives of more than 3.7 million preborn children.

On National Belly Button Day and Life

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Dr. Robert Youngbood | **The Stand**

June 23rd was National Belly Button Day, and belly buttons really don't get the attention they deserve! I know I missed it even though I carry one with me everywhere I go. So, have you ever really thought about your belly button and all that it means?

Basically a healed scar from when the umbilical cord was cut and tied after delivery, the belly button is a reminder of who we are, where we come from, and the importance of caring for all during all stages of life.

Mothers began mothering as the umbilical cord shared nutrients allowing the baby to mature and grow until delivery. In a necessary first step to interdependence outside the womb, the cord is cut with a small piece left behind which falls off in about seven days. Tah-dah! It fits perfectly to have a scar to remind you of your travels so far.

Nine months is the usual travel time to birth. Too many, though, have forgotten to honor these travels prior to and after the scar of their belly button.

Take a moment to live in the awe of that scar. Yes, I meant awe – as in "a feeling of reverential respect mixed with fear or wonder." Have you ever thought you didn't get where you are alone? How many things could've gone wrong? How many different things had to go right?

If you are you, then you were there once. You were in a woman's womb being nourished for continued growth through gestation.

But let's dig deeper into a time before your belly button appeared to discover who you are.

The Bible says clearly we are fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of the Creator Himself (See **Genesis 2:7**, **Psalm 139:14**). We are not evolved from beasts of the field but are made separate from them. Evolution? It is an unproven theory from science – which can't accurately forecast the weather we see two to five days ahead yet bamboozles us by attempting to accurately prove we evolved by chance over supposed millions of years in the past. I love science. I hate it when science is used improperly and without logic.

Remember, though, you also were a baby once, so the blessing continues. **Psalm 139:13-16** obviously shows David recognized we are created in His image:

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

God's eyes saw the day you would be born. God's eyes see the day you will die. This is where awe really belongs.

Give praise where praise is due – to the Lord God who loves you more than you can imagine from prior to your birth until even now. In fact, Jesus used the idea of a second birth to show the restoration of a relationship that had been severed in Eden because God's holiness cannot be in the presence of sin.

Born again?

A spiritual ruler of the Jews, Nicodemus, said to Jesus, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." (The conversation is in **John 3:1-15**.)

"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again," Jesus said, "he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Nicodemus wanted more. "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

Nicodemus was seeking and wouldn't give up. God loves those who seek Him with their whole hearts (**Jeremiah 29:13**, **Deuteronomy 4:29**, **Psalm 9:9-10**). **James 1:5** reminds us of how God provides to seekers, "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."

Jesus says in verses 14-15 about this new birth, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

Their conversation precedes one of the most known verses in the Bible, **John 3:16**, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life."

The next words out of Jesus' mouth probably made Nicodemus' heart jump first with joy and then with fear as he compared himself to a holy God's standards. He knew the Ten Commandments and many other laws. He knew he failed at many of them despite being a spiritual leader.

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." Ahhh, the joy of **John 3:17**.

"Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God." Oh, the rollercoaster of joy and fear of **John 3:18** which connects directly to **Matthew 10:28-33** and **Matthew 7:21-23**.

So I hope you won't get tied in a knot when I bring these thoughts about belly buttons and life to a close. God desires none to perish, but He wants all to come to repentance (**2 Peter 3:9**).

"If we despise the justice of God," wrote R.C. Sproul in *The Holiness of God*, "we are not Christians."

Everyone needs a provision to re-establish a **relationship with God**, but we didn't always know it. God's justice has to either fall on you or a substitution for you.

There are two odd things here to me.

First, God's love for the world is shown through the provision of Jesus' suffering on the cross for all the sins of the world. This is such a serious topic.

Second, is the thought, "How did we end up here when we started with belly buttons?" which didn't seem like a serious topic at all.

That scar is a reminder of how we were once completely dependent upon and being shaped by God's provision, whether we knew it or not. I was reminded of our dependence on God and His provision through Jesus' wounded hands, feet, and side. We are fully dependent on His provision to receive salvation, yet we are interdependent to work with Him through the Holy Spirit in our lives as a sign of who we are, where we came from, and where we're going.

Jesus, like us, went from womb to tomb. But He rose again so that by Him and through Him we can be in a restored relationship to give glory to a holy, just, and loving God.

*Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created (**Revelation 4:11**).*

So don't wait any longer if you haven't **been born again** because **2 Corinthians 6:2** says, "Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." If you can stand in awe of God and what He has done for you through Jesus, if you will look upon him as Lord and Savior, then I know you will be eternally glad you did. I promise you that all of this is more than my gut feeling.

SOURCE: **THE STAND**

Pandemic vs Abortion

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TAGS: COVID, PANDEMIC

The *COVID-19 pandemic* continues to rule the airwaves, cyberspace, and every facet of our lives. Every story coming across our TV or computer screens continues to scream with the *Coronavirus* onslaught that has condemned us, potentially, to death, and almost certainly, too, economic depression. The pandemic is all the media want us to think about, and most gladly oblige by adhering to the guidelines demanded by those experts such as Dr. Anthony Fauci.

The figures they parade before our near-panicked eyes are front and center each and every news cycle. One snapshot in time, as the pandemic progresses, presented the following as I perused the numbers. They are taken from a Google search.

United States cases: Updated May 17 at 10:20 AM local

Confirmed: 1,500,148 (+26,733)

Deaths: 89,498 (+1,261)

Recovered: 274,265

Global cases: Updated May 17 at 9:20 AM local

Confirmed: 4,658,651 (+95,193)

Deaths: 312,239 (+4,074)

Recovered: 1,703,322 (+54,047)

There is great alarm over the deaths among these statistics. The number of cases both in America and globally are all-consuming. However, the statistics of recoveries are downplayed to the point they are never mentioned in many newscasts or news postings.

Any death, as the president and all others consistently remind us, is too many. There is a race to move Heaven and earth in order to find a vaccine that will guarantee one cannot get the virus. That is a quest that is, almost all of the experts agree, something that can't happen for at least another 18 months. Some say there will never be a vaccine found for these types of viral diseases because they mutate constantly. The common flu, for example, has shots but not true vaccines. The shots can lessen the severity of the flu in patients. No vaccine has been produced that guarantees people won't get any strain of the flu.

Vaccines have been produced that are effective for measles, smallpox, polio, and other diseases but not for the viral illnesses. You will have to ask someone besides yours truly to find out why this is the case. I certainly can't give you the answer. I just know it's a fact.

This great, all-consuming concern for our lives, as we have seen, has a raging political agenda attached to it. We can't open up the economies either of America or the world until that magical vaccine is found. This is the opinion of those such as Dr. Fauci and the CDC for the most part.

Yet no such vaccine is likely forthcoming, despite the efforts of those such as Bill Gates, who, many of our friends with a squinted, conspiratorial eye toward his efforts believe, intends to inject in all of us a tracking device, or worse.

There might develop flu-like shots to lessen severity, but a true vaccine such as in measles or smallpox isn't likely to be produced.

The satanic influence of all this particularly strikes my suspicion-meter when thinking on how, while there is all this burning concern for making sure no one ever again gets a case of Coronavirus, the most vulnerable and helpless of our kind are given no such concern or protective effort – except for those who are concerned for the *sanctity of life*.

While we see the figures each and every news cycle of cases and deaths of COVID-19 victims, we never see the statistics of the infanticide we are deliberately allowing to be perpetrated.

Abortion in America has been consistently very near 1 million or more babies per year for decades. Statistics show a slight lessening over the last few years, but still the mark hovers around the 1 million mark. The last time I looked at it, the number since Roe v Wade was nearing 70 million.

The COVID-19 Nazis – I mean officials – have told us that the most vulnerable among us, in addition to the elderly and those with severe health problems, are people of color – mostly meaning those who are African Americans. This is of great concern to, particularly, the *progressives,* as they prepare their plans for how to twist things in order to get Trump removed from office. They want back the numbers among the darker races they've lost due to Trump's efforts to advance their plight in America.

They blame him for numbers of deaths being so high among people of color, as they put it. The conclusion they make is, of course, ludicrous, as is so much they try to peddle.

In considering facts about concern for African Americans and the Coronavirus, we wonder where the great concern is in the matter of African American babies in the wombs of their mothers. By far, the greatest number of abortions are performed on African American fetuses. They are a minority, but the majority of abortions are performed on black children. Where is the compassion of the Party that claims to champion the black American voter base?

There is great concern to prevent COVID-19, but no concern for helpless children in the womb.

We don't have to wonder what the Creator God of Heaven thinks about the *Pandemic vs Abortion* statistical inequity.

Here is what David, a man after God's own heart, wrote under Holy Spirit Inspiration:

"For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfected; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them" (Psalms 139: 13-16).

I continue to believe that when the Rapture takes place and every womb is empty because those little ones are with Christ in that instant, God will have made a Statement about when life begins.

–Terry

Pro-lifers arrested for giving moms roses at abortion center during COVID-19

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> Governor decrees shutter churches while abortion mills remain wide open as “essential services”. Seems Pastors need to get in the FIGHT and have CHURCH and allow their members to decide. First Amendment has been erased.

Will Goodman, left, and Tony Puckett, right, are placed under arrest when they defended the unborn from abortion at the Delta Clinic, Baton Rouge, LA.

Two mothers turned away from abortion and eight others left the clinic, the fate of their babies unknown.

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana, May 1, 2020 (**LifeSiteNews**) – On Thursday two pro-lifers were arrested for offering women roses at the Delta Clinic abortion facility, an action that led two mothers to turn away from abortion and another eight to at least leave the abortuary.

Pro-life demonstrators, including well-known Baton Rouge activist Richard Mahoney, arrived at the facility at 7:30 am. Mahoney was accompanied by **Red Rose Rescuers** Lauren Handy and Patrice Woodword. Their intention was to speak to all of the women arriving for their abortions who lined up in the parking lot waiting their turn to enter the abortion facility. Seventy pro-lifers soon assembled outside of the clinic, some quietly praying while others held signs.

At about 9:40 a.m. the Delta Clinic abortionist, Nigerian-born Nsikan St. Martin arrived. When the clinic security guard was distracted escorting her into the facility, Will Goodman and Tony Puckett, both donning personal protective equipment, quietly slipped into the abortion facility's side door, which was unlocked. They quickly gained access to the abortion center's waiting room. Four women were already inside the abortion procedure rooms waiting for the abortionist to administer the first dosage of the RU-486 chemical abortion.

Will Goodman and Tony Puckett were soon confronted by two abortion staff members, one of whom asked, "What are you doing here?"

Goodman explained: “We are offering roses to anyone in the clinic,” and proceeded to offer roses to each of the women. They seemed puzzled and took the roses, with one of them saying: “Well, this is very nice of you.”

The other staff member, however, read the card attached to the roses that addressed words of hope and encouragement to abortion-minded women urging them to choose life with phone numbers of local pregnancy help groups. The clinic worker became furious, pulled all but one rose out of Goodman’s hands, threw them on the floor, and demanded that Goodman and Puckett leave the facility.

Goodman explained: “We can’t leave. We are here to help mothers choose life.” The staff member responded: “You cannot be in this building unless you are getting an abortion. Are you getting an abortion, sir?”

Goodman stated: “Of course not. We are here in peace to prevent the abortions and offer hope to the mothers.” The staff member grabbed Goodman’s shoulder, at which point Goodman dropped to the floor in a passive posture. Puckett, still holding his roses, knelt down on one knee.

The rescuers were confident that the women in the procedure rooms could hear the exchange between them and the facility staff. Soon one woman came out from the back hallway and, while Goodman was limp on the floor, she exited the building in tears. She did not obtain the abortion as the abortionist had not yet entered the building.

Eventually the security guard and abortionist St. Martin walked into the clinic’s waiting room and yelled at the rescuers saying that they needed to “Get out!”

While they were preoccupied with the rescuers, the parking lot remained “unguarded” by those affiliated with the abortion center. Rescuers Lauren Handy and Patrice Woodwood took the opportunity to enter the lot. They talked with the women who were still lined up waiting to get into the facility. Of the 15 women, seven accepted the roses offered to them. One woman actually asked Handy if she could have one of the roses. Lauren spoke to her for a few moments, told her that her own phone number was on the card attached to the rose, and encouraged the woman to call her. The woman left the line, walked back to her car and drove off.

Goodman offered his remaining rose to abortionist St. Martin but she refused to accept it. Instead, both she and the security guard proceeded to drag Goodman out of the facility. Baton Rouge police officers had already arrived with 10 police vehicles cluttering the parking lot. Several women were still standing in line waiting to get into the clinic. Four of them, apparently unnerved by the commotion caused by the presence of so many police officers, left the line, got in their cars and exited the parking lot.

Goodman was dragged outside the clinic and "deposited" on the pavement near the clinic's front door. Then the security guard retrieved Puckett and escorted him out of the facility as well. At this point four other women exited the abortion center, and appeared very angry. Apparently, for reasons unknown, they had been turned out of the clinic and were denied whatever "service" they had hoped to obtain. Altogether 10 women left the abortion center during the time the Red Rose Rescue took place.

The police warned Goodman and Puckett they needed to leave the property or they would be arrested. Goodman explained: "We cannot do that, Officer. We are here to defend the helpless unborn scheduled to be put to death."

One officer appeared sympathetic to the rescuers and stated: "I totally understand what you are doing and if I wasn't wearing this uniform I'd tell you exactly what I think." Goodman and Puckett expressed their resolve not to leave the property and thus, they were handcuffed and taken into custody. The police were concerned that the rescuers were not going to walk on their own to the waiting police vehicles and threatened them with resisting arrest if they practiced "passive resistance." Goodman asked if the police squad cars could be driven up to them and if so, they would agree to get up and enter the cars. The officers complied with this request.

Goodman and Puckett were taken to the local police station, booked while remaining in the police cars, and released immediately with a charge of "Failure to Disperse." They are scheduled to appear in court June 29.

It should be noted that only the security guard and the abortion center receptionist wore face masks. Abortionist St. Martin did not practice any so-called social distancing when she engaged the rescuers, wore no personal protective equipment, and did not observe the six-foot social distancing rule. Both Goodman and Puckett informed all abortion clinic staff that they intended to observe social distancing restrictions—but clinic staff chose not to comply. St. Martin also remarked to Goodman that for money she "would gladly abort any of his babies," and told Puckett, "I would have aborted you."

"If abortion clinic staff can enter a clinic to kill the unborn, and if an abortionist can enter to kill the unborn, all during a coronavirus pandemic, then certainly pro-lifers can also enter an abortion clinic to defend and possibly even save the unborn," commented Dr. Monica Migliorino Miller of Citizens for a Pro-Life Society, who helped organize the Baton Rouge rescue and is a founding member of Red Rose Rescues.

"It is quite clear that at least two women did not kill their babies , and possibly even more as a consequence of the Red Rose Rescue. No matter what, the Red Rose Rescuers performed a practical act of love for these mothers and their babies. Even in this time of crisis we still need to *be there,* to go into the dark holes of the poor as far as we can, and love all those who are unwanted."

BREAKING: Pro-life investigators ordered to pay $1.5 million in Planned Parenthood baby parts case

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> The five pro-life activists are also liable for attorney fees, which will likely add millions more to what they owe America's largest abortion chain.

SAN FRANCISCO, California, April 30, 2020 (**LifeSiteNews**) – A judge in San Francisco has ruled that the pro-life defendants in the *Planned Parenthood Federation of America v. Center for Medical Progress* case – popularly known as the "baby body parts case" – must pay Planned Parenthood over $1.5 million, not including attorney fees which will likely add millions more to what they owe the abortion-committing behemoth.

In November, after the six-week courtroom drama presided over by United States District Judge William H. Orrick concluded, a jury took less than two days to find the Center for Medical Progress (CMP) and its undercover investigators guilty of multiple crimes, including violating the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act, wiretapping, and engaging in civil conspiracy.

The roster of those found liable reads like a who's who of pro-life all stars: Troy Newman, longtime pro-life activist and president of Operation Rescue; David Daleiden, project lead of CMP who became the face of the investigation; Sandra Merritt; Albin Rhomberg; and Gerardo Adrian Lopez. Each has been found "joint and severally liable" for the **$1,555,084 judgment**.

"It is no longer in dispute that Planned Parenthood sold aborted baby parts for profit and that our video evidence was authentic. They admitted it during our trial," Newman said in a just-

released **statement**. Newman served as a founding board member of CMP during the undercover investigation.

“I believe when the full truth is finally told – and it wasn’t at our trial – we will all be exonerated, and it will be Planned Parenthood that will be held liable for their crimes in a court of law,” said Newman. “I look forward to that day.”

In 2015, CMP released videos exposing Planned Parenthood’s apparently illegal trade in aborted baby body parts after a 30-month undercover operation.

The groundbreaking videos showed top-level Planned Parenthood executives haggling over prices of aborted baby body parts and discussing how to change abortion procedures to obtain more intact organs. The videos sparked public outrage, congressional and senate hearings, and an ongoing Department of Justice criminal investigation into Planned Parenthood.

The lawsuit pitted “those who practice, advocate for, and profit from unthinkably cruel and barbaric acts on the tiniest of humans against a few individuals who had the tenacity, courage, resourcefulness, and faith to walk into the heart of darkness to expose trafficking in the brains, hearts, livers, lungs, and limbs of pre-born babies,” said LifeSiteNews’ **Lianne Laurence**, who travelled to San Francisco last fall to cover the civil trial.

Sandra Merritt SOURCE: Jim Hale / LifeSiteNews

In her analysis of the proceedings, Laurence **explained**:

> The significance of the case cannot be overestimated.
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> This lawsuit is Planned Parenthood's desperate attempt to permanently discredit the undercover videos the Center for Medical Progress released in 2015 that exposed its part in trafficking baby body parts. The casual brutality of abortionists discussing crushing unborn babies and haggling over the price of fetal organs shocked the world and Planned Parenthood wants to convey that those who exposed them – not their giant abortion corporation – are in the wrong.
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> It's also a retaliatory action: Planned Parenthood wants to to crush the pro-life advocates who went undercover and exposed them. The plaintiffs allege CMP's project lead David Daleiden, undercover journalists Sandra Merritt and Geraldo Adrian Lopez, and founding board members Troy Newman and Albin Rhomberg, committed 15 crimes while carrying out the undercover video project, ranging from breach of contract to racketeering. They claim CMP is liable for paying for everything Planned Parenthood's personnel bought, such as security upgrades and staff counselling hotlines, after they realized they'd been recorded.

The defendants named in the judgment are:

- **David Daleiden,** 31, developed and ran the undercover sting operation and is the high-profile, public face of CMP.
- **Troy Newman,** 54, a veteran pro-life activist, is well-known as the president of Operation Rescue.
- **Sandra Merritt**, 66, a grandmother who ran a home business and was a part-time teacher, is familiar as co-defendant with Daleiden in an ongoing California state criminal prosecution.
- **Gerardo Adrian Lopez**, 28, is employed by the Navy as a hospital corpsman in an intensive care neonatal unit, and got involved in the undercover operation after Daleiden met him when he worked at Starbucks and hired him to transcribe the videos.
- **Albin Rhomberg** is a longtime pro-life advocate and investigator who did graduate studies in high-energy particle physics, taught physics at the University of Wisconsin, and worked in the space program at Caltech Jet Propulsion Laboratory and at the Johnson Space Flight Center in Texas: in other words, he's a rocket scientist.

Lawyers from four law firms and four pro-life legal associations represented the five individual defendants, as well as CMP and its alter-ego BioMax.

Virginia Democrats walk out on, gavel down pastor who stood for life and marriage

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House members took umbrage with the pro-life, pro-marriage minister's message and the House Speaker cut him off while he was still praying.

RICHMOND, Virginia, February 12, 2020 (**LifeSiteNews**) – A pastor's forceful remarks about the sanctity of life and the traditional family became a focal point for controversy in Virginia on Tuesday, with Democrat lawmakers walking out on the invocation and the House speaker forcing him to end early with the bang of her gavel.

Invited by Republican state Del. Michael Webert, Rev. Dr. Robert M. Grant Jr. of The Father's Way Church delivered the opening prayer for the Virginia House of Delegates' Tuesday session and took the opportunity to remind the legislators of God's values and judgment.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

“I pray that we do not provoke God’s anger by making laws that can destroy the fabric of this great state and our wonderful country,” Grant said. “God is love, God is merciful, God is holy, and God is also judgment. Please do not provoke his anger and bring wrath upon this state by what you create as law. Biblical history is very clear. His wrath upon the earth is documented. We are not exempt. We are not exempt. If he does not grant us mercy for the atrocities that are being done, we will eventually encounter the judgment of the Almighty God, and may the Lord have mercy upon us all.

“I pray that you may understand that all life is precious, and worthy of a chance to be born. God is a giver of life, and people have no right or authority to take life,” he continued. “The unborn has rights, and those rights need to be protected. They should never be denied the right to exist, the right to develop, or the right to have a family. The Word of God has given us a warning: ‘woe to anyone who harms an innocent child.’ Every one of you sitting here today can guarantee these

rights to these little, innocent children of Virginia … please do not ignore their little voices. I pray for a heart changed today, and may the Lord God have mercy upon this leadership."

Grant also prayed "that the bills and laws being passed will always protect the Biblical traditional marriage, as God instructed the first man and the first woman in the Bible, that the two shall be one flesh. That a man and a woman shall be fruitful and multiply. We should never rewrite what God has declared. If a state wants to use God's law, then it needs to be respected. It's not yours to change or alter the wording. The Bible is the copyright of God's word. Marriage is to join a biological male and a biological female in holy matrimony, not to provoke the Almighty God.

"Without laws to protect traditional marriage, Virginia will be reduced to increase fatherless children and welfare victims and homelessness, and tax burden to us all," he warned, at which point Democrat House Speaker Eileen Filler-Corn cut in by banging her gavel and beginning to lead the chamber in the daily Pledge of Allegiance without waiting for Grant to stop talking.

"Is this a prayer or a sermon?" an unidentified Democrat was heard yelling during Grant's remarks, the *Virginia Mercury* **reported**. Democrat state Del. Luke Torian, who is also a pastor at First Mount Zion Baptist Church, complained that the strong pro-life, pro-family remarks were "totally disrespectful to all of us, all of us in this House."

At least one Republican also complained, with state Del. Matt Fariss claiming "this wasn't the place or time to do all of that" but rather a "time we need to be working together and not being divisive," and speculating that perhaps Grant "was ill-instructed or didn't realize what he was here to do."

Grant himself is standing firm, however.

"I think that the statehouse belongs to all the citizens. And all the citizens have a voice," he told reporters. "If it's my turn to have a voice, and I am a pastor, what do you expect from me? If you don't want to hear what a pastor has to say, then don't invite one." Grant added that Democrats' response was "unprofessional."

Virginia has gained national notoriety for its far-left turn after Democrats' **November 2019 takeover** of both chambers of the legislature. For almost a full year beforehand, Gov. Northam had been a lightning rod for criticism for **defending** the prospect of letting a doctor and family decide to let die a fully-delivered newborn that was deemed to be "nonviable" or have "severe deformities."

The state legislature **recently passed** the so-called Reproductive Health Protection Act, which would empower various non-physician health workers to commit first-trimester abortions, repeal the 24-hour waiting period for abortion, and eliminate the requirements that a woman seeking an abortion undergo counseling and be offered the chance to see an ultrasound of her baby.

Virginia Democrats are also advancing a **litany of pro-LGBT measures**, include a repeal of the state's unenforced, pre-Obergefell statute prohibiting same-sex "marriage," a ban on counseling minors to help them overcome unwanted same-sex attraction, adding "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" to state nondiscrimination rules, the ability to easily change the sex listed on their official birth certificate, a mandate that health insurance cover sex-reassignment surgery, the creation of a new model curriculum on "social justice," legislation mandating transgender access to opposite-sex facilities, recognition of "preferred" pronouns, gender-confused boys' participation in girls' sports, and more.

Planned Parenthood Opening Massive New Abortion Center in Richmond

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Shaun Kenney | **Republican Standard**

Planned Parenthood — the nation's #1 abortion provider — is looking for greener pastures in Richmond's minority communities.

Church Hill, to be specific. From the Richmond Free Press:

> *Already stirring some opposition, the new clinic would follow the same model as the clinic at VLPP's headquarters at 201 N. Hamilton St. in the West End in offering services focused on women's sexual and reproductive health, including family planning.*
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> *The current Hamilton Street clinic sees about 8,600 patients a year. The Church Hill location would enable VLPP to potentially double the number of Richmond area women served, Ms. McElwain said. When finished, the new clinic is to have 12 examination rooms; the current clinic has five.*

Given that 97% of what Planned Parenthood does is abortion, you can quickly do the math and figure out what sort of harm these people are about to do to Virginia.

Meanwhile, Bishop Darryl Husband of Mount Olivet Church is hosting a prayer rally on Thursday, 23 January at 7pm at 1223 N. 25th Street in Richmond. 40 Days for Life will be joining them in prayer, as will other pro-life organizations looking to see how this abortion center can be shut down and vigorously opposed.

Not Gone, Not Forgotten: Democrats Late Term Abortion Horror Returns

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The Republican Standard

It seems like an eternity ago. People around the U.S. were united in their outrage and disgust at legislation pending before the Virginia General Assembly.

Democrat Del. Kathy Tran, D-Arlington, was discussing her bill to remove restrictions on abortion when she was asked if the bill would allow abortion during birth.

“My bill would allow that, yes,” she said. The outrage that followed was only topped by Governor Northam’s even worse endorsement of the bill — which then prompted the Great Blackface Scandal of 2019.

Lost in the months of embarrassing headlines though was something remarkable — for all of the outrage around the bill, Democrats never withdrew their support for it. And that, as they say, has Republicans ready to pounce.

Republicans are pushing as many people as possible to a new website — **UntilBirth.com**, which hosts a 60 second version of the infamous testimony.

“When our people see this video, their desire to vote goes through the roof,” said one Republican consultant involved in the strategic planning. “They don’t believe us when we tell them it happened. We have to show it to them.”

Democrats continue to argue that Republicans are misrepresenting the legislation, but are oddly short on answers when it comes to how Republicans are doing so.

Of all the Democrats who put their name on the legislation as co-patron, only one had the good sense to take her name off — Del. Dawn Adams, D-Henrico.

Adams' reason for pulling her name from the bill wasn't a great one, though. The freshman delegate told her constituents that she hadn't really read the bill and didn't realize what it did. If she had, she wouldn't have joined as a co-patron.

Delegate Tran herself attempted to walk back her testimony, saying she misspoke about what the bill did. But PolitiFact — not a known friend to conservative causes — took her to task, rating her claim that she wasn't going to change the late term abortion rules "False."

"The words in her bill make it clear; she did seek to change late-term laws," the site wrote earlier this year.

Democrats have yet to address the bill outright in any significant way. Direct mail sent to moderate voters around Virginia in competitive seats more often than not echo their support for abortion in general, and an endorsement from Planned Parenthood and NARAL.

But none expressly embrace the contentious bill — most choosing to ignore it.

Republican candidates, however, have decided that's not an option.

SOURCE: **THE REPUBLICAN STANDARD**

Guest Column Planned Parenthood didn't tell her she was pregnant with twins. Then, they survived the abortion pill.

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(Pregnancy Help News) Recently, a Tennessee woman gave birth to healthy twin babies who miraculously survived a chemical abortion attempt at a Knoxville, TN, Planned Parenthood.

The incredible story of these miracle babies, as told by one pro-life physician, underscores just how sorely the abortion giant fails to meet the needs of women, both from a medical standpoint and a human one.

Displaying obvious ineptitude from the start, the nation's largest abortion business only informed the woman she was pregnant with twins after the chemical abortion she'd been given by Planned Parenthood staff failed.

Furthermore, at her initial visit to the Planned Parenthood facility, the staff misinformed her about the basic biological development happening within her seven-week pregnancy, stating that it was too early for a heartbeat and that it was "just cardiac activity" they were seeing.

Pro-life physician Brent Boles, who helped the woman following her failed abortion, commented on Facebook earlier this month about the twins' birth and Planned Parenthood's handling of the pregnancy.

"Abortion isn't about caring for the woman," Boles **said**. "It's about the $$$."

Boles had originally shared the **story** on the social media platform this past March after the woman contacted him looking for help.

Boles, who is a member of the **Abortion Pill Rescue Network**, told Pregnancy Help News that his patient originally came to him through the group's 24/7 helpline (877-558-0333). She had found the helpline after returning to Planned Parenthood for a follow-up appointment and discovering that she was still pregnant.

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Because Planned Parenthood had no help to offer her, she left and scoured the web before landing on **AbortionPillReversal.com**.

From the doctor's October 4 post:

Earlier this year, a patient called the Abortion Pill Rescue hotline and was referred to me. Three weeks before, she had been in a Planned Parenthood facility. She had an ultrasound at seven weeks, and asked during the ultrasound if there was a heartbeat. She was told "No, it's too early to call it a heartbeat; it is just cardiac activity."

As he did in his Facebook post this past March, Boles lambasted the abortion industry "cardiac activity" lie in his new post about the twins:

Problem #1: those types of statements are just deceptive word games. Calling the fetal heartbeat 'embryonic pulsing' or 'cardiac activity' and saying that it is not yet a heartbeat is a lie. The leading textbooks of embryology say that the heart begins to beat at five weeks and they call that a heartbeat. No medical or scientific text affirms their erroneous concept that pulsatile activity is not yet a heartbeat. In fact, those texts say that the cardiac/circulatory system is the first organ system to perform its adult purpose in utero. They lied to her in order to have her emotionally commit to handing over her cash and having the abortion.

That wasn't the only problem with Planned Parenthood's so-called medical evaluation of his patient:

Problem #2: at seven weeks the vast majority of competent sonographers will never miss twins at that point. But women who find out they are having twins are far less likely to abort twins, as the thought of

aborting only one baby does t seem quite as bad as aborting two. So… either an incompetent sonographer missed the fact that she had twins or didn't want to tell her and have her thousand dollars walk out the door with her.

She did the course of the abortion pill and nothing happened. She went back two weeks later and had another ultrasound at approximately nine weeks and they said 'oh well, it didn't work, and you are having twins.' She asked what could be done and they said nothing. She left, found the number to call on google, and that led her to my office.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

Abortion Pill Reversal, which has saved more than 900 babies to date, works by giving pregnant women additional progesterone, a natural hormone that sustains a healthy pregnancy. In the case

of a twin pregnancy, a woman's body produces more progesterone to nurture both babies.

In evaluating his patient and the twins, Boles determined that in this case, extra progesterone via Abortion Pill Reversal wouldn't be necessary. But for Boles, that still didn't excuse Planned Parenthood's glaring incompetence when it came to administering a practice he strongly opposes:

Problem #3: they (Planned Parenthood) don't even know how to use the medication properly, assuming they did know it was twins. I am prolife and I know that a higher dose of mifeprex is required to work successfully to abort a multiple gestation, because a twin pregnancy produces higher levels of progesterone.

For Christa Brown, director of Medical Impact at **Heartbeat International**, the twins' survival, as well as other survivals achieved through the Abortion Pill Rescue Network, marks a notable victory for life.

"It's incredible to think that the abortion industry has already counted those babies as abortion statistics, but instead they are alive and well," she said. "We are so thankful for Dr. Boles and all of the providers in the Abortion Pill Rescue Network who are saving lives every single day worldwide. To date, the abortion industry has lost nearly 1,000 of their statistics and our world has gained nearly 1,000 precious babies who are growing and thriving thanks to the APR Network."

Not only did Planned Parenthood fail this woman in every medical aspect, but the abortion business also failed to meet her basic human needs as a pregnant woman now expecting twins. Boles's final critique of the abortion giant?

Problem #4: they refused to offer any advice or counsel.

For several years now, abortion advocates have fired off endless **lies** about the help provided by pro-life pregnancy help organizations. But who is really taking care of women in unexpected pregnancies?

More than **2,750 pregnancy help centers** all across the U.S. are providing counsel and resources to women in need every day. From diapers to housing to parenting classes to free obstetrical ultrasound scans, they are serving families from a place of utmost compassion and care.

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In 2017, they served **nearly 2 million clients**, saving communities, an estimated $161 million.

When the abortion industry fails to meet women's needs, pregnancy centers are there. When a woman is kicked out of her home and has nowhere to go, maternity homes are there. When the

abortion industry leaves a woman grieving and regretting her "choice," abortion recovery ministries are there.

When a woman desperately wants to save her unborn child from an in-process chemical abortion, Dr. Boles and hundreds of other pro-life physicians in the Abortion Pill Rescue Network are there, offering her child one last chance at life.

Despite Planned Parenthood's utter failure to meet this patient's needs, today two healthy babies are alive and doing well in the state of Tennessee.

"These twins have now delivered at term, uncomplicated by any other issues," Boles wrote in his social media post, "and are at home with their parents, who are exceedingly pleased that a decision made under pressure and while in fear did not work out as planned."

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Dad devastated as newspaper refuses to print memorial for aborted baby

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Lisa Bourne | **Follow Lisa**

September 20, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) — The *Omaha World-Herald* newspaper refused to print an obituary or in memoriam ad for an aborted child, the baby's father says, and pro-life advocates say the paper's decision suggests pro-abortion discrimination.

The *World-Herald* initially refused the father's request to print an obituary for his son because aborted children don't get a death certificate. The newspaper then agreed to publish an in memoriam ad if it did not use the word abortion and had no mention of Life Runners (**liferunners.org**) because it is pro-life organization. The father had originally named Life Runners for memorial contributions for his child.

After the father, Brad Allen, submitted material for the in memoriam, he said, the *World-Herald* then switched course again, refusing to take the ad or discuss specifics.

"In the struggle for my child's life the mother's 'right' to an abortion utterly overwhelmed my right to protect and provide for my own child," Allen said. "I couldn't even bury my own child. I'm now discovering my right to even memorialize my own child is being overwhelmed. I didn't expect the *Omaha World-Herald* to deny me that."

LifeSiteNews inquired with the *World-Herald* but did not hear back by press time.

Billionaire investor Warren Buffett, also **an abortion donor** into the hundreds of millions of dollars, owns the *Omaha World-Herald*.

“I wanted Liam to be memorialized like any other life,” Allen said. “Liam had a family and had a life to celebrate. In the final drafts I didn’t mention ‘abortion’ or reference Life Runners. I met the paper’s terms.”

The unborn baby, named Liam Michael Allen by his father, was aborted at 10 weeks of age by the world’s current most notorious late-term abortionist, LeRoy Carhart, at Carhart’s Bellevue, Neb. abortion facility.

Liam’s father, Life Runners founder and President Dr. Pat Castle, Castle’s wife Angi, and others, worked for weeks to convince Liam’s mother not to abort him, to no avail.

Castle and his wife offered to adopt the baby, something they’ve done many times before.

“Whatever it takes to end the killing of 2,500 kids in our country alone today,” Castle told LifeSiteNews.

Abortion will not take away the pain

Allen, who is married, conceived his child in an affair with his next-door neighbor, a single mother whose two young sons are close in age and friends with Allen’s two daughters.

Allen recognized his mistake and begged the mother not to abort their child, regardless of the status of their relationship. And despite the betrayal, Allen’s wife came beside him to advocate for the child’s life.

“God’s fingerprints are all over this redemptive work to stop any more damage from the affair, and begin healing,” Castle said. “Minister to the mother, bring dignity to Liam’s life, and help Brad fight for his son.”

Allen said he just wanted the child to live.

Another wound

Allen said he first heard from *World-Herald* V.P. of advertising Eric Mayberry on August 23, when he was informed that a service and a death certificate were both necessary to run an obituary, so the request was denied. Allen told Mayberry there could be a service for Liam but that a death certificate would be impossible.

“Mr. Mayberry then asked, ‘What is the purpose of this obituary?’” said Allen. “My reply was, ‘The same purpose of all your other obituaries, to celebrate the life of the deceased.’ He said the obituary could not run and was denied.”

On August 26, Allen emailed the *World-Herald*'s obituary desk informing staff that he no longer wanted an obituary and instead requested an in memoriam ad, which runs in the same section. In memoriam ads do not require a death certificate. They are simple notes written to honor the deceased. Like regular obituaries, they are paid ads that run in the paper.

Mayberry called him that afternoon, Allen said, agreeing to publish an in memoriam ad if it did not use the words "aborted" or "abortion," and there was no mention of Life Runners.

"Mr. Mayberry explained that the paper's staff had researched Life Runners, and it is a pro-life organization, and they didn't want that in the ad," Allen told LifeSiteNews. "No further explanation was given."

"This request not to mention Life Runners for donation requests struck me as unusual because obituaries very commonly request donations to causes related to the death of the deceased," he said. "I agreed to comply with those terms."

Both drafts contained a personal message:

> Liam: in just 10 short weeks of life you touched many lives. You established a mini legacy in your short life. Many know your name and some even call you "Saint Liam." You make many of us so proud. Your life was so valued. What a blessing and honor to know and love you. Liam's expected birthday was February 11, 2020. Memorial gifts may be given to any organization that values life.

The request included an ultrasound image of an unborn child Liam's age.

Allen said he then received a phone call from Mayberry on August 30, where Mayberry told him, "We are not running the ad."

Allen said he asked why, explaining he'd met the terms.

He recounted that Mayberry's reply was, "We are not running the ad. The paper is declining."

"He would not explain where or how it did not meet the paper's terms," said Allen. "He again said the paper's position is, they are *not* running the ad, and he ended the phone call. The *World-Herald* is now unwilling to work with me on this request."

Allen said his effort and desire to memorialize his son in the newspaper is simply part of mourning his child's lost life, and recognizing that the baby's life, no matter how brief, had meaning.

Precedent

While a newspaper typically determines its publishing policy, the *World-Herald*'s refusal to print either memorial for the aborted baby is in open variance to the fact the state of Nebraska allows official recognition children younger than 20 weeks of age who die from for miscarriage.

Similar to **most U.S. states**, **Nebraska law** mandates death certificates for miscarried children who have reached 20 weeks of age, and further, like most U.S. states, Nebraska requires reporting of every abortion performed to the state Department of Health's Bureau of Vital Statistics, regardless of when it occurs in pregnancy.

But the state is unique in that as of April 2018, Nebraska provides **state-issued commemorative birth certificates** for miscarried children passing away prior to 20 weeks gestation — the second state in the country to offer this type of certificate, but the first to do so without requiring a minimum gestation and also making it retroactive.

Florida also offers certificates for unborn children who pass away in utero prior to 20 weeks. In that state, it applies to unborn children between nine and 20 weeks of age.

The Catholic Church teaches that the unborn child is indeed a person at the moment of conception and emphasizes that life is sacred from that moment of conception and must be protected.

The Church says a funeral Mass can be held for any deceased child, even one who died due to abortion, and that Mass has certain readings and prayers known as the "**Mass for Children Who Died Without Baptism**."

Given that official reporting is mandated for aborted children, and allowed for unborn children not yet 20 weeks old who pass away, Allen's request to memorialize his child falls in line with this official recognition of a life lost. The denial raises the specter of abortion politics.

Citizens for a Pro-Life Society founder Dr. Monica Miller and other pro-life advocates placed obituary ads for aborted children in 1988 in the Milwaukee Sentinel, and in 1996 in the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel. The memorial service advertised in the 1988 ad was for 1,200 babies, and the 1996 service for seven.

"Their lives and thus their deaths are of no consequence"

Miller told LifeSiteNews she anticipated the ads being declined, but they were not. The *Omaha World-Herald*'s denial of the ad for Allen attempts to deny recognition of human life, she said.

“The refusal in this case is certainly based on the fact that the unborn are not considered persons,” Miller told LifeSiteNews. “Their lives and thus their deaths are of no consequence and thus will not be recognized.”

Miller called for Allen and others to communicate opposition to the newspaper’s decision.

“Whoever is wishing to place this ad is facing discrimination against the unborn, especially those who are aborted,” she said. “They should do all they can to call the paper to do justice towards this oppressed class.”

“An act of editorial cruelty”

Pro-Life Action League executive director Eric Scheidler considers the newspaper’s refusal to allow this father to publicly grieve for his child is “an act of editorial cruelty.”

“I can only hope that the public attention that refusal is attracting will provide an opportunity for this grieving father to draw attention to the injustice of abortion and the swath of misery that follows in its path,” he told LifeSiteNews.

Scheidler wasn’t aware of any examples of an obituary placed for an aborted child. However, his group, along with Miller’s and Created Equal, regularly memorialize the unborn with a **National Day of Remembrance** and **other awareness-raising** and advocacy efforts.

“It strikes me that refusing to publish an obituary like this provides the lie to the whole notion of ‘choice,’” said Scheidler. “We’re supposed to believe that if an unborn baby is wanted, then it’s okay to call it a baby, and value its life, but that if the child is unwanted, it’s only a ‘fetus’ and can be treated like medical waste. In other words, it’s up to the mother whether a fetus counts of not.”

“It sounds like the newspaper is insisting that, no matter what, a dead fetus cannot be mourned with this kind of public notice,” he added.

Cheryl Sullenger, senior policy adviser for Operation Rescue, also detected cruelty and disrespect in the *World-Herald*’s refusal.

“It seems like it would be cruel for a newspaper to reject an obituary for an aborted baby,” she told LifeSiteNews. “Most mainstream newspapers have a pro-abortion agenda and posting an obituary for a baby that was aborted would certainly not advance that agenda. But it certainly is disrespectful to those who are mourning the child.”

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Daleiden: sworn testimony exposed Planned Parenthood's 'crime' of trafficking aborted-baby body-parts

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SAN FRANCISCO, California, September 20, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Pro-life undercover journalists David Daleiden and Sandra Merritt are hopeful that sworn testimony over the past weeks in San Francisco's Superior Court demonstrates that those who trafficked aborted-baby body parts are guilty of crimes, not the whistleblowers who exposed it.

"We think the charges should be thrown out," Daleiden told LifeSiteNews.

The "really shocking and troubling and clarifying truth that was exposed in the courtroom for the past two weeks here" is that "it's very, very clear that the only crimes that were committed in the course of the undercover videotaping that Center for Medical Progress did were the crimes committed by the Planned Parenthood abortion doctors, and by the StemExpress body parts harvesters who were forced to testify under oath these past two weeks," he said.

The criminal preliminary hearing for Daleiden and Merritt ended Wednesday after stretching into three weeks. Judge Christopher Hite's ruling on whether the case will proceed to trial is expected within a month.

Daleiden, project lead for the Center for Medical Progress (CMP), and Merritt, an undercover reporter with CMP, are charged with 14 felony counts of recording confidential conversations without consent in connection with CMP's undercover videos released in 2015 exposing Planned Parenthood trafficking in baby body parts. They face up to 10 years in jail if convicted.

The groundbreaking undercover videos showed Planned Parenthood executives and workers haggling over the prices of baby body parts, picking through bloodied arms and legs of aborted babies in a pie tray, and discussing how to alter abortion methods to obtain better body parts for sale.

Public outrage over the videos prompted congressional hearings and calls for the federal defunding of Planned Parenthood.

High drama and bombshell testimony

The preliminary hearing ran nine-and-a-half days between September 3 to 18, and Judge Hite will decide based on evidence if there is probable cause to continue to trial.

Daleiden and Merritt are claiming a Section 633.5 defense that allows covert recording of confidential communications when done to collect evidence of violent crimes.

Defense is also arguing that the law does not consider confidential any conversation that can reasonably be expected to be overheard.

The hearing saw high-level Planned Parenthood abortionists along with the CEO of baby parts harvesting company StemExpress dodging questions on their gruesome business under cross-examination by pro-life defense lawyers.

It was the venue for Daleiden's first-ever public testimony about why he embarked on a 30-month undercover sting operation into Planned Parenthood trafficking in aborted baby parts and how he penetrated the networks of those involved in the grisly and illegal business.

It included a cross-examination of investigating agent for the Department of **Justice Brian Cardwell** that showed he did next to nothing to find out if those accusing Daleiden and Merritt of illegally taping them were telling the truth or understood "confidentiality" as defined in the law.

It featured defense testimony by one of the United States' longest-practicing abortionists **Dr. Forrest Smith**. He testified that it is almost certain that some of the abortionists featured in the undercover videos deliberately altered abortion procedures in a way that both led to the birth of living babies with beating hearts and put women at risk. The goal in such abortions would be to obtain fresher, more intact organs.

In one dramatic moment, the attorney general unsuccessfully seeking a **gag order on defense attorneys** that cited a LifeSite news article after the CEO of StemExpress filed a complaint with Cardwell following her testimony that she feared for her security. In another, the defense accused the attorney general of trying to **intimidate their star witness** Dr. Theresa Deisher by suggesting she might be a target of criminal prosecution for allegedly being a co-conspirator in Daleiden'a undercover operation, which Deisher in subsequent testimony said she knew nothing about.

The hearing ended Wednesday with the riveting testimony of stem cell expert Dr. Deisher **that human hearts used in research** must be harvested from living babies. Daleiden testified **earlier in the hearing** he discovered a Stanford study using human fetal hearts supplied by StemExpress.

"The expert testimony from brilliant scientists like Dr. Deisher just goes to show why the whole reason why I and my colleagues like Sandra Merritt and others did our undercover work with the Center for Medical Progress," Daleiden told LifeSiteNews.

"Because there's very compelling evidence that the most valuable organs and tissues from aborted children are harvested from aborted children while they're still alive. Those kids are actually killed through vivisection and that is a human atrocity that has to be exposed."

Harris 'prostituted' herself to Planned Parenthood

The defense also tried to have the search warrant that led to the **criminal prosecution quashed**, arguing that seizing Daleiden's unpublished source material was unconstitutional and the prosecution politically motivated. Judge Hite denied the **motion**.

The political nature of the case is no secret, and testimony and evidence presented at the preliminary hearing exposed "this completely bogus, sham, politically motivated case" for the "farce that it is," Daleiden told LifeSite.

Documents from the case now on public record show former Attorney General Kamala Harris "had an in-person meeting at the attorney general's meeting in Los Angeles with no less than six top-level Planned Parenthood of California executives," he said. Daleiden added that the meeting took place a couple of weeks before Harris ordered Department of Justice agents to raid his Orange County apartment in April 2016 and seize all his recording materials, including unpublished source documents of his undercover investigation.

"We have the minutes in an email from the meeting that Kamala had with the Planned Parenthood leadership, and in that meeting they discussed both Planned Parenthood's political agenda in the state of California, and they also discussed the attorney general's investigation of me and of CMP," Daleiden said.

There were two Planned Parenthood witnesses in Harris's investigation into CMP present for both discussions, he said.

"So there was no separation whatsoever between what Kamala Harris was doing as a politician for her backers at Planned Parenthood, and what she was doing as the top law enforcement officer in the state of California," he told LifeSiteNews.

"She was prostituting her law enforcement powers to the service of her political backers at Planned Parenthood, and that's very corrupt, and very bad, and very wrong, and that should never happen to any person in the United States of America," Daleiden said.

"It's a gross violation of my civil rights and of the civil rights of all people in California."

The two witnesses were Dr. Jennifer Russo, medical director of Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino counties, and Anna Sandoval, communications director for PP affiliates of California.

Russo "was the one who was in charge of supplying body parts to the criminal **Da Vinci companies** who have since been shut down," he said.

"So you can imagine the sort of interest that Dr. Russo and Planned Parenthood of Orange county had at that time to try and create an alternative fake prosecution against me and against CMP."

Up next: Planned Parenthood lawsuit against CMP et al

Daleiden is now preparing for the month-and-a-half trial in the **Planned Parenthood civil suit** against him, CMP, and CMP undercover reporters that begins October 2.

"We will be facing down against, I think 10 or 11 different Planned Parenthood affiliates in San Francisco federal court in Judge Orrick's courtroom," he said.

Judge Orrick "was the founder and funder of a Planned Parenthood Northern California clinic here in San Francisco," which is also "one of the plaintiffs in this case, Daleiden said.

Another plaintiff in the lawsuit is Planned Parenthood Orange County "who had been selling late-term baby body parts" to the Da Vinci companies "for years and years and years," he told LifeSiteNews.

As a direct result of the evidence collected in the CMP undercover investigation, the Da Vinci companies were shut down by the Orange County district attorney and "liquidated in a $7.8 million settlement" in which they "admitted guilt for selling baby body parts against the law," Daleiden said.

A number of Planned Parenthood abortionists who testified at the criminal preliminary hearing will be doing so in the civil case, he said.

“If the past two weeks here at the prelim are any indication, the Planned Parenthood witnesses are not ready for primetime,” Daleiden told LifeSiteNews.

“They’re not credible, they’re not honest, they’re not ethical, and the things that they’ve been doing are not legal, call them anything you want, and they’re not pretty.”

He believes that Planned Parenthood will ultimately face justice.

“I don’t think that the Da Vinci companies are going to be the last company like that, who are going to face justice under the law in that way,” Daleiden said, adding that there were many criminal referrals sent out from the congressional investigations of Planned Parenthood.

“So we’re still waiting to get an update from the Department of Justice and the FBI about where that stands with Planned Parenthood,” he said.

“The Senate Judiciary committee requested an update over the summer from them, so we’re waiting to find out from the Senate Judiciary Committee if they got that update and what it said,” added Daleiden.

“I think we should all stay tuned.”

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Horrific, little-known abortion method: Cut the umbilical cord and wait for cardiac arrest

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Nancy Flanders | **LiveAction**

Exsanguination is a little-known form of abortion no one seems to talk about – until recently. By definition, exsanguination is the action of draining a person, animal, or organ of blood. Apparently, based on the testimony of an abortionist who has aborted preborn children for 50 years, it's also a way to kill children before they are born by cutting the umbilical cord… and waiting.

Abortionist Dr. Forrest Smith says he has committed over 50,000 abortions, and recently **testified** in support of pro-life undercover Center for Medical Progress investigators David Daleiden and Sandra Merritt during their criminal preliminary hearing. Smith stated that babies are "no question" being born alive so their organs can be harvested. During his testimony, Smith admitted that abortion is killing, saying, "You can kill a human being, which I admit abortion is, but you have to do it in certain ways."

One of the ways Planned Parenthood abortionists are **allegedly aborting children** in order to secure intact bodies and organs to sell to researchers is the illegal partial-birth abortion (D&X) method. Smith, however, seems uninterested in committing the illegal abortion procedure and found a way to get around the law: exsanguination.

According to **LifeSiteNews**, Smith testified that he extracts and cuts the umbilical cord and then "watches with my ultrasound" for the preborn child's heart to stop beating. He said that this usually takes "six-and-a-half to seven minutes." It's an abortion procedure he has been using for 25 years. And he's not the only one.

Former Planned Parenthood Metro Health Center abortionist Leah Torres made headlines in 2018 with a now-deleted tweet stating that “fetuses can’t scream” because she “transect the cord 1st so there’s really no opportunity.” Torres had also worked for Rocky Mountain Women’s Health Center at the time.

While the infamous tweet wasn’t specific about which cord she cut – the spinal, the umbilical, or the vocal – Torres later cleared that up a followup tweet. “Oh! Yeah, no… the ‘cord’ is the umbilical cord. That’s basic anatomy, come on,” she wrote. Torres lost her job because her employer said she violated a provision of her contract requiring her to uphold a “professional reputation.” She **sued** three media outlets for defamation, saying she was forced to relocate out of Utah to find a job.

Cutting the umbilical cord when the preborn child is still in the womb sends the child into cardiac arrest, according to a **2013 study** on this abortion method. The study was by the University of

Colorado Denver School of Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and was headed by former faculty member Kristina Tocce. **Tocce** is the medical director for Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains. Metro Health Center — where Torres worked — is an abortion facility under Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains.

The study found that transecting the cord and documenting fetal cardiac arrest before using dilation and evacuation (D&E) to tear off the preborn child's arms and legs, is an effective means of killing the baby. The study included 407 preborn children from 16 to 23 weeks gestation. Babies born as early as 21 weeks have survived, meaning this study was done on viable children. These 407 'cases' "were reviewed to determine success, time to fetal asystole and complications."

One hundred percent of the babies in the study were successfully killed and died within 11 minutes of the cord being cut. The babies older than 20 weeks took longer to die on average (around nine minutes) than the babies younger than 20 weeks (around four minutes). 4.6 percent of women had minor complications and .3 percent had major complications during or after the abortion.

The study concluded that "Umbilical cord transection immediately prior to D&E is a feasible, efficacious and safe way to induce fetal demise without performing additional procedures."

It is impossible to "safely" destroy an innocent human being.

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Bodies of over 2,000 unborn babies found on dead abortionist's property

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Claire Chretien | LifeSiteNews

WILL COUNTY, Illinois, September 14, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – The bodies of 2,246 aborted babies were found in the home of a recently deceased abortionist who previously operated in 2020 Democrat contender Mayor Pete Buttigieg's South Bend, Indiana.

Abortionist Dr. Ulrich Klopfer committed abortions at **The Women's Pavilion** in South Bend, Indiana – home to the University of Notre Dame and the city where Buttigieg rose to political prominence – and at other Indiana facilities until his medical license was suspended in 2016.

As the watchdog group Operation Rescue has **extensively documented**, Klopfer had a history of abuses, including failing to report statutory rape of a 13-year-old and a **10-year-old**. He sent the latter home with her parents, who knew their daughter was raped by her uncle but didn't want him prosecuted, without reporting it to the police.

The Will County Sheriff's Office announced on September 13 that "an attorney representing the family of Dr. Ulrich Klopfer" called the county coroner's office on September 12 to inform them "that while going through the doctor's personal property they discovered what appeared to be fetal remains and requested that the Will County Coroner's Office provide proper removal."

"Will County Sheriff's Detectives, Crime Scene Investigators and representatives from the Will County Coroner's Office arrived at an address in unincorporated Will County," the sheriff's office said in a press release. "Personnel were directed to an area of the property where 2,246 medically preserved fetal remains were located. The Will County Coroner's Office took possession of the remains."

“The family is cooperating fully with this investigation. There is no evidence that any medical procedures were conducted at the property.”

On its abortiondocs.org database, Operation Rescue lists two Indiana abortion facilities as being affiliated with Klopfer. The lack of evidence that any of the babies were killed on Klopfer’s Illinois property raises the possibility they were aborted in Indiana and transported across state lines – something that could be grounds for federal involvement. Operation Rescue’s Cheryl Sullenger told LifeSiteNews she was not aware of Klopfer operating any abortion centers in Illinois.

“We are horrified by the reports of over 2,000 fetal remains being found on the property of Dr. Ulrich Klopfer, a man who operated abortion facilities in Gary, South Bend and Fort Wayne,” commented Mike Fichter, President and CEO of Indiana Right to Life. “These sickening reports underscore why the abortion industry must be held to the highest scrutiny. We are calling on Indiana authorities to join in the investigation to determine if these fetal remains have any connection to abortion operations, or personnel, in Indiana.”

Dr. Monica Migliorino Miller, director of Citizens for a Pro-Life Society (CPLS) and a longtime pro-life activist, told LifeSiteNews that sadly, she wasn’t surprised by the grisly discovery.

“Indeed, 31 years ago Citizens for a Pro-Life Society, with the Pro-Life Action League, found hundreds of aborted babies killed by Klopfer left out for garbage pick-up on the loading dock of the Vital Med laboratory in Northbrook, ,” said Miller. “These were babies he killed at the Indiana abortion center where he worked at that time – Fort Wayne Women’s Health Organization, owned then by Susan Hill, who decades ago ran a string of abortion clinics. Many of the bags containing the babies even had his name scribbled on them.”

“Citizens for a Pro-Life Society buried some of the Klopfer babies in Tallahassee, , but many of them were buried in Fort Wayne – as we delivered them to the pro-lifers there for the purposes of their internment.”

Miller described in her memoir *Abandoned: The Untold Story of the Abortion Wars* finding, rescuing, photographing, and burying the bodies of aborted babies she and other activists found left out with the trash during the early days of legal abortion. She said CPLS is working on arranging burial for the 2,246 babies.

In May 2019, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld an Indiana law requiring the humane burial or cremation of aborted babies. The law was signed by then-Governor Mike Pence in 2016, before he left office to become President Donald Trump’s running mate.

“We grieve for the thousands of innocent victims of Ulrich Klopfer. Their humanity is undeniable,” said Marjorie Dannenfelser, President of the Susan B. Anthony List. “This devastating discovery proves Kermit Gosnell’s ‘House of Horrors’ was not an outlier and shows the U.S. Supreme Court

ruled correctly in upholding Indiana's law…We hope Klopfer's victims will finally be treated with respect, and that this atrocity will awaken hearts and consciences across the nation to the brutal reality of abortion."

Gosnell, the Philadelphia abortionist who was convicted of murdering babies outside the womb, is currently serving three life terms in prison. In his trash-filled, squalid clinic, he, too, kept trophies of the babies he aborted – **their feet preserved in as many as 50 jars**, a similarity Sullenger noted.

"The discovery of the aborted babies on Klopfer's property is reminiscent of Kermit Gosnell's practice of keeping dismembered aborted baby feet as trophies, which is typical behavior of known serial killers," she told LifeSiteNews. "Or, it is possible that were kept because he was too cheap to pay for a company to properly dispose of them. We will have to see what the investigation shows."

The abortion facility currently operating in South Bend is Whole Woman's Health, which Buttigieg **defended as recently as last month**.

SOURCE: **LIFESITE NEWS**

Planned Parenthood partners with music stars for new pro-abortion campaign

AUGUST 31, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

August 28, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – More than 130 music artists have joined forces with Planned Parenthood to protest the various pro-life laws advancing across the United States.

"Musicians across the country are standing in solidarity with Planned Parenthood," the abortion giant declares on its new **"Band Together" page**. "They're saying access to sexual and reproductive health care is about the same type of freedom that allows them to create music and speak their truth — because no one is free unless they control their own body."

The page lists 136 musicians and bands that have signed on, including Alanis Morissette, **Ariana Grande**, Beck, **Carly Rae Jepsen**, **Demi Lovato**, the **Foo Fighters, John Legend**, Kate Pierson of The B-52s, **Katy Perry**, **Lady Gaga**, Macklemore, Meghan Trainor, **Miley Cyrus**, **Nicki Minaj**, Nine Inch Nails, Norah Jones, **Pussy Riot**, Queens of the Stone Age, Selena Gomez, Sia, and T-Pain.

The page asks people to sign a petition calling on politicians to "get your bans off my body," otherwise "we cannot be truly free or equal." The abortion giant hopes to collect half a million signatures by January 22, 2020, which will be *Roe v. Wade's* 47th anniversary.

Billboard **reports** that the campaign launched this weekend with a full-page ad in *Billboard Magazine*, and plans to feature a Planned Parenthood "presence" on various artists' tours as well as music festivals such as Jay-Z's Made in America in Philadelphia and Music Midtown in Atlanta.

"I'm proud to be standing up for Planned Parenthood as they fight for fair and equal access to reproductive rights," 17-year-old singer Billie Eilish declared. "We cannot live freely and move fully in the world when our basic right to access the reproductive health care we need is under attack."

"Artists can highlight how out-of-touch some of our politicians are in this space," interim Planned Parenthood CEO Alexis McGill Johnson told *Billboard*. "They can hold up a mirror and say, Marvin Gaye, 'What's going on?'"

Polling data suggests the artists themselves are the ones out of touch, however. In April, pollster Scott Rasmussen **released a survey** finding that when registered voters are informed that fetal heartbeats can be detected as early as six weeks, 56 percent of respondents support banning abortion at that point.

Last summer, **Gallup found** that a combined 53 percent of Americans think abortion should be legal in "few" or "no" circumstances (which Gallup has consistently found at or above 54 percent from 1995 through 2017). Other surveys from **CNN/ORC International** and the **Marist Institute** also find consistent majority support for either banning abortion completely or limiting it to rape, incest, or medical emergencies.

The Polling Company, Inc./WomanTrend **found in January** that 42 percent of Americans aged 18-34 oppose legal abortion and an additional 28 percent back greater restrictions than are consistently on the books today, such as requiring parental notification and banning late-term abortion and taxpayer funding of abortion. Fifty-six percent oppose telemed abortions, while 48 percent prefer that tax dollars go to Federally Qualified Health Centers instead of Planned Parenthood.

The only major aspect of the abortion debate on which the abortion lobby enjoys strong majority support is on whether to overturn *Roe*, but **pro-lifers argue** those results are largely a byproduct of **widespread ignorance** of the 1973 ruling's history and effects. The Polling Company/WomanTrend also found that millennials' favorability toward *Roe* dropped once they learned it effectively permits abortion through all nine months of pregnancy and protects the use of abortion as contraception or to eliminate children of a particular sex.

SOURCE: **LIFE SITE NEWS**

Life is Beautiful Gala on Dec. 8

AUGUST 27, 2019
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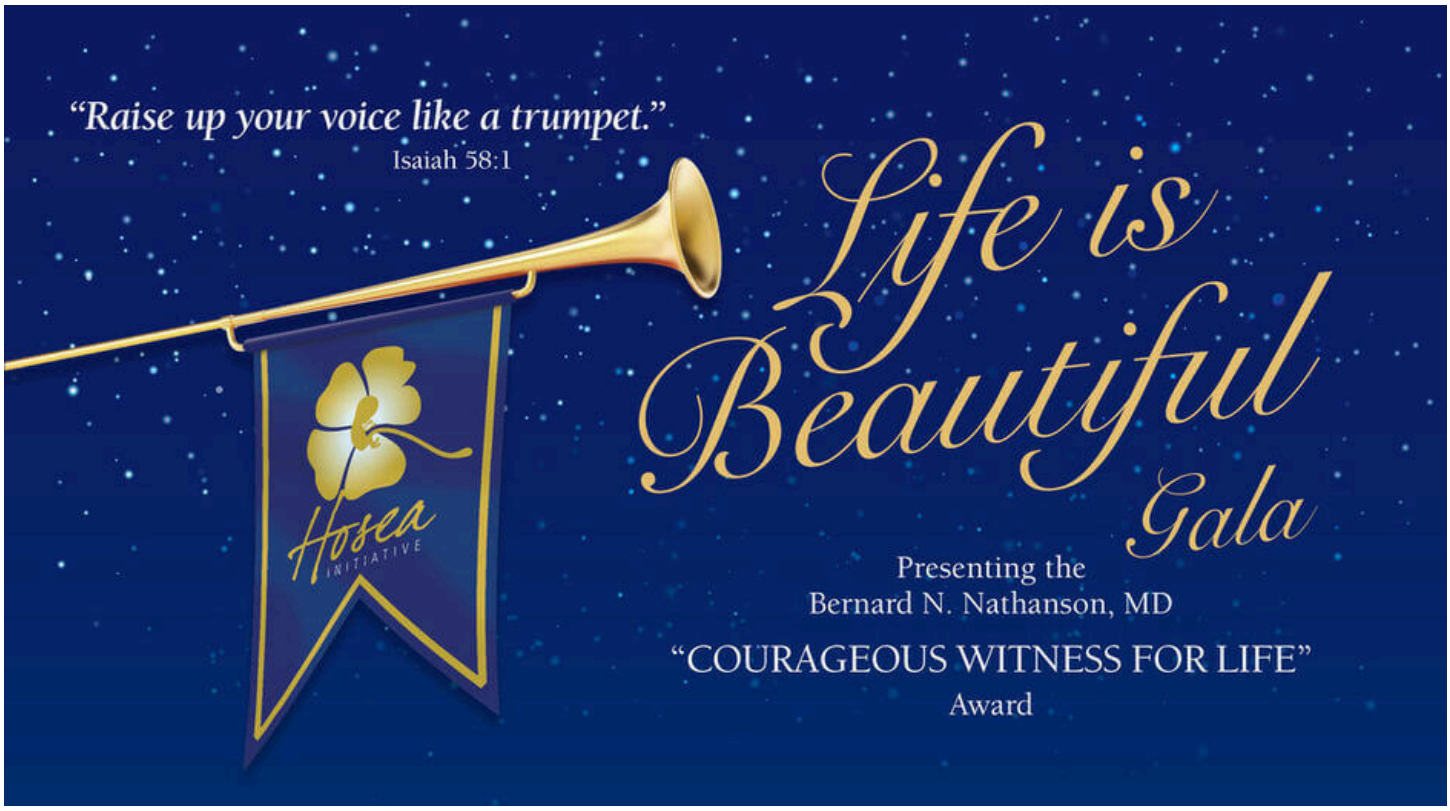

Hosea Initiative will host the first ***Life is Beautiful Gala*** at the historic Andrew W. Mellon Building in Washington, DC, on the evening of Sunday, December 8th, 2019, presenting the **2019 Bernard**

N. Nathanson, MD, "Courageous Witness for Life" Award.

Mike Lindell, founder and CEO of My Pillow and pro-life advocate, will emcee the Gala.

Mallory Millet, eyewitness to the founding of radical feminism and long-time Board of Director for the David Horowitz Freedom Center, will be our keynote speaker.

U.S. Senator Kevin Cramer (ND) will serve as Honorary Chairman.

Gala Theme:

"Raise up your voice like a trumpet"' (Isaiah:58:1) …in declaring the beauty of God's gift of LIFE!

Dr. Nathanson's compelling pro-life conversion story from America's "Abortion King" and founder of NARAL to becoming a courageous pro-life warrior should be known by all Americans and is an icon for the change of heart needed in America on the issue of abortion. As a pro-life Advisor to President Ronald Reagan and the Health and Human Services Department, Dr. Nathanson wanted all Americans to understand how destructive abortion is for the baby and for the family. He also gave me his powerful message about "**Stop the killing"** to be delivered across our country for such a time as this – infanticide, euthanasia and now the pro-aborts demand tax-funded abortion.

On December 1, 2009, in New York City, he passed his pro-life mantle onto me with instructions to teach America the 8-propaganda points he used to deceive our country with the lie that "abortion is healthcare" and to deliver his parting message of remorse: **"Tell America that the cofounder of NARAL says to: 'Love one another. Abortion is not love. Stop the killing. The world needs more love. I'm all about love now.'"** After the advent of real-time ultrasound, Dr. Nathanson became a *witness for life* whose legacy sets an example of courage…of standing up for the least of these….of standing for beauty, goodness and truth.

Hosea Initiative is proclaiming the end to Margaret Sanger's dominance of our culture by juxtaposing this award to Planned Parenthood's Annual Margaret Sanger award .. **Hosea Initiative's "Courageous Witness for Life Award"** inaugurates a new century dominated by truth and a culture of life ethic that Dr. Nathanson tried valiantly to restore.

December 8th also commemorates Dr. Nathanson's baptism into the love and mercy of Jesus Christ – a most perfect day for the Life is Beautiful Gala.

Look for the "Gala" link on our website: www.hosea4you.org

- **To order tickets**
- **To consider our corporate sponsorships**
- **To reserve a table**

- **To learn more about the Gala**

How you can help us with the Gala:

YOU SEND or WE SEND our printed Save the Date cards to your family and friends. Email Carlie Dixon at **thepromise@terrybeatley.com** with your name and address and how many cards you wish us to send you to address and mail. Supplies are limited.

I hope to see you on Sunday, December 8th for this beautiful evening as we endeavor to **"Raise up voices like a trumpet"** to honor COURAGE in defending the lives of God's precious children in the womb with the **Bernard N. Nathanson, MD "Courageous Witness for Life" Award!**

For life,

Terry Beatley

President, Hosea Initiative

SHAME: Today Show portrayed Down syndrome in a purely negative light. Here's what they didn't tell you.

JULY 27, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Cassy Fiano-Chesser | **Live Action**

Olympic gold medalist Shawn Johnson East is expecting her first child with her husband, Andrew East. They had previously suffered a **heartbreaking miscarriage**, and were thrilled to find out they were **expecting again**. But that excitement turned to fear when they discovered their child might have Down syndrome.

The Today Show covered the couple's **pregnancy journey**, including the complications that were found at a routine 20-week ultrasound. It turned out their baby had a two-vessel umbilical cord to the placenta, as well as dilated kidneys. These can be considered markers for Down syndrome, and the couple was recommended to undergo genetic testing.

"We canceled everything we had that day, and just huddled up on the couch, and prayed," Johnson East recalled in a video she posted, adding, "If our test came back and our baby had Down syndrome, we would love that baby more than anything in the entire world… but in our hearts, as parents, as every parent out there prays and hopes, you hope for a healthy baby."

The feelings expressed by the East family are not surprising; when facing a disability diagnosis, it's natural for any parent to be scared and uncertain. But the question is, *why*? The coverage from Natalie Morales at the Today Show offers a clue:

Throughout the entire narrated segment on the East family, not a word was mentioned about what having a child with Down syndrome is *actually like*. The false idea that Down syndrome equals being unhealthy was not dispelled, nor did anyone discuss what the reality of Down syndrome actually is. Considering that Today Show anchor Savannah Guthrie has **an uncle with Down syndrome**, and the show has panels of medical experts to act as consultants, this is even more disturbing; the show had the ability to educate people, but chose not to.

READ: ***Parents pressured to abort kids with Down syndrome: 'Everything was worst case scenario'***

After seeing the segment, one mom of a child with Down syndrome took to Facebook in a post that was shared across the disability community. "Can you imagine if someone who has a child, teenager, or adult with Ds in their family watched this show with that family member? How would they explain the cheers and celebration of a couple finding out their baby would not be like them?" Natalie Gilbert Palin **wrote**. "This segment further marginalized one of the most marginalized groups of people in our society, and it sends a message of fear to expecting mothers who may be faced with the decision of continuing or terminating a pregnancy."

I was not going to post about this, but if you aren't involved in the Ds community, you may have not heard this story.

Former Olympic gymnast Shawn Johnson and her husband are expecting a baby, and they've been sharing their journey through vlogs. At their 20 week ultrasound, the doctors saw two markers that can be indicative of Down syndrome. However, after further genetic testing, they received the news that their baby is "healthy."

Let me explain that I don't fault Shawn or her husband for their reactions: their tears and fear or their celebration when receiving the "good" news. Their emotions were what most parents experience. I know I prayed that Jackson would not have Ds while we waited for the genetic tests both before (negative) and after he was born (positive). I did these things because, like this couple, I didn't know what I didn't know.

The issue I have with this segment is that The Today Show produced this segment centered around a couple celebrating not having a child with Down syndrome. In this news story, a baby with Ds equals "unhealthy" and one without equals "healthy. There was no mention about the full and meaningful lives people with Ds can and do lead in today's society. Just an "uplifting" story about a pregnancy "scare."

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If you don't have a child with special needs, it may be hard to understand the gut-punch that comes every time I hear of someone celebrating not having a child like mine. I'm borrowing this quote again from a blogger: "It's hard having a child that other people actively don't want." (Link to blog in comments)

Are there different challenges that Down syndrome brings? Absolutely. The road is not always smooth or straight, but my child and his peers are worthy of life and celebration, too.

Screenshot, Natalie Gilbert Palin post (Facebook)

This isn't the first time the Today Show has featured such segments, either. They previously congratulated a pregnant couple **live on air** because their baby was "safe" from Down syndrome. Other celebrities or media programs have used Down syndrome **as an insult** and advocate for people with disabilities **to be euthanized**.

And while the cultural negativity towards Down syndrome is bad enough, it's prominent in the medical community, too. Women overwhelmingly report **having negative experiences** when receiving a prenatal diagnosis by a 2 to 1 margin, with 1 in 4 women being **pressured to have an abortion**. And parents are often given **outdated, inaccurate information**.

Between the misinformation and bias women hear from their doctors, and that which is published by media outlets, is it any wonder that parents are terrified at the prospect of having a child with Down syndrome?

READ: ***8 people with Down syndrome who are changing the world***

Here are the facts that people *don't* hear:

- There has never been a better time to have a baby with Down syndrome.
- People with Down syndrome are living longer, fuller lives than ever before, thanks to medical advancements and improvements in early intervention and therapies.
- While there are increased risks of various illnesses, the risks are often overstated or exaggerated. Take heart defects, for example. It is true that roughly half of children born with Down syndrome will have a heart defect — but not all of these defects require surgery or corrective action, and studies have found that children with Down syndrome also have **improved outcomes** as compared to typical pediatric heart patients.
- Children with Down syndrome also have an increased chance of getting leukemia, but they're also much more likely to survive it — so much so, that scientists believe figuring out why could help **unlock a cure to cancer** for other people.
- People with Down syndrome are able to graduate from college, work, live independently, get married, and in general, live rich and fulfilling lives.

The Today Show missed an opportunity to educate people, and portray Down syndrome in a more positive light. As long as the medical community and news outlets like the Today Show continue to treat Down syndrome like a tragedy to be avoided at all costs, people will continue to believe it.

Planned Parenthood Lives Up to Its Bloodthirsty and Racist Reputation

JULY 26, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: EUGENICS

Dr Michael Brown | **The Stand**

When an organization makes billions of dollars killing babies in the womb, it is clearly a bloodthirsty organization. And when a disproportionate number of those babies are black and Hispanic, it is clearly a racist organization.

All this is self-evident when it comes to Planned Parenthood, but recent events – the firing of Planned Parenthood's president and a blatantly racist tweet – underscore just how deeply Planned Parenthood is a bloodthirsty and racist organization.

First, there was the unexpected firing of president Leana Wen.

Her primarily failing, it appears, was that she did not have the cold-blooded killer instinct necessary to make abortion *the* priority of Planned Parenthood.

Perhaps it was her training as a medical doctor.

Perhaps it was a trace of the image of God that still pervaded her humanity, as much as she was still an abortion advocate.

Whatever the underlying causes may be, the broad strokes are clear. As **noted** by Alexandra Desanctis on *National Review*, "The organization has ousted its president, apparently for being insufficiently committed to pro-abortion advocacy."

Indeed, "Planned Parenthood has long sought to downplay its commitment to abortion, calling itself a health-care organization and spreading the lie that abortion is only 3 percent of its business, even as its clinics perform between one-third and half of all abortions in the U.S. annually. The group's leadership evidently believes this political moment demands more aggressive advocacy.

"And Wen wasn't up to the task."

More bluntly, cultural commentator Bill Muehlenberg **put it** like this: "What they are saying is this: 'You are not blood-thirsty enough! You are not meeting your quotas! More babies MUST DIE!' That is the mindset of PP. They are after blood – and money. That is their core business. That is why they exist."

And he suggested that Planned Parenthood should run a want ad that sounded something like this: "Wanted, an experienced baby killer who has no qualms about taking human life, nor about selling body parts of babies to others for profit. It is preferred that you resonate with past such ministries, such as the Nazi extermination camps. Having no heart and no conscience is also essential. Those who think that the vulnerable and defenceless should be our priority need not apply."

Do you think he was exaggerating? I do not.

When it comes to Planned Parenthood's racism, there is a spirited debate concerning the connection between Margaret Sanger, Planned Parenthood's founder, and eugenics. Sanger's conservative critics are sure that she wanted to reduce the number of black Americans (among other races and ethnicities), if not exterminate them entirely. Her defenders deny this passionately, also claiming that her interest in eugenics was not racial.

Yet even the left-leaning *Time Magazine* **admitted** in 2016 that Sanger did "make some deeply disturbing statements in support of eugenics, the now-discredited movement to improve the overall health and fitness of humankind through selective breeding. She did, and very publicly. In a 1921 article, she wrote that 'the most urgent problem today is how to limit and discourage the over-fertility of the mentally and physically defective.'" (*Time* also cited her defenders who claimed that she "uniformly repudiated the racist exploitation of eugenics principles.")

And the very left-leaning Snopes.com, in an **article** devoted to debunking a quote attributed to Sanger, uncovered this, hardly flattering quote from a 1923 *New York Times* **article**. She wrote: "Birth Control is not contraception indiscriminately and thoughtlessly practiced. **It means the release and cultivation of the better racial elements in our society, and the gradual suppression, elimination and eventual extirpation of defective stocks — those human weeds which threaten the blooming of the finest flowers of American civilization."** (Snopes' emphasis.)

To my liberal, pro-abortion friends: Are you sure you want to defend Sanger against charges of racism?

But let's not worry about 1923. Let's look at the present, as in July 19, 2019, when Planned Parenthood **tweeted**, "'Black women are sexy and sexual entities, independent of anyone else's ideas of what that means.' For #SummerOfSex, our partnership with @WearYourVoice, @GloriaAlamrew talks about creating space for Black girls to understand their sexuality."

As I **tweeted** in response, "This is unreal. Planned Parenthood is urging black women to have more sex – which for this greedy baby-killing organization, can mean only one thing: more pregnancies leading to more abortions leading to more money. Sick!"

One of my Twitter followers, herself a black Catholic woman, **tweeted**, "This idea that black women are sexual beasts (aka sluts) is soooo racist!"

Yes, in one short tweet, Planned Parenthood's motives are revealed for the world to see.

Bound4Life, a pro-life organization, **noted** that "Black non-Hispanic women have the highest abortion ratio. Black women's abortion ratio has reached 444 abortions per 1,000 live births, while non-Hispanic white women's abortion ratio is 124 abortions per 1,000 live births."

Apparently, however, this is not enough. More black women need to have sex. More black women need to have unwanted pregnancies. More black women need to have abortions.

This, to me, is all part of the "**Jezebelic**" attack on our nation. It is an attack we must resist with prayer, with truth, and with compassion. May Planned Parenthood be exposed.

SOURCE: **THE STAND**

WATCH: New video documents abortion activists' attacks on peaceful pro-lifers

JULY 25, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Lisa Bourne | LifeSiteNews

July 23, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Pro-life group Created Equal has released a video montage, including previously unreleased footage chronicling numerous abortion supporters physically attacking peaceful pro-lifers, to demonstrate that pro-abortion violence is on the rise.

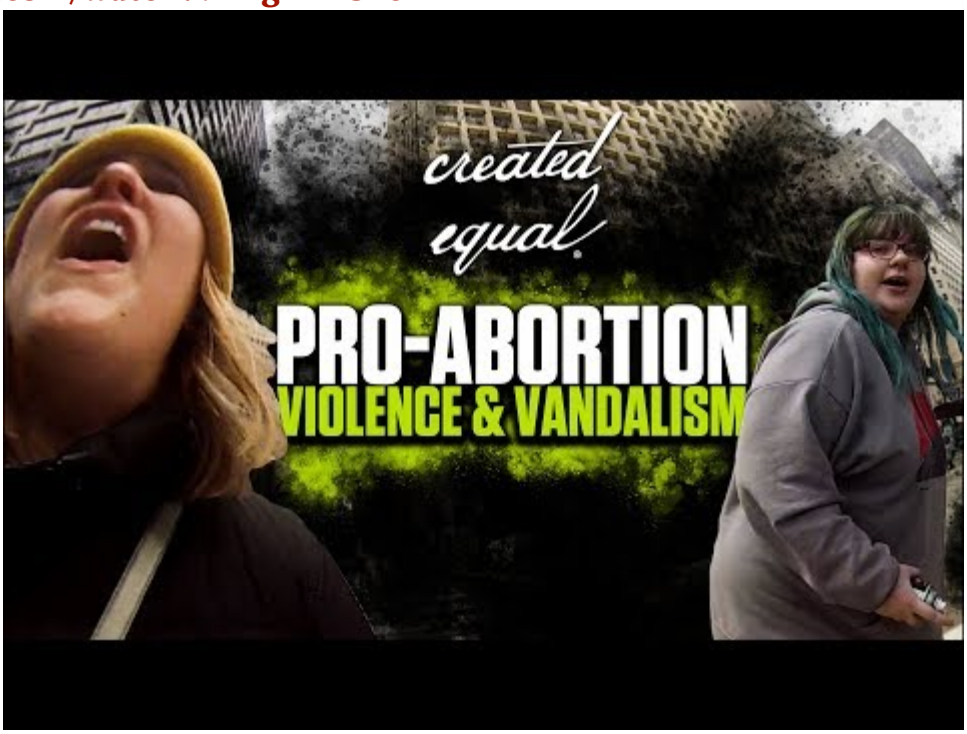
The roughly eight-minute video is replete with endless incidents of profanity, assault, vandalism, property destruction, attempted theft, and intense vitriol from pro-abortion individuals toward pro-life demonstrators.

PETITION: Tell the American Medical Association to stop fighting pro-life law Sign the petition here.

(WARNING: Video contains offensive language)

The footage covers incidents spanning several years, but much of it has been captured in the last several months and the rise in violence by abortion supporters calls for a response, Created Equal national director Mark Harrington told LifeSiteNews.

Rapid-Fire Compilation of Attacks Shows Insanity of Abortion Advocates
https://youtube.com/watch?v=frgB2HSFcmE



“Our staff members, interns and volunteers are under attack on a regular basis,” Harrington said. “We need to push back against the rhetoric coming from pro-abortion elected officials comparing conservatives, Christians, and pro-life advocates as Nazis and violent.”

“Abortion supporters are the violent ones, not pro-lifers,” he said. “They kill babies and attack the defenders of the babies.”

Created Equal has documented incidents of violence against young members of its team for years.

In a press statement on the release of the video footage, the group shared more comprehensive video of some examples.

They include a pro-abortion feminist assaulting a pro-lifer at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill in **May**, a liberal student activist stealing and vandalizing Created Equal signs at Indiana University in **October 2018**, a masked thug attacking the group’s equipment at Ohio University in **September 2016**, and a man assaulting a young pro-life activist at a high school in Columbus, Ohio, in **May 2016**.

LifeSiteNews reported on **the Chapel Hill assault**, as well as an abortion supporter there **trying to steal** Created Equal’s signs, and a **pro-abortion woman assaulting a teenage Created Equal team member in Columbus** in 2014.

LifeSite’s past coverage included **an abortion volunteer’s 2017 attack** in Columbus against **a Catholic priest** demonstrating for life alongside Created Equal team members after **her attempted theft** of their pro-life signs.

LifeSite also reported **in November 2017** on the increase in hostility and vandalism toward pro-life groups on campus.

Trump blasts Dems for supporting infanticide, late-term abortion: ‘What happened to our values?’

JULY 21, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

YouTube screen shot

> Congressional Democrats have **repeatedly voted** against a bill requiring basic medical care for infants born alive after failed abortions, including **every sitting senator** currently running for president.

Calvin Freiburger | **LifeSiteNews**

GREENVILLE, North Carolina, July 18, 2019 (LifeSiteNews) – President Donald Trump held one of his trademark rallies for supporters in North Carolina Wednesday evening, during which he took the opportunity to double down on criticizing pro-abortion extremism in the Democrat Party.

“Virtually every top Democrat also now supports late-term abortion, ripping babies straight from the mother’s womb, right up until the moment of birth,” Trump said as the crowd booed the practice.

“Well then you have the gentleman from – our governor from Virginia,” the president continued, referencing Democrat Gov. Ralph Northam. “So we’re talking about late-term; he’s talking about: the baby is born before the mother makes the decision. That was the first – that’s the first I’ve heard of it. That’s the first most of you have heard of it, and then they pass legislation in various states saying, that’s okay.”

Trump holds 'MAGA' campaign rally in Greenville, North Carolina
https://youtube.com/watch?v=5ODi8wTgoqs

In late January, **video went viral** from a hearing in which Democrat Del. Kathy Tran admitted that her bill to repeal regulations on late-term abortions would effectively allow abortion as a mother is about to give birth. The bill was soon tabled, but the ensuing controversy led to Northam **defending the bill** on the grounds that in cases of "severe deformities" or a "nonviable" baby, he said, a born-alive infant would be "delivered" but only "resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired."

"This is a baby that's born," Trump said. "Nobody's ever heard anything like that. Nobody's ever seen anything like it. Nobody's ever seen anything like it, and that actually when he had the scandal that became, can you believe it, the second biggest, can you believe that? How important it is, and yet that was the second biggest story. And what a shame when that's the second biggest story."

Trump was referencing the fact that the controversy was soon **overshadowed by a yearbook photo** identifying Northam as attending a college party costumed in either blackface or a Ku Klux Klan robe.

"What happened to our values?" Trump asked. "Republicans believe that every life is a sacred gift of God. And that's why I've asked Congress to prohibit extreme late-term abortion of babies." Such legislation cannot pass the current Democrat-controlled House of Representatives, and would also require **revising the Senate's current filibuster rules**, which Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell opposes.

"Democrats are now the party of high taxes, high crime, open borders, late-term abortion, intolerance, and division," the president declared. "The Republican Party is the party for all Americans and American values, the party of the American worker, the American family, and we are the party of the American dream."

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How an article about the Holocaust made this abortionist pro-life

JULY 14, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

By **Nancy Flanders** | **LiveAction.org**

Former Planned Parenthood medical director Dr. Kathi Aultman had quit her job as an abortionist shortly after giving birth to her daughter but still felt that women had a "right" to abortion. While she was no longer willing to carry out abortions as she had in the past, she *was* willing to refer her patients for them. Even after becoming Christian, Aultman said she had trouble accepting the idea that abortion is unnecessary.

That is, until her close friends shared with her an article about the Holocaust. Aultman discusses this starting around 9:49 in the interview below:

"The thing that finally did it was I had friends who were very good friends and accepted me even though they knew my position but they were brave enough to at one point say, 'We understand your position but would you read this article?'" she **explained** to Live Action president Lila Rose. "And it was an article on the Holocaust and comparing the Holocaust to abortion."

Former Abortionist Becomes Pro-Life - A Conversation with Kathi Aultman | Exclusive
https://youtube.com/watch?v=3-u6v8jp_ys

Aultman's father was with the military group that liberated the first concentration camp during World War II. She had heard stories about his experiences her entire life. When she became a doctor she couldn't understand how the Nazi doctors had done what they had done.

"When I read that comparison between the Holocaust and abortion, I finally understood how they could do the horrible things they did," she said. "Because just as I didn't see the fetus as a person, they didn't see the Jews and the Gypsies and the others as people. And if you don't consider someone human, you can do anything you want. That's when I realized that I was a mass murderer, that I had killed all of these people. And that's when I completely changed my view on abortion."

It took a great deal of prayer for Aultman to overcome her grief and regret over the abortions she had committed. She had counseling and went to a Christian healing center in order to find a way to forgive herself and to be forgiven.

READ: *Former Planned Parenthood medical director: 'I killed more people than Ted Bundy'*

It's extremely controversial to compare the Holocaust to abortion, but when you look at the similarities it becomes obvious that the two stem from the same mentality. Adolf Hitler himself supported abortion. With the Holocaust, we saw the dehumanization of Jewish people to the point where they were treated like animals — actually, even worse than animals. They were killed through starvation, shooting, burning, medical torture, and gas chambers simply because one person and his supporters deemed them to be non-human and unworthy. They were stripped of their personhood.

Nazi Dr. Herta Obeheuser killed children then removed their limbs and vital organs, much like D&E abortions, as shown in the video below, used today to dismember children in the womb and then **sell their organs** and body parts for experimentation. Nazi doctors not only focused on torturing and killing Jewish people, but also anyone who was considered to be seriously ill or disabled, similar to how humans in the womb today who are diagnosed with a health condition or a disability are recommended for extermination through abortion. As the disabled were labeled "useless eaters" by the Nazis, so are preborn children considered "**parasites**" by abortion supporters.

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With abortion, we see the dehumanization of human beings inside the womb because society has decided they are too small and too young to matter. They have been stripped of their humanity and their personhood, and like Jewish people in the days of Hitler, they are killed through

dismemberment and poisoning simply for being who they are because one person has deemed them non-human and unworthy.

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SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

Heartwarming proof that little children are instinctively pro-life

JUNE 23, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

June 21, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Earlier this week, my wife dropped by our pro-life office over lunchtime with our toddler daughter. As we chatted with coffee, Charlotte began to wander through the office to do some exploring, poking here and there to see what she could find. There wasn't much that was fragile around that she could break, so I wasn't too concerned.

She soon found a bin of plastic 11-12 week fetal models and began to rescue them from storage.

"Baby! Baby!" she announced triumphantly, holding a fistful of the little models aloft and attempting to carry as many of them in her arms as possible. With that, she sat down and began to rock them. Noticing that my arms were empty, she thrust one of them at me and demanded that I assist her in rocking the tiny babies to sleep.

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The Divided States of America

JUNE 5, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

16 Week Baby

Dr. Michael Brown | **AskDrBrown.com**

I recently wrote about the **coming civil war** over the issue of abortion, and day by day, state by state, the divide is getting more pronounced and more extreme.

Let's take a look at a map of America to see where things stand at the moment.

As broken down by **NBC News**, the states of Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia – forming a connected chain – along with Utah, have passed strong pro-life bills. (In the vocabulary of NBC, of course, these are "anti-abortion" laws.)

Of interest is the fact that, in most of these states, the bill passed with overwhelming approval in each of the legislative houses. For example, the Alabama bill, prohibiting all abortions and with severe penalties for abortion practitioners, passed by a vote of 74-3 in the House and 25-6 in the Senate. That's what you call decisive.

In Missouri, where all abortions after 8 weeks were prohibited, the bill passed by a margin of 110-44 in the House and 24-10 in the Senate.

In Louisiana, which prohibits abortions once the baby's heartbeat is detected (one of 5 states to pass this law), the vote was 79-23 vote in the House and 31-5 in the Senate. This bill is also noteworthy in that it was signed into a law by a Democrat governor.

And there are **6 more states** which have considered (or are considering) new pro-life legislation (Florida, South Carolina, Minnesota, West Virginia, and Tennessee; a pro-life bill did not succeed in Maryland). Grouping these on the map along with the 8 states that have already passed pro-life bills makes for a solid block, especially in the southeastern United States.

If we add in Texas, where a very strong pro-life bill **failed to pass** in April, that block becomes even bigger.

A battle is also taking place in North Carolina (again, adding to this significant block of states), where legislators are trying to override Gov. Roy Cooper's veto of the Born Alive Protection Act.

It's also significant that there are presently **6 states** with only one abortion clinic (North and South Dakota, Missouri, Mississippi, Kentucky, and West Virginia), with Missouri poised to close their last clinic until **stopped** by a federal judge just days ago.

Without question, major strides are being taken by pro-lifers, and sooner or later, one of these state laws will be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court, potentially leading to the overturning of Roe v. Wade.

On the flip side, New York, Virginia, Kansas, and now, Illinois have passed (or, ruled on) new bills that are the most extreme pro-abortion laws in our country's history. And in California, Governor Gavin Newsom is **inviting** women to come to California to abort their babies. (Is this not utterly macabre?)

As for the new law in Chicago, Liberty Counsel **explains** that it "is even more extreme than New York's infanticide law. The 'Reproductive Health Act' repeals the state's ban on partial-birth

abortion, allowing abortions through nine months, and requires insurance companies to provide coverage."

Yes, the bill "strips all rights from unborn children" – this is done quite explicitly, stating that the fertilized egg or embryo or fetus has *no rights* – and it "changes the definition of viability, and legalizes abortions through all nine months of pregnancy, up to the moment of birth, for any reason. The bill eliminates the **Abortion Performance Refusal Act** so that medical professionals will be forced to recommend, perform or assist in abortion procedures. This legislation also compels insurance plans to provide 'coverage for abortion care,' and all licensing requirements for abortion facilities would be removed."

So, while state after state is choosing life, other states are choosing death, even allowing for things as barbaric as partial-birth abortion, along with refusing to guarantee medical care for babies who survive abortions.

Surely these grotesque and obscene bills will ultimately be overturned. Surely Americans will wake up to their defense of the indefensible. Surely the tide will turn – at least, that is my fervent prayer and hope.

As for the impending (and already growing) civil war over abortion, Axios quotes these representative, polar-opposite positions.

According to Sue Liebel, Mississippi director for the pro-life, Susan B. Anthony List, "For pro-life folks, these are huge victories. And I think they're indicative of the momentum and excitement and the hope that's happening with changes in the Supreme Court and having such a pro-life president."

In contrast, according to NARAL Pro-Choice America's Kristin Ford, "The gloves are off" (among abortion opponents). "They feel like they have the wind at their backs and they don't have to dance around their true intentions anymore."

Indeed, we do feel the wind at our backs, but it is the wind of life, of esteem for every person, no matter of how fragile, of love for both the mother and her child.

It's up to us, now, to seize the moment, to continue to change hearts and minds through every godly means at our disposal, to make the case for life.

The opposition will be fierce, but we're gaining ground every day, and with a concerted, nationwide effort, bathed in prayer and fasting, we could witness a glorious, transformative pro-life revolution. And the more vehement the hatred that comes our way, the more determined we must be to "overcome evil with good" (Romans 12:21).

Let’s do it for the sake of the little ones.

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My Body, My Choice

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“My body, my choice.” It’s one of the most common arguments used to defend abortion. But what about the bodily rights of the preborn baby? In this video, Kristin Watson, wife of Superbowl Champion Benjamin Watson, explains how to respond to “My Body, My Choice” and reinforce the pro-life argument for the most vulnerable members of society.

The Pro-Life Reply to: "My Body, My Choice"
https://youtube.com/watch?v=FcZ6IOjNbi0

When women say, “My body, my choice,” I agree. YES, we have the right to our bodies and our bodily autonomy. Women and their bodies must be respected and protected. Bodily rights are especially important when a woman is pregnant, because there is more than one body involved.

After all, carrying a baby is a bit more complicated than, say, carrying a football.

This is my husband, Benjamin. He’s a tight end for the New Orleans Saints and he’s scoring a touchdown. And now he is announcing that I am pregnant. With twins.

So, case in point: It’s not just MY body here. There are three bodies. Some people try to say that “children in the womb are part of the woman’s body”—but come on. If a child in the womb were literally part of a woman’s body, like her arm or leg, then I would have three hearts, three brains, thirty fingers, and because there are two boys in there, I’d be mostly male.

So when people try to say “My body, my choice” to defend abortion, that doesn’t make sense. ‘Cause here’s the thing about bodily rights, and rights in general: A right isn’t a right if I only apply it to ME and remain unwilling to grant to others what I ask for myself. To put it simply, a woman’s right over her own body does not include the right to end the life of an innocent human being.

Think about it: we would find it horrifying if a pregnant woman intentionally took drugs, while knowing that it could cause her child to be harmed physically or mentally. However, if a woman has the right to do anything she wants with her body, including terminating her child, then we can’t say that’s wrong.

Furthermore, we must recognize that there is a special relationship between the bodies of a mother and her children. Parents, both mothers and fathers, have natural obligations to support their children that even our legal system recognizes. This is why we require that fathers pay child support for eighteen years. The father does not get to say "My body, my choice," choose not to put his body to work, and opt out of paying to support the child he helped create. Both parents are responsible to feed, house, care for, and otherwise not neglect their children. If they cannot care for a child, a mother or father is not allowed to end the child's life. They must make an adoption plan, or abide by Safe Haven or Baby Moses laws and leave a child at a hospital, police station or fire station. Since parents have a natural and legal responsibility to meet the basic needs of their children after birth, it follows they have the same duty before birth.

But when women say "My body, my choice," regarding abortion, think about the message that sends to men. "It's 'Her body, her choice' so I don't need to take on the responsibilities of manhood, marriage, or fatherhood." "It's 'Her body, her choice,' so it's her problem." If a man uses a woman for nothing other than sex, gets her pregnant and she has an abortion, he can shrug it off as a "women's issue." "My body, my choice" is not an argument for women's bodily rights if it results in a woman being neglected, rather than respected and protected.

It is backwards to say that preborn children do not have a right to life because they are completely dependent on the mother's body. An infant once born is still completely dependent on the bodies of others for survival, but no one thinks an infant lacks the right to life. The weakness and dependence of children is reason to give them more care and support, not less. Dependency does not eliminate humanity.

In fact, dependency enriches humanity. Benjamin and I, and our seven children are all dependent, on each other, on our community, and on God. Let's have a community in which bodily rights and bodily autonomy means we respect, protect, and support one another, including the weakest among us.

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Communion and Catholic Pro-Abortion Politicians

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by Bob Marshall | **Catholic Culture**

Evangelical Christian, Rev. Franklin Graham, son of the famed Rev. Billy Graham, in three "tweets" in two minutes captured the hopes and sentiments of many Catholics by urging N.Y. Cardinal Dolan to excommunicate "Catholic" N.Y. Governor Cuomo for bizarrely celebrating and signing a third trimester abortion law. Since the 1973 *Roe vs. Wade* Supreme Court decision Catholic bishops have been in a position to question "Catholic" politicians who openly vote for abortion and who still claim to be Catholics in good standing.

Reverend Graham expressed his concern in his January 29, 2019 tweets, asking the Cardinal to take a moral stand that would have an impact on the worldwide church and also cited Albany's Bishop Scarfengerger who called abortion torture.

The popular understanding of "excommunication" can consist of denial of Communion which is not formal excommunication, "but does amount to virtual excommunication," according to Rev. Thomas Rausch of Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles.[1]

Formal excommunication is imposed on "baptized persons which separates those persons from the communion of the Faithful and deprives them of the rights of membership in the Church, such as reception of the sacraments and Christian burial … The ultimate goal of excommunication is to encourage someone to repentance and reconciliation with the community of the faithful."[2]

To date, Cardinal Dolan and other New York Catholic Bishops have not imposed either denial of communion or excommunication on the Governor or Catholic members of the New York Assembly who voted for the new abortion "law."

Cardinal Dolan has decided against excommunicating Gov. Cuomo on prudential grounds because of Cuomo's machinations as a wily politician. But could Reverend Graham be correct in stating

that excommunication of the "Catholic" Governor would beneficially impact the church in New York and even worldwide? St. John Chrysostom said, "When the bad are punished, others become better."

Excommunication and Elections

Cardinal Dolan's spokesman stated, excommunication is not effective because "many politicians would welcome it as a sign of their refusal to be 'bullied by the church,' thinking it would therefore give them a political advantage."

The statement pointed to the "political advantage" taken in 1989 by pro-abortion California democrat Lucy Killea, a state assemblywoman then running for state senate, who was barred from receiving Communion by San Diego Bishop Leo Maher. She was on the Phil Donohue Show and said she would neither change her Faith or her abortion votes which were a prominent part of her campaign. She won her election.

But was Killea's election victory "caused" by the publicity surrounding the excommunication? Killea previously served five years on the San Diego City Council and 14 years in the California Assembly and already had high name ID among voters and access to money when she ran for the state Senate.[3] She started off with a big advantage. Cardinal Dolan cannot determine why a California state senator won a race 30 years ago.

Candidates depend upon personnel (paid workers and volunteers including Party regulars), and money to succeed. Practicing Catholics would be less likely to volunteer for a candidate or place a campaign sign in their yard or a bumper strip on their car if that candidate's name were to be included in a letter from the Bishop, either read from the pulpit or placed in the parish bulletin, for taking actions hostile to the Faith such as promoting torture and the intentional killing of defenseless preborn children. Nor would prominent Catholic businessmen be inclined to donate money to candidates who had been called out by the official Catholic Church. Such an action by a Bishop is not a political act, but a moral instruction.

Canon Lawyers Differ on the Use of Excommunication

Cardinal Dolan's statement said, "Notable canon lawyers have said that, under canon law, excommunication is not an appropriate response to a politician who supports or votes for legislation advancing abortion."

But there are reputable canon lawyers who disagree with the Cardinal. For example, canon law expert Fr. John J. Coughlin, OFM, has said that bishops should deny Communion to pro-abortion politicians. Fr. Coughlin taught at Notre Dame Law School, and had law degrees from Harvard and

the Gregorian University. It should be no surprise that one canon law expert could make a case for excommunicating and another for not excommunicating pro-abortion politicians.

Dolan's spokesman further said that "excommunication should not be used as a weapon," and that many times persons calling for someone's excommunication "do so out of anger or frustration." Dolan's spokesman failed to say whether the frustration and anger directed at the Governor for abortion or Catholic bishops is justified.

The Cardinal is in a fight with the Governor for the souls of Catholics, including the Governor's, as well as for the lives of preborn children. If he refuses to use excommunication, what will he use to protect lives and souls?

Excommunication of Politicians

Saint John Chrysostom (c. 337-407) noted, "… if, being conscious of grave sin in anyone, you allow that person to partake of this Table. His blood shall be required at your hands … Even if it is a general, or a government official—even the emperor himself!—if he comes unworthily, forbid him from receiving Communion. The authority you have is greater than his."

New Orleans Archbishop Joseph Rummel was criticized by some Catholic laymen who openly opposed his efforts to racially integrate Catholic schools. The Archbishop followed procedure, notifying his critics, then proceeded to excommunicate these individuals for interfering with his authority. Archbishop Rummel also had to stand firm against a number of Louisiana state legislators in 1960, who wrote to the Archbishop warning that he risked losing aid to the Catholic schools as well as church tax exempt status for supporting racial integration. Archbishop Rummel proceeded to integrate the Catholic schools.

St. Louis, Missouri Cardinal Joseph Ritter also threatened to excommunicate those who opposed his efforts to integrate his diocesan schools in the late 1940's. Some Catholics indicated they would sue in court to stop racial integration. The Cardinal subsequently sent a letter to be read at all Sunday Masses advising parishioners that Catholics who sought to use the courts to stop integration would face excommunication.[4]

In 2004, Archbishop Burke of St. Louis declared that Democrat presidential candidate John Kerry would not be welcome to receive communion when electioneering in Missouri. New Jersey Archbishop Myers publicized a pastoral letter advising pro-abortion Catholic elected officials not to seek communion in his diocese. Two other New Jersey bishops called out Catholic Gov. James McGreevey to inform him he would be denied communion for his support of abortion.[5]

Congressman Patrick Kennedy (D-RI) criticized Catholic bishops for opposing Obamacare on the grounds Obamacare lacked restrictions on abortion. Archbishop Thomas Tobin in turn criticized Congressman Kennedy "because of his obstinate public support of abortion, which is clearly

contrary to the essential teaching of the church of a matter of critical morality … he is not properly prepared to receive Holy Communion." Bishop Tobin wrote to Kennedy in February, 2007, asking him to not receive Communion due to his support for legal abortion.[6]

Spokane, Washington Bishop Thomas Daly, noted on February 1, 2019, Gov. Cuomo's abortion law and Virginia's attempt to pass a similar law. He wrote, "Politicians who reside in the Catholic Diocese of Spokane, and who obstinately persevere in their public support for abortion, should not receive Communion without first being reconciled to Christ and the Church (cf. Canon 915; 'Worthiness to Receive Holy Communion. General Principles … 2004).'"

The Threat of "Provoking Bigotry"

In 2004, 48 Roman Catholic Democrat Congressmen warned then Washington D.C. Cardinal Theodore McCarrick (now laicized) that if Catholic legislators or candidates who vote for abortion were to be excommunicated, historic anti-Catholic bigotry would be revived. While most of the letter-writing Democrat Congressmen supported abortion at that time, a few had voted against it. Nancy Pelosi, then Democratic Minority Leader, also signed the letter to Cardinal McCarrick.

Their letter stated, "For many years Catholics were denied public office by voters who feared that they would take direction from the Pope . . . While that type of paranoid anti-Catholicism seems to be a thing of the past, attempts by Church leaders today to influence votes by the threat of withholding a sacrament will revive latent anti-Catholic prejudice, which so many of us have worked so hard to overcome."

During the 2004 Democratic presidential campaign of John Kerry (MA), several bishops, not only Archbishop Burke, stated that they would not allow John Kerry to receive the Lord in Communion if he came to Mass in their Dioceses.

Regarding N.Y. Gov. Cuomo, Pope Francis is not requesting Catholic bishops to excommunicate pro-abortion Catholic politicians. It is Revered Franklin Graham, the non-catholic Christian minister and son of Rev. Billy Graham, the most prominent Evangelical protestant in the 20th Century America who made that request. That is hardly a "papal plot."

Issues that Excommunicate

The Catholic Democratic Congressmen asked in their 2004 letter, whether votes on other issues would merit excommunication: "Nor do we see how the bishops could limit this punishment to the pro-choice issue … the Holy Father and members of the U.S. hierarchy have condemned the death penalty, as well as the war in Iraq. Will an individual bishop decide to deny communion to a legislator … who has voted in favor of the death penalty?"

Then Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, in another venue, answered this query: "Not all moral issues have the same moral weight as abortion and euthanasia. … if a Catholic were to be at odds with the Holy Father on the application of capital punishment or on the decision to wage war, he would not for that reason be considered unworthy to present himself to receive Holy Communion. … There may be a legitimate diversity of opinion even among Catholics about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not however with regard to abortion and euthanasia."[7]

Congressional Whining

The Democratic Congressmen noted, "For any of us to be singled out by any bishop by the refusal of communion or other public criticism because we vote in what we believe are the requirements of the United States Constitution and laws of our county, which we are sworn to uphold, is deeply hurtful."

Even the pro-abortion U.S. Supreme Court, in upholding the Hyde Amendment prohibiting the use of tax money for Medicaid abortions, pointed out in 1980 that the requirements of the Constitution do not require Catholic or other politicians to vote for abortion, or abortion funding: "… we are convinced that the fact that the funding restrictions in the Hyde Amendment may coincide with the religious tenets of the Roman Catholic Church does not, without more, contravene the Establishment Clause."[8]

Pluralism and the Constitution

Taking the opportunity to lecture the bishops on moral and sacramental theology, the Democrat House of Representatives members affirmed: "We would remind those who would deny us participation in the sacrament of the Eucharist that we are sworn to represent all Americans, not just Catholics. Church leaders must recognize … that in public life distinctions must be made between public and private morality. Because we represent all of our constituents we must, at times, separate our public actions from our personal beliefs."

Taking a similar tact, "Catholic" Gov. Andrew Cuomo, seeking moral cover and legal justification for his infanticide abortion law, rewrote American history by noting that: "Our country is founded on pluralism. … We cannot have true freedom of religion without separation of church and state."[9]

The Declaration of Independence is not an apology for religious or moral pluralism. The Founders posited one God, and the Laws of Nature and Nature's God as measures for human action. They even asserted that natural rights are endowed by our Creator and commence at conception by affirming that, "All men are *created* equal." The Founders did *not* say, "All men are *born* equal."

Cardinal Ratzinger anticipated such political dodges, "… no Catholic can appeal to the principle of pluralism or to the autonomy of lay involvement in political life to support policies affecting the

common good which compromise or undermine fundamental ethical requirements. This is not a question of 'confessional values' per se, because such ethical precepts are rooted in human nature itself and belong to the natural moral law. They do not require from those who defend them the profession of the Christian faith"[10]

Threats to the Bishop's Social Justice Agenda

The mostly pro-abortion Catholic Congressmen hinted that the Bishops would lose the support and advocacy of these pro-abortion democrat lawmakers for other public policies of the Catholic Bishops: "If Catholic 1egislators are scorned and held out for ridicule by Church leaders on the basis of a single issue, *the Church will lose strong advocates on a wide range of issues that relate to the core of important Catholic social teaching.*" In other words, do not annoy Democrat politicians about their pro-abortion votes if you desire their cooperation and money for the Bishops' social service programs.

Washington's Cardinal McCarrick, before the recent publicity over his sex-abuse, stated, "When the bishops ask you to do something,' he says, 'to do it with the government, you make sure you're on good terms with the government–with whoever's in power.'"[11]

Cardinal Dolan noted in the context of his opposition to Cuomo's abortion law that, "I'm a pastor, not a politician, and as a pastor, I am obliged to challenge our political leaders, to urge them to re-examine their priorities, and to respect and protect the unborn baby in the womb as strongly and passionately as we should the undocumented immigrant, the single mom worrying how she will feed her family, our dying grandparents, or the poor struggling to make it."[12]

It is my hope that Cardinal Dolan's unwillingness to excommunicate Governor Cuomo is not due to fear of losing federal and state money to Catholic Charities and other diocesan social service programs including processing immigrants.

But if not excommunication, then what discipline would the Catholic Bishops of New York be willing to impose on the "Catholic" Governor of New York and Catholic Assembly members who voted for this lethal new abortion law?

The late Congressman Henry Hyde, author of the law banning Medicaid funds for abortion wrote: "Thus something is awry when the voice of the church is most often identified with specific policies that are matters of contingent judgment (such as questions of welfare reform or foreign policy), and not with the articulation of principles. When the bishops are widely perceived in Washington and in state capitals as yet another religious lobby, rather than as compelling teachers, something is awry."[13]

The Moral Compass of Catholic Congressmen

The following statement by pro-abortion leaders, should not be a surprise. "We respectfully submit that each of us is in the best position to know the state of our soul and our relationship to God and our Church. Therefore, each of God's children should be the final judge as to whether it is appropriate for them to receive the sacrament of communion."

Under this way of thinking defendants in criminal trials would only be required to consult their personal "inner self" to determine their innocence. James Madison, in Federalist Paper Number 10, disputes the above Congressional rationalization: "No man is allowed to be a judge in his own cause; because his interest would certainly bias his judgment, and, not improbably, corrupt his integrity. With … greater reason, a body of men are unfit to be both judges and parties, at the same time."

While self-examination of conscience is a necessary preparation for receipt of Communion, the Bishop of a diocese is designated under Canon Law as the primary teacher of the Faith to evaluate who may receive or not receive the Holy Eucharist. The final decision is not up to the individual Catholic including Catholic Congressmen who vote for abortion.

Catholic Politicians and Political Baggage

Politicians do not like to carry political baggage in public. Is "Catholicism" important to prominent politicians? Let's see.

Late term child-homicide abortion facilitator Gov. Andrew Cuomo, during the January, 2019 State of the State address, noted: "I happen to be Roman Catholic. I'm a former altar boy and my relationship with the church is important to me and I've found the differences painful over the years. The difference on marriage equality, the difference on a woman's right to choose, and the difference on the Child Victims Act. But a wise man said, 'the abuse of minors is an offense so brutal, the church cannot remain indifferent to this …' that statement was made by Pope Francis and I say we stand with Pope Francis and we pass the Child Victims Act."

Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi told *Newsweek*'s Eleanor Clift in December, 2009:

> I have some concerns about the church's position respecting a woman's right to choose. I have some concerns about the church's position on gay rights. I am a practicing Catholic, although they're probably not too happy about that. But it is my faith. I practically mourn this difference of opinion because I feel what I was raised to believe is consistent with what I profess .... When I speak to my archbishop in San Francisco ... and his role is to try to change my mind on the subject, well then he is exercising his pastoral duty to me as one of his flock. When they call me on the phone ... about ... an issue ... they are advocates, and I am a public official, and I have a different responsibility.[14]

Pelosi was also interviewed about Catholics who vote for abortion and receive communion, "Does the church give you any difficulties?" She responded: "Not really. But I think some of it is regional. It depends on the bishop in a certain region. Fortunately, for me it has not—communion has not been withheld and I'm a regular communicant so that would be a severe blow to me if that were the case."[15]

And the 48 Democrat Congressmen assert that, "the Supreme Court has declared that our Constitution provides women with a right to an abortion. Members who vote for legislation consistent with that mandate are not acting contrary to our positions as faithful members of the Catholic Church. ... We value the Church, its teachings and are proud to be Catholics."

Pro-abortion Catholic politicians obviously see a benefit being viewed as Catholics in good standing for purposes of their re-election. The Catholic bishops allow this fraud to continue.

Yes, some Bishops issue multi-issue voting guides and may even publicly disagree with a politician's pro-abortion vote. But how many bishops pronounce that these politicians are not Catholics in good standing? Like Reverend Franklin Graham, everyone knows the bishops have authority to deny pro-abortion lawmakers their self-proclaimed status as Catholics.

Responding to the overwhelming number of Bishop's who, like Boston's Cardinal O'Malley use kid gloves to deal with pro-abortion Catholic politicians, Raymond Arroyo, News Director at Eternal Word Television Network, commented on the late Senator Ted Kennedy's funeral:

"The prayer intercessions at the funeral Mass, the endless eulogies, the image of the cardinal archbishop of Boston reading prayers, and finally Cardinal McCarrick interring the remains sent an uncontested message: One may defy church teaching, publicly lead others astray, deprive innocent lives of their rights, and still be seen a good Catholic, even an exemplary one."[16]

Who and What is a "Catholic?"

Neither Governor Cuomo, Speaker Pelosi or the 48 Democrat Congressmen who wrote to Cardinal McCarrick claimed that the Catholic Church specifically holds that induced abortion is consistent with Catholic moral teaching.

However, these politicians are, in effect, acting as "teachers" of the Catholic faith by claiming in public that they can be both faithful Catholics and vote for abortion and continue to be full members of the Body of Christ on Earth. Further, Speaker Pelosi and the Democrat Congressmen also claim they can receive Christ in the Eucharist and remain in good standing as faithful Catholics despite their voting and advocating for abortion.

In practical terms these "Catholic" politicians are usurping the role of the Catholic Bishops in their dioceses by defining what it means to be "Catholic." The first mission Christ gave to the Apostles was "to teach all nations." . This directive applies to their successors, our current Bishops. "The principle functions of the bishop are to teach, and to maintain authentic Christian doctrine … The three traditional functions have persisted over the ages … to teach, to govern, and to sanctify."[17]

If the present bishops fail to call out Catholic politicians who "teach" by their example that a Catholic politician can vote for and advocate for abortion and remain a Catholic in good standing, they should step aside and allow other Bishops to lead who would be willing to correct such "catholic" politicians and deny them Holy Communion.

Now a very prominent pro-life Evangelical Protestant has charitably urged the Catholic bishops to excommunicate Governor Cuomo to uphold the teachings of the Catholic faith as an example to faithful Catholics.

In my view, the Catholic Bishops do not appreciate their own clout. In 1973, I reviewed federal grants in the Executive Office of the President at the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO). The Director of OEO asked me to represent the agency at a meeting involving the transfer of government birth control programs to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (now HHS). Regional representatives of each federal administrative area of the United States attended.

Dr. Louis Hellman chaired the meeting and also oversaw the USPHS Title X birth control program. He grilled regional birth control program administrators asking if the Catholic bishops presented an obstacle to the establishment of birth control clinics in their dioceses. I initially thought these questions were curious. However, in every instance where a Catholic bishop had publically criticized the placing or expansion of birth control clinics or diocese, government administrators found it too difficult to proceed and were advised to scale back or terminate such projects. Where the Catholic bishops offered no opposition, the birth control clinics were set up or expanded. Dr. Hellman viewed opposition from the bishops as a veto over Planned Parenthood type clinics.

Today, many if not most Catholic bishops seem hesitant to confront politicians. Amazingly, 95 million Americans live in states where Catholic Charities have been forbidden from providing adoption or foster care because they would not place children with homosexual couples. Catholics and other Christians are being pushed out of the public square due to weakness in the face of a rapacious secular state that invites and sustains religious persecution.

Bishops can no longer remain silent while "catholic" pro-abortion politicians demand that their version of "Catholicism" which sanctions the death of even third trimester unborn children be followed in direct contradiction to our Faith.

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Delegate Bob Marshall is an **honoree of the Virginia Christian Alliance** and represents the 13th District. He married Catherine Fonseca in 1976. They have five children, Teresa, Chris (deceased), Mary, Joey (pictured) and Tommy (pictured), and attend All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas. They moved from Fairfax County in 1980 and have lived in Prince William County ever since. Bob has received numerous civic and service awards over the years, and also served on the Prince William County advisory committee which proposed building the Prince William Parkway.

In one year, late-term abortion killed 4 times more humans in NYC than homicides

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The most recent abortion data from the Centers for Disease Control reveal that more than *four times* as many human beings were killed by late-term abortions (21 weeks or later) in New York City than by recorded homicides in 2015 — 1485 abortions to **352 homicides**. At **CNS News**, Terence P. Jeffrey writes that despite this fact, the **New York Times**recently pushed the idea — as has most mainstream media, repeatedly — that later abortions like this are "rare." Jeffrey writes at CNS News:

In its story published Feb. 6, the Times said: "How common is it? Very rare. The most recent data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows that about 1.3 percent of abortions performed in the United States in 2015 occurred in or after the 21st week of pregnancy."

The NYT reiterated the same "rare" claim in an April 28th article, says Jeffrey. The CDC reports that abortions after 21 weeks or more make up 1.3% of the nation's total abortions. But here's the problem with that: It is unknown how "rare" later abortion is because state abortion reporting is *entirely voluntary*. Jeffrey points out:

*The CDC data the New York Times referenced in its Feb. 6 story, when it said "about 1.3 percent of abortions performed in the United States in 2015 occurred in or after the 21st week of pregnancy," was published in Table 7 of the CDC's report, "**Abortion Surveillance—United States, 2015**."*

That report, released on Nov. 23, 2018, includes the most recent abortion data published by the CDC.

Table 7 lists the number of abortions performed by gestational age in 39 states and New York City, which were the 40 jurisdictions that reported their 2015 abortions by gestational age to the CDC.

A footnote attached to Table 7 says ***eleven states and the District of Columbia were not included*** *in the table's data on abortions by gestational age because, as the CDC put it, they "did not report, did not report by gestational age, or did not meet reporting standards."* ***These non-reporting states included California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York State, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Wyoming****.*

New York City, however, *did* report abortion data to the CDC.

READ: ***Planned Parenthood: We want to do more late-term abortions***

Two of the states choosing not to report abortion data — California and New York — are ranked as **two of the five *least* restrictive states for abortion**. Since New York's passage of the Reproductive Health Act in January of 2019, now neither California *nor* New York even requires that abortions be done by physicians. **Read more on New York's extreme abortion law here**. Illinois legislators — where pro-abortion Democrats currently hold the House, Senate, and Governorship, and which is also on the list of non-reporting states — are **considering following New York's lead** in liberalizing abortion laws.

While 1.3% of reported abortions may make late-term abortions indeed sound "rare," the term is clearly relative. Using the Guttmacher Institute's abortion statistics — which tend to be higher than the CDCs because Guttmacher claims to directly poll abortion providers — 926,200 abortions were reported in 2014, and 1.3% of those were 21 weeks or later, which means that upwards of 12,000 viable preborn children were **killed in the second and third trimesters** *in just one year* in the U.S.

Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest and most profitable abortion provider, **actually has a goal to *increase* its late-term abortions**. If they meet that goal, the media will have an even more difficult job of downplaying the number committed every year.

And as Jeffrey pointed out at CNS News, "The 1,485 babies aborted at 21-weeks gestational age or older in New York City in 2015 equaled about 4.1 per day in a 365-day year." Again, that's *just in New York City*, where 2.3% of all abortions happened after 21 weeks — higher than the national percentage.

In addition, contrary to the narrative pushed by the abortion-friendly media, women don't get later abortions simply because of health reasons or fetal anomalies. Abortion industry studies admit that most late-term abortions are done for other reasons. A previous Live Action News article **noted**:

*A **1988 Guttmacher study** noted that only 2% of women seek late-term abortions because of a fetal abnormality. Pro-abortion researcher Diana Greene Foster has stated, according to a **report** from the Congressional Research Service, that abortions for fetal abnormalities "make up a small minority of later abortion." Foster's **2013 study published by the Guttmacher Institute states**, "data suggest that most women seeking later terminations are not doing so for reasons of fetal anomaly or life endangerment." In addition, a 2010 **paper** from Julia Steinberg with the pro-abortion Bixby Center for Global Health states, "Research suggests that **the overwhelming majority of women having later abortions do so for reasons other than fetal anomaly** (Drey et al., 2006; Finer et al., 2005, 2006; Foster et al., 2008)."*

It's unlikely that the media would attempt to downplay homicides in society as "rare" and of little consequence. They have no problem, however, downplaying the thousands of deaths from late-term abortion.

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SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

This is Your Place in the Battle Against Abortion

APRIL 17, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Wesley Wildmon | **The Stand**
Vice-President of Outreach

When it comes to the moral climate of a nation, two forces should work in harmony to promote righteousness: the church and the government.

In these times of moral relativity, it is important that we – the church of Jesus Christ – influence the government in every major issue of our culture, whether it is religious liberty, marriage, or freedom of speech. Even more importantly, we need to be doing all we can to influence the government to protect all lives from murder – regardless of age, ability, or geographic location.

Abortion has been an evil running rampant in the United States for a long time, and the time has come for the church and the government to put an end to it.

The Government's Role – law, passion, and courage

Those who stand for abortion "rights" will quickly say that the baby in the womb is not human life and therefore has none of the rights associated with human life. However, the evidence is

overwhelming that the unborn baby is a living human from the point of conception. Here are some milestones of baby development:

At conception, a new life begins that possesses human DNA and is the offspring of human parents; it can only legitimately be described as human life.

A baby's heart begins to beat between 18-24 days after conception.

At 8 weeks a baby can feel pain.

At 9 weeks after conception, a baby is able to bend its fingers around an object in its hand and sucks its thumb.

At 12 weeks, a baby can kick, turn over, make a fist, open its mouth and press its lips together.

At 20 weeks, a baby can hear and recognize its mother's voice.

At 23 weeks, a baby can survive outside the womb.

It is simple: the law should protect every person's life, including unborn children. Everyone has a God-given right to life and it is against the very character of God to take someone's life in an act of murder.

There are issues that the government should have limited power to execute: issues such as taxation, immigration, economics, speed limits, etc. But it should have no power to decide that innocent human life isn't worth protecting. In fact, God established the government to punish those who take an innocent life (**Romans 13:4**). Whatever we can do to protect life – voting in leaders, organizing marches, petitioning or calling our elected officials, etc. – we should do it.

If you are looking for a tangible way you can make a Christian impact on the political agenda of abortion you can visit our **AFA Action** page or **sign up** for our email alerts. While we cover a variety of different issues we put an emphasis on political actions related to the abortion issue.

The Church's Role – compassion, grace, and forgiveness

When we address the issue of political action against the demonic agenda of abortion, we should approach it with a tremendous amount of passion and courage. This is a non-negotiable for the Christian, and protecting the lives of the unborn is a hill to die on.

However, when addressing the individual mother or father who is considering an abortion or has had an abortion, our approach must be very different: full of grace, mercy, truth, gentleness, and love. These are eternal souls who are in eternal danger and need saving just as much as their unborn child does.

We as Christians need to exercise great discernment when we are engaging the issue of abortion. Are we addressing the agenda of politicians or individuals who have been deceived? Sure, you will have some that will ridicule and say all kinds of evil about you because of the simple fact you stand in the gap to protect all babies, no matter how well you respond to the two separately. You must be unaffected by and pray for these people.

For the women who have had an abortion but are seeking to discuss it, be prepared to express God's forgiveness and grace. Recognize that this is an opportunity to minister to her – not a time to discuss all the evil that is behind the agenda of abortion.

Please don't misunderstand me; I am not minimizing the moral importance of law and the political agenda. I'm simply saying we need to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit to discern when someone is hurting from having had an abortion. This is the time to express compassion and encourage them to seek grace and forgiveness from God so that the healing can begin.

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up" (**Galatians 6:9**).

There are many great recourses out there for women who are seeking healing from abortion. Here is just one great resource, **Surrendering the Secret**.

*(Editor's Note: This article first appeared **HERE** on the **EngageMagazine website**).*

SOURCE: **THE STAND**

Will We Choose Life or Death?

APRIL 10, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: IDEAS, RIGHT TO LIFE, VIRTUE

The April third Virginia March for Life was a fantastic event. An estimated 6,500+ Virginians came from all over the state, representing all ages and races. They recognized the right to life's importance, and duly concerned with events from this last legislative session. People shared their testimonies about why we should care, why recognizing life matters. This is all very good.

Without the right to life nothing else matters. It's true, an idea's consequence. So I must ask, why weren't more people at the event? Delegate Tran's bill would've allowed any child born alive during an abortion procedure to simply die by not providing them care. The measure failed to pass by only one vote.

Add to that Governor Northam's disgraceful and unacceptable comments. As a doctor he took an oath to do no harm. His self-enlightened thought, however, must believe this choice to be okay because such a child is not yet alive. How absurd. Further, our Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General's displayed their corrupt behavior. One must wonder at the timing of those stories though. Were they just meant to distract us from the real issue?

A Weak Leader's Effect

I submit all three men mentioned above are weak leaders. Consider the words of Jonathan Edwards, one of the greatest preachers of the first Great Awakening of the 1730's. An event setting the stage for the colony's War for Independence a few decades later. Edwards stated that a land became unsettled when its leaders were 'weak rods.' They were weak because they lacked the

necessary virtues to lead. Further, this unsettled state of public affairs was a calamity because of the,

"and being in a changeable posture, whereby a people are exposed to lose their rights, privileges, and public blessing which they enjoy …

'Rulers are not so deeply engaged in seeking the public good. They don't act with that strength and resolution, their own circumstances being unsettled and uncertain. And rulers, not being united among themselves, don't assist and strengthen one another, but rather weaken one another's hands.

'Such an unsettled state is commonly attended with abundance of strife and contention, with jealousies envyings. Rulers are divided into parties, and so the whole land with them. The distemper becomes general, so that the devil hereby gets a great advantage to promote his kingdom amongst one to another. And while all are engaged in contention, justice and righteousness is neglected. The suppressing of vice and wickedness is neglected, and they take advantage and prevail without restraint.

'Rulers, instead of discouraging and suppressing vice, do rather encourage it by their own unchristian behavior in their heats and debates. And commonly at such a time the wealth of a people is greatly wasted and consumed. While a state is unsettled, its strength and wealth consumes, as the health of the body natural under a sore disease.

'And such an unsettled state, if continued, tends to a people's ruin. It tends to its ruin from within and from without. The commonwealth is exposed, to become a prey to the ambition and avarice of men in its own bowels, of those that should be its fathers."

Edwards could've written those words today. Look at the divisions within our society, the media circus, and our leader's failure to stand for our founding Judeo-Christian principles. Timeless principles. Instead our leaders support death for our most vulnerable citizens. But we elect our leaders, *they are a reflection of who we are as a people*. So we must ask ourselves who are we, and who do we want to be?

The Importance of Ideas

The answers to these questions begins with ideas. They shape our character. *They determine who we choose to become*. We are blessed. There has not been a country like America before. We have the people, resources, technology, and intelligence to create new and wonderful things. The items just mentioned present significant challenges to progress for any country not possessing them. Ideas, on the other hand, are relatively easy to change. *This makes the problem easier, if we have the heart and will for it.*

We All Follow Something

We are all made in God's image, an inward image. Our ability to reason. This image is essential for man's relationship with God. When we choose to turn away from our Creator we form a relationship with someone, or something, else. We cannot help it. We were made that way, to have relationships with others. When God is missing we choose things such as money, power, sex, or drugs instead. Those other thing(s) we choose take God's place. They become our god—an idol.

The ideas we choose determine who, or what, we serve. Joshua gathered the Israelites for a farewell address and after reviewing their history ended with, "Now, therefore, fear the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and truth; and put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve." We can have only one master. We each choose whom we serve, either God or something else. That choice is the product of the ideas we hold. *So who do the leaders mentioned above serve? It is not God. He gives life, not death.*

The Christian Covenant

As Christians, we voluntarily enter into a covenant relationship with God. This covenant is special, a voluntarily commitment made between each one of us and God. We each acknowledge who God is, why He matters, and commit to following Him. If we acknowledge who God truly is, how can we not follow Him? As Creator of everything ever created, God's authority and power are absolute. He can create, change, or end anything at any time.

But this covenant goes even further. We make a pledge to each and every other individual making this same pledge. *A relationship extending in two directions, following God and being His people*. A single people. We are no longer a single people today because we hold two sets of incompatible ideas and values. One Christian and the other pagan—one from God and the other from man.

Taking God to be our king commits us to a life of transformation. We follow Christ's example. We voluntarily obey. God gave us a set of unalienable natural rights. One of these rights is the right to life as we are not to kill. All life is sacred as it comes from God. We are not to needlessly take another's life as God will demand an accounting for all the blood man sheds of his fellow man.

Choose Life

Toward the end of his life, Moses recited the law to the Israelites one final time. He closed with, "I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants" We choose life when we follow God, we receive the benefit of the gifts he's given to each one of us.

However, when we turn away, those blessings are lost—even though we still possess God's gifts. We each make that choice, but it begins with the ideas we choose to hold and follow.

This brings us back to last week's march. It doesn't mean we all need to do everything. We don't all need to attend events such as the march. We've each received different talents, skills, and abilities. So we each accomplish our common purpose differently. We do need to hold true ideas, and then stand for those ideas and the values coming from them. This can only happen when we are turned toward our Creator, whom we've voluntarily entered into a covenant relationship with. When we understand what He requires and do as He says, we will have strong leaders and there the need to march will no longer exist. Pray that day comes soon.

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McAuliffe Says He Now Supports Virginia's Controversial Late-Term Abortion Bill

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Former Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe, who is eyeing a 2020 run at the White House, says the highly controversial late-term abortion bill supported by a majority of Virginia Democrats is "common sense," even after he said he would "absolutely not" support it just one month ago, click image above or ***HERE***

Alex Lemieux | **Republican Standard**

Former Virginia **Governor Terry McAuliffe** (D) has now flip-flopped his position on a highly controversial late-term abortion bill that was sponsored by a majority of Democrats during this year's General Assembly session. McAuliffe called the legislation a "common sense bill" after distancing himself from it just one month ago.

H.B. 2491, introduced by Delegate Kathy Tran (D-Springfield), would **repeal restrictions** on third trimester abortions, allowing abortion doctors to self-certify the necessity of late-term procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal abortion clinic health and safety standards, permit late-term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, remove ultrasound requirements, and eliminate Virginia's 24-hour waiting period.

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54 percent – a majority – of **Democratic lawmakers sponsored** Delegate Tran's **late-term abortion bill**, in addition to Governor Northam, **Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax** (D), and Attorney General Mark Herring (D).

Just days after the bill garnered nationwide attention, McAuliffe appeared on *CNN* stating that he would "absolutely not" support it when asked by host Jake Tapper.

"Where we come from, it's 'life of the mother' in the last trimester," said McAuliffe.

"I do not support that legislation, nor does Ralph ," he continued, falsely stating that Governor Northam did not support Tran's "Repeal Act."

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However, the former governor backtracked on his views during a Monday interview on the "John Fredericks Show."

McAuliffe explained that the bill was not completely focused on expanding abortion access throughout an entire pregnancy, but rather that it sought to change the Virginia requirement stating that women must get the approval of three doctors before pursuing a late-term abortion.

"This is very important. This is when stuff gets caught up in the political grinder," McAuliffe said in reference to the outrage that ensued after Delegate Tran presented the bill and Governor Northam supported it the following day, also alluding to the support of infanticide.

During a morning address on *WTOP*'s "Ask The Governor" after the controversial bill was presented, Northam commented on the situation by saying the widespread reaction to the bill was

“blown out of proportion.”

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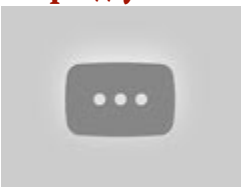

“If a mother is in labor, I can tell you exactly what would happen,” the governor responded when asked about the legislation. Upon further questioning, he described a potential scenario if the bill were to be passed by the state legislature.

“The infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that’s what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother,” Northam added, implying that the physician and mother would discuss whether the newly-born child should either live or die.

In his interview on the “John Fredericks Show,” McAuliffe doubled down in his support for the abortion bill, explaining that disputing bills like Delegate Tran’s will hurt the Commonwealth’s

attractiveness to women in positions of power.

“Any time you get in these discussions, it’s not helpful,” he said, adding that “this was a common-sense bill.”

SOURCE: **The Republican Standard**

UPDATE: April 6 Richmond's 'Day Of Mourning' To Show Solidarity Against Gov. Northam's 'Infanticide' Comments

APRIL 4, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

We have been working on a project that is sure to be a game-changer. The Lord has put it in our hearts to train, equip, and mobilize believers around the world to fight for life. **We will be launching and announcing this powerful toolbox on Saturday, April 6th in Richmond Virginia!** Christians will be empowered to get off the sidelines and onto the frontlines of this fight for life. You don't want to miss this!

Greater Richmond Convention Center
403 North 3rd Street Richmond, VA 23219
See DETAILS
The state of Virginia has consistently been in the headlines due to Governor Northam's outrageous statements advocating for infanticide and his racist yearbook photos. Consequently, the Day Of Mourning is heading to Richmond, Virginia!

We are calling for a National Day of Mourning and repentance. We are in desperate need for God to move upon the hearts of young and old in our nation. If our hearts do not break over the killing of these little image bearers of God in the womb, we are dead inside!

Join us April 6th for a "Day of Mourning."
– WEAR BLACK
– FAST & PRAY
– REPENT FOR THE SIN OF ABORTION

Day Of Mourning | Richmond, Virginia
https://youtube.com/watch?v=rH9wk2Ip82U

After 4,000 were present at the event in Albany, New York, just weeks ago, thousands are expected to be in attendance in Richmond, Virginia, to "stand in solidarity with the unborn and mourn over the sin of abortion."

By **Alex Lemieux**
Republican Standard
Over one month removed from **Virginia Governor Ralph Northam**'s (D) highly controversial radio show comments regarding "infanticide," a grassroots organization of pro-lifers is planning to voice their disgust and convene in the state capital of Richmond on April 6th for a "Day of Mourning." Virginia pastors are also invited to join the event's speakers to "repent for the church's 46 years of silence and apathy."

Governor Northam doubled down on his support for Delegate Kathy Tran's (D-Fairfax) **sweeping late-term abortion bill** during the 2019 legislative session, just after a similar situation occurred in New York. Governor Andrew Cuomo (D) signed a bill into law to allow women to seek abortions after a fetus is 24 weeks old if the mother's life or health is threatened by the pregnancy, also making it legal for women to have an abortion at any time if the fetus is not viable.

Following the development in New York, the spire atop New York City's Freedom Tower, standing 1,776 feet above the ground, was lit bright pink in solidarity with the activists and lawmakers who helped push the monumental change.

The abortion bill supported by a majority of Virginia Democrats, however, goes even further. Delegate Tran, in her presentation to a House of Delegates subcommittee, was asked:

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Tran responded, "My bill would allow that, yes."

Third Trimester Abortion Bill Allows Terminations Until Moment of Birth in Virginia
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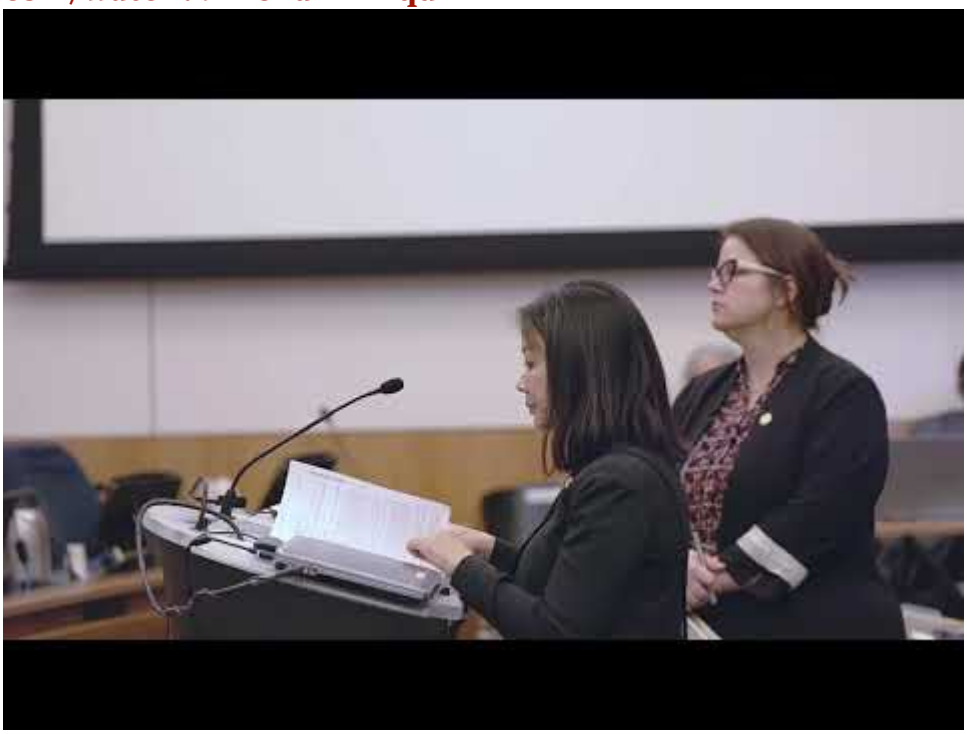

The **legislation**, also known as the "Repeal Act," would **do away with restrictions** on third trimester abortions, allowing abortion doctors to self-certify the necessity of late-term procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal abortion clinic health and safety standards, permit late-term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, remove ultrasound requirements, and eliminate Virginia's 24-hour waiting period.

Days later, during an address on *WTOP*'s "Ask The Governor" segment, **Northam commented** on a situation that the bill would influence.

"If a mother is in labor, I can tell you exactly what would happen," he said. "The infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother."

VA Gov On Abortion: "Infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired"
https://youtube.com/watch?v=SkTopSKo1xs

Conservatives across the Commonwealth and the nation at-large quickly condemned Northam's rhetoric, charging that he "supports infanticide." The governor's comments even got a mention during **President Donald Trump**'s "State of the Union" address in late January, with the commander in chief charging lawmakers "to pass legislation to prohibit the late-term abortion of children who can feel pain in the mother's womb."

According to the event's **Facebook page**, pro-life advocates will meet at the Greater Richmond Convention Center in downtown at 403 North 3rd Street on Saturday, April 6, between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., where they expect thousands to be in attendance to "stand in solidarity with the unborn and mourn over the sin of abortion."

"We are calling for a National Day of Mourning and repentance," the group's organizer says on the page. "We are in desperate need for God to move upon the hearts of young and old in our nation. If our hearts do not break over the killing of these little image bearers of God in the womb, we are dead inside!"

Organizers are asking attendees to do three things:

1. Wear black
2. Fast and pray
3. Repent for the sin of abortion

Some of the speakers set to appear at the event are: authors and entrepreneurs Jason and David Benham; the "Activist Mommy" Elizabeth Johnston; former statewide Republican candidate and

Bishop E. W. Jackson; eight-year-old abortion survivor Blythe Mullen; and Dallas, Texas-based singer, songwriter, and worship leader Anna Byrd.

Day Of Mourning | Albany, NY
https://youtube.com/watch?v=jjg2BLJOezY

Three weeks ago, over 4,000 people attended the group's event in **Albany, New York**, with 40,000 more watching via livestream.

Thousands Expected For ‘Virginia March For Life’ Wednesday In Richmond

APRIL 2, 2019
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Pro-life advocates will convene on Bank Street when the General Assembly gets back to business this week to "reject abortion extremism," and show their disgust of those who supported the highly controversial late-term abortion bill and Governor Ralph Northam's "infanticide" comments.

Republican Standard

Thousands of people are expected to march near the State Capitol on Wednesday for the Virginia March for Life. The march is being organized by a partnership between The Family Foundation, Virginia Catholic Conference, the Virginia Society for Human Life, and the national March for Life, ***CNA*** reports.

At the end of January during the 2019 General Assembly session, Virginia neared a critical legislative point that could have led the Commonwealth down the path of New York in repealing all meaningful restrictions on abortion, including terminations up until the moment of birth, under the provisions of a bill backed by Governor Ralph Northam (D) and a substantial number of Democratic lawmakers.

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Nevertheless, comments surrounding the bill became far more menacing in the days following when the political leader of the Commonwealth alluded to infanticide.

During a morning address on *WTOP*'s "Ask The Governor" segment, Governor Northam commented on the situation surrounding the response to Tran's bill by saying the widespread reaction was "blown out of proportion."

Explaining it himself, he said the following:

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In the two months since the bill was presented, pro-life advocates across the nation have become outraged, and multiple marches and rallies have set their sights on Virginia.

The march's **eventbrite** page states that pro-lifers will appear on the grounds of the statehouse at 1000 Bank Street in downtown Richmond from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3.

"Many in our state legislature have recently come out in support of efforts to expand abortion availability through birth. This is unacceptable," the group said. "Join us in the first Virginia

March For Life at our state capitol on April 3 to show our lawmakers that Virginians stand for life."

Local **reports** state that road closures will be effect in and around the area downtown. The event's **Facebook** page shows that thousands are expected to attend to "reject abortion extremism."

SOURCE: **REPUBLICAN STANDARD**

April Pro-life Events in Richmond, Virginia

MARCH 31, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: DEAN NELSON

Next week is a HUGE week for Pro-life Events. Urge your pastor to stand up for the VOICELESS and against the forces of wickedness. We pray for Pulpits for Life!

> This is what the Lord says—He who made you, who formed you in the womb. (Isaiah 44:2)

Here is a list of Pro-life Events in Richmond, Virginia during the Month of April, and this list can change. The Virginia Christian Alliance urges all to see the movie **UNPLANNED** movie playing NOW. Regal and other big screens are playing it. Amazing the movie industry rated it R even though there is no foul language, no gratuitous sex, no violence, no naked bodies, no wild shootings or car chases racking up dead bodies and mangled vehicles would get a rating equal to movies like "Kill Bill," "Pulp Fiction" and "Die Hard." See **news report**

March 6 to April 14
40 Days for Life – Richmond, VA
TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE Details **click here**
From March 6 to April 14, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life … a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilization. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city — and beyond.

Virginia March for Life – Richmond, VA
April 3 @ 11:00 am – 4:00 pm
Details **click here**

11:00 a.m. Rally at the State Capitol – Capitol Square
12:00 p.m. March for Life Around Capitol Square*

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It's critical that every pro-life Virginian make a stand for life at the Virginia March for Life.

Prayer at the Mansion
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 1:15 PM – 2:15 PM
Details **click here**

All those who stand against racism, stand for accountability in government and the protection of the innocent are invited to join the Douglass Leadership Institute and others to rally against infanticide and racism.

11:00 am 12:00 pm: Rally at the State Capital

12:00 pm – 1:15 pm: March for Life around Capitol Square and Prayer rally at the Governor's mansion with Alveda King

Virginia 4 Life Evening Worship Service with Bishop V. Mathews

1701 Turner Rd, Richmond, VA 23225-6942,
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 7 PM – 9 PM
Details **click here**

Speakers: Dr. Alveda King, Priest for Life, Brian Fisher, President of Human Coalition and Dean Nelson, Chairman of the Douglass Leadership
About this Event
Join us for a night of prayer and coalition building as we unite to discuss the future of the pro-life and pro-family movement here in Virginia. This event will follow the "March for Life" and "Prayer at the Mansion" events.

Pastors, church leaders, pro-life/pro-family action leaders, and interested individuals invited to attend.

Day of Mourning – Greater Richmond Convention Ctr Richmond
April 6 @ 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Details **click here**

We are calling for a National Day of Mourning and repentance. We are in desperate need for God to move upon the hearts of young and old in our nation. If our hearts do not break over the killing of these little image bearers of God in the womb, we are dead inside!

Join us April 6th for a "Day of Mourning."
– WEAR BLACK
– FAST & PRAY
– REPENT FOR THE SIN OF ABORTION

Walk for Life Kick-off Gathering
Tuesday, April 9, 2019
6:30 PM 8:00 PM
Details **click here**
Pregnancy Resource Center of Metro Richmond (map)
Join us for an informal time to learn about the PRC by touring the center, meeting the staff, and learning how you can be a part of this year's Walk for Life on Saturday, May 4th.

Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat – Post Abortion Healing Ministry, Church of the Epiphany, Richmond, VA
April 12 – April 14 Details **click here**

Virginia March for Life, April 3rd

MARCH 30, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Join us to stop pro-abortion extremism in Virginia!
April 3, 2019

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Schedule:
11:00 a.m. Rally at the State Capitol – Capitol Square
12:00 p.m. March for Life Around Capitol Square*
For a map of the march route, click **HERE**.

Speakers:

- Melissa Ohden, survivor of a saline infusion abortion.
- Ryan Bomberger, founder of The Radiance Foundation.
- Jeanne Mancini, President of March for Life.
- Felicia Pricenor, Associate Director of the Virginia Catholic Conference.
- Olivia Gans Turner, President of the Virginia Society for Human Life.
- Victoria Cobb, President of The Family Foundation.

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BUS LIST

Life Remains Unprotected

MARCH 24, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: ABORTION, JUSTICE, RIGHT TO LIFE, RIGHTS

Below is an unpublished letter to the editor submitted to Richmond's *Times-Dispatch* on March 8. It is a response to communications received from both Virginia Senator's to support the Born Alive Surviviors Protection Act. Neither Senator Kaine nor Warner supported the measure.

If you agree with the letter's contents, would you consider sending it on to others so they see why this vote was so unacceptable? Further, come stand with us in Richmond on April 3 for the **Virginia March for Life**.

Peace and Blessings.

Dan

Letter

An open letter to Sens. Kaine and Warner.

Dear Sens. Kaine and Warner – Thank you very much for your responses regarding your votes on S. 311 (Born Alive Survivors Protection Act). We do appreciate your candid comments. Unless that occurs, we cannot have a conversation or make progress on issues. You both mentioned your votes were driven by the fact that infanticide is already illegal. Further, you each cited additional restrictions on health care providers or the process used to bring the bill to a vote.

However, the primary reason for voting against the bill in both your responses was a distinction without meaning. While infanticide is illegal, what is infanticide? What does it mean? If a new life is simply allowed to die from neglect, then a human life is being needlessly taken, and that is morally wrong. Medical professionals in the obstetrics area have two patients, the mother and child.

We would agree with you if the negative rights our society was founded upon were still recognized. In that case, you would simply preserve all life. Common sense would dictate that all life is precious. However, common sense left our government and society a long time ago.

When a society starts down the path of creating positive rights, human rights, it is an approach that requires precisely defining a 'right.' This approach is contrary to and incompatible with the negative rights incorporated into our society. You cannot have it both ways. Societies built upon positive rights are seductive, but they always fail because they cannot deliver on their promises.

If a life is allowed to expire, then the issue is not addressed. Any society which does not value life is on the wrong track. If some life is not protected, then no life is protected. It comes down to only being a matter of law as to whether one is protected or not, and the legislature creates the law.

Justice is a virtue whereby each person receives what they are due. As each life is God's gift, no human being has the right to take that away. That is unjust. If health issues are to be left to the patient and medical professional, then why Obamacare – which is contrary to that approach. If the process to introduce it was outside of the normal course, then again, why your support for that healthcare bill that was also outside the process?

While we understand your vote, there is no supportable reason for such a vote with this particular issue. We are deeply disappointed in you, but also in our constituents, because such a vote could not happen without a people's support.

Respectfully,

Dan & Barbara Wolf

Punishing Christians in America Through Imprisonment

MARCH 18, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: CHRISTIAN PERSECUTION

Our brother in the Lord, Philip Zodhiates, still sits in a federal prison in Ashland, Kentucky. The U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal for Philip on March 8th of this year. This means he has exhausted all avenues for release through the judicial system for committing the crime of giving a single mom and her daughter a ride and a love offering.

In case you have not followed the "Lisa Miller Case" for the past fifteen years of which Philip Zodhiates is connected, allow me to briefly summarize it.

Lisa Miller, a single Mom, trapped in the sin of homosexuality was set free by Jesus Christ. After becoming "born again", Lisa set out to walk in the ways of the Lord and bring her daughter up according to Biblical standards. The GLBTXYZ mafia refused to allow that and with the help of a biased, crooked judicial system, Lisa and her daughter had to leave the country to go where she and her daughter could live out their Christian faith. At the time of their departure, both had legal passports and had no travel restrictions.

Philip Zodhiates, a Virginia businessman known for his charity and Christian philanthropy gave Lisa Miller and her daughter, Isabella, a ride to the Canadian border in 2009. In 2016 Zodhiates was convicted in New York for a crime of "international parental kidnapping" for his act of kindness and Christian love towards Lisa and her daughter in 2009.

During the New York hearing, Zodhiates told a federal judge that he was motivated to help Lisa when he heard about Lisa Miller seeking to protect her daughter from alleged abuse by Lisa's former lesbian partner occurring in court-enforced visitations.

Now that Philip's Zodhiates' appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court has been rejected Philip has 993 days left behind bars in America for living his Christian faith outside the sanctuary.

Victims of "religious persecution" in America

The Lisa Miller Case has always been about the criminalizing of Christianity in America by the GLBTXYZ mafia. Look at the evidence: Christian Mom forced to leave America in order to save her daughter from forced homosexual indoctrination against her Christian faith, a Christian missionary and an Amish Mennonite pastor have served prison terms for living their faith and helping Lisa and Isabella. And presently, Philip Zodhiates is imprisoned for exercising his Christian faith. Throughout the many hearings in America whereby Christians stood for their faith and Biblical standards against homosexual indoctrination there has been a price to pay.

Efforts are in the making for clemency or pardon for Philip Zodhiates.

Letters from Philip in prison are being posted at www.wall4america.com

Make donations to help Zodhiates with his massive legal fees by visiting www.419fund.com

Philip enters prison. Kathie, his wife, walks him to the gate.

A Matter of Conscience

MARCH 11, 2019
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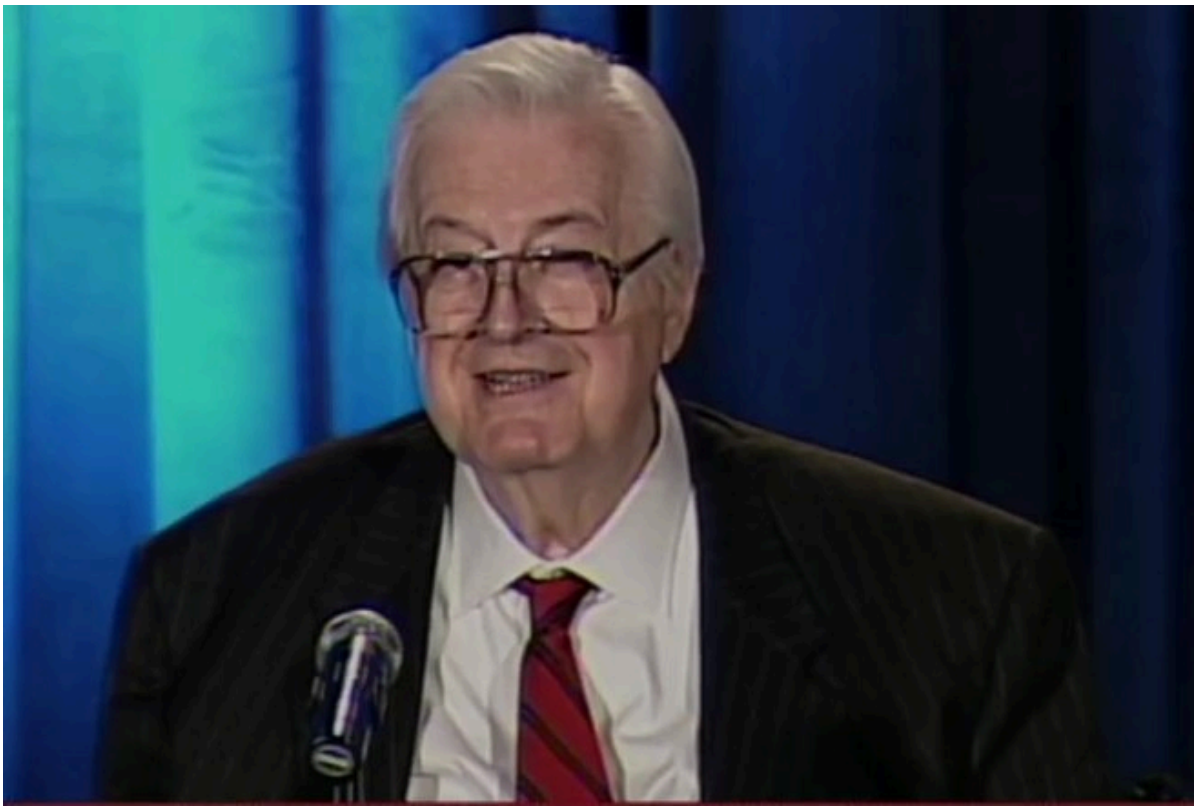

Henry J. Hyde, Congressman

> One of the great errors of modern politics is our foolish attempt to separate our private consciences from our public acts, and it cannot be done. At the end of the 20th century, is the crowning achievement of our democracy to treat the weak, the powerless, the unwanted as things? To be disposed of? If so, we have not elevated justice; we have disgraced it. Congressman Henry Hyde, speaking on partial-birth abortion.

> The right of conscience and private judgement is unalienable and it is truly the interest of all mankind to unite themselves into one body for the liberty, free exercise, and unmolested enjoyment of this right." Ezra Stiles (1727-1795).
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> "The civil rights of none shall be abridged on account of religious belief or worship, nor shall any national religion be established, nor shall the full and equal rights of conscience by in any manner, or on any pretext infringed. James Madison, original draft of the First Amendment.

James Madison failed at his task of securing an explicit right of conscience in the Constitution. Nevertheless, it is comforting today to encounter men and women of conscience. Such was Henry J. Hyde.

Henry Hyde (April 18, 1924 – November 29, 2007) was an American politician best known for sponsoring an amendment, now bearing his name, which outlawed the use of federal funds in performing abortions. Over the years, Congress altered the Hyde Amendment several times, but repeatedly passed it nevertheless.

Although the Hyde Amendment was immediately challenged in the courts, the Supreme Court upheld its constitutionality in **Harris v. McRae**. The Court stated:

> The funding restrictions of the Hyde Amendment do not impinge on the "liberty" protected by the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment held in *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113, 168, to include the freedom of a woman to decide whether to terminate a pregnancy. . . .
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> Regardless of whether the freedom of a woman to choose to terminate her pregnancy for health reasons lies at the core or the periphery of the due process liberty recognized in *Wade*, supra, it does not follow that a woman's freedom of choice carries with it a constitutional entitlement to the financial resources to avail herself of the full range of protected choices.

On July 21, 2016, the Democratic Party of the U.S. issued its 2016 platform, containing, for the first time, an explicit call to repeal the Hyde Amendment. Seemingly in response, six months later on January 24, 2017, the House of Representatives passed H.R. 7, which, according to the press office of Speaker Paul Ryan, "makes the Hyde amendment permanent."

For his steadfast opposition to abortion, after announcing his retirement from Congress in 2006, Representative Hyde was named a Papal Knight of the Order of **St. Gregory the Great** by **Pope Benedict XVI**. After leaving office the following year, he received the **Presidential Medal of Freedom**, the nation's highest civilian honor from President George W. Bush. Hyde could not attend the award ceremony in person as he remained hospitalized after open-heart surgery, complications of which shortly led to his death at age 83. The **Presidential Medal of Freedom** citation read:

> A veteran, a lawyer, and a public servant, Henry Hyde has served his country with honor and dedication. During his 32-year career in the House of Representatives, he was a powerful defender of life, a leading advocate for a strong national defense, and an unwavering voice for liberty, democracy, and free enterprise around the world. A true gentleman of the House, he advanced his principles without rancor and earned the respect of friends and adversaries alike. The United States honors Henry Hyde for his distinguished record of service to America.

"Veteran" referred to Hyde's service in the U.S. Navy during WWII and his continued service in the Naval Reserve from 1946 to 1968, ending in command of a U.S. Naval Intelligence Reserve Unit in Chicago and retirement at the rank of Commander (O-5).

As a public servant, Hyde served first in the Illinois House of Representatives (1967-1974) including a stint as Majority Leader from 1971 to 1972, and then represented Illinois' 6th District in Congress for the next 32 years, from 1975 to 2007.

Beyond the 1976 Hyde Amendment, Hyde is perhaps best known for his efforts in leading the impeachment of President Bill Clinton in 1998. When the Lewinsky Scandal first became public, Hyde apparently did not take calls to impeach Clinton very seriously; he considered the issue to one of be sexual misconduct and not a concern of Congress. That changed after Clinton boldly lied to the House Judiciary Committee, stating that he had not had sexual relations with "Ms. Lewinsky" — with Hyde sitting before him as chairman of the committee! Hyde skillfully led House "managers" in successfully passing an impeachment resolution and sending the case to the Senate for trial where, despite Hyde's efforts as chief prosecutor, Clinton was acquitted of perjury and obstruction of justice charges. Hyde ended his closing argument in the Senate trial by stating:

> "A failure to convict will make the statement that lying under oath, while unpleasant and to be avoided, is not all that serious…We have reduced lying under oath to a breach of etiquette, but only if you are the President…And now let us all take our place in history on the side of honor, and, oh, yes, let right be done."

Once more, a call to conscience.

Over the years, Hyde also waged vigorous battles against flag-burning, doctor-assisted suicide, and same-sex marriage. Speaking out about partial-birth abortion, Hyde eloquently stated:

> This is not a debate about sectarian religious doctrine or about policy options. This is a debate about our understanding of human dignity, what does it mean to be human? Our moment in history is marked by a mortal conflict between a culture of death and a culture of life, and today, here and now, we must choose sides.

A graduate of Georgetown University, Hyde later earned his law degree from Loyola University Chicago, a Jesuit Catholic University. In 1947, Hyde married the former Jeanne Simpson Together they had four children, who brought them four grandchildren. Jeanne died in 1992 and Henry soon married the former Judy Wolverton. No further children issued.

When Hyde died on November 29, 2007, Crisis Magazine began a collection of online condolences. They paint a picture or a remarkable patriot:

> *"… one of the rarest, most accomplished, and most distinguished Members of Congress ever to serve."*
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> *"… one of the great leaders of America's modern age."*
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> *"…the most eloquent defender of the right to life who ever served in the United States Congress."*
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> *"…the greatest Catholic statesman of our generation."*
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> *"His courage should be an example for us all."*

Perhaps this short bio should end, as it began, with the words of Congressman Henry Hyde:

> *When the time comes as it surely will, when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment, I've often thought, as Fulton Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness. You have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God – and a terror will rip through your soul like nothing you can imagine. But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think there will be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world – and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement. They will say to God, 'Spare him because he loved us,' – and God will look at you and say not, 'Did you succeed?' but 'Did you try?'*

Amen.

Gary Porter

Executive Director

Constitution Leadership Initiative

"The nature of the encroachment upon American constitution is such, as to grow every day more and more encroaching. Like a cancer; it eats faster and faster every hour. The revenue creates pensioners, and the pensioners urge for more revenue. The people grow less steady, spirited and virtuous, the seekers more numerous and more corrupt, and every day increases the circles of their dependents and expectants, until virtue, integrity, public spirit, simplicity and frugality become the objects of ridicule and scorn, and vanity, luxury, foppery, selfishness, meanness, and downright venality swallow up the whole of society." John Adams

Note: this essay was first published as part of **Constituting America**'s **90-Day Study** for 2018.

This “Hyde Amendment” should not be confused with the **Hyde Amendment of 1997**, which dealt with an entirely different matter.

http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/papers_pdf/117717.pdf

https://georgewbush-whitehouse.archives.gov/news/releases/2007/11/20071105-7.html

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clinton%E2%80%93Lewinsky_scandal

Hyde had himself confessed to an adulterous affair that had taken place in the early 1960s before he entered public life, calling it a “youthful indiscretion[].”

https://www.crisismagazine.com/2007/remembering-henry-hyde-2

The Horrific Baby Body Part Industry

MARCH 9, 2019
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Terry Beatley |America Outloud

It's horrific. The trickle down economics of killing American babies and it must end.

Women pay abortionists to kill their children. Then the industry markets the little organs and fetal tissue into a multi-billion dollar industry. Big Pharma, cosmetics, bio-technology and the list continues to grow.

"Why hasn't this stopped," you might ask?

Because the Democrats are in bed with the sellers – the abortion industry!

And the Republicans are in bed with the buyers – Big Pharma!

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Her thesis, “Commercial Markets Created by Abortion: Profiting from the Fetal Distribution Chain,” combines her two specialties–accounting and bioethics–to follow the money trail that underlies and drives the abortion industry.

God’s heart for an unborn life (David Wilkerson)
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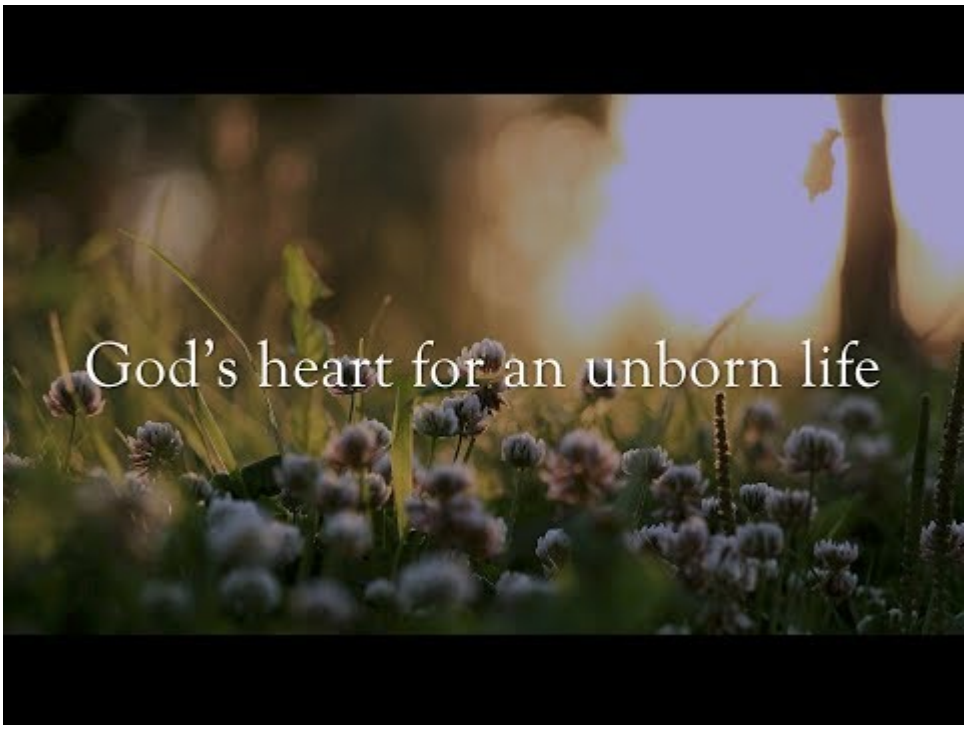
God's heart for an unborn life

Virginia's Senators Warner and Kaine Vote Against Newborn Baby's Life, Appalling, Beyond Comprehension

FEBRUARY 27, 2019
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> **We are dismayed and outraged that Virginia's U.S. Senators Warner and Kaine voted against this critical lifesaving legislation**

Virginia Bishops' Statement on U.S. Senate's Failure to Pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act

We are deeply dismayed and astounded that the U.S. Senate has failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (S. 311). It is a matter of common sense and basic human decency to require, as S. 311 would have, that any health care practitioner present when a child is born alive following an abortion give the same degree of care to preserve the life and health of the child as would be given to any other newborn. That this bill did not pass unanimously – let alone

even pass at all – is appalling and beyond comprehension. We are dismayed and outraged that Virginia's U.S. Senators Warner and Kaine voted against this critical lifesaving legislation.

We urge the Senate to reconsider its decision as soon as possible.

This joint statement has been issued by Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, and Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, Bishop of Richmond.

Abortion worker horrified after witnessing late-term abortion on ultrasound

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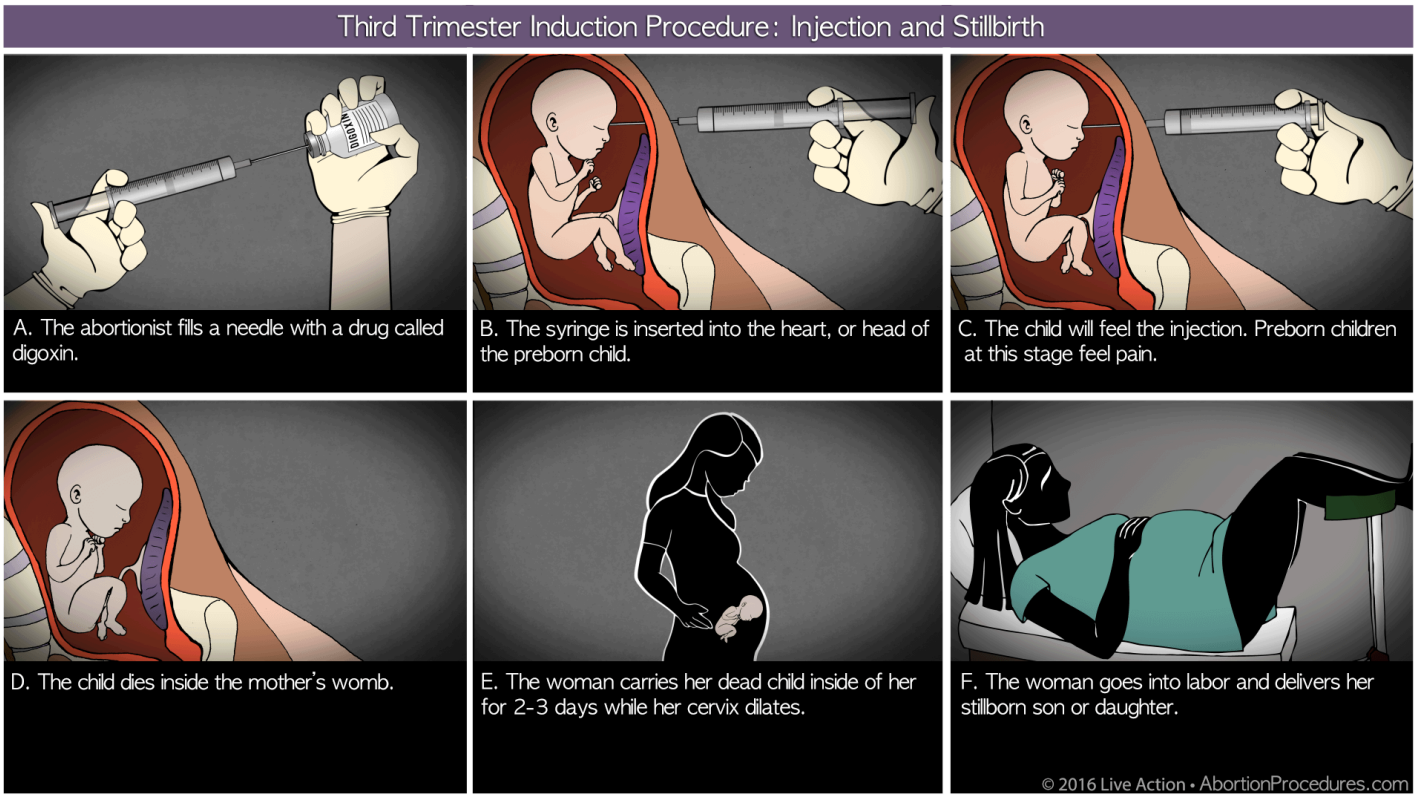

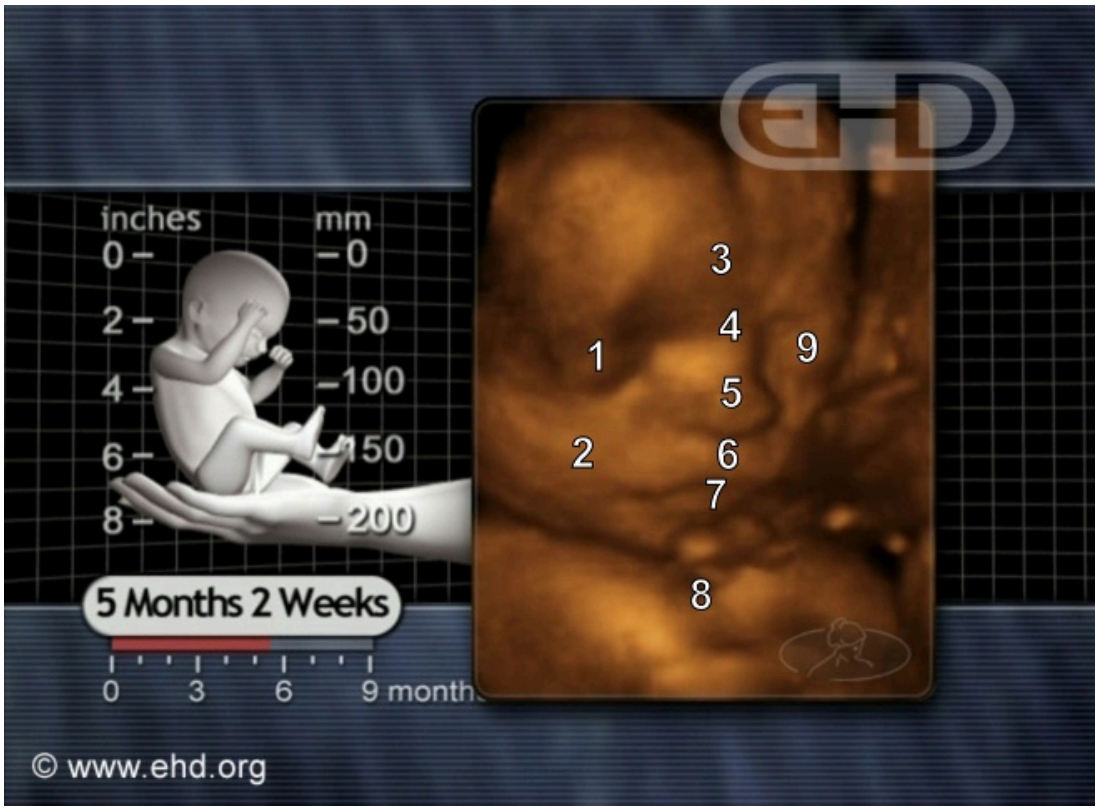

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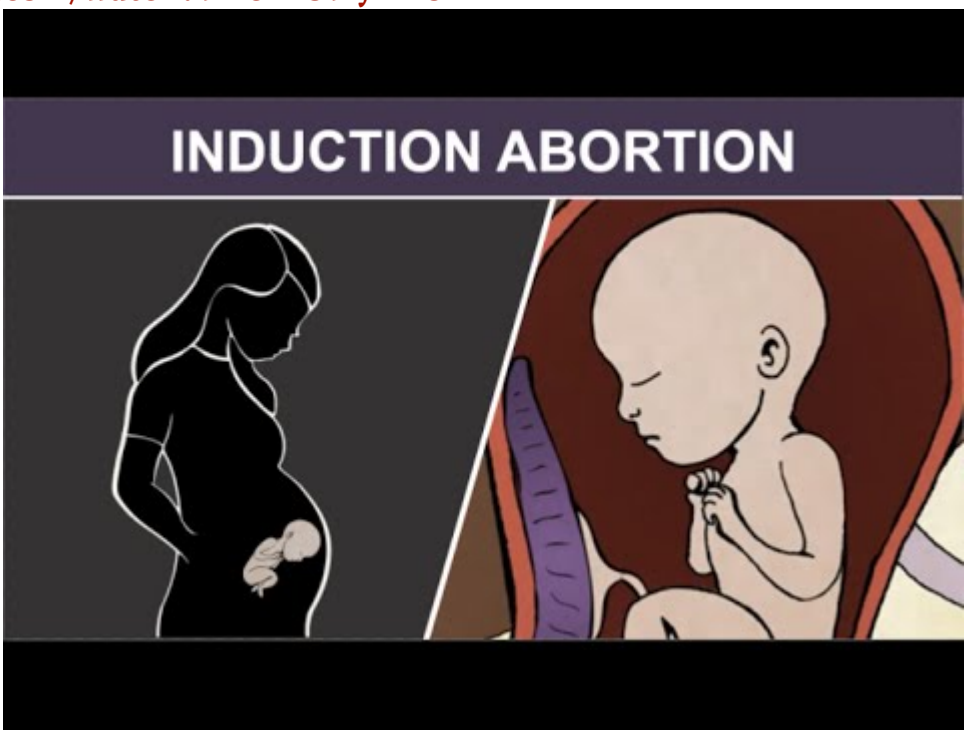
In a 2017 article in *Social Science & Medicine*, abortion workers discussed aspects of their work that they found hard to talk about with outsiders. One person spoke to the article's authors about seeing a baby aborted on ultrasound. She made these comments in a group discussion with fellow abortion workers and abortionists.

It was a **late-term abortion** — specifically, an induction abortion. During this procedure, the abortionist injects the poison digoxin into the baby to kill him or her. The cervix of the woman is dilated with laminaria, and labor is induced a day or two later. The woman essentially "gives birth" to a dead baby. In the video below, former abortionist Dr. Anthony Levatino illustrates the procedure:

3rd Trimester Induction Abortion: Injection and Stillbirth
https://youtube.com/watch?v=r5Af8vIym2o



The baby being aborted had a health problem. The abortion worker didn't mention what this was, but acknowledged that it was something minor and treatable. Even the abortionist told the woman that the problem could be fixed:

asks … "Are you sure this is the right decision?" And she's like, "Yes." She starts to cry. "I can't – I have a kid that's two years old." And I'm like, alright, this is going to be a rough one. went to tell her, "You don't have to, this can be fixed," but that's not his job. His job is to do what she asked. And I wanted to say it at that point, but you know he's set up, he's doing his thing.[1]

The worker then describes what she witnessed on ultrasound:

Everything's going perfect… inserts the laminaria. I'm fine; I've done a million times. … He goes to do the dig, and puts his finger on her tummy and … I'm watching it because I've never seen the ultrasound before … and I see the fetus's hands start moving, and keeps poking this one spot and the fetus like turns all the way around. And I'm like, 'Ohhh, I don't know if I can do this.' Like this fetus is saying, 'Don't do this to me.' My emotions start going haywire … and I look, and I see it. … I feel like I'm going to pass out, or faint, and so I just look the other way. They finished.

The worker maintains her composure, but later breaks down:

I pretend like nothing's wrong. I go about my day, and I go home, and I lost it… and I had to question myself, like can I do this? Because I really wanted to scream at that woman before that needle went in, "This is fixable! You don't have to do this!" But that's not my place … I felt like woman taking care of woman, that was my job. … putting the patient first before yourself sometimes.

The rationalization of "putting the patient first" reveals the twisted pattern of thinking that the baby doesn't matter. The only people whose feelings she considered were the woman having the abortion, and herself. The baby does not merit any consideration. Even though it was the baby she clearly saw struggling on the ultrasound screen, she did not acknowledge the child's identity as a person who matters.

READ: ***These women survived late-term abortions, and we should listen to them***

Two other abortion workers responded to her. One said:

This is such a heavy burden … and you don't have to feel it by yourself. I'm very clear that the fetus is not our patient, that the woman is. But sometimes … every once in a while, you still feel really sad. And that's OK. That's part of being a good human being.

In this worker's viewpoint, being a good human being means feeling bad about assisting in the killing of a baby. She does not consider the option of refusing to help kill.

Another abortion worker responded by saying, “many other people felt that way the first time they see dig. It’s human.”

To these abortion workers, it is a given that the baby dies. Watching the child die is just something that needs to be coped with.

But we can see that watching a baby aborted on ultrasound can strain an abortion worker’s commitment. In fact, an article on these workers in *ObGyn News* says, “Staff members also may be affected by sonographic images and may need opportunities for venting their feelings and reconfirming their priorities…”[2]

Some abortion workers have quit after seeing babies aborted on ultrasound. **Joan Appleton** and and **Abby Johnson** are just two examples.

1. Lisa A. Martin, PhD, Jane A. Hassinger, MSW, Michelle Debbink, MD, PhD, Lisa H. Harris, MD, PhD “Dangertalk: Voices of abortion providers” *Social Science & Medicine* 184 (2017)
2. Cited in Rachel M MacNair, PhD. *Achieving Peace in the Abortion War* (New York: iUniverse, 2009) 59

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Virginia sends bill expanding surrogacy, erasing 'mother' and 'father' from some laws to gov's desk

FEBRUARY 26, 2019
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RICHMOND, Virginia, February 25, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – A bill dramatically expanding surrogacy and **erasing** the words "father," "mother," "husband," and "wife" from certain laws has passed both chambers of the Virginia legislature and **now awaits the governor's signature**.

The bill, HB 1979, **expands the availability of surrogacy and defines parenthood based on "intent" rather than biology**. The Virginia House of Delegates approved HB 1979 on February 5; the state Senate passed a version 28 to 12 on February 18, and **then the House approved the Senate version on February 20**.

The bill "allows surrogacy contracts to include forced abortions, including 'selective reductions,' which is the horrific practice of killing some of the babies in the womb, while leaving one or more alive," **wrote** Victoria Cobb, President of the Family Foundation of Virginia. "Some contracts also allow the intended parents to be able to require abortion of the child(ren) if the child appears to have a disability, or simply if they change their minds about wanting the child. This is commonplace in surrogacy contracts, and current Virginia law does not prohibit these types of agreements. This bill will greatly expand the number of surrogacy contracts, but without doing anything to protect against forced abortions at the demands of the 'intended parents.'"

Democrats fought against a Senate amendment preventing surrogacy contracts from containing clauses requiring surrogates to be forced to undergo abortions in certain circumstances.

Del. Danica Roem, D-13, a man who purports to be a woman, celebrated the passage of the bill, sharing on Twitter that the bill is personal to him because he is undergoing **cryopreservation**, through which his sperm can be saved and used to create a child.

> Today in the House of Delegates, we voted in favor of final passage for making our surrogacy laws gender neutral so it's easier for LGBTQ folks to become parents & we voted to eliminate age restrictions on autism-related health insurance coverage.
> Here's the latest from Richmond: **pic.twitter.com/j6N4PdgVzA**
>
> — Sen. Danica Roem (@pwcdanica) **February 21, 2019**

"Family equality is at the heart of this bill, and I look forward to the Governor signing it into law," the bill's sponsor, Del. Rip Sullivan, D-48, **said**. Virginia's Democrat **Governor Ralph Northam** recently made headlines for **defending infanticide and then for his blackface scandal**.

"I am glad that both chambers of the General Assembly passed this important bill on a bipartisan basis, affording same-sex couples and intended single parents the same rights as heterosexual couples wishing to start or grow their family through surrogacy," said Sullivan.

"HB 1979 is a clear illustration of the lengths that the Left (and now, even some on the Right) will go to in order to redefine the family by stripping away the biological connections between parents and children and to protect the barbaric practice of selective reduction and abortion," concluded Cobb. She thanked the legislators who spoke out against the bill, **particularly Del. Dave LaRock, R-33**.

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Virginia bill erases words 'husband' and 'wife' from law, defines embryonic humans as property

Gosnell Movie Producer Speaks Out

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The "doctor" was a mass murderer and the American mainstream media refused to expose him for what he really is. The media refused to cover his trial and intentionally kept the truth from the American people until **Ann McElhinney**jumped on the case exposing mainstream media for what it really is – fake news and no news.

Join Host Terry as she explores what it was like to learn about Dr. Kermitt Gosnell, America's most prolific serial killer from author and movie co-writer/producer, Ann McElhinney.

Gosnell *the* movie is one of the most successfully crowdfunded films in history with over 30,000 people donating $2.3 million in 45 days. Originally investigated for illegal prescription drug sales, a raid by DEA, FBI and local law enforcement revealed crimes they never expected with Dr. Kermitt Gosnell's "clinic."

Gosnell hit the big screen and is now out on DVD in Walmart, NetFlix and the **Amazon America Out Loud Bookstore**. Every American needs to see this film.

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Which Babies are Viable?

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Dr. Michael Brown

The story is gut-wrenching and needs to be heard. A newly married woman is thrilled to be pregnant with her first child — a girl — only to hear from the doctor at 21 weeks that her precious child has severe spina bifida. The doctor recommends abortion, the mother and father agree, and with deep emotional agony, the mother aborts her child. Was it justifiable?

This was the story of Jennifer Gorman, who spoke of this tragic and difficult ordeal in her *Huffington Post* **article**, "Here's What I Want Donald Trump And Everyone Else To Know About My 'Late-Term Abortion.'"

A Late-Term Abortion

Here's how she describes the moment the doctor gave them the shocking news:

"Her spinal cord was completely exposed just below her skull. I remember immediately starting to cry and my ears started to ring so loudly I could barely hear her as she continued to speak. I struggled to listen as she explained in detail what we were facing.

> The doctor told us that it was unlikely that our baby would survive and should she make it to delivery and live, she would be paralyzed from the neck down. She would be confined to a wheelchair and would likely be permanently attached to a colostomy bag and feeding tube; she would be profoundly mentally disabled. The doctor advised us that our best course of action, in her medical opinion, was a therapeutic abortion, and with heavy hearts we agreed.

Personally, I'm glad she wrote this article, reminding us of how gut-wrenching the choice of abortion can be for many.

It was hardly something cavalier, like an easy way to deal with an unwanted pregnancy due to a sexual fling or a calloused attempt to remove an unexpected "career obstacle."

Not at all. As Gorman writes, when the abortion "was done, I awoke to the sound of my own sobs. I cried every day after for six months" — from grief, she emphasizes, not guilt.

No Condemnation

Shall we who are pro-life condemn her and her husband for their decision?

I cannot see how, as much as we disagree with it. I cannot claim such high moral ground, having never been faced with the situation in my own life.

But we can ask questions, starting with the most obvious: If it would be wrong to take the baby out of its suffering at the age of one week or one year or five years, why would it be right to terminate its suffering in the womb? What is the fundamental difference?

Is Infanticide Wrong?

Advocates of infanticide, coming from the opposite perspective, actually agree with this line of reasoning. As **expressed** by the evolutionary biologist Jerry Coyne:

“If you are allowed to abort a fetus that has a severe genetic defect, microcephaly, spina bifida, or so on, then why aren’t you able to euthanize that same fetus just after it’s born?

“I see no substantive difference that would make the former act moral and the latter immoral. After all, newborn babies aren’t aware of death, aren’t nearly as sentient as an older child or adult, and have no rational faculties to make judgments (and if there’s severe mental disability, would never develop such faculties).”

Exactly so. If it’s moral to euthanize a severely handicapped baby before birth, why not after birth?

I also wonder why the Gormans’ doctor did not suggest the possibility of corrective surgery.

Michelle Blaire’s Story

A February 21, 2018 **article** on *LifeNews.com* announced, “Incredible Surgery in the Womb Corrects Baby’s Spina Bifida After Her Parents Reject Abortion.”

The article reports that, “During her pregnancy, Michelle Blaire said doctors diagnosed her unborn daughter with spina bifida myelomeningocele, the most severe form of the defect. Despite the dire diagnosis, abortion was never an option for us,’ she said” (speaking for herself and her husband Ben).

At 25 weeks, their daughter, Caroline, was operated on, and today, her father says, “She is just like any other little girl, but she is our miracle.”

An Option for Spina Bifida — and Other Disabilities

Was this not an option for the Gormans? If so, why wasn’t it presented to them?

To repeat: The last thing on my mind is to sit in judgment on this couple. I cannot imagine what they lived through and how they still suffer pain for their loss. And I understand they believe they made the right decision. But was it a fully informed decision?

A dear friend of mine who is a pastor told me this week, “There is a child in our fellowship who had an operation post-birth that marvelously corrected the spina bifida. She’s a delightful, active, alert child.”

And that leads me to the last and most important question.

Who is to determine what quality of life is acceptable?

Joy for Living

Daniel Ritchie tells his remarkable **story**:

"'Do you want us to let him go?'

"Those were the first words that were spoken over me as I came into the world. Those were the words of my delivery room doctor as he held my armless and lifeless body in his arms. As he assessed me and my situation all he could tell my parents is that I was 'not viable.' His best-case scenario would be that even if I could somehow survive I would 'never lead a full life.'"

I met Daniel last year at a conference and was amazed by his vibrancy of spirit, his zest for life, his joy.

And I'll not soon forget watching him take an apple with his bare foot and bring it to his mouth, or hold the microphone between his toes during a panel discussion.

Yet he was almost allowed to die at birth. What does this tell us?

Who Plays God?

As always, the bottom-line issue is this: Should a child with Down Syndrome be brought into the world? A child without arms? A child who will be blind? Who gets to make this decision and play God?

To say it once more: I do not judge those who chose to have abortions after agonizing searching of heart, feeling they were making the best decision for their child and family. That's between them and God.

But I do say this: It is always the best course to choose life, as much as it lies with us. However fragile and weak that life is, it is precious and of inestimable value.

SOURCE: Dr Michael Brown

How Planned Parenthood encourages unlimited, unrestricted abortion

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Carole Novielli
LIVE ACTION

Planned Parenthood, which receives half a billion from taxpayers annually, stands for unrestricted abortion on demand, including **late-term abortion** (or "later abortion," as abortion advocates call it) such as measures recently highlighted out of New York and Virginia. How do we know that Planned Parenthood is in favor of totally unrestricted abortion? Read on…

Planned Parenthood cheers late term abortion measures

Planned Parenthood's recent **enthusiastic support** for late-term abortion measures in Virginia and New York mirrors its support for partial-birth abortion in 2004, when then-president Gloria

Feldt applauded a court decision ruling that a federal ban on partial-birth abortion (a gruesome procedure in which a second or third trimester preborn child is removed feet first from the womb, while the head remains in the birth canal and the brain is suctioned out through the back of the skull) was unconstitutional. Feldt **spoke to** CNN, calling the ban on such a procedure "a brazen affront to women's health":

The abortion ban is a brazen affront to women's health, the right to medical privacy and the U.S. Constitution and was rightfully struck down. This ruling is a critical step toward ensuring that women and doctors — not politicians — can make private, personal health care decisions.

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Judge puts on hold Missouri's late-term abortion ban

The Associated Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Missouri's new law banning a type of late-term abortion was put on hold Friday by a federal judge after opponents went to court to block what they called a direct attack on the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion.

Abortion rights activists say the law, enacted Thursday when Democratic Gov. Mel Carnahan's veto was overridden, was written in such a way that it also criminalized more common, legal abortion procedures.

Planned Parenthood, the state's largest abortion provider, filed suit and sought the temporary stay granted Friday. The order lasts until Sept. 27, when U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright is expected to consider if the law is constitutional.

Before Friday's ruling, Planned Parenthood had suspended abortions at its clinic in St. Louis. The clinic in the Kansas City area that performs abortions is in the suburb of Overland Park, Kan., and is not affected by the law.

Bans on the procedure sometimes called "partial-birth" abortion have been blocked or severely limited in 19 of the 20 states where they have been challenged, the New York-based Center for Reproductive Law and Policy said. Abortion providers have appealed a federal judge's decision upholding a ban in Wisconsin.

Backers of the Missouri law said its approach is different from an outright ban, because it creates a specific felony called "infanticide."

"We draw the line at infanticide," said state Sen. Ted House, the bill's Senate sponsor. "This statute has never been ruled on."

The law subjects anyone who causes "the death of a living infant ... by an overt act performed when the infant is partially born or born" to charges equivalent to murder.

In its lawsuit, Planned Parenthood said the law is "so broadly and vaguely worded as to put plaintiffs at risk of criminal prosecution for virtually any abortion they perform, regardless of the stage of pregnancy."

"I am not disappointed that the courts will review it," said state Rep. Bill Luetkenhaus, a Democrat who sponsored the bill. "In time, whether it's a federal court, a court of appeals, or ultimately the U.S. Supreme Court, their review will give the bill the validity we have said it has had all along."

But Gloria Feldt, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, called the law a "direct attack" on the Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision, which legalized abortion nationwide.

"This bill is far more extreme than its proponents claim," Gov. Carnahan said, following the override.

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Planned Parenthood sues to stop ban on partial-birth abortions

Planned Parenthood opposes abortion restrictions

In an August 2016 **interview**, former Planned Parenthood president Cecile Richards told the Washington Post, "We need to challenge or repeal every single restriction that's out there."

Planned Parenthood even **opposes** 20-week abortion bans. Richards claims in the tweet below that banning abortion at 20 weeks is "unpopular." The truth is that **75 percent of adults (including 61 percent identifying as pro-choice) want abortion restricted** to the first three months (first trimester) of pregnancy, according to recent polls.

Planned Parenthood prez Cecile Richards on 20 week abortion ban

Planned Parenthood refers patients for late-term abortions

Planned Parenthood **refers** for late-term abortions as demonstrated in the Collier County Planned Parenthood **referral list** below:

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Later Term Abortion / Aborto Avansado

Second Trimester Abortion / Aborto de Segundo Trimestre

Choice for Women	**Ft. Lauderdale Women's Center**
6660 SW 117th Ave.	2001 W. Oakland Park Blvd.
Miami, FL 33183	Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311
305-630-3363	954-733-0121
(up to 22 weeks)	(up to 24 weeks)

Third Trimester Abortion / Aborto de Tercer Trimestre

National Abortion Federation Hotline: Women needing a referral for a third trimester abortion should call the National Abortion Federation Hotline: (800) 772-9100. The hotline is open Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 11:00pm and Saturday and Sunday 9:00am to 9:00pm.

Planned Parenthood referral sheet for late-term abortions

Former Planned Parenthood director Abby Johnson claims Planned Parenthood referred "healthy babies" for these late abortion procedures, **writing**:

*According to several former late term abortion clinic workers who have come through my organization **And Then There Were None**, approximately 50% of 3rd trimester abortions are performed on healthy babies. In my own personal experience, we often referred women to late-term abortion providers who were pregnant with healthy babies, but they wanted the abortion because they had either just broken up with the baby's father, lost their job, or something similar....*

Do elective abortions take place through the 9th month of pregnancy? The unfortunate and horrifying answer is yes. We must work to end these barbaric practices and truly care for mothers and their children.

Planned Parenthood commits abortions at and after viability

Planned Parenthood has no qualms **committing** abortions after viability, even though its former president **falsely claimed**they didn't provide them. Abortion is offered up to 24 weeks at Planned Parenthood affiliates in several locations in **New York** and **California.**

Planned Parenthood in **San Bernardino County** charges between $470 and $2600 for an abortion — with the higher price likely correlating to the limit of "24 weeks."

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Abortion Options

	Abortion Pill		In-Clinic Abortion
How well does it work?	8 weeks or less	About 98 out of 100 times	It almost always works - over 99% of the time.
	From 8 to 9 weeks	About 96 out of 100 times	
	From 9 to 10 weeks	About 91 to 93 out of 100 times	
When can it be done?	Up to 10 weeks		Up to 24 weeks
How does it happen?	▪ In the clinic, you take mifepristone. ▪ At home, you take misoprostol 24 to 48 hours later to pass the pregnancy tissue. ▪ You have a follow-up ultrasound or blood draw about a week later to make sure it worked.		▪ In the clinic, your doctor or nurse will use gentle suction to remove the pregnancy. ▪ You will be in a recovery area until it's safe to go home, usually after 15 to 45 minutes. ▪ In most cases, no follow-up

Planned Parenthood Orange and San Berardino County 24 week abortions

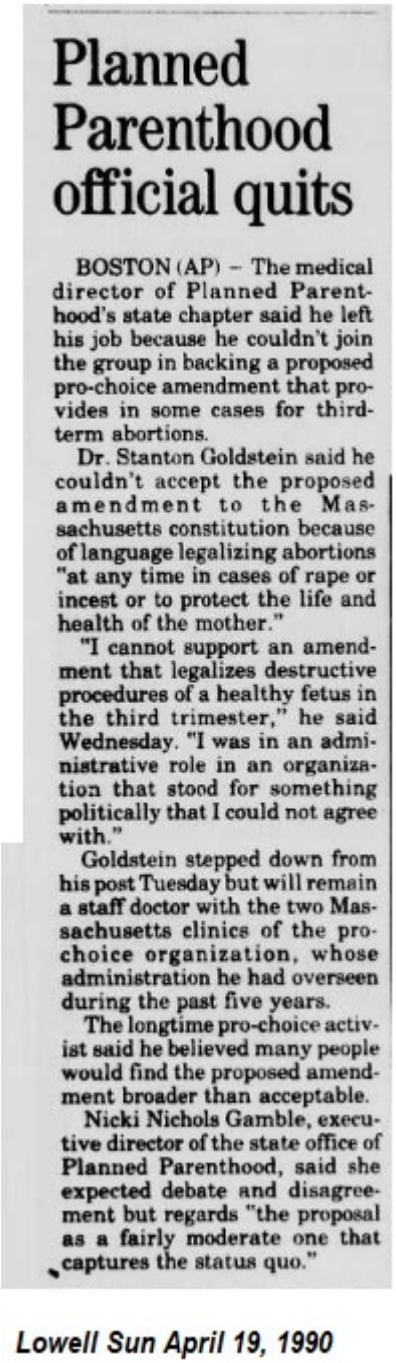
Planned Parenthood's support for late-term abortion dates back years

In 1990, Nicki Nichols Gamble, executive director of the Massachusetts state office of Planned Parenthood, described a late-term abortion proposal, which Planned Parenthood helped to draft, as a "fairly moderate one," according to the **Associated Press**.

Dr. James Koch **told** the **Boston Globe** that the Planned Parenthood board **voted** unanimously for the amendment of abortions at any time in the pregnancy. Opposing the measure was Planned Parenthood abortionist, Dr. Stanton Goldstein, who was clear about his reasons.

"I'm against this referendum as it legalizes abortion up to delivery," Goldstein told the Boston Globe, "I cannot think of a single reason for aborting a healthy baby," he said.

He then **asked**, "If the number of abortions performed after the second trimester is so 'tiny' then why are we legislating for it? Is it so 'tiny' because it has not been legal up till now?"



Planned Parenthood official quits

BOSTON (AP) – The medical director of Planned Parenthood's state chapter said he left his job because he couldn't join the group in backing a proposed pro-choice amendment that provides in some cases for third-term abortions.

Dr. Stanton Goldstein said he couldn't accept the proposed amendment to the Massachusetts constitution because of language legalizing abortions "at any time in cases of rape or incest or to protect the life and health of the mother."

"I cannot support an amendment that legalizes destructive procedures of a healthy fetus in the third trimester," he said Wednesday. "I was in an administrative role in an organization that stood for something politically that I could not agree with."

Goldstein stepped down from his post Tuesday but will remain a staff doctor with the two Massachusetts clinics of the pro-choice organization, whose administration he had overseen during the past five years.

The longtime pro-choice activist said he believed many people would find the proposed amendment broader than acceptable.

Nicki Nichols Gamble, executive director of the state office of Planned Parenthood, said she expected debate and disagreement but regards "the proposal as a fairly moderate one that captures the status quo."

Lowell Sun April 19, 1990

Planned Parenthood doc quits over late term abortions (Image: Lowel Sun April 19, 1990)

Planned Parenthood has an abortion mission. Its **plan** for 2019 is to "expand abortion." Their new president Leana Wen **called** abortion their "core mission." Their plan is a reboot of previous **strategies** laid out since the **1970's**, when Planned Parenthood first began committing abortions. It calls for similar measures to those proposed in New York and Virginia.

Planned Parenthood celebrates expanding abortion 2019

READ: ***Planned Parenthood gave millions to Virginia's extreme pro-abortion governor and delegate***

A press release **states** that it is "well-positioned to not just defeat hostile legislation, but also push forward proactive legislation that will expand access," including:

• **Illinois**, where the goal is public funding of abortion and ways the state can "codify the right to abortion in state law"

• **Rhode Island,** where Planned Parenthood "will work in the 2019 legislative session to codify the right to… abortion in state law"

• **Oregon**, where Planned Parenthood "is implementing the Reproductive Health Equity Act to guarantee no-cost coverage for… abortion"

• **Washington**, where Planned Parenthood "is focusing on passing the Reproductive Health Equity Access bill" to remove barriers to abortion

Planned Parenthood denies the personhood of the preborn child

Planned Parenthood once **claimed** children were "**priceless**" unless "unwanted" by their parents or society.

In 2016, former president Cecile Richards was **asked** by Doug Wagner of **WHO Newsradio in Iowa**, "At what point does that child – or that unborn person, fetus – whatever you want to call it – at what point does that baby get the constitutional rights?" Richards, replied: "Well, I don't really, actually – I don't know that there's an exact answer for that. … ntil a pregnancy is viable have the right to make that decision."

In 1997, Faye Wattleton, then-president of Planned Parenthood allegedly **admitted** to Ms. Magazine, "I think we have deluded ourselves into believing that people don't know that abortion is killing. So any pretense that abortion is not killing is a signal of our ambivalence, a signal that we cannot say yes, it kills a fetus, but it is the woman's body, and therefore ultimately her choice."

Planned Parenthood's Arizona **political arm** later **quoted** Wattleton: "The significant erosion is this court's willingness to uphold a law that could ignore a woman's health in making the decision to permit a late-term abortion. Because in Roe v. Wade the court said that a woman's health and life always had to be preeminent…."

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Commonwealth for Life: Capitol Grounds Thursday, Feb 7th

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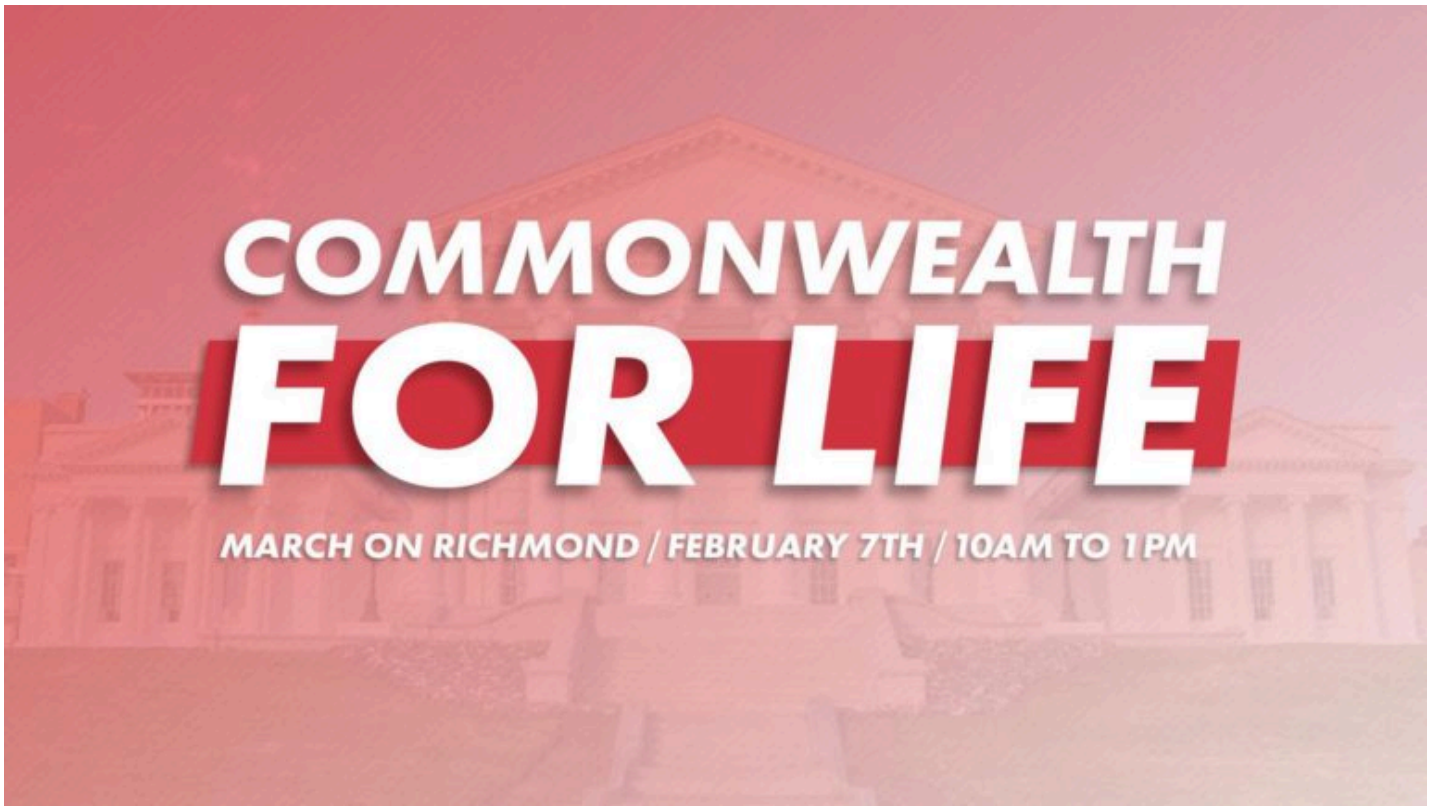

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Come to learn more about the so-called, "Equal Rights Amendment" (ERA) and how it can be used to overturn all restrictions on abortion (including abortion up until birth) & mandate taxpayer funding of these procedures.

On January 30, 2019 Virginia's Governor Ralph Northam said that a baby could be full term, fully delivered of it's mother and THEN a decision will can be made as to the life of the baby (Interview with WTOP).

Here's what he said, "If a mother is in labor…the infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians & mother"

This is open support for infanticide, and now the Governor is trying to backtrack on his comments. The people of VA will not be fooled.

This followed a discussion about a bill proposed this session by Delegate Kathy Tran (Springfield, VA) would allow for abortion up until the point of dilation during labor just before birth. Here's a transcript of what occurred during the sub-committee hearing on the bill:

"Where it's obvious that a woman is about to give birth, that she has physical signs that she is about to give birth, would that still be a point at which she could request an abortion if she was so certified?" Gilbert asked.

"She's dilating," he continued, using the term for a woman's cervix naturally opening to allow a baby to exit his mother during birth. "I'm asking if your bill allows that."

"My bill would allow that, yes," she said.

The bill would have repealed restrictions on third trimester abortions, allow abortionists to self-certify the necessity of the procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal health and safety standards for abortion clinics, allow late-term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, waive ultrasound requirements, and eliminate the 24 hour waiting period for abortions in Virginia, among other provisions.

The bill may have died in committee, but the agenda for abortion until delivery continues.

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Former abortionist: Abortion is never medically necessary to save the life of the mother

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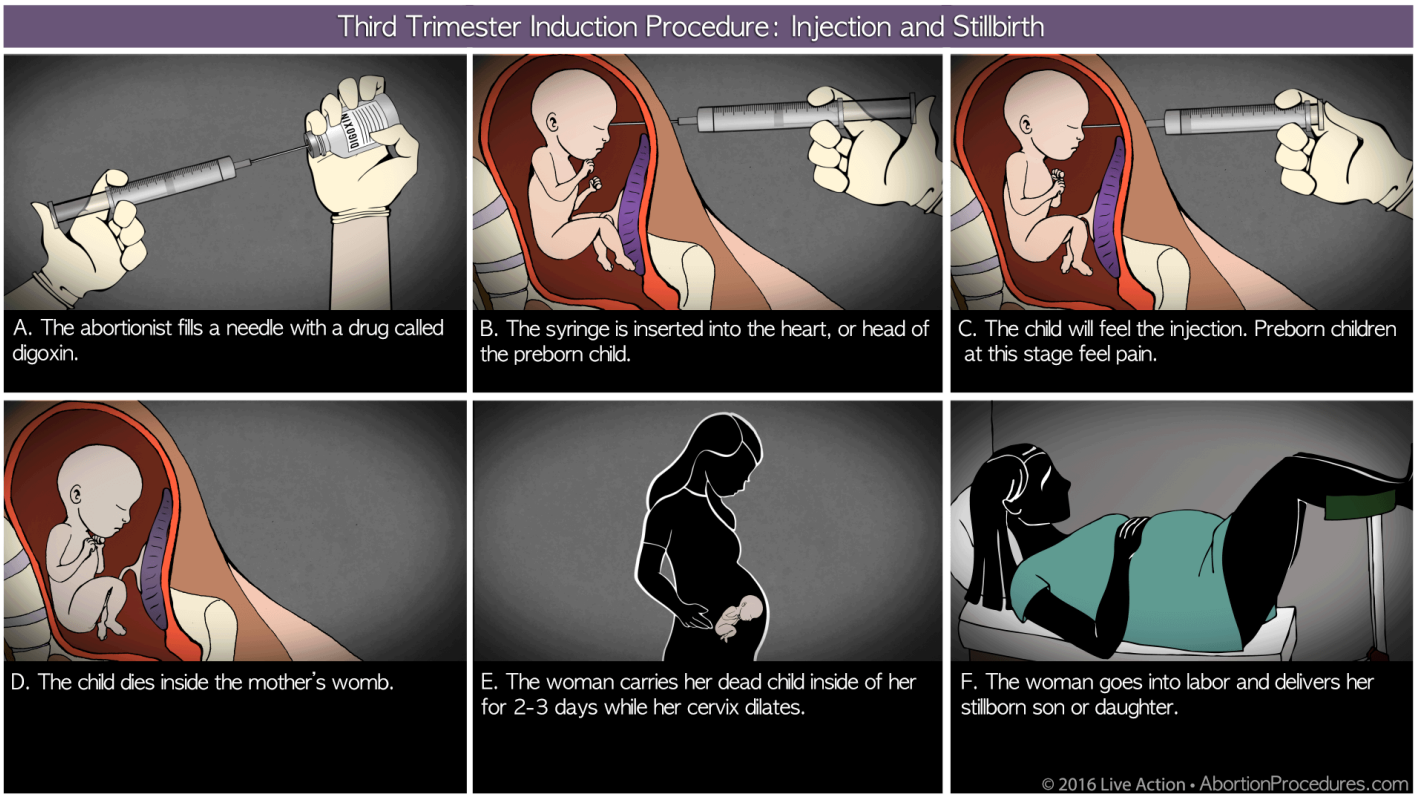

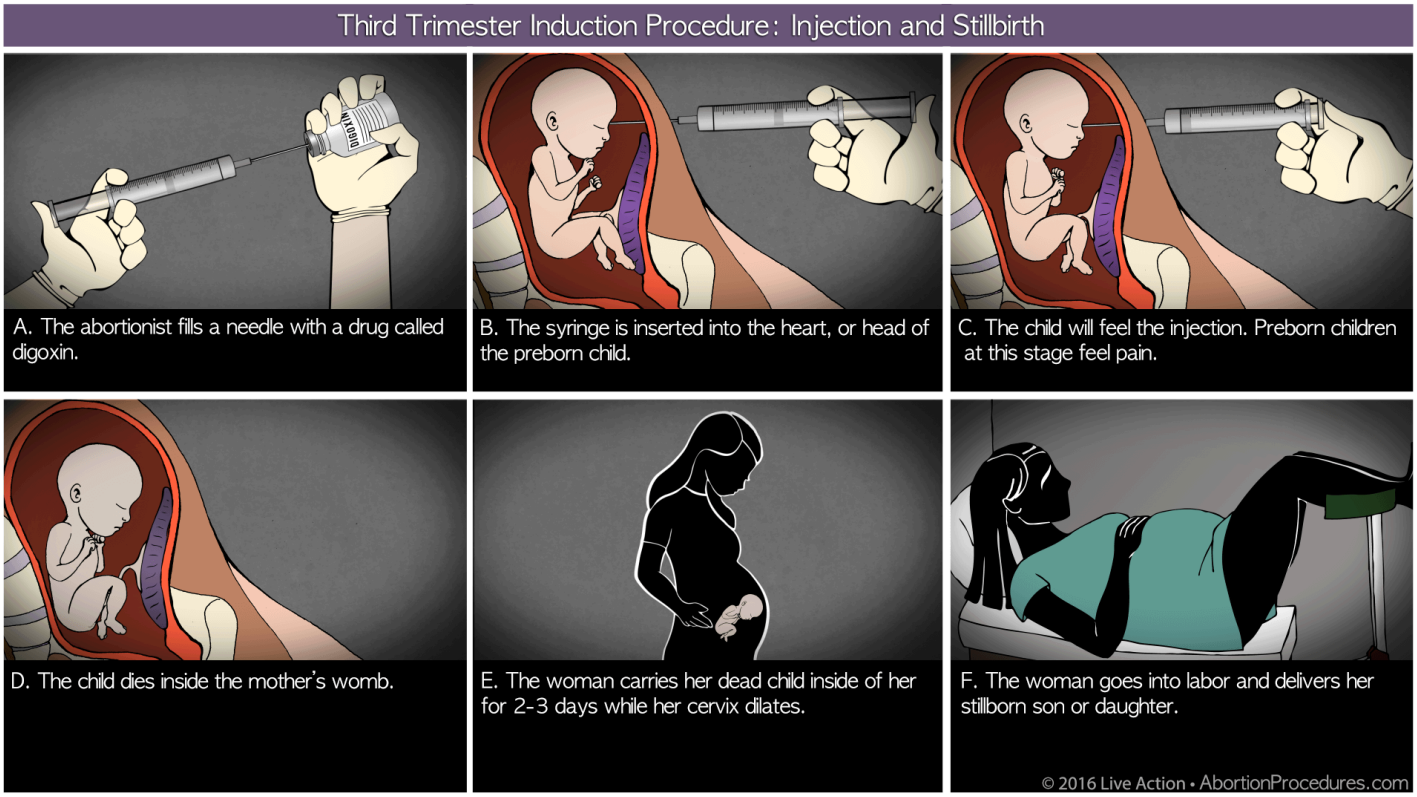

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At the October 19, 2016, presidential debate, Hillary Clinton defended abortion in the third trimester. She claimed that abortions at these late stages are necessary to save the lives of women; therefore, abortion must remain legal. But former abortionist Dr. Anthony Levatino has testified that abortions never have to be committed to save a woman's life.

Dr. Levatino committed over 1,200 abortions before his pro-life conversion, **which he talks about here.** In a video, he illustrates the third trimester induction procedure.

An induction abortion requires slowly dilating a woman's cervix over the course of several days. Laminaria is then placed inside the woman's body to absorb fluid and slowly open the woman's womb, readying her body to expel her baby. An injection of digoxin is then used to kill the child, and the woman goes into labor to deliver her child stillborn.

Levatino explains the procedure in the following video:

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

On May 17, 2012, Dr. Levatino testified before Congress in support of the District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act:

> In cases where a pregnancy places a woman in danger of death or grave physical injury, a doctor more often than not doesn't have 36 hours, much less 72 hours, to resolve the problem. Let me illustrate with a real-life case that I managed while at the Albany Medical Center. A patient arrived one night at 28 weeks gestation with severe pre-eclampsia or toxemia. Her blood pressure on admission was 220/160. A normal blood pressure is approximately 120/80. This patient's pregnancy was a threat to her life and the life of her unborn child. She could very well be minutes or hours away from a major stroke.
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> This case was managed successfully by rapidly stabilizing the patient's blood pressure and "terminating" her pregnancy by Cesarean section. She and her baby did well.
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> This is a typical case in the world of high-risk obstetrics. In most such cases, any attempt to perform an abortion "to save the mother's life" would entail undue and dangerous delay in providing appropriate, truly life-saving care. During my time at Albany Medical Center I managed hundreds of such cases by "terminating" pregnancies to save mother's lives. In all those cases, the number of unborn children that I had to deliberately kill was zero.

Levatino is an expert who has both committed abortions and saved preborn babies in high risk pregnancies, and his testimony shows that abortion advocates are wrong about late-term abortions:

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

We hope all candidates, regardless of party, will unite to protect our most vulnerable.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

Karen's Letter: God Gives Life, We have No Right to Take Life

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> We do not have the right to determine the value of a life yet to be lived.

A young couple is told their baby has a condition that is not compatible with life. They are informed the baby will most likely die in utero or shortly after birth. They are understandably heartbroken. They are told that ending the pregnancy is the best decision for all involved because there is "no need to suffer" through the pregnancy.

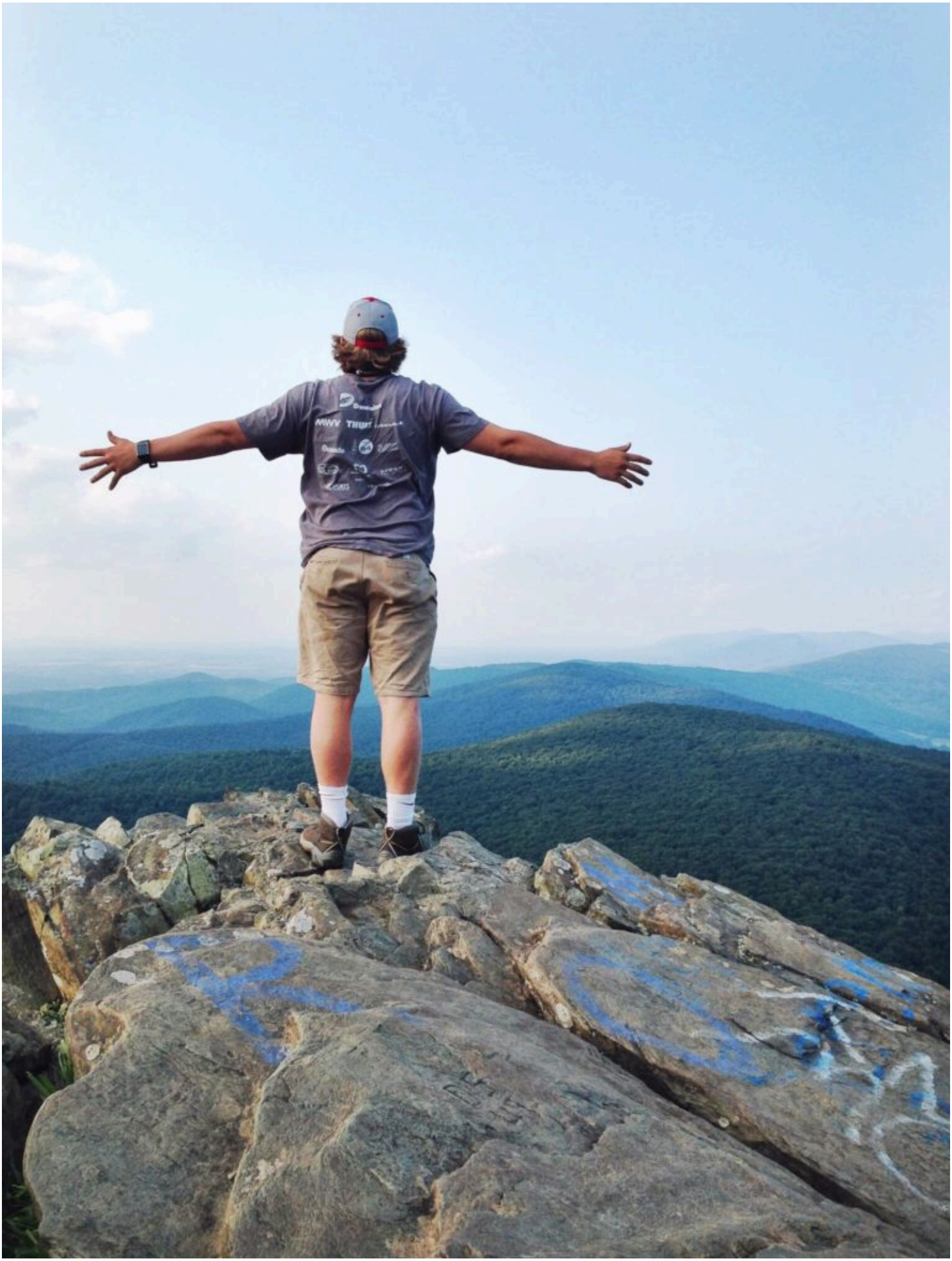
There is "no need for the baby to suffer."

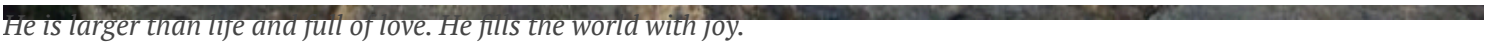
It is the "compassionate" decision.

The couple chooses life and beautiful Ella arrives. She breathes and she cries and fills three beautiful months of summer sunshine with love, smiles, adventures and heartbreak.

A few years later, another young couple is given a similar diagnosis for their baby. They too are heartbroken. They too choose life and chubby, sweet, perfect Jacob arrives.

His parents are overwhelmed by this beautiful gift of life they are given. He fills seven glorious hours surrounded by his family, and he is loved.





He is larger than life and full of love. He fills the world with joy.

February 2, 1996, Christian eagerly and fearlessly enters the world. He is also born with a devastating, genetic abnormality. He is larger than life and full of love. He fills the world with joy. He lives an incredible, awe-inspiring twenty years. His last year is filled with unfathomable suffering and unbelievable grief.

Would his parents have chosen life if they had known the pain and anguish that was to be?

Yes, we would have still chosen life with the knowledge that we would lose Christian and would forever live with profound grief.

Just as Ella's and Jacob's parents, we will grieve for the rest of our lives. We are forever grateful we were given the gifts of our children.

There are lawmakers in Virginia, including Governor Ralph Northam, who believe it is my right to decide, at any point in my pregnancy, the value of the child I am carrying.

An impossible task.

Sadly, many people would reject the gift of life because suffering and pain are hard. Sadly, life is hard but these three perfect human beings made life beautiful.

Three months, seven hours, or twenty years, each life was equally, magnificently valuable. No, we do not have the right to determine the value of a life yet to be lived.

Karen Cozens

Bishop Burbidge responds to Governor Northam's extreme abortion comments

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Virginia Catholic Conference

Since the beginning of the Virginia General Assembly session on January 9, we have witnessed the introduction of extreme abortion legislation culminating in an attempt to pass a law similar to what New York recently passed.

This bill rightfully failed—but I am, along with so many people of good will, distraught that this bill was introduced in the first place. It could have paved the way for babies to suffer a violent and gruesome death moments before birth and could have been harmful to women.

My hope is that this bill failed because the elected officials of the state legislature recognized that it was an evil and impermissible offense to human life and our collective decency. Abortion of a baby in the final stage of pregnancy borders on infanticide. Our governor, however, may be willing to cross that border and go even farther.

In a staggering admission, Governor Northam stated that after an infant is delivered, the mother and the family should keep the baby comfortable, resuscitate the child "if that's what the mother and the family desired," and "a discussion would ensue."

This attitude—and the bill that was defeated this week—reflects a new level of deep-rooted animus against the inherent goodness of every child. The governor's statement and this bill demonstrate how far abortion advocates are willing to go in taking the life of a precious child.

This is a critical moment in the life of our Church and our society. I call on the faithful and people of good will to advocate for the right to life of all people, including the unborn and those children whose lives are at risk even during the process of birth. In Virginia, with the assistance of the Virginia Catholic Conference, we must make our views known to our elected officials on all issues where the right to life is at stake.

Through the Diocese of Arlington, we continue to offer assistance to expectant families in need and those who are suffering after an abortion. Families who need help should contact the diocesan Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life: **arlingtondiocese.org**

To learn more about the failed abortion legislation as well as other extreme public policy proposals before the Virginia General Assembly, read the most recent VoterVoice Post (published 1/30/19) by Jeff Caruso, Executive Director of the Virginia Catholic Conference: https://vacatholic.org/votervoice-post/?vvid=1123

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge is the Bishop of Arlington. Appointed by Pope Francis on October 4, 2016, as the fourth bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, Bishop Burbidge was installed on December 6, 2016.

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‘Commonwealth For Life’ March Organized In Wake Of Governor’s Endorsement Of Late-Term Abortion Bill

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“Virginia is at a tipping point, and it’s frightening to think where this might go if we don’t give it all that we can,” said march organizer Elliott Harding as pro-life Virginians are planning to convene at the Capitol in just over one week.

In the days since Virginia's highly-controversial **late-term abortion bill** became publicly known, there have been extraordinary reactions from pro-life lawmakers and citizens alike, not just from those across the Commonwealth, but the nation at-large.

The bill spurred **Speaker of the House of Delegates Kirk Cox** (R-Colonial Heights) to give a rare and emotional speech on the floor of the lower chamber last night. He said, "I will never stop fighting for the promise of life as long as I hold a gavel, as long as I can speak into this microphone, as long as I have the privilege of this floor. I promise to fight for the promise of life."

While lawmakers on Bank Street in Richmond have been responding to the shocking development, citizens across the Commonwealth are preparing to march on the Capitol to show their support for the unborn.

On February 7, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., pro-life activists will convene at 1000 Bank Street on the lawn at the Capitol building in the "Commonwealth for Life: March on Richmond."

TRS reached out to march organizer Elliott Harding to understand more about the event, which, according to its **Facebook page**, has over 1,200 interested and over 200 signed up to appear, after being started less than 24 hours ago.

"This week, Del. Kathy Tran and **Gov. Northam** exposed just how extreme today's Left has become when it comes to destroying innocent life. The idea of killing a child during delivery or afterwards is where humanity needs to draw the line," Harding said in a statement. "We have a duty to stand up for those who can't defend themselves, and that includes the smallest and youngest among us."

"Virginia's General Assembly & the Governor will hear that message on Thursday, Feb. 7th as we host a Commonwealth for Life: March on Richmond, where I believe hundreds of Virginians will turn out and mobilize in this call to action," he added.

TRS also asked Harding what the march seeks to accomplish.

"It's my hope that this march will inspire men and women throughout Virginia to demand more from their leaders on this issue and ultimately replace those leaders in 2019 if need be. Virginia is at a tipping point, and it's frightening to think where this might go if we don't give it all that we can."

SOURCE: **Republican Standard**

Virginia Attempts to Follow New York on Abortion at 9 Months

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As the Republican Standard **reported**, Virginia could soon be joining New York in repealing restrictions on abortion, including terminations up until the moment of birth, under the provisions of a bill backed by Governor Ralph Northam and a substantial number of Democratic lawmakers.

This has caused fury on international news outlets, but the Virginia news outlets have been more than lame and have failed to fully report the pro-life side of this critical issue very close to the hearts of Virginians. Shame on them!

Ed Vitagliano, Tim Wildmon, and Abraham Hamilton, III discuss Virginia's attempt to follow suit with New York concerning aborting full-term babies. Watch the informative and impassioned discussion below.

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E R A is NOT Dead

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> Please contact your Republican state delegates ASAP and forward/email to your friends to help spread the word. We must remain active and alert to offset the pro-ERA efforts

Bob Marshall

Despite the misleading claims of the media, the ERA is NOT dead in Virginia!

One of the four ERA ratification proposals was rejected 12-10 by the Privileges & Elections Committee last Friday but three other ratification resolutions are still alive and pro-ERA forces are working tirelessly.

We cannot relent.

The two remaining House of Delegates ERA measures would have to pass the P & E Committee before February 5th (Crossover) but the Senate ERA measure is alive until adjournment Feb. 23rd.

The House of Delegates can use a "discharge" motion to bypass the P & E Committee and bring the measure directly to the House floor by a simple majority vote! (Congresswoman Martha Griffiths brought her ERA to the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives by a discharge petition in 1970.) I believe pro-ERA lobbyists will try this.

If only a couple of Republicans are absent the day it is brought up, we lose! (Two Senate Republicans were absent Jan. 29th causing a major Second Amendment bill to die.)

ERA proponents ran a full page ad in this past Sunday's *Richmond Times*. Today a major press conference with a Hollywood actress was held in Congress to push a resolution to have the 1972 ERA be ratified by three, not 38 states as required by our U.S. Constitution!

<u>The ERA is not properly before the Virginia General Assembly for ratification. Period!</u>

Even President Carter's Justice Department said the ERA had to be reintroduced if its congressionally established deadline expired.

"Certainly, if a time limit has expired before an intervening Congress has taken action to extend that limit, a strong argument could be made that the only constitutional means of reviving a proposed amendment would be to propose the amendment anew by two-thirds vote of each House … , then we must begin the entire process once again.'"

The ERA will end all limits on abortion for 9 months and parental notice and conscience clauses; women will be drafted and serve in combat like men do; privacy for women in prisons, lockers, gyms, and bathrooms will end; women-only schools, sports teams, scholarships and business programs will be prohibited.

Please contact your Republican state delegates ASAP and send this email to your friends to help spread the word. We must remain active and alert to offset the pro-ERA efforts!

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Third Trimester Abortion Bill Would Allow Terminations Until Birth in Virginia

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Tran confirmed her bill would allow third trimester abortions, up until the moment of birth, during a committee hearing on legislation which Republican lawmakers have compared to the recently-enacted late term abortion bill in New York. The bill would also substantially loosen the standard under which late term abortions are allowed.

…would allow abortion doctors to self-certify the necessity of late term procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal abortion clinic health and safety standards, permit late term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, remove ultrasound requirements, and eliminate Virginia's 24 hour waiting period…

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The **Repeal Act**, introduced as **HB2491** by Delegate Kathy Tran (D-Springfield), would **repeal restrictions** on third trimester abortions, allow abortion doctors to self-certify the necessity of late term procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal abortion clinic health and

safety standards, permit late term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, remove ultrasound requirements, and eliminate Virginia's 24 hour waiting period.

(also see National Review article: Virginia Governor Defends Letting Infants Die)

Tran's Repeal Act received its first subcommittee hearing on Monday, in which the legislation's sponsor confirmed that the bill would apply to controversial late term procedures, similar to the legislation signed recently by New York Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Under questioning from a House subcommittee, Tran said third trimester abortions would face substantially fewer restrictions.

"How late in the third trimester could a physician perform an abortion if he indicated it would impair the mental health of the woman," asked subcommittee chairman Todd Gilbert (R-Shenandoah).

"Through the third trimester," responded Tran. "The third trimester goes all the way up to forty weeks."

Tran also clarified that abortion procedures would be allowed up until the end of a woman's pregnancy.

"I don't think we have a limit in the bill," added Tran.

In response to a question from Gilbert, Tran also suggested that partial birth abortions would be subject to the bill's repeal of existing restrictions on the procedure.

(also see Fox News article: Virginia Gov. Northam faces backlash for comments on 3rd-trimester abortion bill: 'Morally repugnant')

"Where it's obvious that a woman is about to give birth, that she has physical signs that she is about to give birth, would that still be a point at which she could request an abortion if she was so certified?" Gilbert asked.

"She's dilating," he continued. "I'm asking if your bill allows that."

Tran responded that it would.

"My bill would allow that, yes," she affirmed.

Upon further questioning, Tran explicitly addressed the hypothetical case of aborting a healthy infant, one week before the mother's due date, on grounds of mental health.

“I certainly could have said a week from her due date and that would have been the same answer, correct?” continued Gilbert.

“That it’s allowed in the bill? Yes,” responded Tran.

Also at issue was the bill’s proposal to change the standard under which third trimester abortions may be performed in Virginia.

Under **current law**, third trimester abortions require the certification of two independent doctors, who each must verify that the continuation of the pregnancy would “substantially and irremediably impair the mental or physical health of the woman.”

Tran’s bill would substantially relax that standard, removing the words “substantially and irremediably,” allowing the doctor performing the abortion to self-certify the procedure which he or she will perform, without a second opinion, even in cases where a healthy infant could be delivered without risk of physical harm to the woman.

Upon questioning from the committee, Tran confirmed that was the intent of her bill.

“You do acknowledge that you substantially change the standard, by removing a couple words here, correct?” asked Gilbert. “Line eighty, you are changing the standard under which the judgement call is made.”

“Yes, I’m aware,” responded Tran. “I’m changing the standard, yes.”

As the hearing continued, committee members asked the bill’s sponsor to clarify which mental health conditions could be used to justify abortions until the moment of birth.

Tran was unable to provide a response.

“What type of mental health conditions would you anticipate would be utilized by physicians under these circumstances to determine that a child that is otherwise viable is worthy of an abortion?” asked Gilbert, as the questioning continued.

Hesitating, Tran declined to cite a condition, saying she was not a physician, but did clarify that no special mental health training would be required for doctors making such certifications.

The mental health issue was highlighted as a potential loophole allowing late term abortion on demand by Victoria Cobb, president of the Family Foundation, a Virginia group which advocates for socially conservative policy positions.

“The most egregious part of this bill is that it would vastly widen the narrow rationale where our law allows a third trimester abortion, by no longer requiring that a woman’s physical or mental

health be ‘substantially and irremediably impaired’ by the concurrence of three doctors.”

“This bill creates abortion, virtually on demand, up until the point of birth.”

The committee also inquired which conditions might require that a third trimester abortion be performed upon an otherwise healthy and deliverable infant in order to protect the physical health of the mother.

“Is there any commonly accepted medical decision to terminate the pregnancy in the late term, rather than deliver the child, if the mother’s health or life is actually in danger?” asked Gilbert.

Tran did not cite any examples before turning the microphone over to a lobbyist from NARAL Pro-Choice Virginia, who was also unable to cite a case with specificity, responding only that she believed such an example happened in Ireland.

Chairman Gilbert was less than impressed with the lack of medical answers.

“Well we’re talking about a lot of physician stuff here and nobody appears to know the answer, and the doctors aren’t here, so it would have been helpful, maybe, to have those questions answered,” Gilbert said in closing.

Following the hearing, the subcommittee voted on party lines to recommend that the bill be laid on the table, though that decision is not binding on the full committee.

While the bill is not expected to pass this year, it represents a policy vision embraced by top Democrats, including Governor Ralph Northam, Lt. Governor Justin Fairfax, Attorney General Mark Herring, and a host of lawmakers, should Democrats succeed in winning legislative majorities in this fall’s elections.

Democrats have said this bill would be a priority if they should take the majority.

Currently, Republicans control the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia by razor-thin margins of 51-49 and 21-19, respectively.

“So when can’t change peoples minds, we need to change seats,” said Governor Northam, speaking to the upcoming November elections at a **press conference** earlier in January.

Watch highlights from the committee hearing below, in longer form than the summary above.

Kathy Tran Presents Virginia Third Trimester Abortion Bill in Committee
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WATCH: Fr. Pavone defends Covington boys' Trump hats, support of pro-life president

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January 25, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – With initial claims that the Covington Catholic High School Students harassed a Native American veteran at the March for Life quickly debunked, some critics turned their fire to the fact that several of the students were wearing "Make America Great Again" hats in the first place. In a new video, the national director of Priests for Life offers a ringing defense of pro-lifers wearing President Donald Trump's iconic red caps.

As regular LifeSiteNews readers know, last weekend social media **erupted with complaints** that video supposedly showed the kids surrounding and mocking Native American veteran Nathan Phillips. But additional video and firsthand accounts soon revealed Phillips was the one who waded into a crowd that was already there waiting for its bus, and he was the one beating a drum inches from student Nick Sandmann's face. The kids had been performing school cheers in an attempt to drown out profanity-laced harassment aimed at them by members of the Black Hebrew Israelites fringe group.

As the original narrative began to unravel, many journalists retracted their claims and some figures apologized, but others continued to maintain there was something wrong with Catholic attendees of a pro-life event wearing MAGA hats. A video message from President Trump was played at the pro-life event the students had been attending, and Vice President Pence spoke live from the event's stage.

"Why were so many students sporting MAGA hats?" pro-gay Fr. James Martin **asked** in a tweet string that partially walked back, but did not apologize for, his original attack on the kids. "It's a

free country for sure, but they were at the March for Life, a religious event, under the care of their Catholic high school administrators and, one hopes, chaperones, not a political rally."

"It astonishes me that any students participating in a pro-life activity on behalf of their school and their Catholic faith could be wearing apparel sporting the slogans of a president who denigrates the lives of immigrants, refugees and people from countries that he describes with indecent words and haphazardly endangers with life-threatening policies," Lexington Bishop John Stowe **wrote** in an op-ed, ignoring, like Fr. Martin, the fact that the event had a heavy Trump administration presence, as it has had each year since the Republican took office. Stowe also didn't mention the numerous advances President Trump has made for the pro-life agenda, or the fact that the March for Life is an anti-abortion, not pro-mass immigration, rally.

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In a Thursday livestream, Priests for Life's Fr. Frank Pavone wore his own MAGA hat to demonstrate its compatibility with the pro-life cause.

“I believe that the principles America was founded on are consistent with the Gospel, the unalienable rights bestowed by our Creator of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness,” he explained. “I believe furthermore that making America great again is simply another way of saying what we say throughout our history when we talk about preserving liberty, defending life, fighting for freedom.”

“God bless you, Covington students, for coming to the March for Life,” Pavone continued. “God bless those who brought you there, who organized the trip. You were in the right place, as were all the other hundreds of thousands of us in the right place on that day, because we’re standing up for the children who cannot speak for themselves.”

He said their hats were evidence that the students had confidence in their convictions, and were perfectly appropriate in light of President Donald Trump’s **pro-life record during his first two years in office**, as well as the **pro-life promises he reiterated in a message to the March**.

“Did we not hear the words of the most pro-life president that we have ever had when it comes to this issue of abortion?” Pavone asked. “Did he not stand up and say before our eyes and before our ears and before the whole nation and before the world that he would veto any legislation brought to his desk that weakens the pro-life provisions that our elected officials have worked so hard to put into our laws?”

He asked God to bless anyone who wasn’t afraid to express his or her support for Trump, and advised the students to “keep focused on why it is that all of us came to Washington: there are children being slaughtered.”

Fr. Pavone also directed some comments to those present at the Lincoln Memorial to demonstrate for other causes.

“Do you realize that there’s a holocaust going on of little baby boys and girls, and that these students who were there ought to be praised and congratulated for coming to Washington to stand up against that holocaust?” he asked.

“No matter what you’re protesting about, raise your voices as loud as you want to raise them, but do not close your eyes or your hearts to the tragedy of abortion that those students were there to protest,” he implored.

Click here to read all LifeSiteNews coverage of the Covington Catholic case.

America, Tear Down This Law!

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Rita Dunaway: For Right, for Justice, and for Life

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, which among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness." (The Declaration of Independence)

Rita Dunaway on Roe v. Wade: Wrongs, Consequences, and Our Call

January 22nd, 2019 was the 46th anniversary of that tragically flawed Supreme Court decision to "legalize" abortion. To mark that fateful day, the column attached below was written by Rita Dunaway to help build support for reversing that fateful decision and for rebuilding a culture of life in America. It has appeared in several news outlets, including the *Daily News Record* and *The Stream*.

Rita is a constitutional attorney who serves as National Legislative Strategist for the Convention of States Project, as an allied attorney with the nationally known Alliance Defending Freedom, and is the author of numerous briefs for the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S. Courts of Appeals.

Most recently, Rita has just published a new book entitled **Restoring America's Soul**. She is also well known in the Valley as the co-host of the Valley Family Forum's weekly radio program entitled "***Crossroads: Where Faith and Culture Meet***". She lives in Harrisonburg with her husband Scott and two school-aged children.

Her column follows below. It is also available at **https://stream.org/tear-down-this-precedent/**

America, Tear Down This Precedent!

Around this time each year, Americans of good conscience take time to grieve over the breathtaking loss of human life since the infamous ***Roe v. Wade*** decision. Abortionists have killed more than 60 Million innocent human beings since the Supreme Court rendered that dreadful decision on January 22, 1973.

In the decades since, the pro-life movement has worked to make incremental changes in abortion policy. We have worked hard to set limits on the circumstances in which women can obtain abortions. But as far as the ultimate question — whether a pregnant woman really has the right to choose whether another human being lives or dies — we've been stuck.

Not stuck because we don't know the right answer, but stuck without a way to change the wrong answer the Supreme Court gave us in Roe. Because according to the principle of ***stare decisis***, court precedents are treated as law for future cases.

When Stare Decisis Leads to Injustice

As a general matter, the doctrine makes sense. But stare decisis does more harm than good if we fail to depart from it when justice demands that old precedents be cast aside. As Chief Justice Rehnquist once said, "Our constitutional watch does not cease merely because we have spoken before on an issue; when it becomes clear that a prior constitutional interpretation is unsound we are obliged to reexamine the question."

Make no mistake: *Roe v. Wade* was unsound the moment it was decided. But today, its unsoundness is clearer than ever. The decision was backward, illogical and hypocritical, and it must fall.

It was backward in that it made the U.S. a barbaric outlier with lax abortion policies. Even European nations considered to be "liberal" and "progressive" mostly restrict abortion to the first trimester.

The Hypocrisy of Roe v. Wade: Right to Life v. Right to Privacy

But it was also backward in its reasoning. The Court denied unborn babies the protection of the explicit "right to life" in the Fourteenth Amendment, ignoring very clear scientific evidence that babies in the womb are distinct, living, human beings. From the other side of its mouth, it confirmed a "right to privacy" — which appears nowhere in the Constitution — that it said gave women the right to have abortions.

Abortion policy in the 50 states is a hypocritical mess because of Roe and its progeny. Today states have laws that, in all sorts of ways, recognize the humanity of babies in the womb. **Some states** require abortionists to inform women that their unborn babies can feel pain. **Others** go so far as to recognize, in their laws, that unborn children are human beings from conception, and are therefore legal "persons" for purposes of state law.

And then we have this glaring contradiction: **In many states**, a person who kills an unborn baby can be found guilty of homicide. But if that very same baby's mother, on the very same day, had chosen to end the baby's life, she would enjoy an unfettered, constitutional "right" to do so, by virtue of Supreme Court precedent.

You don't have to be a lawyer to see that this is just plain wrong.

It's Time to Reverse Roe v. Wade – because It's Right!

Some have compared the moral imperative to reverse *Roe v. Wade* to that which compelled the Court to reverse the Plessy v. Ferguson precedent that once justified racial segregation. The

comparison is apt. Not only were both decisions wrong when they were issued, but in both cases, time has made their legal and moral defects painfully obvious.

Of course, that doesn't make the reversal of such a landmark precedent easy for everyone to swallow. Racists didn't accept desegregation graciously; they resisted. Slave owners didn't embrace emancipation. So when we talk about reversing Roe v. Wade, we should expect fierce resistance from those who think it their "right" to choose whether another, weaker human being will live or die.

Like ending slavery and segregation, reversing Roe won't be easy. But it is right.

And because that hasn't been enough, in the past, to get the job done, I offer this to the Court: The legal landscape has changed since *Roe v. Wade*. It has changed in a way that justifies a departure from stare decisis. The states have recognized in many contexts that a baby in the womb isn't a wart, or an impersonal mass of cells. She isn't someone's property, to be disposed of at will.

The baby in the womb is a member of our human family — a person. And our Constitution protects her life, not only from the criminal on the street, but from anyone who fails to recognize her inherent dignity and value.

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Former Planned Parenthood Workers WOW San Francisco Crowd with Baby Heartbeats

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Seven pregnant women broadcast their babies' heartbeats to an entranced crowd at Walk for Life West Coast. (Photo by: Jose Luis Aguirre/Walk for Life West Coast.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26, 2019 /PRNewswire/ — Two former Planned Parenthood workers and five other pregnant women held megaphones to their bellies to broadcast their unborn babies' heartbeats to an entranced crowd in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza for the 15th Annual Walk for Life West Coast rally today.

Abby Johnson, who became a national figure because of her dramatic decision in 2009 to leave Planned Parenthood after eight years, stood on the stage with Patricia Sandoval, who also worked for Planned Parenthood. Both women said it was working at Planned Parenthood where they realized the hard facts of abortion—and became prolife.

"I aborted three of my own children," said Sandoval, the California born daughter of Mexican immigrants, who blamed aborting her children for a descent into homelessness and drug abuse at a very young age. "It was there working for Planned Parenthood that I saw the truth," Sandoval said, when she asked to see the bag that carried the remains of an abortion. "The first thing I saw was a hand and the fingerprints," Sandoval said. The merciful outreach of a woman who saw her homeless, crying in despair, outside a restaurant and told her Jesus loved her was Sandoval's miracle recounted in her book "Transfigured."

Abby Johnson, who left as director of a Texas Planned Parenthood clinic, and joined 40 Days for Life, is pregnant with her eighth child with husband Doug. The movie "Unplanned" due for release

in March tells the story of her two abortions, her rise through the ranks at Planned Parenthood and her sudden decision to leave.

Johnson founded And Then There Were None, devoted to helping abortion clinic workers leave. More than 500 have left, she said. “Our goal is simple, we seek to end abortion from the inside out,” Johnson said.

The prolife supporters began their more than two mile walk toward the city’s Embarcadero on the words of local preacher Walter Hoye, who got a rousing “Yeah” from the crowd as he asked “Does God love you? Does God love your baby? And will we help them?”

Hoye, with his wife Lori, was one of the original organizers of the Walk for Life which was founded to proclaim that all life is precious, with the slogan “Abortion hurts women.” Each year the walk and rally are held on a Saturday close to the anniversary of the January 22, 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion.

The day began with a special Mass and a papal blessing conveyed at St. Mary’s Cathedral by San Francisco Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone who told the approximately 4,000 Catholics crammed into the church that the lie of abortion is part of our society “reaping the fruits of 50 years of cultural revolution.”

“If everyone decides for themselves what is true, there is no truth,” Archbishop Cordileone said.

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Third Trimester Late Term Abortion Bill Backed by Northam, Fairfax, Herring, Democratic Legislators

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The Republican Standard

Democratic leaders backed legislation repealing restrictions on third trimester late term abortions, repealing clinic health and safety standards, and eliminating informed consent requirements, among other provisions. They noted the measures were unlikely to pass in 2019, but vowed to enact them if Democrats take the Virginia House and Senate in November's elections.

On Thursday in Richmond, Democratic leaders announced their support for a sweeping repeal of abortion restrictions in Virginia, including deregulation of third trimester late term abortions up until the moment of birth. The press conference, attended by Governor Ralph Northam, Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax, Attorney General Mark Herring, and a host of Democratic lawmakers, touted two pieces of legislation filed by Democratic lawmakers, the Repeal Act and the Reproductive Freedom Act.

The **Repeal Act**, introduced as **HB2491** by Delegate Kathy Tran (D-Springfield), would repeal restrictions on third trimester abortions, allow abortionists to self-certify the necessity of the procedures, eliminate informed consent requirements, repeal health and safety standards for abortion clinics, allow late term abortions to be performed in outpatient clinics, waive ultrasound requirements, and eliminate the 24 hour waiting period for abortions in Virginia, among other provisions.

"I introduced House bill 2491, the repeal law, to lift medically unnecessary and unduly burdensome requirements for women to access abortions in the Commonwealth," said Tran.

"This bill removes hospital requirements on clinics and providers, laws that mandate informed consent, a combination of mandatory ultrasounds, biased literature, and the 24 hour waiting period, and additional doctor requirements for late term abortions," Tran continued, describing the provisions of the bill.

Third trimester abortions remain highly unpopular with voters, with just 13% saying the procedure should "generally be legal", according to nonpartisan polling **conducted by Gallup**, which noted that trimesters were "still key to U.S. abortion views."

The Reproductive Freedom Act, introduced by Delegate Charniele Herring (D-Alexandria) as **HB2369** in the House, and by Jennifer Boysko (D-Herndon) as **SB1637** in the Senate, would establish a "fundamental right" to abortion in the Code of Virginia, prohibiting the Commonwealth from enacting restrictions on abortions, including late term procedures in the third trimester of pregnancy. The measure was backed by Governor Northam during his annual **State of the Commonwealth address**, in which the governor also called for higher spending, sweeping gun control, and a repeal of Virginia's law requiring voters show photo ID at the polls.

The Democratic leaders were joined by Amy Hagstrom Miller, President and CEO of Whole Woman's Health, a chain of abortion clinics currently operating in six states, including one location in Charlottesville, Virginia. Miller's abortion business was the lead plaintiff in the Supreme Court case *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt*, which overturned certain restrictions applicable to abortion clinics.

"We provide fabulous abortion care and we fight the draconian abortion regulations and restrictions," said Miller. "As abortion providers, we believe that everybody deserves dignity, deserves respect, and that our patients should be at the center of their own health care decisions."

"That's why we fight harmful anti-abortion laws, and that's why we support legislation like this," continued Miller, saying that passage of the Repeal Act was the "first step" in the fight to expand abortion in Virginia.

An hour before the press conference, lawmakers defeated the **Senate's version**of the Repeal Act in the Committee on Education and Health, introduced by Senator Jennifer McClellan (D-Richmond), on a party line vote, with seven Democrats in support and eight Republicans in opposition.

"So, we continue to fight, and we will be back next year to make sure that the Repeal Act passes," said McClellan.

At the same committee hearing, Boysko's Reproductive Freedom Act was also defeated on a party line vote.

Boysko, a former board member of NARAL Pro-Choice Virginia and staunch abortion advocate, said she was disappointed by the failure of her bill.

Following the defeat of the Senate bills, and foreshadowing the likely defeat of the measures in the House this year, Northam, Fairfax, and Herring said it was necessary to elect Democratic majorities in November to repeal restrictions on abortion next session.

"So when can't change peoples minds, we need to change seats," said Governor Northam, speaking to the upcoming November elections.

Northam, who is a doctor, worked as a pediatric neurologist prior to being elected governor.

Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax, a strong supporter of abortion, echoed the governor's electoral sentiments.

"Though we had some setbacks today in committee around this legislation, please be on notice that when we come back for our next General Assembly session, it will be a very different

outcome, because we will have more allies in the House and the Senate," added Fairfax, who formerly served as a board member of the Planned Parenthood Metropolitan Washington Action Fund.

"I will continue to bang that gavel for progress," said Fairfax.

Vowing to be a "brick wall" against restrictions on abortion, Attorney General Mark Herring also called on Virginians to elect a pro-choice Democratic majority, while also noting his work as Attorney General fighting against a twenty-week abortion ban and working to protect funding for Planned Parenthood.

"In 2017, Virginia elected three pro-choice, statewide, state elected officials, fifteen new pro-choice delegates, and this past election, elected three pro-choice congresswomen," added Herring.

"We need a pro-choice majority in the General Assembly," Herring continued.

During the 2016-2017 statewide campaign cycle, abortion advocates contributed heavily to Democratic campaigns in hopes of repealing abortion restrictions, donating a combined total of $4,871,584 directly and in-kind to pro-abortion politicians, according to **campaign finance reports** compiled by VPAP.

While that investment helped elect Democrats to the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General, it stopped short of capturing legislative majorities in the House of Delegates and the state Senate, where Republicans held on to narrow majorities of 51-49 and 21-19, respectively.

Though the rollback of abortion regulations is unlikely to pass this year, due to opposition from Republican lawmakers, that could change following November's elections.

Watch highlights from the press conference below, in longer form than the summary above.

Northam, Fairfax, Herring, Democrats Back Deregulation of Third Trimester Late Term Abortions

https://youtube.com/watch?v=OIt-istResY

SOURCE: **THE REPUBLICAN STANDARD**

Virginia on the Brink: Pro-life, pro-family activists sound alarm on ‘anti-woman’ Equal Rights Amendment

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VIRGINIA, January 14, 2019 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Pro-abortion activists are pushing the Virginia legislature to ratify the decades-old Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), the national constitutional amendment conservative icon Phyllis Schlafly famously stopped. And pro-life and pro-family leaders are sounding the alarm over the push.

"Virginia is what the proponents of the ERA are claiming the 38th state, which would be the final state needed to ratify in their minds," Victoria Cobb, president of the Family Foundation of Virginia, told LifeSiteNews.

In order for an amendment to be added to the U.S. Constitution, at least 38 states need to approve it. However, "there are several states that have rescinded and many would argue that the deadline to ratify was in 1982 and there is no legal path" forward.

> "If the Equal Rights Amendment is added to the U.S. Constitution, the courts have to begin to give strict scrutiny to the issue of gender," said Cobb. "And where they've done that at the state levels already, we've seen them interpret it to mean that we have to have taxpayer-funded abortion."
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> "Most people believed that was long-dead," she continued, but are horrified to learn this may be used as a path to enshrine abortion as a "right" in the U.S. Constitution. "Once they learn that this is not actually a joke, that it is in fact in front of our legislature and could in fact attempt some kind of manipulated legal pathway, they're very alarmed."

Virginia law and federal law are "replete" with laws that ensure the equality of women, and there have been plenty of court cases to clarify that the 5th and 14th amendments apply fully to women, Cobb added.

ERA would destroy legal protections for women

The ERA has cleared a Virginia Senate committee and may have the votes to pass the full Senate. If it passes the House, it won't need a signature from the governor, even though **pro-abortion Gov. Ralph Northam supports it**.

"We are aiming to ensure that the members of the House Privileges and Elections Committee understand its consequences enough to block the bill there," said Cobb.

In addition to creating a legal foundation for abortion in the U.S. Constitution, the ERA would eliminate all distinctions between the sexes in law, opening the door for co-ed prisons, locker rooms, hospital rooms, domestic abuse shelters, and more.

"In order to ensure 'equality' for women, this language creates sameness between men and women. And in the 21st century, we don't embrace sameness. We embrace womanhood in all of its unique and wonderful ways" as equal to men "but not the same as" being a man, said Cobb.

"And so that's…women *having* to be drafted – not *choosing* to serve in the military, but actually *having* to because they have to be treated the same," she explained. "This comes into play in all the areas where our law or our society allows there to be any kind of separate or differentness" between men and women. That means "sports teams, scholarships, privacy issues in bathrooms and locker rooms and shower rooms – these are all areas society has said it's okay to acknowledge that we are not all the same. But this could radically change under an Equal Rights Amendment."

The Family Foundation also **warns on its website** that the ERA would threaten the tax-exempt status of churches with doctrines, policies, or practices for male-only clergy. It would mean **women would have to pay more for auto and life insurance**"regardless of the statistical evidence showing that women live longer than men and have better driving records." Sex-segregated sports would be eliminated.

> "Male and female prisons will likely become integrated, resulting in dangerous conditions and harsher discipline for women since they would be required to be treated in the same way as men."

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote in *Sex Bias in the U.S. Code* that the ERA will change 800 federal laws, including the elimination of social security benefits for wives and widows.

Abortion, LGBT activists take aim at commonsense state laws

"The Equal Rights Amendment is a Trojan horse for taxpayer-funded abortion, sneaking it into the Constitution, and would enshrine an unlimited right to abortion. In fact, it would actually undermine women's rights and is patently anti-woman," said Kristan Hawkins, President of Students for Life of America and a signatory of a recent anti-ERA letter to the Virginia legislature. "For example, it could affect issues such as Social Security benefits and childcare, all while ensuring that millions more babies are senselessly killed under the banner of equality."

Two Republicans, Sen. Jill Vogel of Warrenton and Bill DeSteph of Virginia Beach, voted to send the ERA to the Senate floor for a vote.

Despite having introduced pro-life legislation in the past, Vogel indicated in August 2017 she wouldn't support "further restrictions on abortion," **according to the *Washington Post***.

This legislative session, NARAL is also backing an amendment to list abortion as a right in the Virginia state constitution, said Cobb. "There is also an effort to repeal all commonsense restrictions on abortion that have been put into place over a period of several decades. That's everything from informed consent and making sure that women have time and information as they make a very difficult decision with great impact on their lives, to whether they are able and allowed to view the ultrasound that is done at the point of their abortion."

"It even includes removing our requirement that it be a doctor who does an abortion in Virginia," she warned.

An LGBT effort to repeal Virginia's constitutional amendment defining marriage as between one man and one woman – which pro-family advocates want to keep on the books should *Obergefell v. Hodges* be overturned – has already failed, but "they are seeking to de-gender our entire code… last year this even included a bill that removed the word 'woman' after the word 'pregnant' as if either gender could get pregnant."

Concerned citizens may contact the Virginia legislature *here*, *here,* and *here*.

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Gosnell Movie Number One Film in America

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DVD is top seller in US Weeks Before Release Date;

Set to release on DVD February 5th, the film Gosnell is already a bestseller

January 16, 2019 (Los Angeles, CA) – One of the most controversial movies of recent times – ***Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer*** has made history with record-breaking DVD sales on Amazon.

The film is the #1 Best Seller in all DVDs, overtaking big studio-backed films such as Bohemian Rhapsody and A Star is Born which have multi million dollar marketing campaigns.

Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer stars Dean Cain (*Lois & Clark*) and is directed by veteran actor Nick Searcy (*The Shape of Water, Justified, Three Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri*) and is the shocking true story of the investigation and trial of abortion doctor Kermit Gosnell – his 30 year killing spree and the political and media establishment that tried to cover it up. The trial became hugely controversial after it went mostly uncovered amid allegations that the liberal media establishment was censoring a story that shone a negative light on abortion.

ABC news described Gosnell as "America's most prolific serial killer". It is thought he murdered hundreds whilst running his clinic in Philadelphia. He is currently serving three life sentences for the murders of three children and killing a female patient.

Producer Phelim McAleer said he was elated but not surprised that the **Gosnell** movie is proving so popular.

> "People really want to learn about Gosnell. They want to hear the truth. This story has been covered up since the beginning but thanks to the movie the coverup is ending. It is the Number 1 movie in the US today."

The film was released theatrically in nearly 800 theaters in October and grossed $3.6M, despite a media blackout that saw the mainstream media refuse to review it sparking further claims of a cover-up of the story. NPR and The New York Times also refused to carry advertising for the film and Facebook blocked over 50 advertisements on their platform.

McAleer said the DVD sales showed just how Hollywood and the mainstream media were losing the fight to keep the story out of the headlines.

"This is a great movie and tells an amazing American story. There is a real hunger for that."

Gosnell was funded via a record-breaking crowdfunding campaign, which saw it raise over $2.3m from almost 30,000 supporters in 45 days. Journalist Phelim McAleer partnered with author and filmmaker Ann McElhinney to write the book *Gosnell: The Untold Story of America's Most Prolific Serial Killer;* a New York Times best seller – also ignored by the mainstream press. Together they brought on Magdalena Segieda and John Sullivan to produce the film.

For more information on the film go to **www.gosnellmovie.com** or email **press@gosnellmovie.com**

To pre-order a copy of the film, **https://amzn.to/2Ma2zNI**

GOSNELL: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer (Official Trailer)
https://youtube.com/watch?v=ttwkr8MM9Rk

Trailer: **www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&v=ttwkr8MM9Rk**

Social Media: **Facebook**, **Twitter**, **Instagram**

Website: **http://www.gosnellmovie.com/**

Poster:http://gosnellmovie.com/downloads/GOSNELL_27x40_KeyArt_MRG_RGB_V3.jpg

Film Banner:http://gosnellmovie.com/downloads/Gosnell_Twitter_Banner_1500x500.jpg

DVD Details

Digital HD & On Demand Release: January 22, 2019

DVD: February 5, 2019

DVD SRP: $14.99

UPC Number: 843501030158

Language: English

Run Time: 93 minutes

U.S. Rating: PG-13

Studio: GVN Releasing

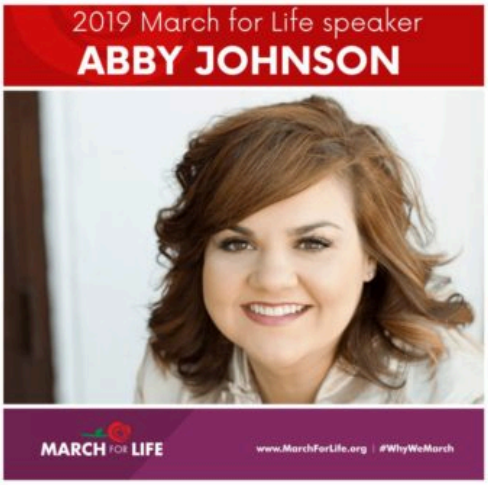
For more information on the film go to **www.gosnellmovie.com** or email press@gosnellmovie.com

Januray 18th Annual March for Life

JANUARY 17, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Friday, January 18, 2019
Schedule for March for Life Rally and March
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Ben Shapiro Live Podcast
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Musical opening with Sidewalk Prophets
12:00 p.m. Rally Program
1:00 p.m. March up Constitution Avenue to Supreme Court and Capitol Building
3:00 p.m. After finishing marching:

- Silent No More testimonies outside U.S. Supreme Court.
- Advocate for life to your Representative or Senators.
- Visit the **March for Life Expo**.



Location

The March for Life Rally will take place at noon at 12th St. on the National Mall, in between Madison Drive and Jefferson Drive. Following the Rally, the March will begin on Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets at approximately 1:00 pm.

Travel Info

Please use the Metro to arrive at the rally site. Recommend locations: Federal Triangle, Smithsonian, Metro Center. For metro info: **https://www.wmata.com/fares/smartrip/**.

(Check out our March for Life map — **you can print off paper copies** OR **download the March for Life app**.)

Have your metro card easily accessible, before you enter the station. Metro Stations are crowded during rush hour, and even more crowded on the March for Life, during rush hour. Keep in mind that in the Washington Metro system, you need to tap in and tap out of their fare gates. One way to alleviate long lines, and avoid the frustration of fellow metro riders is to have your metro card ready, in your hand, before you enter the line for the fare gate. Also you do not need to wait for the gates to close after the person in front of you walks through, just ensure you tap your card to the SmarTrip target and proceed through the gate.

Important Notes

While walking, and riding the metro in D.C. be respectful of residents and commuters. Let's show the Nation's Capital how passionate and polite and respectful pro-lifers really are! Please read these 6 tips for riding the metro.

Do not leave trash or signs on the grounds of the National Mall, Supreme Court, or Capitol. This is our Nation's Capital and we should treat it with dignity and respect. If trash bins are full, carry your trash or sign with you until you find an available trash bin.

Do not engage with counter-protesters. Once again, be respectful of all people and stay focused on the cause of promoting and celebrating life, lovingly, prayerfully, and graciously.

March for Life 2018: Why We March
https://youtube.com/watch?v=O_-ncOdXHAg

‘So painful. So much blood’: Women share abortion pill horrors on YouTube

JANUARY 8, 2019
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Carole Novielli | **LiveAction**

Despite potential for dangerous outcomes, abortion advocates are **pushing** “at home” or “mail order” abortions. FDA reports indicate that almost two dozen women who took abortion pills have **died** as a result, and a thousand have been hospitalized. And now, some women are sharing their testimonies on YouTube, giving a glimpse into their mindset, the physical and emotional results of taking the abortion pill, and the reality of abortion.

One inside view comes from a **video** entitled, “My Abortion Experience as a Freshman | Abortion Pill.” In comments to the video, a woman named Brittany claims she obtained abortion pills from Planned Parenthood as a freshman in college.

Brittany described her abortion experience in the video in some disturbing ways, even though she claims she does not regret her abortion:

- “I did not realize how much pain it was going to be.”
- “At first it felt like really bad cramps…it just started getting worse and worse….”

- “The pain of it was just ridiculous – I completely regret not taking the pain meds…. I was in so much pain.”
- “I couldn’t walk – I couldn’t talk….”

READ: ***Woman bled 40 days from abortion pill: It was ‘like the scene of a murder’***

While Brittany admitted to emotional and physical struggles when she discovered her pregnancy, she also detailed her emotional state after the abortion:

- “I was so depressed.”
- “It was so bad that I wasn’t eating. My nails turned blue…. None of my clothes fit me because I lost so mush weight…. I was failing all my classes…. It was just a really bad time.”
- “At one point – like – I felt the embryo come out…. I just picked it up and flushed it, I didn’t know what else to do….”

Women on college campus need real solutions and support, not pills they take all alone. And yet, there is a movement to force publicly funded colleges and universities in California to **offer** the abortion pill on campus to pregnant women. SB320, as the bill was **dubbed**, was **vetoed** by the state’s pro-abortion Governor Jerry Brown, but lawmakers are **still trying to get it passed**.

The abortion pill process is **explained** by Dr. Anthony Levatino in the video below:

1st Trimester Medical Abortion: Abortion Pills
https://youtube.com/watch?v=lRDnVSMr5j0

READ: **Hey, Teen Vogue, these 15 women say taking the abortion pill is nothing like having a period**

Another 20-year-old **YouTuber**, who claims that she was on "birth control" for some time, said that she paid Planned Parenthood $350 for the abortion pill when she became pregnant, but her baby survived.

"You get no refund," if it fails, she emphasized. The **three-part series** is titled, "My Miracle Baby After Taking Abortion Pill."

"At this point" of taking the abortion pill, she says, "the baby is seven weeks old." She reasoned at the time, "It's probably not a baby yet, it's just a mass of cells, it's nothing." Which, of course, isn't true:

7 Weeks Pregnant -- Hiccups & Startle Response
https://youtube.com/watch?v=VjhFNEV6shY

She begins by emotionally introducing her 5 month old son: “I didn’t know that I wanted him at the time I got pregnant and I made a rash decision to get the abortion pill.” According to her story, after she took the second pill in the abortion pill regimen, she immediately began to bleed:

> It was within ten minutes I was bleeding… It was so painful… it was more like contractions… And it was a bloody horror show…. It was so much blood…. I was passing blood clots the size of golf balls that could literally fit in your hand…. It was a lot of blood and a lot of clots and it was very traumatizing. And I was in a lot of pain. And instantly, I regretted my decision. And instantly I felt so guilty….

She adds, “… I bled for 2 weeks after taking the pills. I didn’t go back for the ultrasound because I was sure it had worked….”

Her **testimony** also states, “I became really really depressed…. It got so bad to the point that I didn’t trust myself being alone…. I didn’t feel safe being by myself because of the guilt I was having…. I just felt so bad….”

She claims that a few months later she discovered she was still pregnant.

Women claims she took abortion pills and baby survived (Image: Screen shot from video)

"Moral of the story- it didn't work, thank God," she says. "And, he's here and he's healthy and he's happy.... I didn't think I would be able to care for a baby.... This just goes to show that you can do it, you can be a mom and you can have a baby.... Babies are the greatest thing ever. He has brought me so much happiness, so much love to my life, and I could not picture my life any way without him.... I love him more than life itself. I cannot even imagine if the pill would have worked, and I am so thankful that it didn't. I am so thankful that I got a second chance at being a mom...."

"Babies... are just pure love," she adds. "He really did change my life for the better."

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

Duped Again: Kavanaugh Biffs On First Chance To Defend Life

DECEMBER 10, 2018
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Bryan Fischer

Conservatives have made a career out of getting cuckolded by Naugahyde Conservatives, guys that look, sound, and feel like the real thing and then turn out to be cheap plastic.

It's happened again. Brett Kavanaugh, whom conservatives defended through thick and thin in his confirmation hearings, let us down the first chance he got. **Kavanaugh today cast his lot with the pro-abortion liberals** on the bench in order to deny states the right to defund Planned Parenthood.

Our supposed, imaginary, fleeting, vaporous "conservative" 5-4 majority just melted away like a cheap snowman in a Bedouin desert. John Roberts continued his flight from constitutional jurisprudence by joining Kavanaugh in their rush to strip the "inalienable," Creator-given right to life from every baby in the womb.

Neil Gorsuch stood tall, a stinging rebuke to the other newbie on the Court. And Clarence Thomas' strident dissent shows that Kavanaugh, if guided by the Constitution rather than by the fear of

man, should have joined him. Wrote Thomas, "What explains the court's refusal to do its job here? I suspect it has something to do with the fact that some respondents in these cases are named 'Planned Parenthood.'"

Sen. Susan Collins told everybody that she voted for Kavanaugh in the end because she had concluded that he represented no threat whatever to overturn Roe v. Wade. Maybe she was right, and those of us who went to the mattresses for Kavanaugh are just suckers.

"Some tenuous connection to a politically fraught issue does not justify abdicating our judicial duty," Thomas added. "If anything, neutrally applying the law is all the more important when political issues are in the background."

In other words, don't let anybody lie to you and tell you this wasn't about abortion. It was. And Justice Kavanaugh just went all Dred Scott on us and ripped "life" out of the Declaration of Independence as surely as Roger Taney ripped "liberty" from its pages in 1857.

Well, everybody is entitled to one mistake, but nobody is entitled to two. If pro-lifers can communicate our displeasure with Kavanaugh's dereliction of duty in this case, perhaps he will be more careful next time.

If President Trump does have the opportunity to fill another vacancy, he'd better nominate Amy Coney Barrett if he wants any hope of winning again in 2024. Today's decision by Kavanaugh is stupendously disappointing to the pro-life movement, for whom the sanctity of life is not just a constitutional right but a sacred one as well.

Trump must realize that his judicial nominations are his legacy. Right now he is one-for-two. He cannot afford another mistake. As I said, everybody is entitled to one mistake, but nobody is entitled to two.

(Unless otherwise noted, the opinions expressed are the author's and do not necessarily reflect the views of the American Family Association or American Family Radio.)

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Host of "Focal Point" on American Family Radio, 1:05 pm CT, M-F **www.afr.net**

Abortion facilities closing at unprecedented rate, says new report

NOVEMBER 17, 2018
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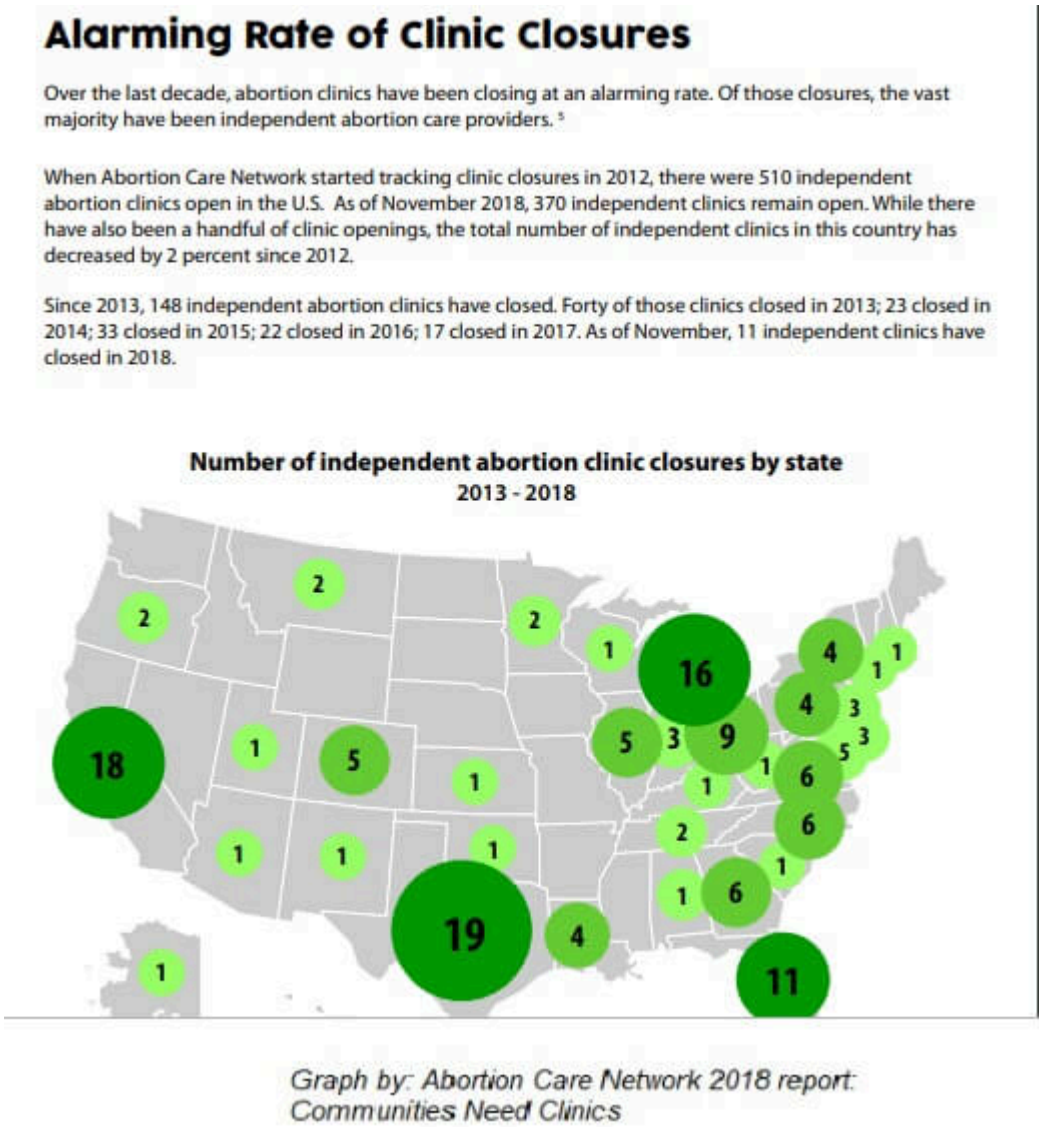
Carole Novielli | **Live Action News**

Good news for pro-life advocates can be found in a recently released report from an abortion organization claiming that "independent clinics are closing at an unprecedented rate." The report was published by Abortion Care Network (ACN), whose stated mission is to "ensure access" to abortion.

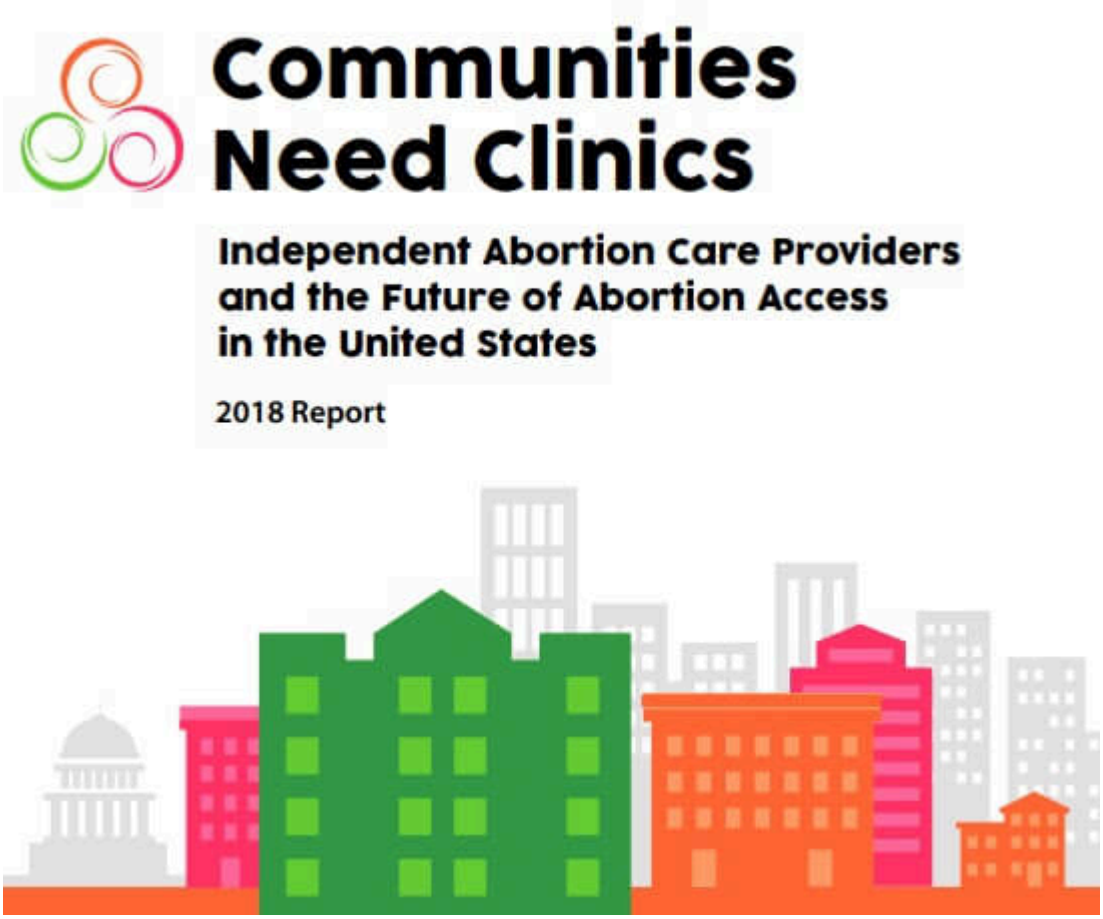
The 2018 report, "**Communities Need Clinics: Independent Abortion Care Providers and the Future of Abortion Access in the United States,**" says:

- When Abortion Care Network started tracking clinic closures in 2012, there were 510 independent abortion clinics open in the U.S. As of November 2018, 370 independent clinics remain open. Since 2013, 148 independent abortion clinics have closed. Forty of those clinics closed in 2013; 23 closed in 2014; 33 closed in 2015; 22 closed in 2016; 17 closed in 2017. As of November, 11 independent clinics have closed in 2018.



Clinic closing graph from Abortion Care Network 2018 report

ACN was founded in 2008 and is **led** by executive director, Nikki Madsen, and governed by Board members from a litany of abortion facilities and organizations. The organization claims to be the "national association for independent community-based, abortion care providers and their allies."



Abortion Care Network report on independent abortion providers

Under methodology, the report says:

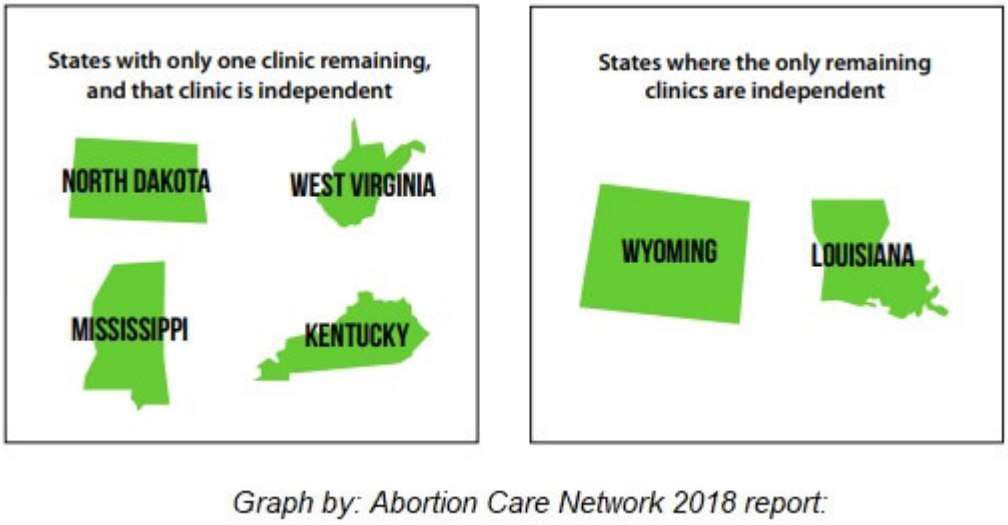
Abortion Care Network collects data annually on every abortion clinic in the United States that makes abortion care services publicly available or otherwise discloses that they provide abortion care. Using publicly available search engines to identify providers, each clinic is contacted annually for operational status and information on the scope of services provided. Data gathered are presented throughout this report.

While it wasn't clearly stated how ACN determined which facilities were independent providers, many of ACN's reported stats sounded encouraging:

- *Independent clinics are closing at an unprecedented rate: the number of independent clinics has been reduced by nearly 28 percent since 2012.*
- *Currently, six states have only one abortion care provider.*
- *While there have also been a handful of clinic openings, the total number of independent clinics in this country has decreased by 2 percent since 2012.*
- *Over the last three years, 50 independent clinics have been forced to close in the United States.*

The report then states:

> *… Currently, six states have only one abortion care provider. Independent abortion care providers operate the only remaining clinic in four of those states: Kentucky, Mississippi, North Dakota, West Virginia (Missouri and South Dakota each rely on a single Planned Parenthood). Though there are three remaining clinics in Louisiana and two in Wyoming — those states rely entirely on independent clinics for abortion care.*



States with only one independent abortion facility (Image: Abortion Care Network 2018 report)

Although the largest provider of abortions in the nation is Planned Parenthood, and ACN shows that Planned Parenthood is included in its **membership**, Planned Parenthood isn't included in the state by state abortion facilities listed under ACN's "**Abortion Care Providers**" list.

Abortion Care Network
WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER

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Abortion Care Providers

Independent abortion care providers are where most people in the United States go to terminate pregnancies. Our members bring exceptional care to communities throughout the country.

Alabama

Alabama Women's Center, Huntsville, AL

West Alabama Women's Center, Tuscaloosa, AL

Arkansas

Little Rock Family Planning Services, Little Rock, AR

Arizona

Camelback Family Planning, Phoenix, AZ

Desert Star Family Planning, Phoenix, AZ

Family Planning Associates Medical Group, Phoenix AZ

California

Her Choice Women's Clinic, Santa Ana, CA

Pro-Choice Medical Center, Beverly Hills, CA

The Women's Options Center, San Francisco, CA

Women's Health Specialists, Chico, CA

ACN Abortion Care Providers List (Image: Screen from Abortion Care Network taken 11/15/2018)

ACN seems to make a distinction between independent abortion facilities and physicians' offices, hospitals, and Planned Parenthood's massive chain of facilities. The report acknowledges what Live Action News has reported numerous times — that despite **decreasing** health services, **Planned Parenthood** — one organization — has a **monopoly** on **abortions** in the US. While **figures** indicate that while **profitable** abortions are on a steady decline nationally, Planned Parenthood's marketshare has climbed to nearly 35 percent nationwide. And ACN's report shows the same.

Planned Parenthood national abortion marketshare: 2000-2016*

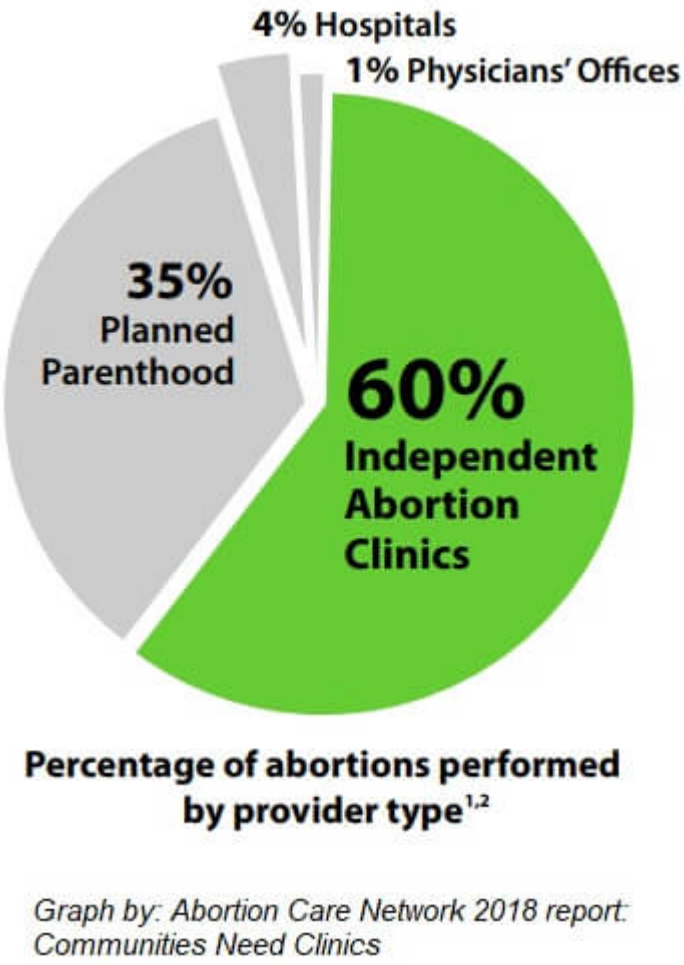
Year	Abortions	Market Share	Gov $ millions
2016	321,384	*34.6	543.7
2015	328,348	*35.3	554.6
2014	323,999	34.9	553.7
2013	327,653	34.1	528.4
2012	327,166	32.3	540.6
2011	333,964	31.5	542.4
2010	329,445	29.8	538.5
2009	332,278	28.8	487.4
2008	324,008	26.7	363.2
2007	305,310	25.2	349.6
2006	289,750	23.3	336.7
2005	264,943	21.8	305.3
2004	255,015	20.8	272.7
2003	245,092	19.6	265.2
2002	230,630	18.1	254.4
2001	213,026	16.5	240.9
2000	197,070	15	202.7

PP numbers were compared to published figures on abortions by Guttmacher 2000-2014.
**Years 2015 and 2016 were based off 2014 Guttmacher figuers*

Planned Parenthood national abortion market share 2000-2016

ACN claims, "Although independent abortion care providers represent about 25 percent of the facilities offering abortion care nationwide, they perform about 60 percent of the abortion procedures," while hospitals and physician's offices are only five percent.

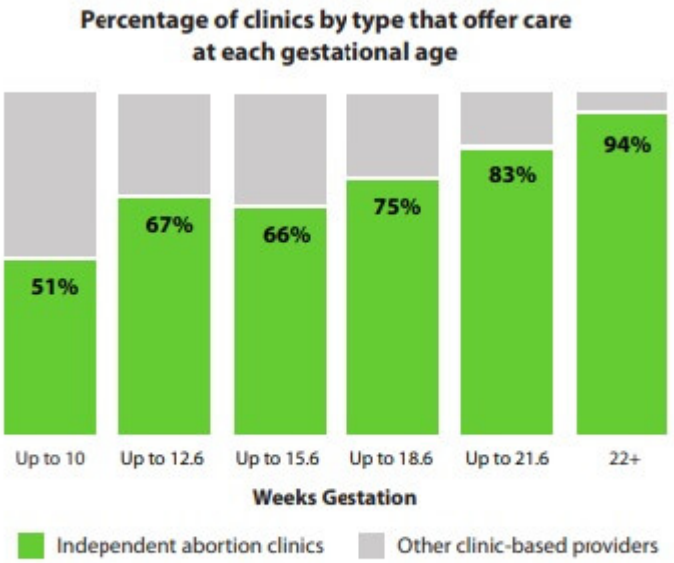
What distinguishes an abortion facility from a doctor's office is not specifically defined in the report.



Abortion Care Network graph on abortion percentage by provider type

ACN seems to boast that, as they claim in the report, independent abortion providers **commit 94 percent of later term abortions in the nation**.

- *Across the country, 66 percent of clinics that provide abortion after the first trimester are independent. Independent clinics represent 75 percent of all clinics that provide care after 16 weeks of pregnancy, 83 percent of clinics providing care after 19 weeks, and 94 percent of clinics that provide care at or after the 22nd week of pregnancy.*



Graph by: Abortion Care Network 2018 report:

Abortion Care Network graph percentage of clinics by type and gestation

Tragically, research **published** by Live Action News reveals that 100,000 later term abortions are reported annually in the United States, despite polls that indicate the American public is uncomfortable with second and third trimester abortions.

For more than 20 years, Gallup has found that abortion support plummets after the first trimester. According to a June 2018 **Gallup Poll**, out of 60 percent of adults who believe abortion should be legal in the first 12 weeks of pregnancy, "support drops by about half, to 28%, for abortions conducted in the second three months, and by half again, to 13%, in the final three months."

ACN released the report along with a planned Tweetfest using the hashtag **#IndiesProvide** to draw attention to independent abortion providers and the role they play in committing abortion.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

The Moral Outcry for LIFE, Please Sign the Petition

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Someday *Roe v. Wade* will be reversed. Would you join me in hastening that day by signing a petition to the U.S. Supreme Court to reverse *Roe v. Wade*? Together, the *Roe*, *Doe*, and *Casey* cases have allowed the slaughter of millions of children in the womb. The petition establishes that Abortion is a Crime against Humanity just as the *Dred Scott* decision was a crime against humanity because it denied legal protection to African Americans. A crime against humanity occurs when the government withdraws legal protection from a class of human beings; in this case, children in the womb, resulting in severe deprivation (including death).

One of the proper legal reasons for overturning a Supreme Court decision is that it has not been accepted by the American people. This petition can help to establish in the minds of the Justices and in the official records of the U.S. Supreme Court that millions of Americans believe that abortion is a crime against humanity. We do not accept *Roe v. Wade*. This crime was created by the Supreme Court and, as the petition explains, it should be overturned by the Supreme Court.

Please **read**, **pray** for the end of abortion, and **sign the full petition here** or click image below:

See our video below:

Moral Outcry
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The Petition also states other legitimate reasons under the law of precedent why *Roe* should be reversed. For example, new evidence since 1973 undeniably shows life begins at conception. New evidence shows that rather than helping, abortion hurts women. Also, today no woman has to have an abortion to be free of the perceived burden of child care.

Under new Safe Haven laws in all 50 states, no woman has to care for an unwanted child, but can simply turn over her child to the state within a set time after birth with no questions asked, no legal procedure, no cost and all responsibilities removed from her. See **www.nationalsafehavealliance.org** for the law in your state. The petition also states that over a million families a year are waiting to adopt **healthy infants at birth** and they would be happy to receive these children into loving homes.

So far, **over 110,000 people have signed the petition**. Please join me in signing this petition to end abortion in America and to once again make every mother's womb a safe place to live.

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Outrage for Mass Killings – The Hypocrisy

OCTOBER 31, 2018
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Patti J. Smith and Leslie Davis Blackwell | Where's the Outrage

We are all united in mourning the lives lost at the Tree of Life Synagogue. The senseless act of a deranged individual devastated families, friends,and their community. This evil perpetrator purposely set out to kill not just anyone, he targeted a specific group of people.

Politicians on both sides of the aisle have vehemently denounced the atrocity which is to be expected and demanded; however, we find it a bit hypocritical for those on the left. While denouncing the killing of a specific group of people, they continue to promote the calculated annihilation of minority babies in the womb. These are the same people that reach out to the black community for votes, claiming they have their best interests at heart. Really?

Thanks to mainstream media's continued censorship of the truth, the facts of how Planned Parenthood operates are hidden. Planned Parenthood systematically locates their clinics in minority neighborhoods and even focuses ads towards black women in what it appears to be supporting what their founder, Margaret Sanger, said, "We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population, and the minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of their more rebellious members." **79 percent** of Planned

Parenthood's surgical abortion facilities are within walking distance of minority neighborhoods. And sadly, Democrat politicians are complicit in this cover-up.

According to the **CDC, as of July 2017**, the black population in the U.S. stood somewhere around 40 million, which means that abortion has reduced the size of the black community by more than 30%. More than 19 million Black babies have been aborted since the 1973 Roe v. Wade U.S. Supreme Court decision legalized abortion in our country, 36.0% of all abortions in the U.S. in 2014 were performed on Black women, however, only about 13.3% of the total population is Black

These facts ring the genocide bell loud and clear, yet the Democrats show no concern whatsoever. They are so blinded by the millions of dollars being poured into their campaigns by the abortion lobby they have lost their souls. They care more for votes than for human lives, all lives – all races. They need to take heed to what St. Teresa of Calcutta wisely said, " **And if we can accept that a mother can kill her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?"**

Think before you vote.

Blessed Mother Teresa and This Election: Life is Precious

OCTOBER 30, 2018
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Blessed Mother Teresa on Abortion

At the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C, on February 5, 1994, Mother Theresa dared to speak her mind and heart about the right to life. Here is the text of her unforgettable address.

On the last day, Jesus will say to those on His right hand,

THIS ELECTION YOU HAVE A CHOICE
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THIS ELECTION YOU HAVE A CHOICE

“Come, enter the Kingdom. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was sick and you visited me.” Then Jesus will turn to those on His left hand and say, “Depart from me because I was hungry and you did not feed me, I was thirsty and you did not give me drink, I was sick and you did not visit me.” These will ask Him, “When did we see You hungry, or thirsty or sick and did not come to Your help?” And Jesus will answer them,

“Whatever you neglected to do unto one of the least of these, you neglected to do unto me!”

As we have gathered here to pray together, I think it will be beautiful if we begin with a prayer that expressed very well what Jesus wants us to do for the least. St. Francis of Assisi understood very well these words of Jesus and His life is very well expressed by a prayer. And this prayer, which we say every day after Holy Communion, always surprises me very much, because it is very fitting for each one of us. And I always wonder whether 800 years ago when St. Francis lived, they had the same difficulties that we have today. I think that some of you already have this prayer of peace – so we will pray it together.

Prayer of St. Francis

> Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. where there is hatred let me sow love, where there is injury let me sow pardon, where there is doubt let me sow faith, where there is despair let me give hope, where there is darkness let me give light, Where there is sadness let me give joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not try to be comforted but to comfort, not try to be understood but to understand, not try to be loved but to love. Because it is in giving that we receive, it is in forgiving that we are forgiven, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Let us thank God for the opportunity He has given us today to have come here to pray together. We have come here especially to pray for peace, joy and love. We are reminded that Jesus came to bring the good news to the poor. He had told us what that good news is when He said: "My peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you." He came not to give the peace of the world which is only that we don't bother each other. He came to give the peace of heart which comes from loving – from doing good to others.

And God loved the world so much that He gave His Son – it was a giving. God gave His Son to the Virgin Mary, and what did she do with Him? As soon as Jesus came into Mary's life, immediately she went in haste to give that good news. And as she came into the house of her cousin, Elizabeth, Scripture tells us that the unborn child – the child in the womb of Elizabeth – leapt with joy. While still in the womb of Mary, Jesus brought peace to John the Baptist who leapt for joy in the womb of Elizabeth.

And as if that were not enough, as if it were not enough that God the Son should become one of us and bring peace and joy while still in the womb of Mary, Jesus also died on the Cross to show that greater love. He died for you and for me, and for that leper and for that man dying of hunger and that naked person lying in the street, not only of Calcutta, but of Africa, and everywhere. Our Sisters serve these poor people in 105 countries throughout the world. Jesus insisted that we love one another as He loves each one of us.

Jesus gave His life to love us and He tells us that we also have to give whatever it takes to do good to one another. And in the Gospel Jesus says very clearly: "Love as I have loved you." Jesus died on the Cross because that is what it took for Him to do good to us – to save us from our selfishness in sin. He gave up everything to do the Father's will to show us that we too must be willing to give up everything to do God's will – to love one another as He loves each of us. If we are not willing to give whatever it takes to do good to one another, sin is still in us. That is why we too must give to each other until it hurts.

It is not enough for us to say: "I love God," but I also have to love my neighbor. St. John says that you are a liar if you say you love God and you don't love your neighbor.

How can you love God whom you do not see, if you do not love your neighbor whom you see, whom you touch, with whom you live?

And so it is very important for us to realize that love, to be true, has to hurt. I must be willing to give whatever it takes not to harm other people and, in fact, to do good to them. This requires that I be willing to give until it hurts. Otherwise, there is no true love in me and I bring injustice, not peace, to those around me.

It hurt Jesus to love us. We have been created in His image for greater things, to love and to be loved. We must "put on Christ" as Scripture tells us. And so, we have been created to love and to be loved, and God has become man to make it possible for us to love as He loved us. Jesus makes Himself the hungry one, the naked one, the homeless one, the unwanted one, and He says, "You did it to Me." On the last day He will say to those on His right, "Whatever you did to the least of these, you did to Me," and He will also say to those on His left, "Whatever you neglected to do for the least of these you neglected to do it for Me."

When He was dying on the Cross, Jesus said, "I thirst." Jesus is thirsting for our love, and this is the thirst of everyone, poor and rich alike. We all thirst for the love of others, that they go out of their way to avoid harming us and to do good to us. This is the meaning of true love, to give until it hurts.

I can never forget the experience I had in visiting a home where they kept all these old parents of sons and daughters who had just put them into an institution and forgotten them – maybe. I saw that in that home these old people had everything – good food, comfortable place, television, everything, but everyone was looking toward the door. And I did not see a single one with a smile on the face. I turned to Sister and I asked: "Why do these people who have every comfort here, why are they all looking toward the door? Why are they not smiling?"

I am so used to seeing the smiles on our people, even the dying ones smile.

And Sister said: "This is the way it is nearly every day. They are expecting, they are hoping that a son or daughter will come to visit them. They are hurt because they are forgotten." And see, this neglect to love brings spiritual poverty. Maybe in our own family we have somebody who is feeling lonely, who is feeling sick, who is feeling worried. Are we there? Are we there to be with them, or do we merely put them in the care of others? Are we willing to give until it hurts in order to be with our families, or do we put our own interests first? These are the questions we must ask ourselves, especially as we begin this year of the family. We must remember that love begins at home and we must also remember that "the future of humanity passes through the family."

I was surprised in the West to see so many young boys and girls given to drugs. And I tried to find out why. Why is it like that, when those in the West have so many more things than those in the East? And the answer was: "Because there is no one in the family to receive them." Our children

depend on us for everything – their health, their nutrition, their security, their coming to know and love God. For all of this, they look to us with trust, hope and expectation. But often father and mother are so busy they have no time for their children, or perhaps they are not even married or have given up on their marriage. So the children go to the streets and get involved in drugs or other things. We are talking of love of the child which is where love and peace must begin. These are the things that break peace.

But I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, a direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself.

And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love and we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts. Jesus gave even His life to love us. So, the mother who is thinking of abortion, should be helped to love, that is, to give until it hurts her plans, or her free time, to respect the life of her child. The father of that child, whoever he is, must also give until it hurts.

By abortion, the mother does not learn to love, but kills even her own child to solve her problems.

And, by abortion, the father is told that he does not have to take any responsibility at all for the child he has brought into the world. That father is likely to put other women into the same trouble. So abortion just leads to more abortion.

Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion.

Many people are very, very concerned with the children of India, with the children of Africa where quite a few die of hunger, and so on. Many people are also concerned about all the violence in this great country of the United States. These concerns are very good. But often these same people are not concerned with the millions who are being killed by the deliberate decision of their own mothers. And this is what is the greatest destroyer of peace today – abortion which brings people to such blindness.

And for this I appeal in India and I appeal everywhere – "Let us bring the child back." The child is God's gift to the family. Each child is created in the special image and likeness of God for greater things – to love and to be loved. In this year of the family we must bring the child back to the center of our care and concern. This is the only way that our world can survive because our children are the only hope for the future. As older people are called to God, only their children can take their places.

But what does God say to us? He says: "Even if a mother could forget her child, I will not forget you. I have carved you in the palm of my hand." We are carved in the palm of His hand; that

unborn child has been carved in the hand of God from conception and is called by God to love and to be loved, not only now in this life, but forever. God can never forget us.

I will tell you something beautiful. We are fighting abortion by adoption – by care of the mother and adoption for her baby. We have saved thousands of lives. We have sent word to the clinics, to the hospitals and police stations: "Please don't destroy the child; we will take the child." So we always have someone tell the mothers in trouble: "Come, we will take care of you, we will get a home for your child." And we have a tremendous demand from couples who cannot have a child – but I never give a child to a couple who have done something not to have a child. Jesus said. "Anyone who receives a child in my name, receives me." By adopting a child, these couples receive Jesus but, by aborting a child, a couple refuses to receive Jesus.

Please don't kill the child. I want the child. Please give me the child. I am willing to accept any child who would be aborted and to give that child to a married couple who will love the child and be loved by the child.

From our children's home in Calcutta alone, we have saved over 3000 children from abortion. These children have brought such love and joy to their adopting parents and have grown up so full of love and joy.

I know that couples have to plan their family and for that there is natural family planning.

The way to plan the family is natural family planning, not contraception.

In destroying the power of giving life, through contraception, a husband or wife is doing something to self. This turns the attention to self and so it destroys the gift of love in him or her. In loving, the husband and wife must turn the attention to each other as happens in natural family planning, and not to self, as happens in contraception. Once that living love is destroyed by contraception, abortion follows very easily.

I also know that there are great problems in the world – that many spouses do not love each other enough to practice natural family planning. We cannot solve all the problems in the world, but let us never bring in the worst problem of all, and that is to destroy love. And this is what happens when we tell people to practice contraception and abortion.

The poor are very great people. They can teach us so many beautiful things. Once one of them came to thank us for teaching her natural family planning and said: "You people who have practiced chastity, you are the best people to teach us natural family planning because it is nothing more than self-control out of love for each other." And what this poor person said is very true. These poor people maybe have nothing to eat, maybe they have not a home to live in, but they can still be great people when they are spiritually rich.

When I pick up a person from the street, hungry, I give him a plate of rice, a piece of bread. But a person who is shut out, who feels unwanted, unloved, terrified, the person who has been thrown out of society – that spiritual poverty is much harder to overcome. And abortion, which often follows from contraception, brings a people to be spiritually poor, and that is the worst poverty and the most difficult to overcome.

Those who are materially poor can be very wonderful people. One evening we went out and we picked up four people from the street. And one of them was in a most terrible condition. I told the Sisters: "You take care of the other three; I will take care of the one who looks worse." So I did for her all that my love can do. I put her in bed, and there was such a beautiful smile on her face.

She took hold of my hand, as she said one word only: "thank you" – and she died.

I could not help but examine my conscience before her. And I asked: "What would I say if I were in her place?" And my answer was very simple. I would have tried to draw a little attention to myself. I would have said: "I am hungry, I am dying, I am cold, I am in pain," or something. But she gave me much more – she gave me her grateful love. And she died with a smile on her face. Then there was the man we picked up from the drain, half eaten by worms and, after we had brought him to the home, he only said:

"I have lived like an animal in the street, but I am going to die as an angel, loved and cared for."

Then, after we had removed the worms from his body, all he said, with a big smile, was: "Sister, I am going home to God" -and he died. It was so wonderful to see the greatness of that man who could speak like that without blaming anybody, without comparing anything. Like an angel – this greatness of people who are spiritually rich even when they are materially poor. We are not social workers. We may be doing social work in the eyes of some people, but we must be contemplatives in the heart of the world. For we are touching the body of Christ and we are always in his presence.

You too must bring that presence of God into your family, for the family that prays together, stays together.

There is so much hatred, so much misery, and we with our prayer, with our sacrifice, are beginning at home. Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do, but how much love we put into what we do.

If we are contemplatives in the heart of the world with all its problems, these problems can never discourage us. We must always remember what God tells us in Scripture: "Even if a mother could forget the child in her womb – something impossible, but even if she could forget – I will never forget you."

And so here I am talking with you. I want you to find the poor here, right in your own home first. And begin love there. Be that good news to your own people first. And find out about your next door neighbors. Do you know who they are?

I had the most extraordinary experience of love of neighbor with a Hindu family. A gentleman came to our house and said: "Mother Teresa, there is a family who have not eaten for so long. Do something." So I took some rice and went there immediately. And I saw the children – their eyes shining with hunger. I don't know if you have ever seen hunger. But I have seen it very often. And the mother of the family took the rice I gave her and went out. When she came back, I asked her: "Where did you go? What did you do?" And she gave me a very simple answer: "They are hungry also." What struck me was that she knew – and who are they? A Muslim family – and she knew. I didn't bring any more rice that evening because I wanted them, Hindus and Muslims, to enjoy the joy of sharing.

But there were those children, radiating joy, sharing the joy and peace with their mother because she had the love to give until it hurts. And you see this is where love begins – at home in the family.

So, as the example of this family shows, God will never forget us and there is something you and I can always do. We can keep the joy of loving Jesus in our hearts, and share that joy with all we come in contact with.

Let us make that one point – that no child will be unwanted, unloved, uncared for, or killed and thrown away. And give until it hurts – with a smile.

Because I talk so much of giving with a smile, once a professor from the United States asked me: "Are you married?" And I said: "Yes, and I find it sometimes very difficult to smile at my spouse, Jesus, because He can be very demanding – sometimes." This is really something true.

And there is where love comes in – when it is demanding, and yet we can give it with joy.

One of the most demanding things for me is traveling everywhere – and with publicity. I have said to Jesus that if I don't go to heaven for anything else, I will be going to heaven for all the traveling with all the publicity, because it has purified me and sacrificed me and made me really ready to go to heaven.

If we remember that God loves us, and that we can love others as He loves us, then America can become a sign of peace for the world.

From here, a sign of care for the weakest of the weak – the unborn child – must go out to the world. If you become a burning light of justice and peace in the world, then really you will be true to what the founders of this country stood for. God bless you!

Mother Teresa @ National Prayer Breakfast
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A Divine Appointment

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The tears in my eyes threatened to impede my driving. White knuckled, I pulled over to listen to the rest of the radio broadcast. Dennis Prager's impassioned voice, sincerely questioned his guest, why the general public has not heard of this man, America's most prolific serial killer?...

This story comes out of Virginia Christian Alliance Board Member Craig Hudges's attending the Hollywood Premiere of the movie Gosnell several weeks ago. Craig and VCA Board members Don Blake and Terry Beatley, all of Virginia, had been in Dallas Texas just a week prior to the Hollywood premiere attending? a meeting and the Dallas preview of the Gosnell film.

The three VCA Board members spent much of the afternoon with Ann McElhinny, one of the producers, and attended the Gosnell movie premiere. After the movie the three got to meet and talk with several of the actors.

Hudgins, Blake and Beatley were invited to attend the Hollywood premiere. Craig Hudgins, an acquaintance of Ann McElhinny , was able to accept the invitation and so goes the story of A Divine Appointment as told by Julie Orr who was in Costo and in the check out line with Craig. The in-line conversation leads to Julie Orr being invited to the Hollywood premiere. She writes about her experience below.

For Julie Orr, it was truly a " Divine Appointment ".

A Divine Appointment

by Julie Orr

The tears in my eyes threatened to impede my driving. White-knuckled, I pulled over to listen to the rest of the radio broadcast. Dennis Prager's impassioned voice, sincerely questioned his guest, why the general public has not heard of this man, *America's most prolific serial killer*?

That was when I first learned about the horrific events that led up to the trial and ultimate sentencing of Kermit Gosnell. It was like listening to the transcripts of a horror movie, yet I was stunned to learn that although these things really happened I had never heard anything about this man or his clinic. The gruesome details were peculiarly concealed by a lack of media coverage. That was when I knew I wanted to advocate for this independent film, to follow up and learn more.

That was more than a year and a half ago…

Even though I was moved to tears by the radio broadcast, after only a few days it slipped from my mind and I got busy doing life with my family. I completely forgot how I felt moved to make a difference, until Tuesday afternoon.

I usually try to go grocery shopping in the morning, before too many people are there, but on this day, I just got distracted with other work and didn't make it to Costco until after lunch. I was planning on squeezing in a "quick" trip before my kids got home from school and I'd need to start dinner. Maybe it wasn't a coincidence, but by divine appointment, that I was shopping at that exact time.

My double-wide cart was loaded to the top and the lines at checkout were significantly longer than I'm used to. I pulled my cart into what I judged the shortest line, pulled out my phone and checked the time. "Thank goodness I don't have carpool duty this afternoon, I'd never make it back in time," I thought to myself as I glanced up to see the line continuing to form behind me. Two men in business suits stood waiting directly behind me, no cart, just one pair of jeans in one's hands. "Please go in front of me, I'm going to take a while," I gestured with the phone still in my hand, pointing to my haul.

That was all it took, and a friendly conversation began. First, about the enormous pumpkins in my cart, then the weather and then what these men were doing in Southern California….

"Well, there's this little movie called Gosnell"…. I felt my chin hit the floor! What?! Yes, I KNEW of this film! I hadn't thought about it for a year and a half! These 2 men became my friends in a moment, in line at Costco as we discovered our mutual convictions.

And then they invited me to attend the Premier in Hollywood, just a few hours from that moment! The PREMIER! IN HOLLYWOOD!

I've lived in Southern California most of my life, but I'd never been to a movie premiere! I've been to TV tapings and seen film locations, and even sat in the bleachers of the Oscar's Red Carpet, but a movie Premier?! What a privilege! All from a chance meeting at Costco!

So, I ran home, practically threw my groceries in the fridge and started making phone calls. Within an hour and a half, I was driving from Orange County to Los Angeles with my friend, Christianne.

As the lights dimmed, the crowd cheered, and as each name appeared on the opening credits, the audience burst into more applause. The excitement was tangible, not because we expected to love this movie, but because its importance weighed heavily on us all.

I knew the story would be horrific, but I didn't expect to be so drawn into the movie. I imagined it would be more of a documentary style movie, but it was definitely like a courtroom drama. There was not one dull moment. It's tempting to think the events were fictionalized, but it was taken directly from the actual court transcripts. There was no need to sensationalize any bit of it because the actions of this man were so heinous along with the abomination of the people who let it happen.

I was relieved that the producers did not choose to show the graphic images that the jurors saw. They didn't need to show the grotesque images to convey the impact. The descriptive words were enough to make me feel nauseated. This is not a fun movie to go watch for kicks, but an important depiction of the atrocities that can (and did) occur because of government (and individuals) neglecting their duties to regulate and inspect this medical clinic.

The abortion debate always provokes intense reactions from both sides. This is why I believe, a lot of people won't go see Gosnell. Most of us want to see a movie in order to take us out of our own world for a couple hours, to get away from the trials and troubles of our own lives. It's fun to "escape" into a story. But this movie is not fun. Why would anyone pay to go see a movie that will most definitely disturb them at the core?

Although difficult and complex, we as a society must not turn a blind eye, or avoid a topic because it is so emotionally charged, but we must allow ourselves to talk and respectfully debate such matters as these, so not to allow atrocities like this to occur. I do hope that this movie brings people to talk about abortion (and other serious issues) peacefully and respectfully, considering the implications for all involved.

This movie has shaken me. Images of the psychopathic Doctor Gosnell haunt my mind and I can't stop thinking about it. But I think this is good because it causes me to think about and talk about

not just this movie, but the evil that exists in our world. As I publish each issue of Contemplate the Bible Magazine, my hope is that people will read the Scriptures and not only learn about God, but be moved to action because of His great love for us. I sincerely hope that His justice and hatred of evil moves us to stand up against it, too! That through the scriptures and a deep understanding of and a relationship with our maker, we can do what is right and humbly make our beliefs known to others.

Just one week after Gosnell: America's Biggest Serial Killer opened so successfully around the country, the movie is being pulled from many theaters. Because of the controversial yet honest conveyance of its subject, this movie, just like the events portrayed in it, is being neglected and overlooked by the media and the general population. If you have not yet seen this film, please find a theater and go see it.

The LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8 NLT

BREAKING: Alabama top court judge urges Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade

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MONTGOMERY, Alabama, October 19, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Today, the Alabama Supreme Court unanimously ruled in the case of **Jessie Phillips v. State of Alabama**that "the value of the life of an unborn child is no less than the value of the lives of other persons." In a **concurring opinion**, Justice Parker boldly called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade.

"I urge the Supreme Court of the United States to reconsider the Roe exception and to overrule this constitutional aberration," wrote the Alabama Supreme Court judge, and recommended that the Court "return the power to the states to fully protect the most vulnerable among us."

The case came before the Alabama Supreme Court when Jessie Phillips, a man convicted of murdering his wife and their pre-born child, appealed his conviction arguing that he shouldn't receive the death penalty because his 6-8 week pre-born child should not be considered a person under Alabama law.

The Alabama legislature expressly enacted the "Brody Act" 12 years ago to protect pre-born babies. Under the Brody Act, the definition of a "person" includes "an unborn child in utero at any stage of development, regardless of viability." The Brody Act is consistent with numerous other sections of Alabama law which recognize the equal status of the child in the womb. In his powerful concurring opinion, Justice Parker noted that the old law was changed "with the expressed intent of addressing just the sort of double-murder of which Phillips was convicted."

The national significance of this case cannot be understated, since the question of personhood has been the lynchpin to the so-called right to abortion, ever since Justice Blackmun erroneously wrote in Roe v. Wade that children in the womb are not persons and therefore not entitled to any of the fundamental constitutional protections.

Responding directly to Roe's flawed ruling, the Alabama Supreme Court unanimously ruled that "unborn children are persons entitled to the full and equal protection of the law."

Justice Parker, one of the court's most vocal pro-lifers, wrote a separate concurring opinion specifically to emphasize how broadly and consistently the law and judicial decisions in Alabama and around the Country protect the rights of unborn children, and to contrast that with "the continued legal anomaly and logical fallacy that is Roe v. Wade."

In his pleadings, Mr. Phillips had argued that since his child was not viable when the murders were committed, he was guilty of only killing one person and therefore not eligible for the death penalty. Justice Parker categorically rejected this argument, stating that "Phillips's crimes were capital not because he killed a pregnant woman but because he killed two persons." Justice Parker added that, to the extent Phillips was arguing that his unborn child was less of a person because the baby was young (6-8 weeks), Justice Parker dismissed that argument as "entirely unconvincing in light of the natural law, Alabama law, and this Court's numerous recent decisions consistently recognizing that an unborn child is a human being from the earliest stage of development and thus possesses the same right to life as a born person."

This is not the first time that the Alabama Supreme Court has recognized the personhood of the pre-born child.

In 2014, in the case of **Ex Parte Hicks**, Chief Justice Moore wrote that "Under the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, states have an obligation to provide to unborn children at any stage of their development the same legal protection from injury and death they provide to persons already born."

In the 2013 decision in **Ankrom v. State of Alabama**, the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that pre-born children were persons under the chemical endangerment laws, explaining that "the decision of this Court today is in keeping with the widespread legal recognition that unborn children are persons with rights that should be protected by law" the court added, "the only major area in which unborn children are denied legal protection is abortion, and that denial is only because of the dictates of Roe."

With the recent appointments to the United States Supreme Court made by President Trump, many pro-lifers are hoping that the time has finally arrived for the Supreme Court of the United States to overturn Roe v. Wade, allowing states like Alabama to protect the fundamental rights of pre-born children.

In today's momentous ruling, Justice Parker echoes these sentiments and calls on the Supreme Court to act.

“It is my hope and prayer that the United States Supreme Court will take note of the crescendoing chorus of the laws of the states in which unborn children are given full legal protection and allow the states to recognize and defend the inalienable right to life possessed by every unborn child, even when that right must trump the ‘right’ of a woman to obtain an abortion,” he said.

*Sign petition telling Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade **here**.*

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‘SAY SO MARCH’ for All Black Lives Pricks the Conscience of Philadelphia

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Video below has over 420,000 views on Facebook

from Voices for Life

Rev. Clenard H. Childress Jr.
L.E.A.R.N. – BlackGenocide.org

It was another incredible march down Broad Street to Philadelphia City Hall on Sunday, October 7, 2018. I joined pro-life African-Americans of all ages, from children to seasoned citizens, to

peacefully walk in solidarity as a visible public witness to the plight of preborn Black babies in the City of Brotherly Love, and across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the nation.

Stop Black Genocide, Stop Abortion

The clouds in the sky were a reminder that abortionists and their collaborators in the city of Philadelphia commit half of all the abortions in the entire state of Pennsylvania. They also reminded us that abortionists in the Keystone State perpetrate 42 percent of all their abortions on Black mothers, disproportionately creating a Black Genocide in a state where African-American women only comprise eleven percent of all the women in the state.

These literal and figurative clouds did not create a sense of despondency among the marchers, 99 percent of whom were Black. Instead, we marched with a determination that we would expose the truth about the Black Genocide to people on this day who probably never knew about Margaret Sanger's "Negro Project" in the early part of the last century.

This was an endeavor by Sanger, the founder of what has become the largest abortion operation in Pennsylvania, the nation and the world. The objective of the program was to restrict, and many believe, to exterminate the Black population.

Citizens of Philadelphia, visitors and tourists on the streets and sidewalks learned about the Black Genocide from the signs the marchers carried, our chants and slogans. A favorite was the one where someone in the March yells, "If you love the babies," and without skipping a beat everyone shouts together, "say so!"

This is what CHOICE looks like

Speeches and prayers were offered during the pro-life rally at City Hall. Speakers offered prayers for the mayor and city council that hopefully pricked their consciences about the actual destruction of so many innocent preborn babies in their city—especially preborn Black babies. Perhaps they might begin to comprehend the devastating effects that each abortion has on the family it visits. And maybe

they will realize that when you teach young people that it is okay to kill helpless babies in their mother's wombs, what they learn is that it is okay to kill each other on your city streets.

The Say So March began in Washington D.C. two decades ago, launched by the Life Education And Resource Network (L.E.A.R.N.). Under the leadership of the organization's Assistant Director, the Reverend Clenard H. Childress, Jr., there have been annual Say So Marches in Newark, NJ, Philadelphia and Washington D.C. every autumn. Pastor Childress partners with local Black clergy to organize the marches. In Philadelphia, the Rev. Dr. Herbert H. Lusk II offers his Greater Exodus Baptist Church for a pre-march worship service and a starting point for the Say So March.

LEARN SaySo March 2018
https://youtube.com/watch?v=hA-INwTCwFA

Pastor Childress has done so much to bring the Black Genocide to light in Pennsylvania that the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation, the state affiliate of National Right to Life, will honor him with the 2018 Pennsylvania Pro-Life Lifetime Achievement Award in Harrisburg on Thursday October 18, 2018. We are so grateful for all he does to speak the truth about abortion and to expose the Black Genocide. Click here to learn more.

Say So March Has Had Over 370, 000 Views @ Time Of This News Letter!

PEACEFUL PROTEST AT CITY HALL, NEWARK, NJ (Click here to view) We'll Be In Harrisburg This Thursday with The *Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation!* Hope To See Those In There.

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National Hotline: Call 1-800-712-HELP or Text 'HELPLINE' to 313131.
In Southeast Penna: Call the Community Women's Center at 215-826-8090

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential non-judgmental help is available. Call Project Rachel's national toll-free number 888-456-HOPE (4673) or visit hopeafterabortion.org.

SOURCE: **VOICES FOR LIFE**

I Will Vote For Candidates Who Are Pro-Life

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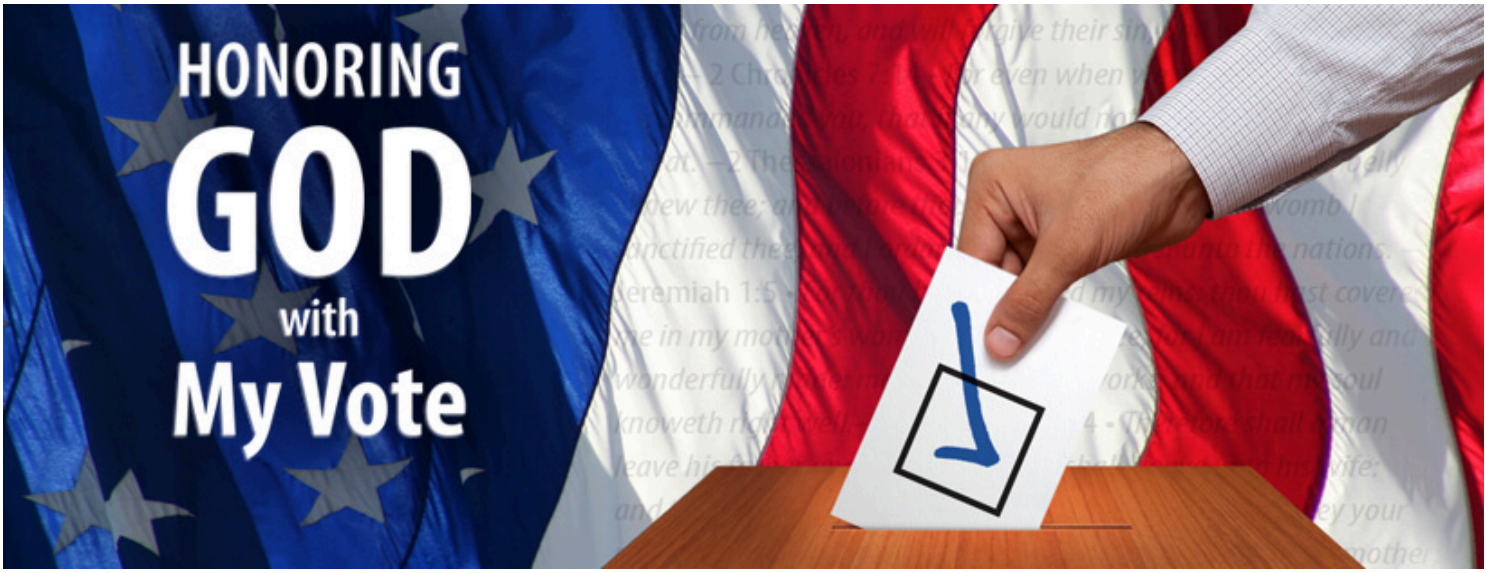

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Tywana Hampton

In 2008, while in a department store shopping, I was approached by two ladies who asked me who I was voting for in the Presidential election. It struck me odd that they would ask such a question, because they were black and so am I! My answer was “Mr. Obama, of course.” Their response was quite shocking, “You struck us as a republican!”

I couldn’t wrap my brain around that. We were on the brink of possibly electing the first black president, and I definitely wanted to be a part of this history-making event! I couldn’t imagine

why these sisters did not share my dream. A few days after that, our Ladies Fellowship, were in our prayer circle about to close out our meeting.

One of the sisters that I held in the highest esteem, because of her strong walk with the Lord and her knowledge of the scriptures, made a shocking statement. It went something like this,

> "I know you ladies want to vote for Mr. Obama, because if elected, he will be the first black president, but as Christians, we should be voting as republicans, because their platform tracks more closely with Christian values."

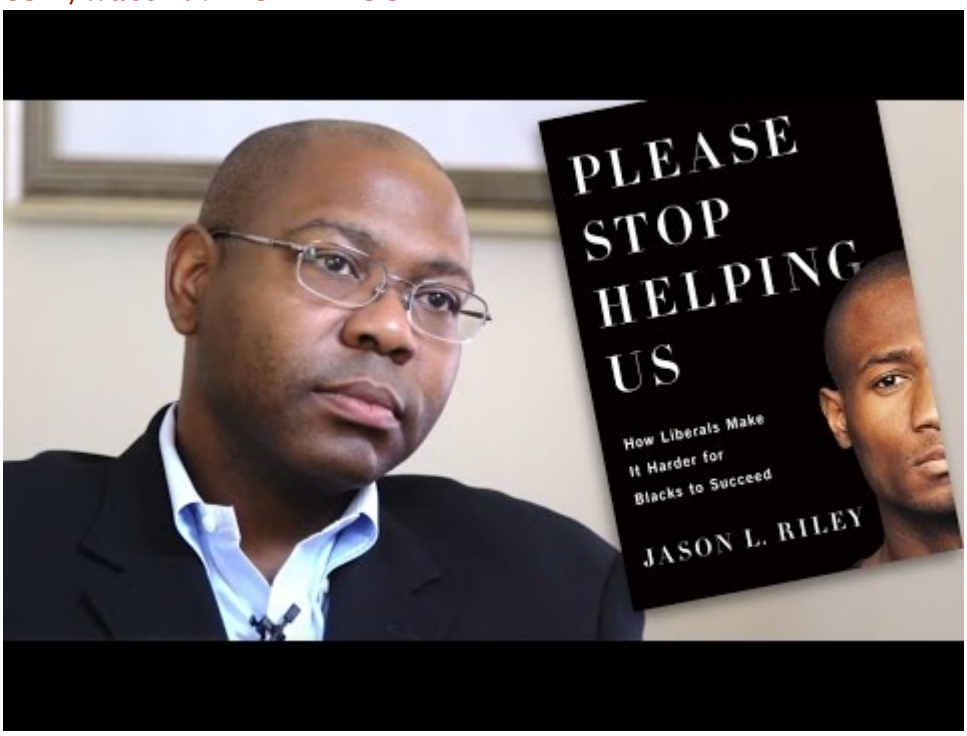
I had made up my mind that I was voting for Mr. Obama, and wanted to be a part of this history in the making, no matter what. I was too far gone to turn back now. Later my church friend asked if I had voted for Mr. Obama, now President Obama, and I confessed, 'yes, I did'. She explained a little bit about the difference in the platforms in the parties and that we should vote for the platform and not the person. I stuffed my guilt and in 2012, I voted for him again.

As my relationship grew with the Lord, and I learned more about the Bible and the political parties, in the midterm elections of 2014, for the first time, I voted for republican candidates. I continued to read and listen to Christian radio.

My husband introduced me to a book titled, "***Please Stop Helping Us: How Liberals Make It Harder for Blacks to Succeed***" by Jason Riley. I read this book from cover to cover. When I finished it, I was solidified in my conservative beliefs!

(excerpt from Jason Riley's interview with ReasonTV)

Black Americans Failed by Good Intentions: An Interview with Jason Riley
https://youtube.com/watch?v=zorEMP8GxBA



One of the issues that is often tossed around in the political arena is abortion. As a Christian, I know that we must respect the sanctity of life. Our heavenly father is the giver and taker of life. We should not shed innocent blood. Life begins at conception as both the egg and the sperm are living organisms that come together to form a higher level of life, a human being! From the time the egg and sperm come together there is constant activity in the quest to become a human being with a unique set of DNA and fingerprints. By the time most women know they are pregnant, the heart of the baby has already started beating! Abortion stops a beating heart. The world tries to debate when life begins. For those of us who are pro-life, we will say that life begins at conception. According to our heavenly Father, life begins BEFORE conception.

Jeremiah 1:5 states,

> "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations."

The Psalmist recognizes God's love for the unborn in Psalm 139:13-14,

> "For thou has possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

While Mary was pregnant with our Savior, the Bible records a sweet exchange between Mary and her cousin Elisabeth in Luke 1:41-44,

> "And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy."

The unborn are important to our Lord. When you cast your vote, please make sure you vote for candidates who understand the sanctity of life, and are working toward supporting the only choice, LIFE!

Gosnell Movie Success Has Liberals Reeling

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Must see video end of the article on the real challenges to get the movie on the big screen

From Tony Perkins' Washington Update FRC

It was the little production that could. After years of battling **Hollywood**, **Facebook**, **NPR**, and even **a crowdfunding site**, *Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer* defied all odds on opening weekend. By Sunday, the film had climbed to number 10 on the box office charts — despite a media bent on ignoring the movie and the real-life drama.

For the husband-and-wife team who fought to tell the story, the numbers don't lie. After last weekend, the film was number one on the indie film chart — and despite debuting in just 673 theaters, brought in more than $1.2 million. Although some critics refused to screen the movie, the ones who did were overwhelmingly impressed. On Rotten Tomatoes, which aggregates the scores of almost every review, *Gosnell* **earned a score of 67 percent**, beating out crowd-pleasers like last year's *The Greatest Showman* by 11 points. And it was an even bigger hit with audiences, who gave the film a 99-percent approval rating.

It's just too bad, CNS News points out, that so many media outlets seem "as uninterested in the film as they were when the actual Gosnell trial happened five years ago." In politics, co-producer Phelim McAleer said, "there's an equivalent term for this: voter suppression. It is a sad attempt to pretend our film isn't in theaters across America. But they can't ignore the box office numbers. We humbly thank all of our fans across the country for this great opening. The people have spoken."

If you've seen the movie or read people's accounts from the theaters — which range from audiences sitting in silence well after the credits or joining hands for impromptu prayer — you know what a difference the story is making. "This is not your typical pro-life movie. There's no heart-warming storyline about a challenging but ultimately successful adoption. There's no nervous single mother who sees an ultrasound and decides to leave the abortion clinic and raise her child against all odds. There is just horror, plain and simple." And yet, **National Review's Alexandra DeSanctis goes on**, "it's the most powerful kind of anti-abortion movie that could ever be made, because every minute of it… ."

Do your part to spread the truth: buy a ticket. **For a listing of theaters near you, click here**. Or, to hear from the stars of *Gosnell*, like Dean Cain, watch this panel from VVS on the challenges of making a movie about the realities of abortion.

Sarah Perry interviews actor Dean Cain and Executive Producer John Sullivan on the challenges with filming and marketing their new film, Gosnell.

VVS 2018 Panel: Stars of Gosnell
https://youtube.com/watch?v=Uu2GMGYjYW4

SOURCE: **FRC**

Harvard Law Journal concludes: The preborn child is a constitutional person

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TAGS: CONSTITUTION

By Calvin Freiburger | **LifeSiteNews** (June 1, 2017)

Pro-lifers and **honest pro-abortion legal scholars** agree that *Roe v. Wade* was **wrongly decided**. But just how wrong is it? Is it bad law solely because it declares a right to something the Constitution is silent about, or does its judicial malpractice run deeper?

I have **long argued** that legal abortion violates not only the spirit of the Constitution, but the text itself – specifically, that the Fourteenth Amendment's guaranteed equal protection of all people's right to life has always applied to the preborn. Now, **The Stream** reports that the "Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy" has published **an article** written by Harvard law student (and **former Live Action contributor**) Josh Craddock that lays out the case in perhaps the most depth it's ever received.

The first key point of Craddock's work, critiquing the **late, great Justice Antonin Scalia** *from the right*, is an audacious undertaking, but here it's warranted. You see, while Scalia was a committed originalist and clear opponent of *Roe*, he was also **of the opinion** that the Constitution is neutral toward abortion – that its use of the word "persons" "clearly means walking-around persons," and therefore, states should be left free to set whatever abortion laws they want. Craddock notes several other pro-life judicial originalists who hold (or held) this view, though Scalia is the most recent and most revered modernly.

Craddock concedes that there is some basis for this thinking because "natural rights were not exhaustively enshrined in the federal Constitution" and "states have traditionally decided the question of personhood." However, he rightfully maintains that a truly originalist answer to the question has to consider what the word "persons" was understood to mean when the Fourteenth Amendment was written and ratified.

He proceeds to explain that layman's dictionaries treated the concepts of humanity and personhood interchangeably, and so did legal terminology – more explicitly so, in fact. As we've discussed in the past, Craddock notes that Blackstone expressly recognized that personhood and the right to life existed before birth with a simple and clear legal standard: "where life *can be shown* to exist, legal personhood exists" (emphasis added). This also perfectly explains why it's irrelevant that past laws didn't protect the preborn prior to quickening.

Craddock next shows that many of the states that voted to ratify the Fourteenth Amendment had also criminalized abortion, meaning they understood personhood then in much the same way that pro-lifers understand it now:

> By the time of the Fourteenth Amendment's adoption, "nearly every state had criminal legislation proscribing abortion," and most of these statutes were classified among "offenses against the person." The original public meaning of the term "person" thus incontestably included prenatal life. Indeed, "there can be no doubt whatsoever that the word 'person' referred to the fetus." In twenty-three states and six territories, laws referred to the preborn individual as a "child." Is it reasonable to presume that these legislatures would have used this terminology if "they had not considered the fetus to be a 'person'"?
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> The adoption of strict anti-abortion measures in the mid-nineteenth century was the natural development of a long common-law history proscribing abortion. Beginning in the mid-thirteenth century, the common law codified abortion as homicide as soon as the child came to life (animation) and appeared recognizably human (formation), which occurred approximately 40 days after fertilization. Lord Coke later cited the "formed and animated standard," rearticulating it as "quick with childe."

From there, Craddock explains how the quickening standard was little more than a practical evidentiary standard, not a meaningful commentary on prenatal life (or lack thereof). But interestingly, he points out that even by the mid-nineteenth century, courts and states alike were increasingly rejecting it as scientifically obsolete, and replacing it with – surprise! – fertilization.

> When the Amendment was adopted in 1868, the states widely recognized children in utero as persons. Twenty-three states and six territories referred to the fetus as a "child" in their statutes proscribing abortion. At least twenty-eight jurisdictions labeled abortion as an "offense[] against the person" or an equivalent criminal classification. Nine of the ratifying states explicitly valued the lives of the preborn and their pregnant mothers equally by providing the same range of punishment for killing either during the commission of an abortion. The "only plausible explanation" for this phenomenon is that "the legislatures considered the mother and child to be equal in their personhood." Furthermore, ten states (nine of which had ratified the Fourteenth Amendment) considered abortion to be either manslaughter, assault with intent to murder, or murder.

Next, and perhaps most importantly, Craddock examines the thinking of the Fourteenth Amendment's drafters. There's an understandable assumption that because the amendment's primary purpose was extending citizenship to freed blacks after the Civil War, its effects shouldn't be construed to extend beyond that purpose. But under the originalist principle of authorial intent, the first word is often the last word in resolving such confusion:

> Senator Jacob Howard, who sponsored the Amendment in the Senate, declared the Amendment's purpose to "disable a state from depriving not merely a citizen of the United States, but any person, whoever he may be, of life, liberty and property without due process." Even the lowest and "most despised of the race" were guaranteed equal protection. Representative Thaddeus Stevens called the Amendment "a superstructure of perfect equality of every human being before the law; of impartial protection to everyone in whose breast God had placed an immortal soul" The primary Framer of the Fourteenth Amendment, Representative John Bingham, intended it to ensure that "no state in the Union should deny to any human being . . . the equal protection of the laws."

In light of this evidence and reasoning (as well as rebuttals to possible objections I have skipped, but which you should take the time to read), Craddock concludes that there is only one proper constitutional approach to abortion:

> If prenatal life is to be protected under the Fourteenth Amendment, Congress or the courts must intervene in states that do not guarantee equal protection and due process to preborn human beings. After all, "the amendment was designed to limit state power and authorize Congress to enforce such limitations." Should a state refuse to protect prenatal life, it would be a violation of equal protection

Exactly, and it's not "statist" or "big government" or "judicial activism" to say so. The principle of limited government means the government mustn't exceed its constitutional purposes, but protecting the right to life is its **most basic purpose** – and a national-level responsibility. While the Founding Fathers wanted **federalism** to leave states free to decide a wide range of policy decisions for themselves (so America's large, diverse, spread out population could live in harmony under a single flag while expressing different secondary values and experimenting with different ideas), they also believed that a select few principles, like our most fundamental rights, require a uniform standard.

Craddock concludes on a pessimistic note, predicting that the Supreme Court is unlikely to abandon *Roe* anytime soon, making a human life amendment to the Constitution politically necessary even though it's not legally necessary. That's true for the time being…but it doesn't have to be.

The past four decades' worth of abortion jurisprudence has nothing to do with legal merit and almost everything to do with the partisan politics of the presidents who nominated judges and the senators who reviewed them. So while this rot has been allowed to fester for a long time, there are no legal barriers keeping us from challenging it – we need only the will and imagination to change our tactics.

We can demand that our presidents select **bolder, more proven judges**. We can push Congress to assert its coequal right and duty to protect individual rights by **enacting the Life at Conception Act**. And we can call on our lawmakers to **exercise their constitutional powers** to rein in and punish judges who refuse to protect the constitutional rights of *every* American.

This is where national-level pro-life activism needs to go…and fortunately, Josh Craddock has given that effort an **unassailable foundation**.

‘Gosnell’ Filmmakers Didn’t Care About Abortion Until They Saw His Victims

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Anita Crane | **LifeSiteNews**

LOS ANGELES, California, October 8, 2018 **(LifeSiteNews)** – *Gosnell: The Trial of America’s Biggest Serial Killer* is the true-crime movie about how Philadelphia Detective James Wood and his partner Detective Stark bust Dr. Kermit Gosnell for selling prescription drugs illegally, only to discover that he is a murderer. In their joint raid of Gosnell’s office with the FBI and DEA, they enter into the stench of death and find that he is an abortionist who keeps baby bodies in the lunchroom refrigerator. U.S. abortion restrictions are weak, but it is a federal crime to murder babies who survive abortion attempts, and Wood thinks Gosnell delivered some of the little victims alive and then killed them. (see **video here** or below)

SOURCE: **LIFESITENEWS**

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Pro-life baby parts investigator: ‘Unconscionable’ for FDA to experiment on aborted kids

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Claire Chretien | LifeSite News

WASHINGTON, D.C., September 21, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – The Food and Drug Administration's experimentation with aborted baby body parts "has to stop and it has to stop now," the activist who exposed Planned Parenthood's fetal tissue trafficking said today.

David Daleiden, founder of the Center for Medical Progress, noted that the experiments are still occurring "under the pro-life Trump administration."

"The exploitation of our unborn brothers and sisters is only able to be perpetuated so long as secrecy surrounds the practice of industrial-scale, taxpayer-funded child killing in the abortion industry in America," Daleiden told the Values Voter Summit in Washington, DC today.

That's why this summer's **news** that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) "has renewed a contract for baby body parts with the company of Advanced Bioscience Resources, ABR" is so important, the pro-life activist told the annual gathering of social conservatives.

ABR "is one of the entities purchasing baby body parts from Planned Parenthood and reselling them, that was the subject of criminal referrals by the Congressional investigations and is under DOJ investigation right now," he explained.

"The FDA is as of this summer signing a new contract with ABR to purchase 'fresh' aborted baby body parts for top-dollar in taxpayer money," Daleiden lamented. "It's unconscionable that the United States government would be sending the message with taxpayer dollars that these children are worth more to the U.S. government dead than alive."

The FDA's experimentation, which pro-life leaders have condemned as a "**gruesome practice**," involves **creating "humanized" mice** – rodents that have been injected with the tissue from aborted babies.

"Fresh human tissues are required for implantation into severely immune-compromised mice to create chimeric animals that have a human immune system," the FDA says. "This human immune system allows us to test biological drug products for safety and efficacy. This is necessary because these drug products do not bind non-human species drug targets."

In 2015, the **Center for Medical Progress** (CMP) released undercover videos showing Planned Parenthood abortionists and executives negotiating over baby body parts prices, picking through dishes of tiny organs, and describing how they illegally alter abortion procedures in order to obtain more profitable body parts.

In addition to illuminating the barbarity of dismembering babies in the womb, Daleiden's videos showed abortion industry officials admitting the humanity of those babies as they discussed beheading them and collecting their "intact hearts," brains, and livers. In one **video** taken at the National Abortion Federation conference, abortionists admitted what they did is "killing,"

complained about how "difficult" it is to tear apart a fetus, and lamented that they're not given a place to discuss the "heads that get stuck that we can't get out."

CMP's videos resulted in two Congressional investigations and **one by the U.S. Department of Justice**.

Daleiden's undercover journalism also led to a **raid on his home**, the California Attorney General **charging him with 15 felonies**, and ongoing court battles about a gag order preventing Daleiden from releasing more damning videos.

"It's imperative that all of us make sure that our voices…are heard," Daleiden said. "It's imperative that the videos continue to be shared, continue to be viewed, and that policy makers and your elected representatives know that you don't want taxpayer dollars to be going to fund the commodification of our unborn brothers and sisters like widgets on an assembly line."

"I think it's a really important problem right now that's been revealed this summer that the FDA, under the pro-life Trump administration – the pro-life HHS – is still contracting with the very baby body parts companies that were criminally referred by the U.S. Congress and are under investigation by DOJ and FBI right now," Daleiden told LifeSiteNews. "Just last year, the NIH spent $100 million on fetal experimentation, on projects using aborted baby body parts. And $20 million of that was for 'intramural research' – experiments being done in government-run laboratories and government office buildings at the NIH."

"When you commodify human beings, and you commodify the body parts of aborted children, you create incentives for abortions to happen," he continued. "When you commodify human beings, you create incentives for bad things to happen."

"What the taxpayer-funded system is saying right now is that these kids are worth more dead than alive…It has to stop and it has to stop now."

Persecution through prosecution: Selective targeting of CMP is 'politically motivated'

The videos Daleiden recorded must be liberated for "all the world and all of history to see," he said.

Thanks to a civil lawsuit from the National Abortion Federation (NAF), some of those videos are being censored by a court order right now and have yet to be released. Daleiden told LifeSiteNews that this fall his legal team will ask the federal court to throw the case out and dissolve the gag order, and offered insight as to why this very well may happen.

"Totally out of the blue this summer, the National Abortion Federation – which is the one that has the gag order over the remaining unreleased videos…asked us if we would agree to settle the

case," he explained. NAF's only condition for settling was that CMP never release its remaining videos.

Daleiden rejected that offer.

Two weeks later, NAF dropped over half of their lawsuit, "including all their federal claims, which means they have no reason to be in front of Judge Orrick anymore."

***Read:** Tucker Carlson on banned Planned Parenthood video: 'If there was ever a time for civil disobedience…'*

That judge **was involved with the establishment of a Planned Parenthood facility before he became a judge**, something CMP has long argued biases him unfairly in the case.

With over half of the NAF lawsuit dropped, Daleiden's remaining legal troubles are a civil lawsuit from Planned Parenthood – set to go to trial in 2019 – and the 15 felony counts brought by the California Attorney General's office.

He faces 14 charges of unlawful recording – California requires consent from both parties being recorded – and one of conspiracy to unlawfully record video. The charges were **dropped at one point** but in a way that allowed for them to be re-opened.

"We are moving to have that entire case thrown out as a discriminatory, politically-motivated prosecution," said Daleiden, noting that many California journalists, such as those from CBS Los Angeles and Fox News Los Angeles, "are routinely doing undercover videos and broadcasting – sometimes in situations that actually are arguably rather confidential – not out in public, not out in a crowded restaurant, but actually potentially more confidential settings."

However, "none of them are being prosecuted under the California video recording law" and "none of them have heard from the Attorney General's office."

"My case is the only case that the Attorney General's office has ever prosecuted undercover video in a news-gathering content," he said. "We're seeking to have it thrown out under a special mechanism of California law to dismiss a politically motivated and discriminatory …this prosecution was only brought because of viewpoint discrimination."

Daleiden said the judge hearing that case, Christopher Hite, is "reasonable, open-minded," and "didn't found a Planned Parenthood clinic before becoming a judge."

Regarding Planned Parenthood's lawsuit against him, Daleiden speculated the abortion company may not want to go through with it after all.

“We’ll see what happens with the DOJ investigation,” he said. “And Planned Parenthood may find very soon that it’s just not worth it to have to go through the legal process where their abortion doctors and their executives will be under oath.”

He also revealed that CMP has learned that “just two weeks before the raid on my home that Kamala Harris’s office ordered, Kamala Harris met in person with six Planned Parenthood executives from California.” Harris is the former California Attorney General and now U.S. Senator. “We have the action items from that meeting.”

“They were blatantly and shamelessly mixing the political agendas of Planned Parenthood and the Attorney General’s office and the law enforcement authority of the Attorney General. They colluded together to weaponize the California justice system against a political enemy.”

SOURCE: **LIFESITENEWS**

Chelsea Clinton: Protecting babies from abortion would be ‘un-Christian’

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September 14, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Presidential daughter Chelsea Clinton is back in the news with yet another pro-abortion statement, this time invoking Christianity in support of *Roe v. Wade*.

The daughter of former President Bill Clinton and failed presidential nominee Hillary Clinton appeared Thursday on a SiriusXM’s “Signal Boost” interview, during which she was asked how she “keep going in the hopes that your daughter doesn’t have to have this fight” to preserve *Roe*.

“Well, that’s the answer, isn’t it?” she responded. “I look at my children and I, to quote Jim Yong Kim, ‘optimism is a moral choice.’ Every day I make the moral choice to be optimistic. That my efforts and my energies, particularly when I’m fortunate enough to be in partnership kind of with fellow travelers, hopefully will make a difference.”

Chelsea Clinton Says Possibly Returning to a Pre-Roe World Is "Unchristian"
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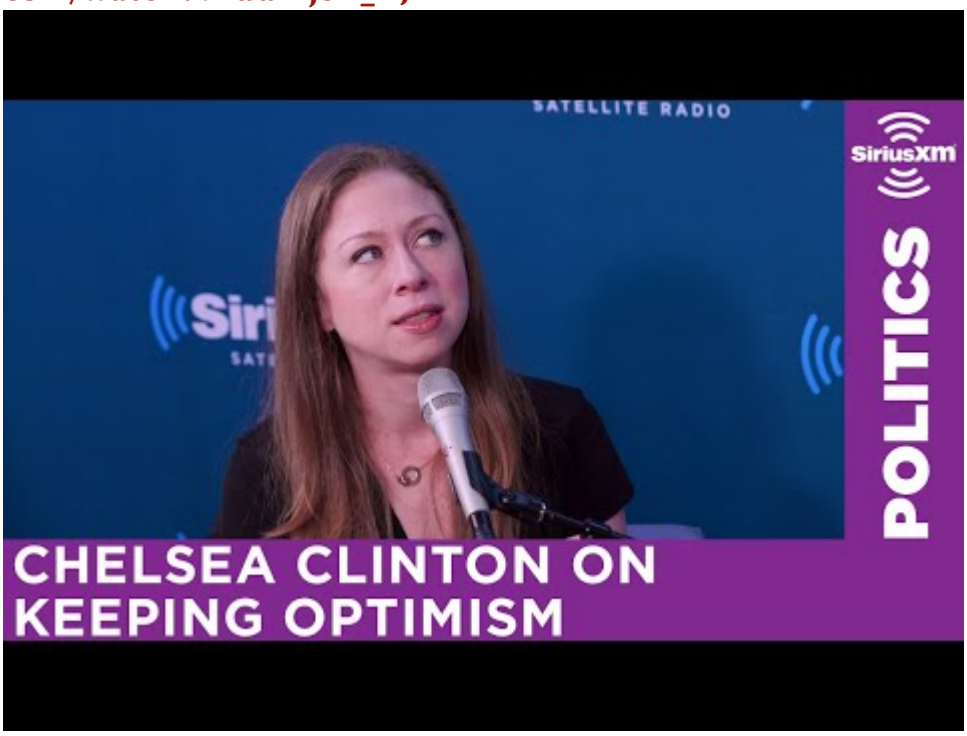

“When I think about all of the statistics that are painful of what women are confronting today in our country, and what even more women confronted pre-*Roe* and how many women died and how many more women were maimed because of unsafe abortion practices, we just can’t go back to that,” Clinton continued, invoking a **popular yet debunked narrative** that a massive number of women died from back-alley abortions in the years before *Roe*.

In fact, ex-abortion industry insiders admitted years ago that they inflated pre-*Roe* maternal deaths for political gain and that most illegal abortions were committed by licensed physicians. Additionally, **statistics show** that maternal deaths began declining prior to legalization, thanks largely to the invention of new drugs.

“And also, I’m sure that this will unleash another wave of hate in my direction, but as a deeply religious person, it’s also un-Christian to me,” Clinton added. That line sparked a conversation about the widespread pushback she received for her **false claim last month** that *Roe* helped add $3.5 trillion to the U.S. economy by enabling more women to join the workforce.

“I’ve been compared to slave owners and Nazis in the last couple of months,” she complained, to the sympathetic amazement of her fellow speakers.

“Just because you want women to have access to healthcare,” another participant said. Clinton agreed, and added that she was attacked for having “the temerity, as the Supreme Court did in 1992, in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, to point out that our ability to participate fully in our society, including economically, hinges on our ability to be able to make choices for our bodies and our families.”

In fact, Clinton’s critics challenged both the economic literacy and moral implications of her suggestion that the power to kill preborn children was an economic boon. Since *Roe*, abortion has killed an **estimated 60 million people** before they could be born and eventually join the workforce, almost half of whom **would have likely been women**.

Clinton also complained about the Nazi and slavery comparisons at the time, but never addressed the criticism’s point that **abortion**, **slavery**, and the **Holocaust** all entail dehumanizing and/or killing an entire class of living human beings.

As for Clinton’s latest comments, she did not cite any Bible verse or make a theological argument for a “pro-choice” Christianity, nor did she address any of the Bible’s repeated **affirmations** of human life or **condemnations** of **shedding** innocent **blood**.

In 2016, the former First Daughter **claimed** she left the Baptist Church “because I didn’t know why they were talking to me about abortion when I was six in Sunday school.” This January, she **wished a Happy New Year** to the Church of Satan’s Twitter account.

Sending Abortion Back to the States Could End It

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Greene Hollowell's Letter to the Editor (August 31, 2018) to the RichmonTimes–Dispatch

According to recent columns on your Op/Ed Page, there is a consensus that if Roe v. Wade is reversed, the abortion decision would revert to the individual states.

Then the states' citizens would vote to decide if they wanted mothers to continue to exercise their choice to have an abortion. It then might end up in state supreme courts and eventually go back to the U.S. Supreme Court.

However, since the U.S. Supreme Court decided that the individual states could not discriminate against African-Americans, what would keep it from deciding that it is against the law to kill the baby in the womb?

Hopefully, this would come about and 45 years of America's holocaust would be over.

Greene Hollowell

Richmond, VA

Abortion is not just like other surgeries, because abortion is killing

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Anna Reynolds | **Live Action**

Abortionist Gabrielle Goodrick recently penned an **open letter** to doctors, claiming that they must support abortion or put themselves in "professional jeopardy." She suggests that following the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, "we are now staring into the face of a country without legal abortion," a prospect that she thinks endangers the work of all doctors. In other words, Goodrick claims that the integrity of medicine requires the legal killing of preborn babies.

In claiming abortion is just like other surgery, the preborn baby is ignored

Nowhere in her letter does Goodrick mention the baby, yet in every abortion, a preborn baby is violently killed. Goodrich unsurprisingly misrepresents pro-life laws as arbitrary impediments to proper medical care and the pro-life position as exclusively faith-based. She writes:

No surgeon would be allowed to say, "I just don't believe in removing gallbladders" and still be allowed to practice. Yet when it comes to abortion, you've now set the standard. You've allowed a procedure that is conducted more than any other in the nation to be moved to the fringes.

But abortion isn't like removing a defective organ; it is deliberately removing and causing the death of a distinct human being. Goodrick ignores the scientific reality of fetal development, the rational basis of the pro-life position. In the *Gonzales v. Carhart* decision, the Supreme Court **acknowledges** "the Government's legitimate interest in protecting fetal life." Pro-life laws protect the life of the preborn child, and the pro-life position can be based on scientific facts and ethical arguments independent of religious beliefs.

If a person is experiencing painful gallstones, removing the gallbladder is a logical choice. If a woman is experiencing dangerously elevated blood pressure, septicemia, or cancer while pregnant, inserting instruments into the woman's body and violently taking apart a living human being and then extracting the pieces of that human being is *not* a logical response. Sometimes, the life-threatening complications of the mother require the premature delivery and possible demise of the baby, but deliberately killing the baby inside the mother's body before delivery is not safe and is not a necessary medical choice.

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Some candid abortionists admit that abortion isn't like other surgeries

Abortionists — in their own descriptions of abortion — confirm that it isn't necessary, and it's not like other surgery.

Planned Parenthood abortionist Susan Robinson **said**, "The fetus is a tough little object and, taking it apart, I mean taking it apart, on Day One is very difficult." Another abortionist, DeShawn Taylor, **talked** about needing to "hit the gym" in order to develop the strength required to rip apart a baby in the womb. Keep in mind, this forceful dismemberment takes place *inside* the woman's body. This fact prompted the shocking **assessment** of an anonymous abortionist: "There are only two kinds of doctors who have never perforated a uterus, those that lie and those who don't do abortions."

Planned Parenthood abortionist Lisa Harris spoke on a panel for the National Abortion Federation, urging her audience of colleagues to concede that pro-lifers might just be right. She **said**, "Given that we actually see the fetus the same way, and given that we might actually both agree that there's violence in here. . . . Let's just give them all the violence, it's a person, it's killing, let's just give them all that."

READ: ***Former abortionist: Women don't discuss botched abortions because they want to forget***

Claims that women will be hurt if abortion is banned ignores that women are hurt by abortion itself

While ignoring the fundamental reality of abortion is the most glaring error in Goodrick's piece, there are other significant misrepresentations. Goodrick claims there will be more pregnancy complications and patients will give incomplete medical histories if abortion is outlawed, but she fails to mention that meta-studies **show** that *abortion* can cause complications in subsequent pregnancies. Countries where abortion is illegal or limited have demonstrated that a lack of elective abortion *does not* entail substandard maternal care or an increase in pregnancy complications. In fact, while banning virtually all abortions, **Ireland** had one of the lowest maternal mortality rates in the world.

Additionally, as much as Goodrick fears that patients will not divulge past abortions for fear of recriminations, the current legal industry fails to inform women of the **risks associated with**

abortion. Likewise, the industry continues to mislead women about the **development** of their preborn babies.

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And women are paying the price. The New York Times, no friend of the pro-life movement, **featured** heart-wrenching accounts of women's abortion experiences. One woman wrote, "Nobody told me how bad I would feel afterward. I contemplated suicide. A Christian friend supported me through healing. It was a long process, and I still miss my baby." There is a reason that people do not have lifelong emotional wounds following gallbladder surgery. Women deserve to know the truth before they choose.

No matter how abortion supporters like Goodrick attempt to characterize abortion — essential medical care, terminating a pregnancy, part of the full spectrum of reproductive care — they

cannot change the fact that it is unlike any other procedure. Abortion ends the life of a human being.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

The Pioneer of Abortion Pill Reversal

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Terry Beatley | America Outloud

Every healthcare professional should embrace this breakthrough in medical science, but unfortunately, not all do. They are just too sold out in the industry of taking lives…

Exciting news! This doctor is literally saving lives all across America. He is a pioneer in reversing the effects of chemical abortions. Many mothers who swallow MIFEPRISTONE (Mifeprex or RU-486) -"the abortion pill"- deeply regret doing so within minutes, hours or a few days. Dr. George Delgado, though, can help many of these mothers reverse their chemical abortions by calling the Abortion Pill Reversal hotline.

Dr. Delgado has built a network of 450 doctors with an established protocol on reversing chemical abortions and many lives have been saved. Every healthcare professional should embrace this breakthrough in medical science, but unfortunately, not all do. They are just too sold out in the industry of taking lives, but not Dr. Delgado. He's in the practice of saving lives because there is no situation so desperate that a life has to be taken.

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Abortion Pill Reversal is a program of Culture of Life Family Services headquartered in San Diego, California. The APR program has a network of over 400 physicians worldwide to assist women that call our hotline. This hotline is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by one of our medical professionals.

Dr. George Delgado is the medical director of APR and Culture of Life Services (COLFS) in San Diego County. He received his medical degree from the University of California, Davis and completed his residency at Santa Monica Hospital/UCLA. He is board certified in family medicine, hospice and palliative medicine, health care ethics, NaProTECHNOLOGY, and the Creighton Model for Natural Family Planning (NFP). He has been practicing family medicine since 1988.

For Further Insight:
Website: **www.AbortionPillReversal.com**
More on Dr. Delgado: **https://www.liveaction.org/news/media-lying-abortion-pill-reversal/?utm_content=74751067&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter**

Promoting the Sanctity of Human Life and the Right to Life for the Baby in the Womb

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Introduction

In today's humanistic culture, individuals are tinkering with ethical boundaries in science, namely genetics, pushing research and experimentation to the limit. In 1973, the monumental court case, Roe v. Wade, altered the bioethical playing field in the United States forever. For the first time in history, a mother could kill her unborn child without any legal consequences. Years later, a sheep named Dolly was cloned in a Scottish laboratory, and scientists around the world claimed they could clone human beings next. Likewise, stem cell research is one of the pivotal debates of the twenty-first century. In-vitro fertilization poses severe ethical concerns because it often leads to the destruction of excess embryos. Infanticide, euthanasia, and suicide, while not necessarily "scientific," are issues also facing our modern "culture of death."

We hope to promote the sanctity of human life and the right to life for a child in its mother's womb. This argument is steeped in Biblical scripture, given to us by God as a testament to His vision for our lives. Later, we will discuss the latest ethical issues in greater detail, providing

definitions, examples, and facts about their methodologies. It is our hope that God might reveal His deep love and respect for all forms of human life.

What the Bible Says About Human Life...

Life is one of the most abundant themes of the Bible. Dozens of verses refer to God *providing* life, *creating* life, *defending* life, *delighting* in life, and *restoring* life. The Bible declares that God is the giver (Acts 17:25) and author of life (Acts 3:15). Furthermore, Jesus states, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10). God created all life on earth. He literally breathed life into Adam (Genesis 2:7). Moreover, He fashioned Adam and Eve in His likeness. Genesis 1:27 states, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." Because "every human being is created by God and in His image, every has *intrinsic* rather than *relative* value." In Answering the Call, John Ensor writes, " are not to be destroyed when "unwanted." God made them. God wants them and he cherishes them! They are not to be discarded, sacrificed, or euthanized because they are useless to others." God appreciates all human life. He sees us from a perspective we can hardly even begin to fathom. Life is *sacred* to God, and as Christians, we have been given a charge to protect it: "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute" (Proverbs 31:8-9). God especially cherishes innocent human life (Exodus 23:7). The Bible specifically refers to the baby in the Book of Psalm: "You created my inmost being: you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:13-14). Ensor describes the womb as God's "personal art studio," where He personally designs every human being. Lastly, God has a plan for every human life, even before conception (Jeremiah 29:11).

Abortion

In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court decided the preborn child did not count as a person. Therefore, it could be "aborted for any reason or no reason." Since then, "Americans have intentionally destroyed more than 40 million human beings in utero." Imagine all the people God created who have been cheated out of their lives.

Aside from what the Bible says about the sacredness of life, one of the oldest Christian documents, the *Didache*, is quite clear on the issue, as well: "There are two different ways: the way of life and the way of death, and the difference between these two ways is great. Therefore, do not murder a child by abortion or kill a newborn infant." Even more specific is a segment in the *Apologeticus*, stating:

For us murder is once for all forbidden; so even the child in the womb, while yet the mother's blood is still being drawn on to form the human being, it is not lawful for us to destroy. To forbid birth is only quicker murder. It makes no difference whether one take away the life once born or destroy it as it comes to birth. He is a man, who is to be a man; the fruit is always present in the seed.

One of the biggest obstacles is that many individuals have a difficult time seeing a human embryo as an actual person. If one looks at the genetic makeup of a human being, though, it becomes easier. Every human has forty-six chromosomes. A female egg has twenty-three of those chromosomes, while a male sperm has the other twenty-three. When the two come together, an embryo is formed with the same forty-six chromosomes he or she will have their entire life. They now have the genetic makeup of a human being. Also, scientists have recently discovered that babies feel pain during abortion. According to Dr. Kanwaljeet Anand, a pediatrician at the University of Arkansas, "unborn children suffer "severe and excruciating" pain because "the is conscious" during the abortion procedure." Furthermore, Dr. Anand said, "The baby shows increased heart rate, blood flow and hormone levels responding to pain during the abortion."

There are currently several abortion techniques in use. Suction Aspiration is one. In this procedure, the abortionist tears the baby into pieces and sucks the pieces it into a knife-like hollow tube. In Dilatation & Curettage, the abortionist "inserts a curette, a loop-shaped steel knife, up into the uterus," and cuts the baby into pieces, causing much bleeding. A method recently developed, called "Partial Birth Abortion" or "Brain Suction" seems the most inhumane. Eighty percent of the babies aborted by this technique are healthy, viable children. In this procedure, the abortionist partially delivers the baby. Then, scissors are "jammed into the base of the skull." Next, "a tube is inserted into the skull, and the brain is sucked out." The baby's skull is collapsed, and the abortionist now pulls out the dead infant.

Infanticide

Another serious ethical issue the world today must face is the slaughtering of innocent children. "Infanticide is the killing of a born child – whether that killing is accomplished by a direct act on the part of someone, or whether ordinary care, vital to the child's survival, such as feeding, is refused." In most cases, a child may be allowed to die because he or she is born deformed, perhaps handicapped or mentally retarded. The parents might choose to have their child starved to death so that he or she will never have to live a life of ongoing struggle. But what some parents might consider merciful God considers murder. Who is to decide that a life is not worth living but God,

the creator of life? God has a plan for every one, and "disability and unhappiness do not necessarily go together."

Cloning & Embryonic Stem Cell Research

Much like abortion, cloning and stem cell research are also at the forefront of modern science. In February of 1997, scientists in Edinburgh, Scotland, successfully cloned the first adult mammal, a sheep named Dolly. This major breakthrough in genetic manipulation shocked the world; as a result, President Clinton assigned the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) to investigate the potentials and dangers of human cloning. On June 9, 1997, the NBAC revealed its findings, coming to the conclusion: "At this time it is morally unacceptable for anyone in the public or private sector, whether in research or clinical setting, to attempt to create a child." While President Clinton halted federal funds for any such research for the next five years, plenty of private businesses soon expressed their interests in developing the first human clone.

The President's Council on Bioethics defines cloning as "a form of reproduction in which offspring result not from the chance union of egg and sperm (sexual reproduction) but from the deliberate replication of the genetic makeup of another single individual (asexual reproduction)." From a Christian perspective, it is easy to see the problem with human cloning. The process takes sexual intercourse completely out of the equation. But God intended man and woman to unite as one flesh through sexual reproduction. By creating a human child through asexual means is a slap in the face to God, much like it is when we kill an innocent human baby.

Human cloning is also unsafe and destructive in nature. The President's Council asserts that "given the high rates of morbidity and mortality in the cloning of other mammals, we believe that cloning-to-produce-children would be extremely unsafe unethical." In other words, many human embryos would be destroyed in the experimentation process.

Many advocates of cloning and stem cell research discuss the potential good genetic research has in store. For example, stem cell research might lead to the curing of many diseases, such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease. In short, stem cell research could potentially heal those who are suffering. However, we must be wary of the Humanist mindset that emphasizes the self. It is selfish. Suffering is a way of life and appears part of God's plan for our lives. As soon as we begin to clone human beings or manipulate and discard human embryos through stem cell research, we will begin to view the "seeds of the next generation as mere raw material for satisfying the needs of our own." The President's Council claims:

Doing so would coarsen our moral sensibilities and make us a different society: one less humble toward that which we cannot fully understand, less willing to extend the boundaries of human respect ever outward, and more willing to transgress moral boundaries once it appears to be in our own interest to do so.

In addition, "all extractions of stem cells from human embryos, cloned or not, involve the destruction of these embryos." This is just as bad as abortion. While some supporters of stem cell research have discussed the possibility of only using embryos slated for destruction, it is not our right to sacrifice innocent human lives so that others will live.

The Complications of In-Vitro Fertilization

In-vitro fertilization (IVF) is a means by which unfertile couples can potentially have a child from their own genetic lineages. In the procedure, a woman is given drugs to induce ovulation, so that eggs can be harvested, which will then be mixed in a dish with a male's semen. Fertilization often occurs, and multiple embryos (typically 3 to 5) are implanted in the woman's uterus. Some of these embryos will surely die. In addition, many scientists practice "pick of the litter" selection by only choosing certain embryos. The remaining embryos are discarded (destroyed). Emedicinehealth.com states that the IVF procedure was first done successfully in the United States in 1981, but since then, 250,000 babies have been born through this technique. It is also unsafe; many children born by IVF end up with severe handicaps and other deformities. Many children do not live through the delivery.

Euthanasia and Suicide

Euthanasia, suicide, and doctor-assisted suicide, while not necessarily scientific, are still major concerns that face today's society. With the amount of suffering in the world, there are many individuals lying in hospital beds with terminal illnesses. In some cases, there seems no hope for recovery. Euthanasia and suicide are the result. Euthanasia is defined as "the intentional killing by act or omission of a dependent human being for his or her alleged benefit."

Euthanasia is only legal in Belgium and the Netherlands. While it is not legal in the United States, assisted suicide is legal in the state of Oregon. Regardless, euthanasia is still practiced in the United States in secrecy and is a crime.

One of the most frequently asked questions about euthanasia is whether people should be forced to stay alive, especially when their quality of life has diminished. The answer to this question is no, but euthanasia and any form of suicide is still unacceptable. There is an alternative, because "the law already permits patients or their surrogates to withhold or withdraw unwanted medical treatment even if that increases the likelihood that the patient will die."

Ultimately, euthanasia and suicide pose the same question as abortion and genetic research: has God given us the right to choose who lives and dies? He has not, and by assisting in one's suicide we take their fate into our own hands. Suicide hurts God, because He created us. In the end, it is His decision when and how His children should die, and we must respect His judgment.

Conclusion

As the twenty-first century unfolds, technological breakthroughs in genetics will continue to occur. The rise of technology has already broken free of its leash and is running rampant throughout the world. Certainly, not all technology is bad, but genetic technologies – as in abortion, stem cell research, and in-vitro fertilization – pose a direct threat to our integrity and God's will for our lives. We must fight for the sanctity of all human life, whether someone is dying slowly in a hospitable bed or only beginning his or her journey in a mother's womb.

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From High Satanic Wizard to Life in Christ

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Terry Beatley | **America Out Loud**

By thirteen years old, Zachery had joined a Satanic coven and was being used in child pornography. By fifteen, he had broken all Ten Commandments. At ten years old, Zachery King began dabbling in magic. Zachery had a normal childhood with two parents, church on Sundays and he was a good student. By thirteen years old, he had joined a Satanic coven and was being used in child pornography. By fifteen, he had broken all Ten Commandments.

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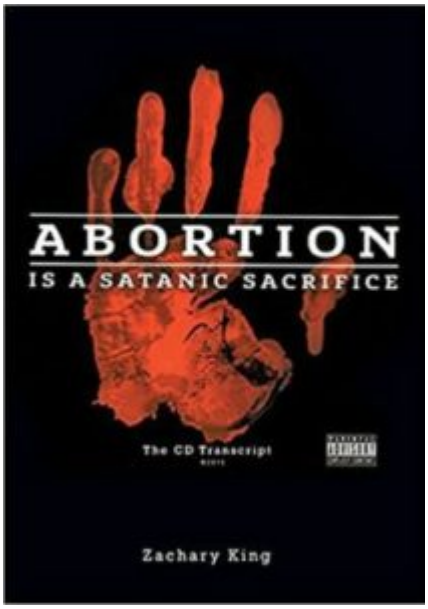

Zachery then met a Catholic woman who prophetically told him how he had been serving the devil and that our Blessed Mother Mary was calling him into her army to become a warrior for her son, Jesus Christ.

Zachery is the author of Abortion is a Satanic Sacrifice.

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For 12 Years, Media Has Ignored Lila Rose's Evidence Against Planned Parenthood

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By Sarah Terzo | Live Action

Lila Rose, the founder of Live Action, has conducted or overseen multiple campaigns documenting illegal activity at **Planned Parenthood** and other abortion facilities. Live Action is currently highlighting Planned Parenthood's policy of covering up sex trafficking and statutory rape. Based on videos taken in Planned Parenthood facilities in 2008 and 2011, as well as court documents and

other sources, Live Action has learned that Planned Parenthood **hides statutory rape** and allows **sex traffickers to use** their facilities without fear of being reported to law enforcement.

Before the 2008 and 2011 investigations, however, Lila Rose documented how a Planned Parenthood in California was willing to cover up the sexual abuse of a minor.

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In 2006, as a college student at UCLA, Rose was the editor of a pro-life magazine called *The Advocate*. For one issue, she secretly recorded the school's head nurse, Ann Brooks, at the Arthur Ashe Student Health and Wellness Center. Posing as a pregnant student, Rose caught Brooks on tape encouraging her to have an **abortion** and telling her how to get her parents' insurance to pay for it. Brooks also coached Rose on how to keep the abortion a secret from her parents, despite using their insurance. Transcripts of the recording were published in *The Advocate*.

A short time later, Rose decided to go to Planned Parenthood. Posing as a 15-year old girl, she went to the Planned Parenthood facility with a hidden recording device. Rose told staffers there that she was 15 and that her boyfriend, who had supposedly gotten her pregnant, was 23. A 23-year-old having sex with a 15-year-old is statutory rape. California law required Planned Parenthood to report the "relationship" to the authorities, in order to protect the underage victim.

Author Tony Perkins, in his 2015 book, "No Fear: Real Stories of a Courageous New Generation Standing for Truth," describes what happened at Planned Parenthood after Rose told workers her boyfriend was a 23-year-old man:

> **The Planned Parenthood staffer ushered Lila behind the reception counter to put some distance between her and the others in the waiting room. Behind the counter Lila repeated her situation, adding that her boyfriend was 23 years old. In a hushed tone the receptionist said, "If you're 15, we have to report it. If you're not, if you're older than that, then we don't need to."**

The Planned Parenthood worker told Rose to claim that she was 16, so that the facility would not be legally bound to report the abuse.

> **Rose responded, "Okay, but if I just say I'm not 15, then it's different? So I could just say…"**
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> **"You could say 16," the woman suggested.**
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> **"I could say 16?"**
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> **"Yes."**
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> **"Okay, yeah. So I would just write 16?"**
>
> **"Well, just figure out a birth date that works." With a shrug, the receptionist added, "and I don't know anything."**

Rose took the papers and sat down. She watched as pregnant girls, many of whom looked underage, were taken one by one into the back of the facility for their abortions. When no one was looking, Rose left. With her, she took the recorded evidence that Planned Parenthood was engaged in covering up criminal activity and breaking the mandatory reporting law.

READ: ***Planned Parenthood's consistent cover-up of child sexual abuse***

When Rose posted the video on YouTube, it went viral. The story became national news. Multiple news outlets covered the story, and Rose appeared on television.

Planned Parenthood then attempted to intimidate Rose, threatening legal action:

In full damage control mode, Planned Parenthood resorted to legal intimidation of Lila, sending a cease-and-desist letter. The document stated that her undercover recordings violated California law. They threatened to sue her in civil court for $5000 for each offense. Planned Parenthood demanded she stop the undercover investigations, remove the existing video from YouTube, and turn the original recordings and all copies over to Planned Parenthood.

Rose stood firm:

> **The threat from the billion-dollar abortion giant was more than real to this young woman with only $200 in her bank account; it was overwhelming. But Lila refused to yield to fear, no matter how strong the attacks against her.**

A pro-life legal organization offered to defend Rose, and they were able to avoid a lawsuit. She was forced to turn over some of the footage to Planned Parenthood. But the truth had come out. The damage to Planned Parenthood had been done. Planned Parenthood's illegal activity had been exposed.

Rose would go on to make Live Action a major organization. Over the years, Live Action would document more illegal activity at Planned Parenthood and other abortion facilities.

More Planned Parenthood facilities **were caught hiding** the statutory rape of young girls. Planned Parenthood facilities were caught illegally failing to report abuse in Bloomington, Indianapolis, Tucson, Phoenix, Memphis, Birmingham, Milwaukee, and Louisville.

In **another investigation**, Live Action's undercover journalists posed as a pimp and a prostitute. In seven different facilities, Planned Parenthood workers helped the supposed pimp and declined to call the police about his alleged sex trafficking ring. They neglected to contact law enforcement even after they were told the girls involved were minors. Planned Parenthood workers were caught on tape advising the pimp how to hide that the girls were victims of sex trafficking when going into abortion facilities in the future (claim the girls are students) and giving advice to the pimp on how his girls could still make money while they were temporarily unable to have sex after their abortions (when the girls were recovering from the abortions, they could use their hands to stimulate men who hired them).

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Planned Parenthood also documented abortionists and abortion workers **telling women** late in pregnancy that if the baby were born alive, they would make sure the child died. One worker told the undercover journalist that a living aborted baby would be drowned in a solution. Another investigation showed abortion workers **lying about fetal development** to pregnant women they thought were considering abortion. One abortion worker told the pregnant woman that a baby in the womb does not have a heartbeat until 16-17 weeks. Medical science documents that a baby's heart begins beating as early **as 16 days** in the womb.

Two other investigations showed Planned Parenthood offering to abort babies **for sex selection**, because a woman wanted a boy and not a girl (in violation of the law) and enthusiastically **accepting donations** earmarked to abort black babies.

Source: Tony Perkins *No Fear: Real Stories of a Courageous New Generation Standing for Truth* (Colorado Springs, Colorado: Water Brook Press, 2015) 8, 14-15

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Woman Suffers PTSD after Planned Parenthood Abortion: I was treated like ‘a business transaction’

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Nancy Flanders | Live Action News

It was the early 1980s when 19-year-old Terry Ann Adams discovered she was pregnant by her older boyfriend. Their relationship had been long-term and though he initially spoke of marriage, after Terry became pregnant, he ultimately changed his mind and told Adams that she should abort their baby. Reluctantly, she agreed to the **abortion**. It’s a regret she now lives with every day, more than 35 years later.

Her boyfriend was a “rising star in the music industry” at the time, even touring with 1980s-star Billy Idol. When he told Adams that he wanted her to have an abortion, she was afraid that he would find his fame and leave her and their child behind. Fear, she says, is what pushed her to have the abortion — fear of abandonment, fear of losing her job, and fear that her parents would be upset with her, especially her emotionally fragile mother.

“We both decided on abortion, though I was more reluctant and I would have kept the baby if he was supportive, I’m sure,” Adams told Kayla Nichols during a **Virtuous Mama Ministries podcast** for Sanctity of Life Sunday. “ I am sure if there was a pregnancy center — Christ-centered one like there are so many now — alternative listed in the phone book, I would have called them for sure.”

But feeling as though she had nowhere else to turn and no other choice to make, Adams went with her boyfriend to **Planned Parenthood** of New York City. She was struggling and feeling ambivalent, but he was “dead set” on going through with it.

“I remember looking around the outside of that tall cement building hoping that someone was there to help me somehow,” she said. “ I was having doubts and I started crying and said, ‘No. I

don’t want to do this.’ And my boyfriend disagreed. And I remember him holding my hand tightly, kind of pulling me along the streets of New York.”

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Adams said there were quite a few girls at the clinic, some who spoke nonchalantly about how many abortions they had had and one young girl with an older man – both of them sitting silently.

“They moved people along very quickly there,” she said of her experience at Planned Parenthood. “My boyfriend paid, you know, two hundred dollars to the secretary. When they called me in, he couldn’t go with me.”

After she had changed into the hospital gown, Adams began to cry and asked Planned Parenthood staff if she could speak to her boyfriend. They refused, telling her it was better if she didn’t. Later on, she learned that her boyfriend could hear her crying and tried to see her but was stopped by the clinic staff. Adams became so distraught, in fact, that she asked to be knocked out for the abortion. She remembers the abortion workers leaving to ask her boyfriend for more money to pay for the anesthesia. No one ever spoke to her about the procedure or the risks involved but did ask if she liked to get high on drugs, telling her that the anesthesia would feel just like that.

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After it was over, Adams awoke in a cold, windowless, “creepy” room with about 10 other women. One of them told her she had been crying in her sleep. She was told by staff that she might experience cramping and bleeding but no one said anything about emotional effects or any potential complications that might occur as a result of the abortion. She was given birth control pills and sent on her way.

“It would be more complicated to get your teeth cleaned than what this was like, getting an abortion at Planned Parenthood,” she said.

A week later, her boyfriend left her.

“My world was built on sand, not the Lord Jesus Christ that I did not know. And it fell apart,” she said.

Feeling like she couldn't tell anyone what she had been through, Adams was weighed down by the guilt and remorse she was feeling. She called Planned Parenthood hoping to talk to someone.

"The woman was kind and said, 'Do you know how many calls I get like this a week after a woman's done this?'" explained Adams. "She said to find someone to talk to."

Even the organization that had aborted her baby wasn't willing or able to help Adams. She dropped out of college and returned home. Her parents were suspicious that she had been pregnant, and her father came right out and asked her about it, but she denied it. She turned to a feminist health center in her hometown hoping to find support there, but the doctor only asked her why she would have gone to "such an awful place like Planned Parenthood."

Weighed down by her secret, Adams' suffering escalated. She hadn't slept in over 24 hours when she had an emotional breakdown at work. She became incoherent and her boss called an ambulance. Her family doctor had her committed to a psychiatric hospital. When Adams attempted to leave the hospital, she was put in four-point restraints. When her parents brought her younger brother to visit him, she threw water at him. When she spoke to the hospital social worker about why this was all happening she was told that she wasn't alone.

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"She said I wasn't the only woman who landed in the hospital for psychiatric care after an abortion," said Adams. "She said, 'It's a sign of your humanity… It's not a sign of weakness.'"

Soon Adams became tortured by the questions of why she had gone through with the abortion and how her boyfriend could have been so selfish, as well as how she could possibly go on living. She became paranoid that the nurse was telling other patients about her abortion. Finally, she was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder as a result of the abortion, what is now labeled by many today as post-abortion syndrome. Now having a reason behind her depression and intense suffering, she began cooperating, taking her medications and exercising.

As she continued to heal, Adams was released from the hospital and returned to work. She visited the psychiatrist for follow up appointments and through the urging of family and strangers alike, began to build a relationship with Jesus. Although she was making steps towards a better life, Adams was still living what she calls "the party life" full of drinking, drugs, and nightclubs.

Eventually, Adams moved far from her hometown and met someone to whom she became engaged at the age of 24. Ultimately, she broke off the engagement but soon after discovered she was pregnant.

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“I realized, like several other women I met, that later on, soon after , I left myself open to a second pregnancy thinking it would help me recover from the profound loss and regret of the abortion. But it didn’t,” she said.

Adams found a home for unwed pregnant women, and with the support of her parents, decided not to place her baby for adoption but to raise him herself. She graduated from the program for unwed mothers, and after her baby was born she moved into a home with a Christian family until she was able to get back on her feet.

In taking steps towards healing, Adams named and wrote a letter to the baby she aborted, as well as a letter to that baby’s father asking for forgiveness for her role in the abortion. She began volunteering at a pregnancy resource center.

“Abortion being legal isn’t to the primary benefit of women,” she said. “Nine out of 10 women that I encountered, including again from my own experiences, would have given birth if the father of the baby was completely supportive. I feel as though legalized abortion is really to the benefit of men being able to bow out of the responsibility to the woman and child.”

She says that out of the approximately 150 women who came through the pregnancy resource center doors each year, only about five of them had boyfriends or husbands who wanted to keep their babies. The majority of women who face unexpected pregnancies, she says, choose abortion because they don’t have the support of the baby’s father.

READ: ***Where can women like Candace get help when they’re being forced to abort?***

Today Adams has three children and is grateful to have two young women in her life who are the age that her child would have been. She calls them “a blessing from God.” She calls her abortion “a regret” and “a pain in my heart.” She wishes a pro-life activist had been present to help her on that day that she went to Planned Parenthood.

“God creates life and has purpose for everyone,” said Adams. “I’ve never met a person who regretted having a child. I’ve met many women who’ve regretted having an abortion.”

As for Planned Parenthood, she says that they are a business and abortion is nothing but a business transaction they are working to complete.

Planned Parenthood, she says, uses tactics “of discouraging us from seeing each other so we wouldn’t change our minds.” she said. “ For many years, I felt as though like I just was a business, not someone in crisis who needed help and knowledge about alternatives as a woman.”

Kate Spade, Anthony Bourdain, and Society's Mixed Messages on Suicide

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By **Cassy Fiano** | LIVE ACTION

Suicide is on the rise, as two heartbreaking deaths from this week have painfully illustrated. Fashion designer Kate Spade's line of eponymous handbags rocketed her to stardom, and women everywhere loved her upbeat, stylish, affordable fashions. Yet the sunny style that was sold in her

stores hid the reality: Spade had long battled with depression. This week, she was found dead, having taken her own life.

Just days after Spade's death, today, the death of another celebrity rocks headlines. Celebrity chef, author, and television personality Anthony Bourdain has died, and like Spade, Bourdain committed suicide. Bourdain's Emmy award-winning series "Parts Unknown" took him around the world, discovering adventure, experiencing new cultures, and tasting new food. That such an adventurous man, so seemingly full of life, would likewise commit suicide has shocked people. But should it?

Suicide rates are skyrocketing

According to the Center for Disease Control, **suicide deaths have skyrocketed**. Over the last 20 years, suicides in almost every single state have increased. In half of all states, they've increased by over 30 percent; in a few states, like North Dakota, the increase is over 50 percent. "Suicide in this country really is a problem that is impacted by so many factors. It's not just a mental health concern," Deborah Stone, lead author of the CDC study, said. "There are many different circumstances and factors that contribute to suicide. And so that's one of the things that this study really shows us. It points to the need for a comprehensive approach to prevention."

While most suicide is committed by firearms, the study found that suicides have been increasing in all methods. "So it's not just about firearms, it's also about other methods of suicide such as hanging, suffocation, poisoning and the like," Stone said. "We are concerned with all aspects of suicide prevention, including access to lethal means, and so we do include that in a comprehensive approach to suicide prevention."

READ: ***'It's completely crazy': Physicians slam Danish doctor of death's suicide manual***

But what is causing the rise in suicide? Suicide is largely driven by mental health issues, but the triggers can often be something new and sudden: loss of a job, the ending of a relationship, substance abuse, money problems, housing issues, etc., and the person feels pushed over the edge, they fear that they are a burden or that their families would be better off without them, and they make a tragic decision.

According to Robert Gebbia, head of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, the choice to take one's own life is often an impulsive decision. "You may be thinking about it over time, but that moment when you actually make an attempt is a very short window," he explained. "If you could make it harder to make that attempt by not having access to the means, often what happens is the feelings will pass, it gives people time for someone to intervene and get them help, so that is a really important preventative step that can be done. And there's good research to support that."

But could there be something else contributing to the rise in suicide? While the CDC study does not mention it, it seems foolish to not consider recent cultural changes.

Assisted suicide

Selling the idea of "death with dignity"

Take, for example, the growing acceptance and glamorization of assisted suicide. Across the country and across the world, assisted suicide is becoming legalized, to the consternation of numerous doctors who fear the dangerous precedent this sets. In many instances, assisted suicide is no longer limited solely to those with terminal illnesses; people **strugging with depression and mental illness** can be euthanized. People can seek euthanasia due to disability. And it's framed in overwhelmingly positive terms: "death with dignity." The selling point is that euthanasia allows people to escape living a life without dignity, a meaningless definition which allows people to essentially imprint their own definition of an undignified life.

Entrepreneurs are even coming up with **suicide machines** that can be created with just a 3D printer, making them available to anyone. All a suicidal person would need to do is print the machine, get inside, and push a button. The designer of this machine called suicide a "fundamental human right," and believes that all people should be able to choose when they want to die. People are even going through with euthanasia, **streaming live on television**.

And while there are some that claim that there is **a difference between euthanasia and suicide**, this, too, is false. People request euthanasia for the same reasons they take their own lives, and it's not due to fear of pain from a terminal illness. Multiple **studies**, including some published in prestigious medical journals like the **New England Journal of Medicine** and the **British Medical Journal**, have found that reasons for euthanasia most often are because people feel hopeless, and they're struggling with depression. They don't have support, they fear that they'll be a burden on their loved ones. In short, people request euthanasia for the same reasons they kill themselves.

But when these issues are addressed and treated, the request for euthanasia is almost always withdrawn.

READ: ***Fatal Flaws: Documentary examines dangerous implications of assisted suicide laws***

Yet the idea of taking one's own life being a "dignified" option continues to spread. On the one hand, we tell people that suicide is a terrible tragedy that must always be prevented; on the other, though, we also tell people that it's not only acceptable, but the *dignified* option under increasingly wide circumstances.

When culturally, we tell people that suicide can be a dignified decision, is it really difficult to understand why more people are taking their own lives?

Normalizing and glamorizing assisted suicide

As if the idea of a dignified suicide isn't enough, it's also becoming increasingly glamorized. Movies like **"Me Before You"**show suicide as something romantic and beautiful. TV shows like **"Mary Kills People"** likewise portray taking your own life as a positive thing. But perhaps the most influential suicide drama is the Netflix show "13 Reasons Why," currently airing its second season, with a third season already on the way. After the first season aired, **internet searches on how to commit suicide** spiked by 19 percent — meaning approximately *one million more searches* than usual.

Dan Nelson, the medical director of the child psychiatry inpatient unit at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, pointed out that after "13 Reasons Why," he was seeing patients who now thought of taking their own lives as something normal. Kimberly O'Brien, a researcher at Boston Children's Hospital and an instructor in psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, noted she had patients who wanted to "kill myself the way the girl in '13 Reasons Why' did." In "13 Reasons Why," Hannah's death at her own hands was presented as the ultimate revenge against all those who had wronged her. For suicidal teenagers, especially, that is an extremely harmful message.

Why can movies and TV shows that glamorize suicide cause suicidal individuals to take the plunge? Because seeing pictures, video, or detailed descriptions of how other individuals killed themselves can give an already suicidal person the encouragement they need to go take their own life, as well as a possible blueprint of how to do it.

The deaths of Kate Spade and Anthony Bourdain are a heartbreaking tragedy. Even more tragic is that there are millions of people just like them across the country and across the world, who have to fight the voices inside their heads that tell them the world will be better off without them, while also living in a culture of death that calls suicide a dignified decision, a culture of death which glamorizes the taking of one's own life, a culture of death that affirms every negative thought these people are thinking.

This world glamorizes death and devalues life at every level. Is it really any surprise, then, that more people are choosing to take their own lives?

STOP THE WORLD BANK FROM USING OUR TAX DOLLARS FOR ABORTION

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The World Bank: Advocate for Abortions as a "Reproduction Health"

Letter with Attachments Linked below along with the original press release

56 million abortions are performed every year around the world, most of them in developing countries. The World Bank, hosted and financed by the US, is the largest source of external finance to support reproductive health in developing countries.

In 2016, the International Planned Parenthood Federation declared its annual budget that it allotted to Member Associations and devoted to specific projects and international campaigns was $125 million. In comparison, since 1992, the World Bank has spent an average of $379 million a year on population and reproductive health programs. But its real power comes from $200 billion subsidized loans it dispenses to developing countries that it uses as leverage to strong-arm poor countries into promoting abortion as a tool for population control.

Pro-Life Federation International was established to organize a global campaign to defund the World Bank. Within a month time, 32 US and international pro-life organizations have joined our effort. The World Bank is a powerful institution. We need more pro-life warriors to join us. Let us join hands in prayers and action to stop abortion from being a tool for population control. Let us join our voices in the chorus of outrage to starve the World Bank of our tax dollars that it relies on to promote abortion.

PRESS RELEASE ATTACHMENTS:

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A Late-Term Abortion Killed This Teen. It Took 13 Years To Release The 911 Call.

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By Cassy Fiano | **Live Action**

June 2, 2018

Notorious abortionist LeRoy Carhart, who made headlines for **the death of Jennifer Morbelli**, whose uterus he ruptured after he committed a **late-term abortion** on her. There was widespread grief and outrage over Morbelli's death, but she wasn't the first patient he killed — and this death **went almost entirely unnoticed**.

Christin Gilbert was a young woman with Down syndrome, a Special Olympian who loved sports, especially softball, in which she earned a gold medal. In 2004, Gilbert was sexually assaulted, and became pregnant. Her parents took her to Women's Health Care Services in Wichita, Kansas: George Tiller's abortion facility, where LeRoy Carhart was working as an abortionist.

In 2005, Gilbert went to see Carhart, who began the late-term abortion by delivering a fatal shot of digoxin to the heart of her baby. He inserted laminaria into her cervix, and sent Gilbert and her family to a hotel to wait.

The next day, on their way back to the abortion facility, Gilbert delivered the body of her dead baby in the van.

Carhart then performed a dilation and curettage, or D&C, on her. But Carhart wasn't finished. He then administered RU-486, which is not approved for use during a late-term abortion, and sent Gilbert and her family on their way again. Gilbert quickly began to deteriorate; she had become septic, but at the abortion facility, staffers shrugged off her condition and sent the family away again. By evening, Gilbert was vomiting, fainting, and bleeding. Cathy Reavis, an unlicensed "nurse," came to the hotel to assist Gilbert, but merely placed her into a warm bath. Carhart was called, but he never bothered coming to help his patient.

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Photo credit: justiceforchristin.com

The next morning, Gilbert fainted. The family took her back to the abortion facility, as they likely were instructed to do. Gilbert woke up, but then fainted again.

During this time, the abortion staffers called 911. And in a major breach of ethics, they refused to tell EMS personnel what the nature of the emergency was. Instead, they delayed on the phone, keeping the 911 operator on hold for 45 seconds. This led paramedics to believe there was no urgency to the situation.

The chilling 911 tape has now, 13 years later, been released.

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When emergency personnel arrived, they found Gilbert lying in “huge amounts” of blood and fluid, with Carhart on top of her, trying to force fluids from her stomach. At the hospital, she was found to be severely septic, bleeding from every orifice in her body, and she died, just one day after Carhart committed her late-term abortion. Her body had been so ravaged by infection that her organs could not be donated.

Christin was just 19 years old.

The 911 audio, released by pro-life group Operation Rescue, may be old, but it’s still relevant, because LeRoy Carhart is still committing abortions, despite killing at least two patients and continuing to injure many more, including one very recent incident in which a woman **nearly bled to death** during an abortion at Carhart’s Nebraska facility. He has **never been held accountable for his crimes**, and continues to traffic in late-term abortion. Christin Gilbert and

Jennifer Morbelli both deserve justice; Carhart must be stopped from hurting another woman, ever again.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

We Need to Leave Death in God's Hands

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Richmond Times-Dispatch Letter to the Editor

In his letter, "Time for Virginia to allow physician-assisted deaths," Correspondent of the Day Dr. J. Latane Ware wants Virginia doctors to be allowed to help an "individual who has a severe, incurable, and terminal condition" in the individual's death.

Doctor-assisted death/suicide would be another step in the death culture that developed in the early 20th century as Darwinism's "man evolving from an animal" and "survival of the fittest" movements progressed to the eugenics movement, in which Virginia was infamously a leader. Darwin's theory calls for the elimination of "all the disgraces of nature." It reached its peak, but not its end, with the German Holocaust.

The death culture got a jump-start again 45 years ago when the Supreme Court gave doctors the legal right to kill a baby in the womb, which has resulted in more than 60 million dead babies. This American holocaust has further allowed and encouraged movements for euthanasia and infanticide.

All these death movements have had their strict requirements, under defined circumstances, to ensure that killing is done under orderly and sanitary conditions.

We need to be aware of how pressure will be brought on older patients as to the waste of money and resources spent keeping them alive. This is all part of the death culture that wants to cleanse the world of the undesirables, the handicapped, the old, and the useless eaters.

I'm sure Ware has a heart for the suffering patients whom he has attended or seen and he is responding to that, but we need to leave the death responsibility in the hands of God. He is the one who created us and who determines our lifespan.

Greene Hollowell.

Richmond.

Planned Profiting: Abortion Biz Rakes in Taxpayer Cash

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March 09, 2018 | FRC

Breaking the law doesn't help your chances for earning federal dollars — but apparently, it doesn't hurt them either! If there's one thing Planned Parenthood's learned over the last few years, it's that crime does pay. A lot, according to the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Despite piles of evidence (**some of it from the group's own mouth**) that Cecile Richards's group was illegally selling baby body parts (after performing equally illegal late-term abortions), a new report shows the wrongdoing hasn't made the slightest dent in its taxpayer-funded gravy train — at least on the federal level.

On the contrary, GAO officials found, being referred for criminal prosecution didn't result in so much as a financial blip for Richards and company. Between 2013-15, Planned Parenthood, its international affiliates, and Marie Stopes International dug deep into taxpayers' pockets, banking a whopping **$1.5 billion from federal and state programs** like Medicaid, Medicare, Title X, and CHIP. But even more amazingly, four of the five Planned Parenthood locations that raked in the most money are the same ones under investigation by the FBI! Planned Parenthood offices in Mar Monte ($229 million), Los Angeles ($106 million), Pacific Southwest ($105 million), and Northern California ($104 million).

The news disgusted a number of House conservatives, many of whom were part of the select panel a couple of years later that referred the organization to the Justice Department. Obviously, it's offensive that taxpayers are forced to fund anyone that performs abortion — but we *certainly* shouldn't fund the groups who break the law doing it! Live Action president Lila Rose can't understand why Democrats don't agree.

> "This should not be a partisan issue. Even those politicians who support abortion should be honest enough to admit that taxpayers shouldn't be funding an organization embroiled in such barbaric and likely criminal acts – especially when there are federally-qualified health centers where the money could be redirected to help more people. DaVinci Biosciences, one of Planned Parenthood's partners in the baby organ trade, has already admitted to breaking federal law."

Rep. Diane Black (R-Tenn.), who, along with fellow Tennessean Marsha Blackburn (R) has been leading the fight to defund Planned Parenthood, is absolutely sickened by this betrayal of taxpayers' trust. "Industry giants like Planned Parenthood perform more than 320,000 abortions every year, and this GAO report exposes that these atrocities are done at the expense of taxpayers.... Abortion is not family planning," she added. "Abortion is family destruction, and the fact that $1.5 billion in taxpayer dollars is funneled to this industry is sickening. The American people deserve better."

Most agree. Only **36 percent of the country** thinks taxpayers should be forced to foot the bill for abortion. But I'm willing to bet that even they wouldn't approve of sending that money to an organization that's believed to have broken a long list of federal and state laws.

As for Republicans, 120 asked GAO to run the numbers, this report ought to light another fire under Congress to ramp up its push to defund Planned Parenthood. If Democrats want to stop the GOP, let them stand in front of voters and own it. President Trump has done what he can internationally and through executive order. He needs the House and Senate to do the rest.

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Lila Rose exposes Planned Parenthood facts in PragerU video

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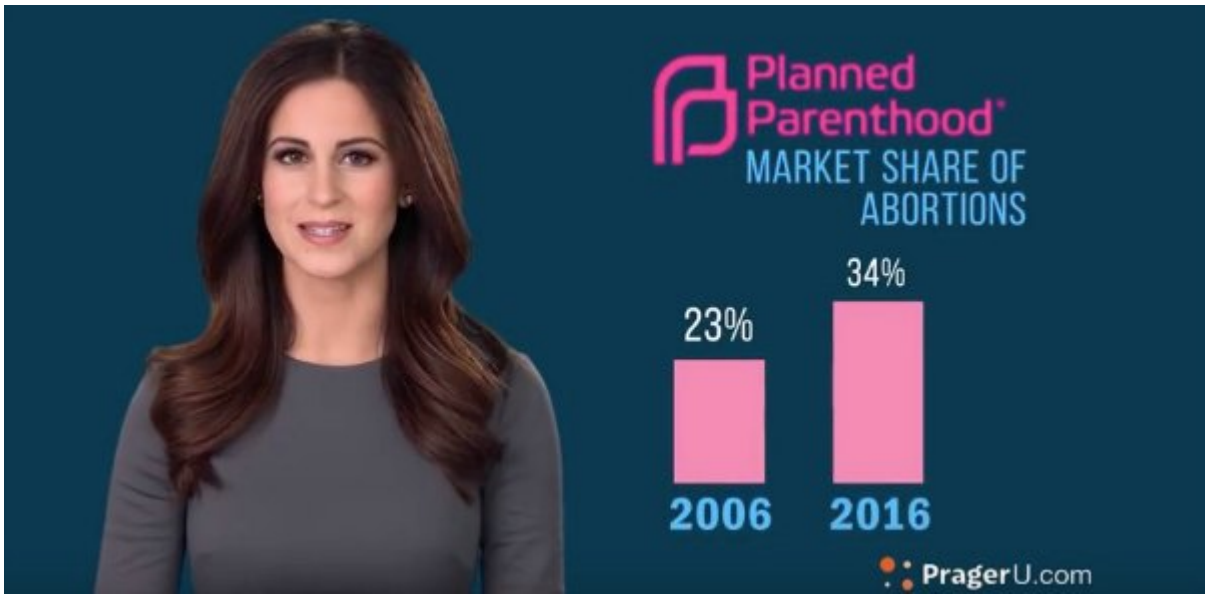
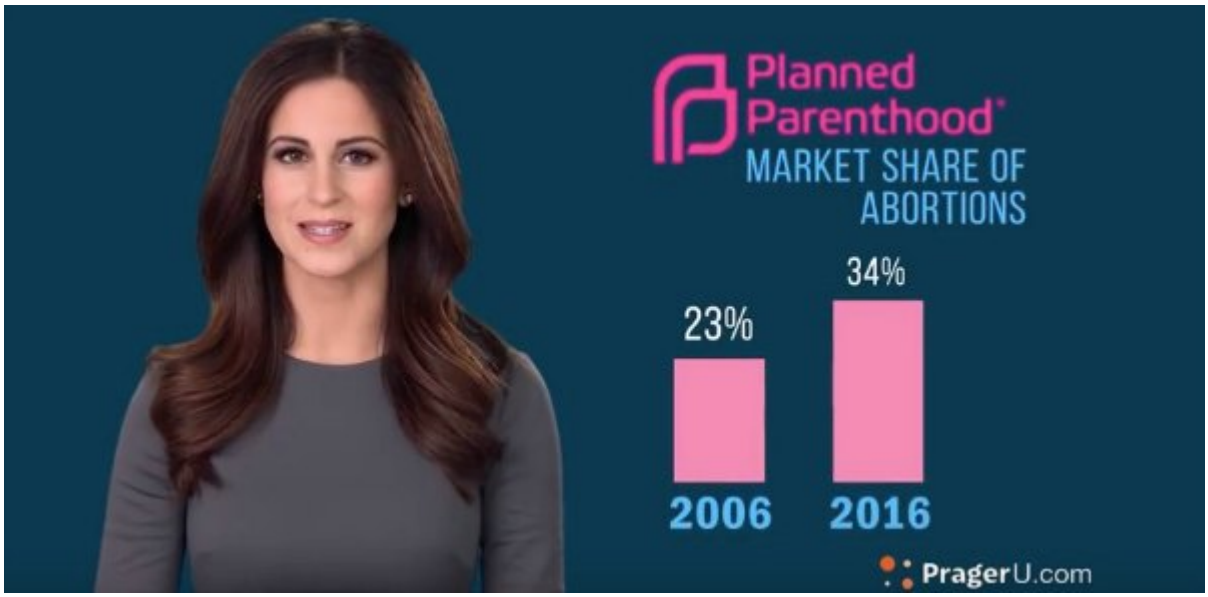


by Kristi Burton Brown | **LIVE ACTION** February 19, 2018

Today, PragerU released a video narrated by Lila Rose, founder and president of Live Action.

In five-and-a-half minutes, the video exposes the essential facts about **Planned Parenthood**, going beyond the usual talking points recited by America's abortion corporation. As Rose says, "This organization claims it's a healthcare provider. But it's not involved in preserving life. It's involved in ending life." (**MUST SEE VIDEO AT END OF ARTICLE**)

PragerU and Rose go through the gamut of issues generally raised about Planned Parenthood. Don't they show women ultrasounds, for instance? Well, the fact is that "the last thing Planned Parenthood wants to do is show a woman an image of her growing child. So they don't." An earlier investigative video released by Live Action showed how the abortion corporation uses ultrasounds for — get this — abortions, and that the majority of its facilities refuse to offer an ultrasound to a woman who is not committed to abortion. Get an ultrasound, get an abortion: that's the equation at Planned Parenthood.



Speaking of abortions, despite the abortion chain's claim that it's only "three percent" of what it does annually, the facts show that "every year, Planned Parenthood does more than a third of all abortions in American, more than 321,000 of them. That's equivalent to every inhabitant of St. Louis or Pittsburgh wiped out, every year." Rose goes further with the three percent claim, reminding viewers of Rich Lowry's National Review article, where he analogized Planned Parenthood's disingenuous claim to Major League Baseball teams claiming baseball is only .012 percent of what they do because they sell 20 million hot dogs but play only 2,430 games in a season. (To read Lowry's full exposition of the issue, **go here**.)

Rose informs viewers of several other essential facts:

- Planned Parenthood is focused on one thing: abortion, not women's health.
- When the abortion chain says it's devoted to women's reproductive rights, what it means is it's devoted to aborting as many babies as possible.
- Planned Parenthood receives over $500 million per year in taxpayer funding — that's your money and my money. With its overflowing wallet, the abortion corporation has ample funding to focus on abortion and end the lives of 321,000 children per year.
- In 10 years, Planned Parenthood's clientele has dropped an incredible 23%, but its taxpayer funding continues to skyrocket. This is not only unconscionable, but it also defies basic logic and good common sense.

She ends by exposing the biggest reality of all: to defeat Planned Parenthood's violent agenda, there's one thing needed, and that's the truth. Thankfully, the truth is something each of us can speak.

The reality is just about everything about Planned Parenthood is a deception — its purpose, its funding, its very name. That's why @PPact's biggest enemy isn't conservatives or religious people. It's biggest enemy is truth.

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SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

‘I truly hate these people’: Disgraced FBI agents trashed pro-lifers, wanted to stop March for Life

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Fr. Mark Hodges | **LifeSite News**

WASHINGTON, D.C., February 9, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Text messages recently released between FBI agent Peter Strzok and his mistress FBI attorney Lisa Page — both of whom are anti-Trump — reveal them saying that they "hate" pro-lifers and wanted to find an excuse to cancel the 2016 March for Life in Washington, D.C.

In what was intended to be a private message, Page told Strzok that "I truly hate these people," referring to pro-lifers attending the January 22, 2016, March for Life in the nation's Capitol. Strzok then replied that the authorities should lie about a "snow emergency" to "cancel the permit" and stop the march.

Below is a transcript of their conversation:

> FBI agent Strzok: "F*cking marchers making traffic problems."
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> FBI attorney Page: "Yeah, some extremely offensive video screens set up in front of district. I truly hate these people. No support for the woman who actually has to spend the rest of her life rearing this child, but we care about 'life.' Assholes."
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> FBI agent Strzok: "…Hey, I have an idea! Snow emergency, cancel the permit."

On Tuesday, the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the chief oversight committee of Congress, released **thousands of text messages** in its investigation of Hillary Clinton's misuse of government email and the FBI looking into it.

While a great deal of **political fodder** was gleaned, pro-lifers are concerned about the denigrating way two people within the FBI texted each other about those who defend the lives of preborn babies.

"It's not surprising that these people would hate pro-lifers so much that they would want to abuse their authority to cancel the March for Life," Operation Rescue President Tony Newman told LifeSiteNews. "Given their extreme political bias against those who hold pro-life views, one can only expect them to stoop to criminal conduct."

Strzok and Page were reportedly carrying on a two-year extramarital affair, and texted each other frequently (Strzok is married to Melissa Hodgman; Page to Peter Burrow). The Senate investigation found at least **50,000 messages** the couple shared.

The texts, along with many cursing and disparaging President Trump and other conservative values, has led to concerns over bias on the part of the one-time lead investigator under Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

Strzok also softened the language of the FBI's official characterization of Clinton's email mishandling. Page was also briefly on Mueller's probe into unproven allegations of Trump helping the Russians influence the U.S. election.

Newman says the FBI is tainted as both anti-life and anti-Trump. "That is the same company that worked with Planned Parenthood to produce a phony report discrediting the undercover baby parts videos," Newman pointed out.

Democrat Senators High-Five after Voting in Favor of Late-Term Abortion

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WASHINGTON, D.C., January 30, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer high-fived one of his Democrat colleagues yesterday after she voted in favor of late-term abortion.

Sen. Schumer, D-NY, high-fived and then clasped the hand of Sen. Heidi Heitkamp, D-ND, on the floor of the U.S. Senate **after she voted "no" on ending debate over the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act**. Sixty senators needed to vote to end debate over the bill in order for it to have come to an actual vote.

The Susan B. Anthony List (SBA List) has identified Heitkamp as a "vulnerable" Democrat who they aim to unseat this November.

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Immediately after Heitkamp voted against stopping late-term abortions on babies who feel pain, **SBA List announced a digital ad campaign against her in North Dakota**. The pro-life political group says it plans to educate low-turnout pro-life voters as well as Democratic women and Hispanics on their Senator's record on life.

"The American people will not forget the extreme position taken by Senate Democrats to block this common sense legislation to stop barbaric late abortions," said Tony Perkins, President of the Family Research Council.

President Trump asked the Senate to “reconsider” its vote, saying, “we must defend those who cannot defend themselves.”

The 2 Legal Fictions in Roe Decision

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Rita Dunaway | **WND**

60 Million Dead & Counting

Exclusive: Rita Dunaway says it's past time for Supreme Court to reverse itself

Every year, on Jan. 22, we are reminded of what can happen when the rule of man prevails over the rule of law. On this date in 1973, seven men made a factually, legally and morally flawed decision that has resulted in the deaths of more than 60 million innocent lives, to date. They declared that our Constitution, constructed on the premise that government exists to protect the lives of its citizens, requires every state to permit the deadly practice of abortion.

In order to reach this conclusion, the seven men who constituted the majority of the Supreme Court in Roe v. Wade had to perpetuate not one, but two legal fictions.

The first is one that has dogged America since its founding: the fiction that not all human beings are "persons" entitled to legal protection.

One might have thought that our judiciary had learned its lesson about the injustice of refusing to treat all human beings as "persons" after the repugnant and rightfully renounced decision in Dred Scott v. Sanford. That was the decision, you may recall, in which the Court determined that a slave, despite his obvious humanness, was not a "person" in the eyes of the law. But sadly, the lesson has not yet been learned.

In Roe v. Wade, Texas argued that the 14th Amendment, which guarantees the "right to life" to every "person," justified its laws protecting human life inside the womb. The argument thus hinged on the proposition that life begins at conception, and that a pre-born baby is therefore a human being entitled to the rights of a "person."

In a surprise maneuver, the Supreme Court claimed it was incompetent to rule on when life begins. (Of course, this was pure bunk. Science tells us, without equivocation, that a unique organism exists at conception, complete with DNA that is distinct from the mother and father. This new organism is indisputably human and indisputably living.)

Even more oddly, however, than its dismissal of this pivotal scientific evidence, was the Court's conclusion that determining when life begins was totally unnecessary to determining whether a baby in the womb had a constitutionally protected right to life.

The Court said that because there was no obvious indication that the Constitution was meant to apply to babies before birth, it surely did not. And yet, the Court ironically staked its ultimate decision – mandating legal abortion in every state – upon its conclusion that women's "right to privacy," mentioned nowhere in the Constitution, encompasses a right to abortion.

This is the second legal fiction of Roe v. Wade. This type of "right to privacy" is the Supreme Court's own invention, dating from 1965. And because the Court made it up, only the Court can decide what it means or how it precludes government from fulfilling its most basic duty to protect human life.

The majority ultimately concluded that its task was to balance the woman's right of privacy against the state's interest in protecting "potential life." That "potential life," it concluded, had no rights of his own to be considered.

Sixty million dead babies later, we can see how this "balancing" worked out.

In a nutshell, the ruling of Roe v. Wade is the product of seven Supreme Court justices deciding that a right smudged into the Constitution by judges (the "right of privacy") outweighed the duty and prerogative of states to protect what science proves to be living human beings. By divorcing (again) the legal concept of "person" from the scientific concept of "human life," the Court deprived defenseless human beings of a right that is explicitly protected in the Constitution, in order to strengthen a "right" of more powerful human beings that is nowhere mentioned in the Constitution.

>It is past time for the Supreme Court to reverse this indefensible ruling.

Justice requires laws that recognize and protect the fundamental rights of every human being, regardless of race, age, or conditions of dependency. The failure to marry the concepts of life and personhood enabled previous generations to ignore the human rights of slaves; it enables our generation to exterminate pre-born human beings.

ustice also requires a restrained judiciary that respects the rule of law. The Constitution does not protect every behavior some might like it to protect. It does provide a process through which we, the people, can amend the text to incorporate new rights or expound existing ones. It gives no quarter, however, to judges who would usurp this prerogative for themselves, and make informal amendments through the guise of "interpretation."

SOURCE: **http://www.wnd.com/2018/01/the-2-legal-fictions-in-roe-decision/#TpU61Wyc2BvJIidZ.99**

Trump declares Roe v. Wade abortion anniversary to be 'Sanctity of Human Life Day'

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WASHINGTON, D.C., January 22, 2018 (**LifeSiteNews**) – President Donald Trump proclaimed Monday, January 22, 2018, "National Sanctity of Human Life Day." The proclamation comes on the 45th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the landmark decision that legalized abortion in the U.S. throughout the entire nine months of a mother's pregnancy.

Trump made **the proclamation** on Friday, as hundreds of thousands of pro-life pilgrims converged upon Washington D.C. for the annual March for Life.

"Today, we focus our attention on the love and protection each person, born and unborn, deserves regardless of disability, gender, appearance, or ethnicity," begins Trump's proclamation.

"Reverence for every human life, one of the values for which our Founding Fathers fought, defines the character of our Nation," Trump continued in the proclamation. "Today, it moves us to promote the health of pregnant mothers and their unborn children."

The president remarked how holding human life as sacred involves standing up for the "the weak and the powerless," and "dispels the notion that our worth depends on the extent to which we are planned for or wanted."

Trump emphasized that science is on the side of life in the proclamation, mentioning it twice.

"Science continues to support and build the case for life," he states. "Medical technologies allow us to see images of the unborn children moving their newly formed fingers and toes, yawning, and even smiling."

"Those images present us with irrefutable evidence that babies are growing within their mothers' wombs — precious, unique lives, each deserving a future filled with promise and hope," Trump continued. "We can also now operate on babies in utero to stave off life-threatening diseases. These important medical advances give us an even greater appreciation for the humanity of the unborn."

The president then added: "Today, citizens throughout our great country are working for the cause of life and fighting for the unborn, driven by love and supported by both science and philosophy."

Trump praised the pro-life movement in his proclamation for its commitment not only to unborn children, but to mothers of unborn children. He praised healthcare workers who uphold life in their work. He praised legislators who work to create protections on behalf of life. And he praised those who took part in the March for Life to witness to life.

"These compassionate Americans are volunteers who assist women through difficult pregnancies, facilitate adoptions, and offer hope to those considering or recovering from abortions," he stated. "They are medical providers who, often at the risk of their livelihood, conscientiously refuse to participate in abortions."

"And they are legislators who support health and safety standards, informed consent, parental notification, and bans on late-term abortions, when babies can feel pain," Trump then added. "These undeterred warriors, many of whom travel to Washington, D.C., every year for the March for Life, are changing hearts and saving lives through their passionate defense of and loving care for all human lives."

Trump's proclamation also stated that reverence for human life "animates our concern for single moms; the elderly, the infirm, and the disabled; and orphan and foster children," and "compels us to address" the opioid epidemic and mental health issues.

The reason for National Sanctity of Human Life Day, stated Trump, is "to affirm the truth that all life is sacred, that every person has inherent dignity and worth, and that no class of people should ever be discarded as 'non-human.'"

President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day in 1984, making note that millions of U.S. lives lost to abortion in the 11 years since Roe v. Wade — already by then "over tenfold the number of Americans lost in all our Nation's wars" — was "a tragedy of stunning dimensions that stands in sad contrast to our belief that each life is sacred."

Reagan called upon Americans to gather in their homes and places of worship on Sunday, January 22, 1984, "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."

Reagan issued the proclamation each year during his eight-year presidency on the Sunday closest to the Roe v. Wade anniversary.

This practice of declaring Sanctity of Human Life Day in conjunction with the annual commemoration of Roe v. Wade has been either continued – or not – every year since Reagan's 1984 declaration depending on who's been in the White House.

It was continued every year throughout the administration of Reagan's successor, George H.W. Bush. Bill Clinton then dropped it during his eight years as president, and George W. Bush then

resumed it again for his eight years in office.

Barack Obama did not declare National Sanctity of Human Life Day during the eight years of his administration.

More Terrific Victories for Life and a Culture Of Life

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Bill Muehlenberg | **BARB WIRE**

It goes without saying that until every single baby is safe and secure in his or her own mother's womb, we pro-lifers have a lot of work to do. But I for one am quite happy to celebrate the various wins we are having along the way. And in the US at least we keep seeing a number of victories which should encourage us all.

The indicators of a pro-life surge there are many. For example, abortion mills continue to close down, which is always a good thing. Sure, new ones may spring up, but last year closures led the way. As **one report puts it**:

> In a year that abortion businesses attempted to expand in America, the actual number of abortion facilities decreased by 27 clinics over 2016 totals. Closures far outpaced newly opened abortion facilities in 2017. In all, 49 abortion facilities — 35 surgical and 14 medication only clinics — closed or halted abortion services. Only eight new surgical abortion facilities were opened, along with eleven new medication abortion facilities.
> There was also some movement between categories. Fourteen surgical abortion facilities now only conduct medication abortions, while five medication abortion facilities added surgical abortions. These encouraging statistics and more were verified through an annual survey of abortion facilities conducted by Operation Rescue staff, this year with the assistance of Abortion Free New Mexico.

Pro-life wins are also occurring with various pieces of legislation at state and federal levels. As but one example, **consider this recent victory**:

As hundreds of thousands of pro-life people prepare to march in the March for Life, the House of Representatives voted to approve the Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act — legislation protecting babies who survive abortions.

The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (H.R. 4712) passed 241-183. All Republicans voted for final passage, but only six Democrats voted in favor of it. House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) said the bill was necessary to protect babies who are born alive after botched abortions.

He said, "This bill states simply that if a baby is born after a failed abortion attempt, he or she should be given the same medical care as a baby born any other way. In line with our longstanding commitment to empower women, mothers will never be held criminally accountable. However, doctors who fail to provide medical care to newborns will be held criminally accountable. There is absolutely no ambiguity here.

This is about protecting babies who are born and alive, and nobody should be against that."

The bill would amend existing U.S. law to "prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion."

With a more-or-less pro-life political party now holding both houses of congress, and the presidency, a number of wins were recorded last year. Who says politics does not matter? A recent **piece at *National Review*** looks at some of these achievements. Here are some of them:

> One year into his presidency, Trump has managed to retain the support of key pro-life groups and even to push forward a few key victories for the movement. Most important, he nominated Neil Gorsuch to the Supreme Court, in a huge triumph for originalist jurisprudence and a promising sign for anti-Roe Americans. His track record on other confirmed judicial appointments has been similarly without reproach. (Though these successes are arguably more attributable to Senate minority leader Mitch McConnell's tenacity than to any skillful maneuvering on Trump's part.)
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> The president signed legislation — passed under the Congressional Review Act — that allowed states to remove Title X funding from Planned Parenthood over its provision of abortion. Under the Trump administration, the Justice Department announced that it is formally investigating the abortion group for possible involvement in the illegal fetal-tissue-trafficking industry.
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> Like every Republican president since Ronald Reagan, Trump reinstated the largely

A Ruling And Theory That Has Caused Millions Of Deaths

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Greene Hollowell | Virginia Christian Alliance

The authors of 2 of the most notorious, deadly theories/rulings predicted that if their assumptions proved false, their conclusions would collapse.

The first is Darwin's Theory of Evolution. Darwin said if no transitions of fossils were found then his theory would not be valid.

The other is the Supreme Court ruling in Roe v Wade. Justice Harry Blackmun said it would collapse if 'the fetus is a person.'

While millions of bones have been examined no convincing transitions have been found. However, biology teachers and scientist continue to support evolution. (If Darwin was around hopefully he would say 'I was wrong!')

Human life beginning at conception is a fact of basic biological science. (If Blackmun was around he would probably not change because he knew the truth when he wrote the opinion.)

Why then are both still supported by the public?

In the case of evolution, most people do not believe the theory; they know a Creator has to be involved. But they feel they cannot go against 'science' so they accept or believe in 'the unbelievable'. A main key for support of evolution is that God is not involved so you can live as you like, no moral requirements.

In the case of abortion, killing the baby has taken second place because women want recreational sexual intercourse without the possible burden of rearing the child. This is of course supported by the sexually charged, irresponsible males.

Like every Republican president since Ronald Reagan, Trump reinstated the larger, popular Mexico City policy, which denies U.S. aid money to any international group that funds or promotes abortion. But he took the policy a step further, expanding it to cover nearly all U.S. foreign health spending, not just family-planning funds. The administration also moved to defund the United Nations Population Fund on similar grounds.

The Trump administration drastically expanded the religious and conscience exemption to the Health and H ment's contraception mandate, which had been added to the A equire that employers provide employees with subsidized birt

As mentioned, much more rem se, and we must not rest on our laurels here. A lot more action rticle states:

Anti-abortion leaders have rightly been pleased with this progress. But pro-life Americans can't forget the biggest punted promise of the last year: The government's inability to defund Planned Parenthood. The Republican party has spent years promising—and failing—to remove federal funding from the abortion group. Congress passed a bill that would have defunded the group a few years ago, but it was vetoed by President Obama. There is no excuse for a similar failure this year, and the pro-life movement must continue to demand that the GOP follow through in the year to come.

Also noteworthy was the fact that for the first time at the massive pro-life rallies held in the nation's capital every year at this time, a US president attended and spoke there. Here is part of what President Trump said at the 2018 March for Life in Washington D.C.:

Today I'm honored and really proud to be the first president to stand with you here at the White House to address the 45th March for Life, that's very very special, 45th March for Life, and this is a truly remarkable group. Today tens of thousands of families, students, and patriots, and really just great citizens gather here in our nations Capitol. You come from many backgrounds, and many places, but you all come for one beautiful cause, to build a society where life is celebrated and protected and cherished.

Both evolution and abortion are responsible for millions of deaths, the mindset of 'survival of the fittest' and 'man as an animal' has been responsible.

We have become a coarse society- divorce, vulgarities and perverted sex. Already doctor-assisted suicide is legal in some states, paving the way for infanticide and euthanasia.

Greene Hollowell

Richmond, VA

The March for Life is a movement born out of love; you love your families; you love your neighbors; you love our nation; and you love every child born and unborn, because you believe that every life is sacred, that every child is a precious gift from God.

Actually, Donald Trump, the World has had enough of the most permissive abortion laws anywhere in the world. For example, in the United States, it's one of only seven countries to allow elective late-term abortions along with China North Korea and others. Right now, in a number of States, the laws allow a baby to be born from his or her mother's womb in the ninth month.

It is wrong. It has to change.

Americans are more and more pro-life. You see that all the time. In fact, only 12% of Americans support abortion on demand at any time. Under my administration, we will always defend the very first right in the Declaration of Independence, and that is the 'right to life.'

Tomorrow will mark exactly one year since I took the oath of office. And I will say our country is doing really well. Our economy is perhaps the best it's ever been. You look at the job numbers, the companies pouring back into our country, look at the stock market at an all-time high, unemployment at a 17-year low, unemployment for African workers at the lowest mark in the history of our country, unemployment for Hispanic at a record-low in history, unemployment for women, think of this, at an 18-year low.

We're really proud of what we're doing

One could never imagine such words being spoken by an Obama or a Clinton. Thus we have some real reasons to celebrate. The culture of death is by no means over in the US or elsewhere. It is deeply entrenched and will be defended to the death (no pun intended) by its militant supporters, including so many in the media, in politics and in academia.

All the more reason for us to never give up, but to keep on fighting. The good news is, 2017 was a pretty good year for life, at least in America. Let's make 2018 a pretty good year for life all throughout the West – and beyond.

Pro-life win: Kentucky may be the first state without an abortion facility

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EMW Women's Surgical Center in Louisville, Kentucky, is the last remaining **abortion** facility in the state. Its sister center in Lexington closed down in 2017 because of unacceptable health conditions at the facility. Live Action News' Carole Novielli noted in July, "A **report** written by the Lexington Herald in June of 2016 indicates that when inspectors visited on the Lexington facility on February 17 that year, 'they reported that employees told them the clinic only performed abortions' and they found 'dirty conditions and expired medicine.' News reports also indicate that state inspectors found unsanitary conditions."

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

A law in Kentucky requires abortion facilities "to have transfer agreements with a hospital in the event of botched abortions or medical emergencies," reported Live Action News' Becky Yeh in September 2017. The law, according to an attorney for the state, is two decades old and has never been enforced, and every state in the area has laws like this one. Regardless, EMW, along with a Planned Parenthood facility in Louisville, sued the state and was granted "a temporary restraining order to stay open until a judge could decide on the matter." According to the **Daily Wire**, this matter could be decided upon within a matter of weeks.

Unfortunately, the courts have a **history** of **siding with the abortion industry** over the safety of women. Even the U.S. Supreme Court, in its *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt* decision, **sided with the idea of "abortion access"** even though the plaintiff, the Whole Woman's Health abortion chain, has a **long history of failed health inspections and health code violations**.

EMW Women's Surgical Center, as reported by Carole Novielli, "**claimed** in court that showing a woman the truth of the development of her baby would 'send a message of disapproval' about abortion." In other words, "presenting the biological facts about the child's current development and allowing the woman to hear the heartbeat" is something that this abortion business does not want to do, because, as Novielli states, "this information also reveals the truth — that the child in the womb is, indeed, a living human."

The abortion industry, including EMW Women's Surgical Center in Kentucky, profits when women are not fully informed about what abortion actually does to preborn children, or about its risks to women:

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SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

Other states with only one remaining abortion facility include Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

The top pro-life stories of 2017 that moved and inspired us

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2017 was another big year in the pro-life movement. While Planned Parenthood remains funded by the federal government, with the inauguration of President Donald Trump came big wins for preborn people. Pro-lifers watched and prayed with families fighting for their children's lives and fought back when facing resistance. With stories that made us cry and stories that made us cheer, these are the top pro-life stories of 2017.

The life and death of Charlie Gard

The biggest pro-life story of 2017 is the life of Charlie Gard. Little Charlie from the UK was placed on life support after becoming ill just a few months after birth. After being diagnosed with a rare mitochondrial DNA depletion syndrome, Charlie's parents found a doctor in the United States willing to help with an experimental treatment, but Great Ormond Street Hospital refused to allow the family to take Charlie out of the country for treatment and told parents they planned to withdraw Charlie's life support.

(see original published article with photos and more on **Live Action**)

Even after his parents raised millions of dollars to pay for their son's expensive travel needs, the hospital refused to budge. After a legal battle that lasted months, the courts sided with the hospital. In a last-ditch effort, everyone from the Vatican to President Trump reached out to offer help to Charlie's parents and another hospital offered insight into how the experimental treatment could help Charlie. Great Ormond Street Hospital finally agreed to let the US doctor examine Charlie, but it was too late. **Charlie Gard died** at 11 months old after his life support was removed. In his short life, Charlie inspired the world to come together to celebrate life regardless of the circumstances and to support his parents in their fight to save him.

Pro-lifers attend the Women's March of 2017

The Women's March in Washington, D.C., took place on January 21, 2017, a day after the inauguration of President Trump. Meant to be a rallying cry for American women, the event was sponsored in part by pro-abortion groups including Planned Parenthood, NARAL, the National

Organization for Women, and the Center for Reproductive Rights, and therefore, pro-life women **were excluded** from attending.

Pro-life women, however, refused to be ignored, sending hundreds of women to the march in support of women everywhere and in support of pro-life policies that help women facing crisis pregnancies. Groups including Students for Life, Feminists for Life, And Then There Were None, and New Wave Feminists attended the march, and despite some moments of tension with pro-abortion women, they received a lot of unexpected support from other attendees.

Pro-life women know that abortion is not empowering and that women and children deserve better.

HHS defines human life as beginning at conception

In their strategic plan for 2018-2022, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services changed the previous wording in three sections of the plan to declare that human life begins at conception and ends at natural death. HHS vowed to serve and protect "Americans at every stage of life, beginning at conception." They also stated:

> While we may refer to the people we serve as beneficiaries, enrollees, patients, or consumers, our ultimate goal is to improve healthcare outcomes for all people, including the unborn, across healthcare settings.

The changes were welcomed by the pro-life community but pro-abortion groups were not so accepting of the change. This slight alteration of words signifies that the current US government knows that life is valuable and worth protecting at all stages.

Pro-lifers speak out after Iceland announces eradication of Down syndrome

In August 2017, CBS featured a report on **Iceland** and their announcement that they are 100% free of Down syndrome. The news sparked outrage across the Down syndrome and pro-life communities because Iceland was not celebrating a cure for Down syndrome but rather the deaths of those who have it.

Prenatal screenings have lead to an increase in abortions of preborn children with Down syndrome which means that Down syndrome has not been eradicated in Iceland, but rather it is children with Down syndrome who have been eradicated. Pro-lifers including actress **Patricia Heaton** came together to express their concerns regarding the news story and the fact that CBS

seemed to be joining in Iceland's celebration of death. Killing people with Down syndrome will never be the same as finding a cure or helping them live more successful lives.

President Trump defunds International Planned Parenthood Federation

Immediately after taking office, **President Trump** signed an executive order reinstating the Mexico City Policy, which prohibits the use of federal funding for foreign nonprofit organizations the either promote or commit abortions. The policy, which was implemented by President Ronald Reagan, defunded International Planned Parenthood Federation and Marie Stopes International. This was a huge step towards ending America's support of international abortions and set the stage for what has proven to be a pro-life presidency.

House votes to ban abortions after 20 weeks

In October 2017, the U.S. House of Representatives **voted in favor** of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which would ban **abortion** after 20 weeks. Lawmakers passed the measure on a 237 to 189 vote.

Numerous polls have shown that most Americans support a ban on **late-term abortions**, including a poll conducted by the pro-abortion Huffington Post.

Opponents of the bill say abortions after 20 weeks are necessary when the mother's life is at risk, however, advances in medicine and technology allow doctors to save or try to save the lives of both mother and child.

Preborn baby shows up on theme park camera

A preborn baby made an **unexpected appearance** on the thermal imaging camera at a theme park in the United Kingdom in August 2017. Mom Fiona Petrie and her family were visiting the park when they looked up and saw the preborn baby in the image captured by the thermal camera. Petrie immediately reacted by taking a unique first family photo. The image gained a lot of attention and nearly 4,000 likes after the theme park shared it on their Facebook page. Countless followers tagged pregnant friends and family members encouraging them to head to the theme park for their own chance to capture their preborn babies on the thermal camera. This story proves that everyone loves to see a preborn baby.

Baby Benson survives after being born at 22 weeks 5 days

After going into preterm labor at just 22 weeks, five days gestation, Megan Artman and her husband Tim were told by doctors that their micro-preemie son had just hours to live. Baby Benson weighed just one pound, two ounces and his eyes were still fused shut. After five hours

Benson was still breathing and his heart was still beating so doctors decided to help him. After 36 hours in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Benson was off of oxygen support and was showing small signs of improvement. Now over a month after his birth, Benson weighs over two pounds and is making progress each day. Benson proves that life doesn't exist in measurements of weeks or days, but rather life exists from the moment of conception and is always worth fighting for.

Homeless mother chooses life for her triplets

Janey and her triplets and 5-year-old daughter Christmas 2017

Janey was homeless with a young daughter when she learned she was pregnant. Shortly after reaching out to Pregnancy Resource Center of Rolla, Janey learned she was having triplets. PRC of Rolla vowed to help her, setting her up with St. Raymond's Society, a transitional home for women facing unplanned pregnancies. St. Raymond's Society gave her a home and helped set her up to earn a degree. By the time Janey gave birth to her triplets, her life had changed drastically. She had a support system, a home for her and her children, and a plan to receive an education and begin her career by the time her triplets reach school age. Janey's story proves that pregnancy centers provide much needed and wanted services to women and girls facing unplanned pregnancies and that when pro-lifers come together lives can be changed and saved.

INVESTIGATIVE Planned Parenthood emotionally manipulates women, says former manager

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Planned Parenthood promotes itself as a healthcare provider, but in reality, **it performs less than** 1 percent of all Pap smears and less than 2 percent of all breast exams in the entire nation. Planned Parenthood's real focus is **abortion**. That one "service" alone makes Planned Parenthood more money than any other it provides. When pregnant women come to Planned Parenthood, they are often subjected to an **aggressive sales pitch** encouraging them to choose abortion. A first trimester procedure is explained below by Dr. Anthony Levatino, a former abortionist:

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Former Planned Parenthood workers such as **Abby Johnson, Catherine Adair**, **La Verne Tolbert** and **Lavonne Wilenken** all have spoken about the dishonest and biased "counseling" they were expected to provide at Planned Parenthood. Live Action recently featured the story of **former Planned Parenthood worker Rhyan**, who explained how phone calls from women seeking abortion were given priority above all other calls. She says women were pressured to make appointments before they even got off the phone.

And Then There Were None, a pro-life ministry that reaches out to abortion workers and helps them to leave the industry, provides healing retreats and offers support to former abortion workers who want to tell their stories. Former Planned Parenthood manager Annette Lancaster recently told her story in a **webcast** sponsored by the ministry.

Women at Planned Parenthood were "expected" to have abortions

Lancaster's time at Planned Parenthood did not go smoothly. Even though she worked in a facility that sold abortions, she did not want women to abort and then regret their abortions later. If a woman seemed unsure or ambivalent about having an abortion, Annette sent them home. When a woman had trouble consenting to an abortion, Lancaster told her to take more time to think it over. Lancaster was definitely not pro-life, but she felt women should not be pressured into abortions. So instead of aggressively pushing abortion on uncertain women, she encouraged them to take more time to think it over – even if this meant giving them a refund.

But that is not Planned Parenthood's way of doing things. Giving a woman more time to think means she might decide against abortion, which would eat into profits. Lancaster quickly got in trouble with Planned Parenthood's administration, who made it clear that they were not happy with the way she was doing her job:

> I was told, "Why did you only do 25 procedures today? Why did you send this many women home?" Because I was the type of center manager that if a woman was unsure, she wasn't getting the procedure done today under my watch. I was quick to give people a refund, or send women home and tell them, you know, to continue thinking about it…
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> When I sent women home because they're unsure, or I could see in their faces and their answers, their responses to the counseling questions, they were just not certain about their decision – what was I expected to do? Was I expected to go out and just find women to have abortions? Or was I expected to just go ahead and let these women go through with a procedure? I believe they really wanted me to, of course, not go out on the streets and find women, but the women that were already there in the clinic were expected to have those procedures.

Annette became disillusioned with Planned Parenthood, but stayed in her job. Eventually, a pro-life activist put postcards with the web address of And Then There Were None on her car. At first Annette was irritated. But then, later, her boss at the facility ordered her to throw out the flyers immediately and not look at them. However, her boss's insistence that she not look at the flyers made her curious. She wanted to know what it was she was forbidden to see. She ended up keeping a flyer, and eventually visited And Then There Were None's website. With the help of the group, she ended up leaving the abortion industry.

Planned Parenthood exploited women using "emotional manipulation"

Now Annette clearly sees how Planned Parenthood exploited women. When asked what she hated the most about working in the abortion industry, Annette said:

> I think for me it was the fact of the lying to the women. I have labeled it as emotional manipulation. We were taught to teach these women, well, whenever they asked the question, "Is God going to forgive me?" "Well, what type of God do you serve? Do you think that God will forgive you?" It was answering a question with a question. Never truly answering someone's question and for me that became very frustrating because I hate it when people do that to me. You ask a question and you never truly get an answer. You get another question back to you. But that was what we were taught to do to these women who came in. You know, "Do you think I should do this?" "Well do you think you should do this? Do you think this is the right thing for you?" And after a while of doing that it wears on you. You know?

Annette has now told her story both through the webcast and in an interview in The American Feminist, the publication of Feminists for Life. But when she first left, Annette did not want to go

public. Through And Then There Were None, she got support and help to heal, which made her change her mind. She says:

> When I first made that phone call, I didn't want anyone to know my name. I didn't want anything to do with the ministry. I didn't even know why I was calling. I wanted everything to be secretive and anonymous. But this organization truly is like a sisterhood to me… there's no judgment. There's is just love. It's hard to explain, it's hard to put into words, but that's the best way I can explain it. It's love. It's healing through love, and it's the best thing that I've ever been a part of.

All the former abortion workers who have left Planned Parenthood say the same thing: Planned Parenthood pressures women into abortions for its own financial profit. As more and more workers come forward with their stories, Planned Parenthood's false claim of being a legitimate health care provider may become harder and harder for it to defend.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

U.S. Department of Justice investigating Planned Parenthood for selling baby parts

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Claire Chretien

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 7, 2017 (**LifeSiteNews**) – The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is officially investigating Planned Parenthood for selling baby body parts, more than two years after the release of the Center for Medical Progress (CMP) videos.

"It is time for public officials to finally hold Planned Parenthood and their criminal abortion enterprise accountable under the law," said David Daleiden of CMP.

Fox News broke the story Thursday evening, reporting that they had obtained a letter from Justice Department Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs Stephen Boyd to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. This letter asked for unredacted documents from that committee, which had been investigating Planned Parenthood.

"This is long-awaited, good news," said Abby Johnson, a former abortion advocate and Planned Parenthood director who is now a pro-life activist.

"Planned Parenthood has actively participated in illegal activity, selling the body parts of aborted babies in exchange for profit," said Johnson. "They've lied to the very women they purport to fight for. I saw it first-hand when I worked for the abortion giant and yet, they still manage to obtain over half a billion dollars a year in our tax dollars."

The Senate Judiciary Committee announced in 2016 that it recommended the FBI and DOJ investigate and possibly prosecute Planned Parenthood, some of its affiliates, and companies involved in the trafficking of young human body parts.

The U.S. House Select Investigative Panel on Infant Lives also made **15 criminal referrals** against **abortion companies including Planned Parenthood, universities, and fetal tissue companies**.

Both committees had extensively investigated Planned Parenthood and the fetal tissue trade after the release of CMP's shocking footage of abortion executives haggling over body parts, picking through dishes of tiny organs, and joking "it's a boy!" about a freshly-aborted baby.

The videos showed the abortion industry admitting the humanity of preborn babies in the womb by discussing their brains, livers, and other organs.

“The stark evidence points to the need for this further Department of Justice investigation to uncover the entire truth about Planned Parenthood’s sale of baby body parts,” said Tony Perkins, President of the Family Research Council. “The fact that DOJ is requesting unredacted information shows they are serious about its investigation.”

“Congress should immediately halt any money to the abortion giant until the FBI completes their investigation,” urged Johnson.

“We applaud the Department of Justice for finally moving towards investigating Planned Parenthood for their illegal and unethical behavior,” said Kristan Hawkins, President of Students for Life of America. She said taxpayers have had “enough” of funding the trafficking of human body parts and the commission of crimes.

“Given this investigation, Congress should refuse to give another cent of its over $400 billion in annual federal funding to Planned Parenthood,” said Perkins. “The Republican-controlled Congress did this in 2015 on a reconciliation bill with 51 Senate votes which Obama vetoed. They can do so again on a reconciliation bill now that there is a pro-life president in the White House.”

Despite Republican majorities in the U.S. House, U.S. Senate, and White House – and many political promises to defund Planned Parenthood in 2017 – the abortion giant continues to receive massive amounts of tax dollars through Medicaid and Title X grants.

Daleiden noted that both Congressional investigations “confirmed that Planned Parenthood Federation of America, several of their biggest affiliates, and multiple business partners broke the law in a profit-driven scheme to commodify dismembered baby body parts.”

Daleiden has faced gag orders, lawsuits, and felony charges from the abortion industry and its political allies. The outcome of some of these has not yet been determined.

Priest: Challenge your pastors to ‘speak the truth’ against abortion

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Pete Baklinski | **LifeSite News**

FLORIDA, November 23, 2017 (**LifeSiteNews**) — Healthcare, women’s rights, and social justice are all good things, until they are taken over and used by the enemy to kill by abortion and now euthanasia, said a Catholic priest during a National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children in a video published on Youtube November 22.

“The enemy has co-opted the language,” said Father Michael Orsi, former Ave Maria Law School chaplain, in a speech during the September 9 event in Florida.

We want everyone to have healthcare, he said, except the term is often used by lawmakers for “another agenda” which is “the main agenda, which is abortion.”

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

Orsi, who is on the pastoral team of St. Agnes Church in Naples, Florida, said the main reason that Republicans and Democrats failed to come together to pass a healthcare law is because of the law's proposal to "eliminate" abortion as healthcare.

"That's exactly the reason why. And the elites in both parties, Republicans and Democrats, do not want to lose the 'right to abortion.' Why? Because it is the way of the elites to change the culture and to get control of the lives of those whom they see as lesser beings than they are. Do not be fooled by that," he said.

The priest decried taxpayer money going to fund "healthcare" offered by abortion provider Planned Parenthood.

“Be clear that half-a-billion dollars a year is going to Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood performs over 350,000 abortions a year. Very little of that money is going to any other service for women. So is that healthcare? Well, no, not for the baby, I assure you that,” he said.

Orsi insisted on respect for women’s rights, but he said the enemy has taken over this phrase so that it has come to mean that a woman has “rights over her own body” and the “right” to destroy the life of the child inside her body “at will.”

“If you want to hear about rights, then let’s talk about the right to life, the beginning of life and the end,” he said.

The priest said racial and social justice is “extremely important to the human family if we are going to live together in peace and harmony.” But, he decried those who spread a “politics of division, trying to have people of different races different religions different nationalities fighting each other for what they think is there fair share of the earth’s goods.”

“And when that happens no one succeeds, everybody loses. And that’s not social justice. That’s corruption of the human family, social injustice. It is a lie. It is destructive to the human spirit. And when people use the politics of division, they are merely trying to gain power for themselves, to control those who have no power,” he said.

Father Orsi squarely blamed pastors as the ones most responsible for the continued existence of abortion in America.

“Who is responsible for this great blight on our society, this murder of the innocents? First and foremost let me tell you it is the pastors,” he said.

“But nobody wants to say that. How many times have you heard abortion preached against in your churches? Very seldom and in very few churches. What you find most of all in our churches these days, ‘we are a welcoming community.’ You know what that means? , ‘come in here we are all nicey-nice. We don’t want to offend you even when you are destroying your soul and you’re destroying human life,’” he added.

Orsi encouraged pro-lifers to challenge their pastors to “speak the truth in the churches.” He said that pastors must then “speak to the politicians and hold their feet to the fire,” telling them of their duty to pass laws that prevent abortion.

“Pastors must be strong in encouraging the politicians what is necessary for them in order to maintain our vote, or else we will elect new politicians who will,” he said.

Pastors must also remind politicians “what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul,” he added.

Father Orsi told those who want to see justice for preborn babies targeted for abortion that they must not be “fooled” by ‘healthcare’ and ‘women’s rights’ when these phrases are used by lawmakers as “euphemisms” for murder.

“Know what lies beneath them. And you speak the truth and let know that you are onto their game,” he said.

‘I am a mass murderer,’ former abortionist tells Congress

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WASHINGTON, D.C., November 2, 2017 (**LifeSiteNews**) – “I am a mass murderer,” a former abortionist who is now pro-life told a U.S. House committee yesterday as she testified in favor of legislation banning abortions on babies with beating hearts.

Dr. Kathi Aultman, a board certified Ob/Gyn and a fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), bluntly told this to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee Wednesday as it discussed the **Heartbeat Protection Act of 2017**.

This legislation would stop nearly all abortions by making it illegal for doctors to commit them on babies with beating hearts. Fetal heartbeats begin at 21 days after conception and are usually heard by parents when their child is six or eight weeks along.

The Heartbeat Protection Act makes no exception for babies conceived in rape or incest.

The Committee’s legislators were shown an ultrasound video taken hours before the hearing. The video showed an 18-week-old baby named Lincoln Miller, whose heartbeat could be heard and

whose heart could be seen pulsing.

18-week-old baby Lincoln Miller "testifies" before the U.S. House Judiciary Committee. His heartbeat could be seen and heard on an ultrasound videoClaire Chretien / LifeSiteNews

"I love to meet adults that I delivered, but it's always bittersweet because I am reminded of all the people I will never meet because I aborted them," Aultman testified. "It also reminds me that I am a mass murderer."

Just because "we can't see who they will become, we feel justified in sacrificing babies in the womb for the people we can see," she said.

"Our society has been subjected to extreme propaganda" from abortion supporters, she said. "We have sanitized our language to make abortion more palatable."

Later in her testimony, Aultman said that when she was an abortionist, she called the babies she aborted "fetuses" but the ones she delivered "babies."

Aultman recalled the "tiny but perfectly formed limbs, intestines, kidneys, and other organs" of aborted babies she examined under microscopes.

Dr. Kathi Aultman flanked by Arkansas State Sen. Jason Rapert (left), Rep. Andy Harris, R-MD, and Rep. Mike Johnson, R-LA.Claire Chretien / LifeSiteNews

Rep. Steve Cohen, D-Tennessee, made a point at the beginning of reading at the beginning of the hearing a statement from ACOG disavowing Aultman's testimony.

"Her testimony does not represent" our views, the ACOG statement said.

Cohen later yelled at Star Parker, an African-American pro-life activist and Committee witness, accusing her of "ignorance." Parker had suggested Cohen shouldn't conflate the evil of abortion with social ills and issues like Medicaid.

Aultman said three patients led her to think differently about abortion: one who underwent her fourth abortion at Aultman's clinic apathetically, one who displayed "hostility" by saying, "no, I just want to kill it" when asked if she wanted to see her baby, and one with four born children who cried throughout the abortion.

> "What struck me was the apathy of the first patient and the hostility of the second towards the fetus, contrasted with the sorrow and misery of the woman who knew what it was to have a child," Aultman testified. "I realized that the baby was the innocent victim in all of this. The fact that the baby was unwanted was no longer enough justification for me to kill it. I could no longer do abortions."

Aultman said her views also changed after she saw young women who chose life do amazingly well versus the women who suffered terribly in the aftermath of abortion. Aultman herself is post-abortive.

“I don’t believe a woman can remain unscathed after killing her child,” she said.

Aultman’s written testimony can be read ***here***.

Federal Heartbeat Bill would ban abortion once a heartbeat is detected

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LIVE ACTION

It's the first time for the United States, and it might allow babies their first breaths. The **Heartbeat Protection Act of 2017, known as the "Heartbeat Bill," (H.R. 490)** is the first ever heartbeat bill introduced at the federal level.

It's headed to a hearing next Wednesday, November 1.

The text of the bill is simple, though its implications are profound. **H.R. 490 says, in full**:

> This bill amends the federal criminal code to make it a crime for a physician to knowingly perform an abortion: (1) without determining whether the fetus has a detectable heartbeat, (2) without informing the mother of the results, or (3) after determining that a fetus has a detectable heartbeat.
>
> It provides an exception for an abortion that is necessary to save the life of a mother whose life is endangered by a physical (but not psychological or emotional) disorder, illness, or condition.
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> A physician who performs a prohibited abortion is subject to criminal penalties—a fine, up to five years in prison, or both.
>
> A woman who undergoes a prohibited abortion may not be prosecuted for violating or conspiring to violate the provisions of this bill.

A baby's **heartbeat is present at 22 days after fertilization** (roughly five weeks of pregnancy), and **recent scientific studies** indicate the heart may begin to beat six days sooner than that, at 16 days. **Ultrasounds can detect the heartbeat** very shortly after it begins.

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Rep. King is not a solo act in this bill, though he is leading the charge. Rep. Trent Franks (AZ) is the original cosponsor and, altogether, there are **169 co-sponsors**. While the list predictably holds names of Republicans, the cosponsors so far include one Democrat, Rep. Collin Peterson (MN). Reportedly, other members of Congress, who elected not to co-sponsor the bill, have indicated their support and a likely "yes" vote, should it come to the House floor. This would bring the vote count to 200 currently, but Rep. King expects to gain more supporters as discussion on the bill continues. 218 votes are needed to pass the House.

Should the Heartbeat Bill make it through its current subcommittee, it will be sent to the full Judiciary Committee. If it passes there, the floor vote is expected to take place on January 19, 2018 which is during the week of *Roe v. Wade*'s anniversary.

When the Heartbeat Bill was launched earlier this year, Rep. King explained that it could not be more scientifically clear when life begins. “The question that has hung before the courts, since 1973 is: ‘When does life begin?’ – we all know when that is,” he said. While science unequivocally states that **life begins at fertilization**, Rep. King also asserts that anyone should be able to plainly agree and see that there is life when there is a heartbeat.

> “The core tenet is this: If a heartbeat can be detected, the baby is protected,” he said.

This bill simply seeks to support what science has shown in the decades since *Roe v. Wade* was decided, and that is the moment that life begins–with a heartbeat.

ACTIVISM NEEDED: Email and call the two Constitution and Civil Justice Subcommittee Republicans who are not cosponsors, Karen Handel (GA-6) and Ron DeSantis (FL-6). Ask them to vote the bill out to the full Judiciary Committee next Wednesday. One of them must vote in favor of the Heartbeat Bill in order to **outnumber the Democrats on the subcommittee**, who reportedly do not support the bill.

Abortion Fact #11: Abortion is more dangerous than childbirth.

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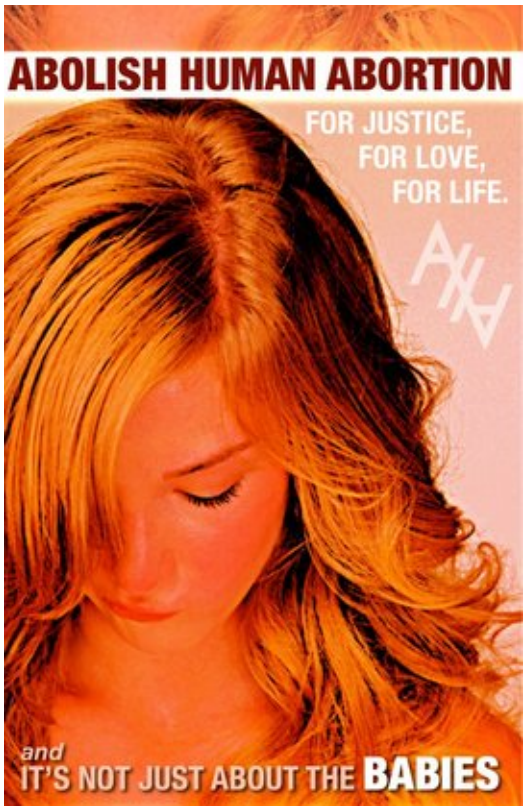
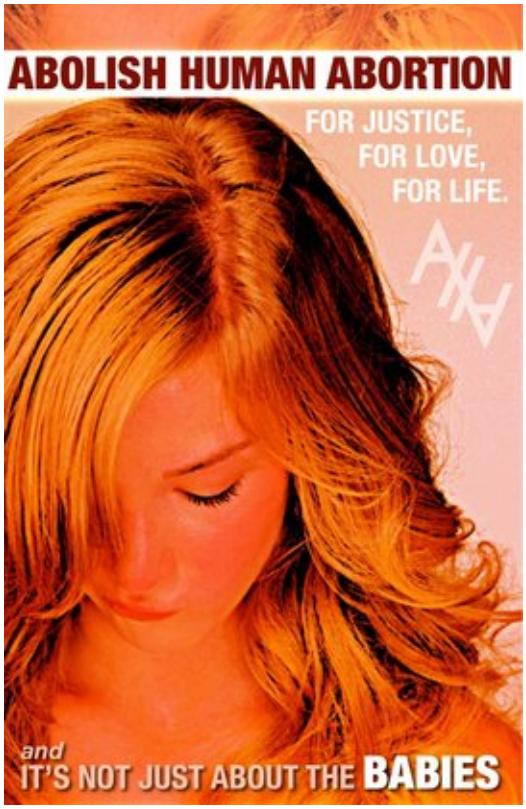


*The Virginia Christian Alliance recommends to our readers to visit "**Abortion Facts**", which lists 20 facts on abortion. We have published Abortion Fact #11 and the link to all 20. If you know just a few of these facts, you will handily defeat any pro-choice advocate with the facts in any balanced debate format, hands down.*

Not only does every abortion kill an innocent human being in the womb; but abortion is also more dangerous to the mother than if she were to give birth to the child. The evidence overwhelmingly proves that the morbidity and mortality rates of legal abortion are several times higher than that for carrying a pregnancy to term.

Abortion is not safer than full-term pregnancy and childbirth. Less than one in ten thousand pregnancies results in the mother's death. Government statistics indicate that the chances of death by abortion are even less. But while deaths from childbirth are accurately reported, many deaths by legal abortion are not. This completely skews the statistics. Furthermore, "abortion actually increases the chance of maternal death in later pregnancies." This means that some maternal deaths in full-term pregnancies are actually caused by earlier abortions, which creates a double inaccuracy.

But even if abortion did result in fewer maternal deaths, that wouldn't make it safer. The nonfatal but significant complications of abortion are much more frequent and serious than those of full-term pregnancy. One researcher states:



The evidence overwhelmingly proves that the morbidity and mortality rates of legal abortion are several times higher than that for carrying a pregnancy to term.

A year 2000 government-funded study in Finland revealed that women who abort are four times more likely to die in the year following the abortion than women who carry their pregnancies to term. Women who carry to term are only half as likely to die as women who are not pregnant.

Researchers from the statistical analysis unit of Finland's National Research and Development Center for Welfare and Health examined death certificate records for all women of reproductive age (fifteen to forty-nine) who died between 1987 and 1994, a total of 9,029 women. Then they examined the national health care database to identify pregnancy-related events for the women in the twelve months prior to their deaths.

The researchers found that, compared to women who carried to term, women who had aborted in the year prior to their deaths were 60 percent more likely to die from natural causes, seven times more likely to die from suicide, four times more likely to die of injuries related to accidents and fourteen times more likely to die from homicide. Researchers believe that the higher rate of deaths related to accidents and homicide may be linked to higher rates of suicidal or risk-taking behavior.

Though the chances of a woman's safe abortion are now greater, the number of suffering women is also greater because of the huge increase in abortions.

No one doubts that legal abortion is marginally safer than illegal abortion, but neither is there any doubt that decriminalization has encouraged more women to undergo abortions than ever before. Risk goes down, but numbers go up…. This combination means that though the odds of any particular woman suffering ill effects from an abortion have dropped, the total number of women who suffer…from abortion is far greater than ever before.

Even if abortion were safer for the mother than childbirth, it would still remain fatal for the innocent child.

Having a baby is a low-risk undertaking, but suppose the risk were much higher. When an innocent life is at stake, isn't there a moral obligation to take risk? Childbirth is much safer than trying to rescue a drowning child in the ocean or trying to rescue a woman who is being beaten or raped. An adult swimming to shore from a capsized boat has a much greater chance of survival if he doesn't try to save a child. But does that mean he shouldn't?

Abortion can produce many serious medical problems.

Ectopic pregnancies occur when gestation takes place outside the uterus, commonly in a fallopian tube. Though usually not fatal, such pregnancies are nonetheless responsible for 12 percent of all pregnancy-related maternal deaths. Studies show that the risk of an ectopic pregnancy is twice as high for women who have had one abortion, and up to four times as high for women with two or more previous abortions. There has been a 300 percent increase of ectopic pregnancies since abortion was legalized. In 1970 the incidence was 4.8 per 1,000 births; by 1980 it had risen to 14.5 per 1,000 births.

Pelvic Inflammatory Disease is an infection that leads to fever and infertility. Researchers state:

Pelvic infection is a common and serious complication of induced abortion and has been reported in up to 30% of all cases.

A study of women having first-trimester abortions demonstrated that "women with post-labor pelvic inflammatory disease had significantly higher rates of…spontaneous abortion, secondary infertility, dyspareunia, and chronic pelvic pain. Other infectious complications, as well as endometriosis, follow approximately 5 percent of abortion procedures.

Internal bleeding is normal following abortions, but in some cases it is severe due to a perforated uterus. This can cause sterility and other serious and permanent problems. A perforated uterus was the cause of at least twenty-four deaths among U.S. women having abortions between 1972 and 1979.

Numerous scientific studies demonstrate that the chance of miscarriages significantly increases with abortion, as much as tenfold.

Tragically, some women are unable to conceive after having abortions. Tubai infertility has been found to be up to 30 percent more common among women who have had abortions. Having taken the life of a child they did not want, they will never be able to carry a child they do want.

The health of future children is also at risk, as both premature births and low birth weights are more common among women who have had abortions. Malformations, both major and minor, of later children are increased by abortion.

For various reasons, the frequency of early death for infants born after their mothers have had abortions is between two and four times the normal rate.

The Elliot Institute has published data indicating that women who abort are twice as likely to have preterm or postterm deliveries. Placenta previa is a condition occurring when the placenta covers the cervix, preventing the baby from passing through the birth canal. It usually requires a caesarian section and can threaten the life of both mother and child. Placenta previa is seven to fifteen times more common among women who have had abortions than among those who have not.

Calculations of abortion complication rates vary considerably, but even the lower estimates are significant:

The reported immediate complication rate, alone, of abortion is no less than 10 percent. In addition, studies of long-range complications show rates no less than 17 percent and frequently report complication rates in the range of 25 to 40 percent.

After carefully studying the vast body of the world's medical literature on the subject, Dr. Thomas W. Hilgers concluded:

The medical hazards of legally induced abortion are very significant and should be conscientiously weighed.

The statistics on abortion complications and risks are often understated due to the inadequate means of gathering data.

It is not only abortion deaths that go unreported. Researchers warn that studies are likely to underestimate the risks and complications of abortion because of the reluctance of women to report prior abortions and the difficulty of following up women who may have been injured through abortions. A former director of several abortion climes told me:

Most abortion complications are never made known to the public, because abortion has a built-in cover-up. Women want to deny it and forget it, not talk about it.

Furthermore, the accuracy of reported complications is largely dependent upon the willingness of abortion clinics to give out this information.405 An abortion clinic director told me of a young woman at her clinic whose uterus was perforated during her abortion. The abortionist proceeded to accidentally pull out her bowel with the abortion instrument. No ambulance was called, because the clinic didn't want the bad publicity. The girl was driven to the hospital in a clinic worker's car. The damage was permanent, and she had to have a colostomy. Yet this was not reported as an abortion-related incident.

The true risks of abortion are rarely explained to women by those who perform abortions.

It is common to talk to women physically or psychologically damaged by abortions, who say, "I had no idea this could happen; no one told me about the risks." Many people do not realize the privileged status of abortion climes:

Abortion is the only surgery for which the surgeon is not obligated to inform the patient of the possible risks of the procedure, or even the exact nature of the procedure. Indeed, abortion providers are the only medical personnel who have a "constitutional right" to withhold information, even when directly questioned by the patient.

The large body of evidence indicating significant abortion risks has been suppressed and ignored. This suppression is made possible by pro-choice advocates who zealously oppose any requirements for abortion climes to provide information. The "immunity to stating the facts" enjoyed by abortion clinics increases their profits, but only at the expense of women who are not allowed to make an informed choice.

The Court guarantees "freedom of choice" but denies the right to "informed choice." Abortionists can legally withhold information, or even avoid their clients' direct questions, in order to ensure that the patient will agree to an abortion which will be, they assume, "in her best interests."

Why is there such widespread silence about the dangers of legal abortion? Wasn't abortion legalized in order to improve health care for women rather than to encourage them to take unnecessary risks?

Some abortion clinics may object that they voluntarily offer consent forms which patients must sign. Yet many patients testify that they did not read these forms, that the forms did not give specific information, or that they did not understand what they signed. The few who do ask questions are assured by clinic workers that any references to possible complications are just a formality, and there is nothing to worry about. Because of the nervous anxiety associated with an abortion, and the desire to get it over with, signing such a form is no different than not signing a form at all—except that it absolves the clinic of legal responsibility for the health problems the woman may suffer later.

The evidence indicates that the only way to avoid the risks of abortion is not to have one.

‘Regular’ Voter In Democrat’s Ad Is Actually A Professional Abortion Activist

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VIRGINIA, October 19, 2017 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Ads for the Democratic candidate for Virginia governor depict an abortion activist as a "regular" voter.

Ralph Northam, the current Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, is competing against pro-life Republican Ed Gillespie to be the commonwealth's next governor.

Erin Matson, the co-founder of Reproaction, appears in two ads for Northam that criticize Gillespie for his pro-life views.

"Ed Gillespie wants to end a woman's right to choose," the ad "Want to See" says as Matson sits on a porch with her small daughter. The ad says Gillespie wants the "government in charge of women's personal decisions," not mentioning that these "decisions" involve the killing of a tiny human being.

Matson and her daughter also appear at the end of the pro-Northam ad "**Sold**," which doesn't mention abortion. *(read on)*

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Reproaction's mission is "to increase access to abortion and advance reproductive justice," according to its website. Its vision "is to uphold abortion rights and advance reproductive justice as a matter of human dignity."

It seeks to "empower and inspire the reproductive rights movement and the broader progressive community to openly and enthusiastically stand up for abortion rights."

Reproaction recently protested outside Values Voter Summit (VVS) with a banner proclaiming, "Abortion: Not just for your mistress." This was an apparent reference to Rep. Tim Murphy, R-Pennsylvania, who despite his publicly "pro-life" positions was revealed to have asked his mistress to obtain an abortion when he thought she was pregnant.

Reproaction also paid for a snapchat filter to reach VVS attendees, giving them the option to superimpose their disappearing photo messages with a promotion of abortion.

"I am not surprised in any way that Ralph Northam is using pro-abortion activists in his ads," Olivia Gans Turner, president of the Virginia Society for Human Life, told LifeSiteNews.

The abortion lobby "came out right up front swinging for their guy, Ralph Northam. So we've known from the beginning that they would use tricks like this," she said.

"We knew that as the weeks drew closer to the election we would see these very nasty, obnoxious ads coming out that try to make Ralph look like he cares about women, that he cares about mothers," said Turner. "We know that's absolutely not true, because abortion is often as dangerous and sometimes as deadly for the mothers as it is for the babies."

Race could come down to 'couple hundred votes'

"Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry (have) poured millions of dollars into this race and devoted plenty of volunteers to the campaign," said Kristan Hawkins, president of Students for Life of America. "Yet the best person Northam could find to represent a regular voter is an abortion extremist."

"Voters rejected letting Planned Parenthood and NARAL set up shop in the White House, and as Northam's desperation grows, it looks like Virginia voters are rejecting the singularly pro-abortion focus of the Northam campaign," observed Hawkins.

“Ralph Northam is an abortion extremist who supports the Democratic Party position of abortion on-demand, up until the moment of birth, paid for by taxpayers,” said Mallory Quigley of the Susan B. Anthony List, which is running digital ads in support of Gillespie, Jill Vogel for Lieutenant Governor, and John Adams for Attorney General.

“His supporters include the most ardent pro-abortion activists from NARAL, Planned Parenthood, and the like. It is therefore no surprise to see an abortion backer like Erin Matson appear in his campaign ads, which have largely focused on attacking pro-life Ed Gillespie,” said Quigley.

Virginia has become increasingly “purple” rather than red in the past decade. Obama won Virginia in 2008 and 2012. Hillary Clinton won it in 2016. Virginia’s current governor, Democrat Terry McAuliffe, is strongly pro-abortion.

However, Republicans have a majority in the state legislature.

“Numbers are coming out that bring this race within a one-point advantage to pro-lifer Ed Gillespie,” said Turner. “Every single person who cares about protecting unborn children, the elderly, the disabled, or any other vulnerable population in this state is going to have to get to the polls.”

The race could even come down to “a couple hundred of votes,” she said, noting recent Virginia elections have become closer and closer.

Northam **came under fire recently** for removing his African-American running mate from some of his campaign materials to appeal to unions.

Abortion Fact #10: Uncertainty of Human Life Beginning? Then Preserve LIFE

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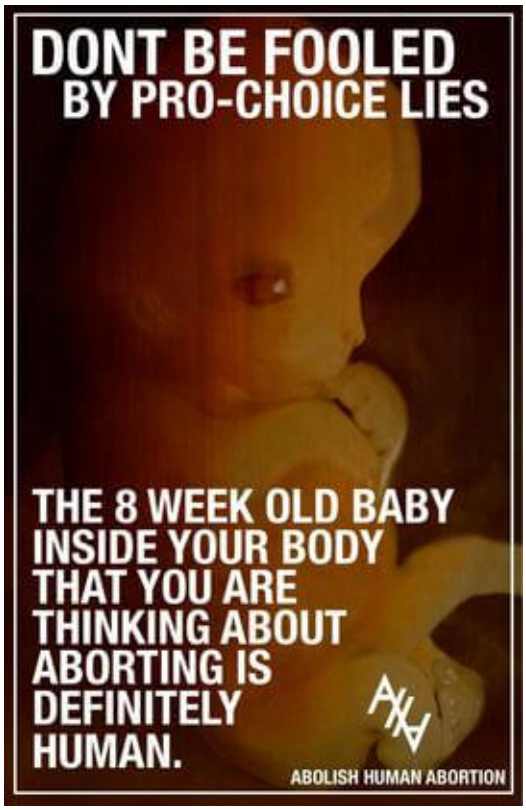

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It is a scientific fact that life begins at conception. However, if one personally has even a shred of uncertainty about when life begins, then they are still morally obligated to err on the side of life and NOT have an abortion. Why? Because to make a mistake about the exact time when life begins is to kill an innocent human being.

Suppose there is uncertainty about when human life begins. (Hint: **There isn't. It is a scientific fact that life begins at conception.**)

If a hunter is uncertain whether a movement in the brush is caused by a person, does his uncertainty lead him to fire or not to fire?

If you're driving at night and you think the dark figure ahead on the road may be a child, but it may just be the shadow of a tree, do you drive into it, or do you put on the brakes?

If we find someone who may be dead or alive, but we're not sure, what is the best policy? To assume he is alive and try to save him, or to assume he is dead and walk away? Shouldn't we give the benefit of the doubt to life?

Otherwise we are saying, "This may or may not be a child, therefore it's all right to destroy it."

You can head right over to **Fact #1** and see reams of scientific evidence from textbook after textbook, expert after expert, and guess what? It's a scientific fact that life begins at conception.

However, let's pretend that you didn't even bother to read through all of the data. Even if you don't have a clue when life begins, you STILL have a moral obligation to NOT have an abortion. Why? Because unless you are 100% convinced that the baby inside of you is not a life then you are taking a chance that you might be killing an innocent human being.

SOURCE: **ABORTION FACTS**, READ THEM ALL!

Abortion Fact Fact #9: To be only “personally pro-life” is to not be pro-life at all.

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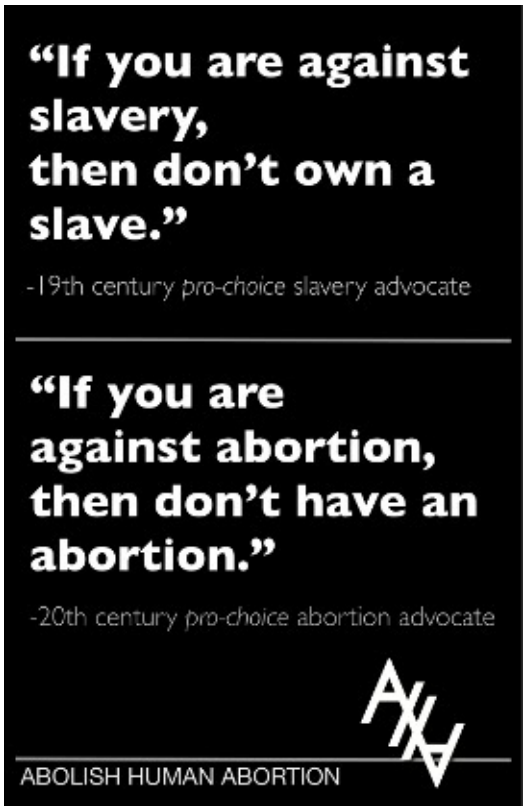

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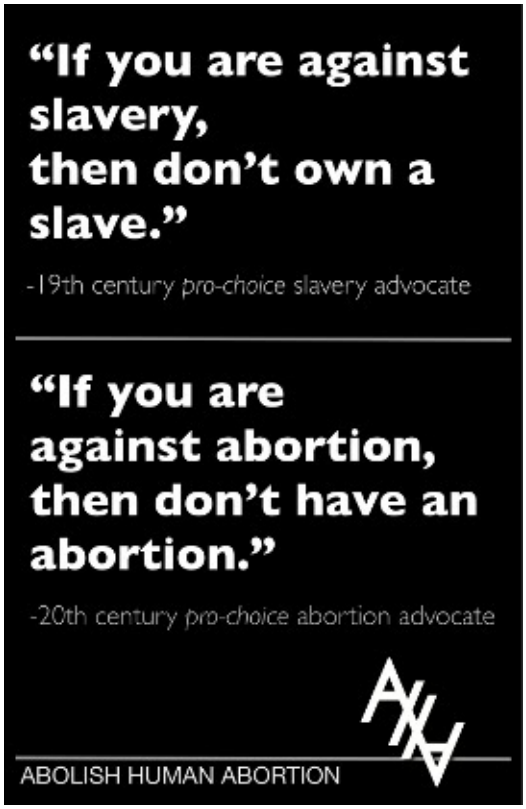
If abortion doesn’t kill children, why would someone be opposed to it? If it does kill children, why would someone defend another’s right to do it? Being personally against abortion but favoring another’s right to abortion is self-contradictory and morally baffling.

To be pro-choice about abortion is to be pro-abortion.

Suppose drug-dealing were legalized, as some have advocated. Then suppose you heard someone argue this way for selling cocaine:

> I'm personally not in favor of drug dealing, but this is a matter for a drug dealer to decide between himself and his attorney. Lots of religious people are against drug dealing, but they have no right to force the anticocaine morality on others. We don't want to go back to the days when drug dealing was done in back alleys and people died from poorly mixed cocaine, and when only rich people could get drugs and poor people couldn't. It's better now that qualified drug dealers can safely give cocaine to our children. I personally wouldn't buy drugs, so I'm not pro-drugs, you understand, I'm just pro-choice about drug dealing.



In terms of moral impact, there is no significant difference between people who are in favor of drug dealing and people who don't like it personally but believe it should be legal. Someone who is prochoice about rape might argue that this is not the same as being prorape. But what is the real difference? Wouldn't being pro-choice about rape allow and effectively promote the legitimacy of rape?

Those who were pro-choice about slavery fancied that their moral position was sound if they didn't own slaves. Yet it was not just the pro-siavery position, but the pro-choice about slavery position, that resulted in the exploitation, beatings, and deaths of innocent people in this country. Similarly, most people in Germany did not favor the killing of Jews, but they did nothing to stop that killing.

In ancient Rome it was legal for fathers to kill their newborn children by setting them out to die of exposure or to be eaten by wild beasts. While many people would not do this to their own children, they recognized the rights of others to do so. The early Christians saw this "right" as a wrong, and when they found such children, they took them into their homes to care for them.

Some people have the illusion that being personally opposed to abortion while believing others should be free to choose it is some kind of compromise between the pro-abortion and pro-life positions. It isn't.

Pro-choice people vote the same as pro-abortion people. Both oppose legal protection for the innocent unborn. Both are willing for children to die by abortion and must take responsibility for the killing of those babies even if they do not participate directly. To the baby who dies it makes no difference whether those who refused to protect her were pro-abortion or merely pro-choice.

The only good reason for being personally against abortion is a reason that demands we be against other people choosing to have abortions.

If abortion doesn't kill children, why would someone be opposed to it? If it does kill children, why would someone defend another's right to do it? Being personally against abortion but favoring another's right to abortion is self-contradictory and morally baffling.

It's exactly like saying:

> I'm personally against child abuse, but I defend my neighbor's right to abuse his child if that is his choice.

Or saying something like:

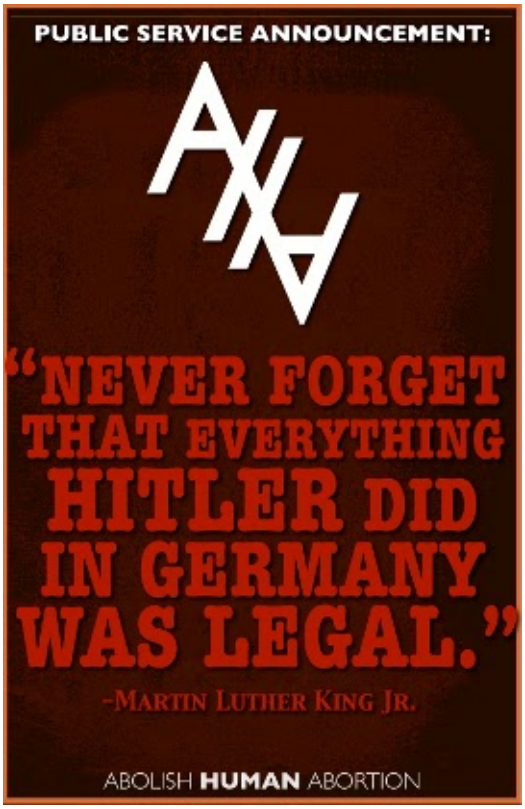
> I'm personally against genocide, but if others want to kill off an entire race, that's none of my business.

I've often heard people say, "Don't call me pro-abortion. I'm not pro-abortion; I'm pro-choice." My response to this statement is always the same: "Why are you opposed to being called pro-abortion? Is there something wrong with abortion?"

Abortion is wrong because it is always the killing of a child. And no reason to kill a child is good enough.
The "I personally oppose abortion, but… " position is popular among politicians who want to make pro-lifers like them because they don't feel good about abortion and pro-choicers like them because they won't do anything to restrict abortion. My point is not simply that this position is cowardly, though certainly it is. My point is that it is utterly illogical.

The only good reason for feeling bad about abortion is that it kills an innocent child. If it doesn't, there's no need to feel bad. But if it does, then you should not just refrain from it yourself, you should oppose others doing it also. You should favor laws to restrict it, for exactly the same reason you favor laws to restrict rape, child molesting, and murder.

What is legal is not always right.



One of the weakest arguments for the legitimacy of abortion is that it is legal. Civil law does not determine morality. Rather, the law should reflect a morality that exists independently of the law. Can anyone seriously believe that abortion was immoral on January 21, 1973, and moral on January 23, 1973?

If abortion killed children before the law changed, it continues to kill children since the law changed. Law or no law, either abortion has always been right and always will be, or it has always been wrong and always will be.

For hundreds of years, slaveowners argued that the slaves were theirs and that they had the right to do with them as they wished. They claimed that their personal rights and freedom of choice were at stake. They said slaves were not fully persons. They said they would experience economic hardship if they were not allowed to have slaves, and they developed slogans to gain sympathy for their cause. They maintained that others could choose not to have slaves, but that they had no right to impose their anti-slavery morality on them. Above all, they argued, slavery was perfectly legal, so no one had the right to oppose it.

This point of view was given farther legal support in the Dred Scott decision of 1857. The Supreme Court determined in a seven-to-two decision that slaves were not legal persons and were therefore not protected under the Constitution. In 1973, the Supreme Court, by another seven-to-two decision, determined that unborn children also were not legal persons and therefore not protected under the Constitution. In 1857 the chief justice of the Supreme Court said:

> A black man has no right which the white man is bound to respect.

Despite slavery's legality, Abraham Lincoln challenged its morality and said this:

> If slavery is not wrong, then nothing is wrong.

In the 1940's a German doctor could legally kill Jews, while in America he would have been prosecuted for murder. In the 1970's an American doctor could legally kill unborn babies, while in Germany he would have been prosecuted for murder. Laws change. Truth and justice don't.

How can we tell people that they are perfectly free to believe abortion is the killing of children but that they are not free to act as if what they believe is really true?

If you believed that a class of persons were being murdered by methods that included dismemberment, suffocation, and burning, resulting in excruciating pain in many cases, wouldn't you be perplexed if someone tried to ease your outrage by telling you that you didn't have to participate in the murders if you didn't want to?

That's exactly what pro-lifers hear when abortion-rights supporters tell them, "Don't like abortion, don't have one" or "I'm pro-choice, but personally opposed." In the mind of the pro-lifer, this is like telling an abolitionist, "Don't like slavery, don't own a slave," or telling Dietrich Bonhoeffer, "Don't like the Holocaust, don't kill a Jew."

Consequently, to request that pro-lifers "shouldn't force their pro-life belief on others," while claiming that "they have a right to believe what they want to believe," is to reveal an incredible ignorance of their position.

SOURCE: **ABORTION FACTS**, READ THEM ALL!

Abortion Fact #8: Less than 1% of all abortions are performed to save the life of the mother.

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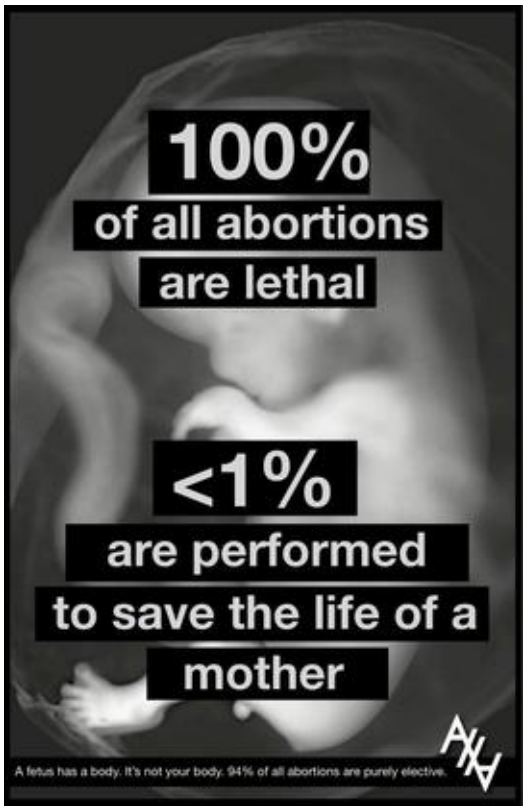

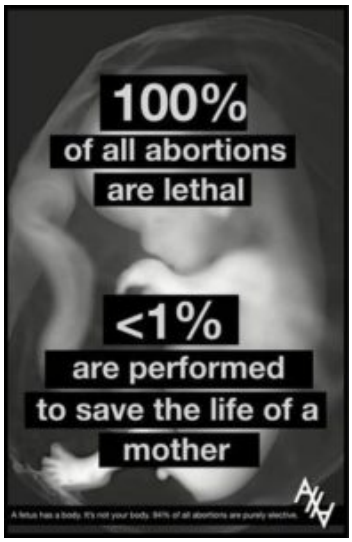

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It is an extremely rare case when abortion is required to save the mother's life. Of course, when two lives are threatened and only one can be saved, doctors must always save that life. However, abortion for the mother's life and abortion for the mother's health are usually not the same issue.

Since every abortion kills an innocent human being, it is morally abhorrent to use the rare cases when abortion is necessary to save the life of the mother as justification for the millions of on demand "convenience" abortions.

While he was United States Surgeon General, Dr. C. Everett Koop stated publicly that in his thirty-eight years as a pediatric surgeon, he was never aware of a single situation in which a freeborn child's life had to be taken in order to save the life of the mother. He said the use of this argument to justify abortion in general was a "smoke screen."

Due to significant medical advances, the danger of pregnancy to the mother has declined considerably since 1967. Yet even at that time Dr. Alan Guttmacher of Planned Parenthood acknowledged:

> Today it is possible for almost any patient to be brought through pregnancy alive, unless she suffers from a fatal illness such as cancer or leukemia, and, if so, abortion would be unlikely to prolong, much less save, life.

Just for the record, go ahead and re-read that quote again and pay close attention to the source.

To repeat, the person making the quote is Dr Alan Guttmacher of Planned Parenthood.

So, yes, Faye Wattleton, the President of Planned Parenthood, **says that abortion kills**, and now, just for the record again, we have Dr. Alan Guttmacher of Planned Parenthood acknowledging that it is an extremely rare case that abortion is necessary to save the mother's life (and he even goes so far as to say that abortion would be unlikely to prolong the mother's life even in these every extreme cases).

Dr. Landrum Shettles says that:

> Less than 1 percent of all abortions are performed to save the mother's life.

When two lives are threatened and only one can be saved, doctors must always save that life.

If the mother has a fast-spreading uterine cancer, the surgery to remove the cancer may result in the loss of the child's life. In an ectopic pregnancy the child is developing outside the uterus. He has no hope of survival, and may have to be removed to save his mother's life.

These are tragic situations, but even if one life must be lost, the life that can be saved should be. More often than not, that life is the mother's, not the child's. There are rare cases in later stages of pregnancy when the mother can't be saved, but the baby can.

Again, one life saved is better than two lost.

To be pro-life does not mean being pro-life just about babies. It also means being pro-life about women, who are just as valuable as babies.

Abortion for the mother's life and abortion for the mother's health are usually not the same issue.

The mother's life and the mother's health are usually two distinct considerations. A woman with toxemia will have adverse health reactions and considerable inconvenience, including probably needing to lie down for much of her pregnancy. This is a difficulty, but not normally a threat to her life. Hence, an abortion for the sake of "health" would not be lifesaving, but life-taking, since her life is not in jeopardy in the first place.

There are other situations where an expectant mother has a serious or even terminal medical condition. Her pregnancy may cause complications, but will not cause her death. If she is receiving radiation therapy, she may be told that the child could have handicaps as a result. It may be possible to postpone or reduce such treatment, but if it is essential to continue the treatment to save the mother's life, this is preferable to allowing her death or killing the child.

Efforts can and should be made that value the lives of both mother and child.

Abortion to save the mother's life was legal before convenience abortion was legalized and would continue to be if abortion were made illegal again.

Even under restrictive abortion laws, the mother's right to life is never disregarded. Contrary to what some pro-choice advocates have said, there is no danger whatsoever that women whose lives are in jeopardy will be unable to get treatment, even if such treatment tragically results in the death of an unborn child.

Even pro-choice USA Today acknowledges:

> The National Right to Life Committee consistently has maintained that while abortion should be banned, there should be exceptions if an abortion is needed to save a woman's life.

The vast majority of abortions are elective.

Why Women Choose Abortion

Inadequate finances to raise a child	21%
Not ready for responsibility	21%
Woman's life would be changed too much	16%
Problems with relationship; unmarried	12%
Too young; not mature enough	11%
Children are grown; woman has all she wants	8%
Unborn child has possible health problems	3%
Woman has health problem	3%
Pregnancy caused by rape, incest	1%
Other	4%
(Average number of reasons given: 3.7)	

Source: Torres and Forrest, as cited by Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health and the Alan Guttmacher Institute in *An Overview of Abortion in the United States* (October 2001)

Are there rare cases when abortion is necessary to save the life of the mother? Yes. As mentioned above, these rare cases occur less than 1% of the time. In fact, even if you lump in all NON life threatening health issues that are cited by mothers as a reason for abortion then the total number only increases to 2.8%.

Are the overwhelming majority of abortions performed on an elective basis? Yes. The most common reasons for having an abortion provided directly by women are all financial and convenience related.

When the mother's life is at stake then the Doctors should do all they can to save both the life of the baby and the life of the mother. If they can only save one life, then they should save that life.

Since **every abortion kills an innocent human being** then it is is grossly misleading and morally abhorrent to say that because there are some rare cases when abortion is necessary to save the life of the mother that therefore abortion on demand for any reason whatsoever should be legal.

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Abortion Fact #7: The differences between embryos and adults are differences of degree not of kind.

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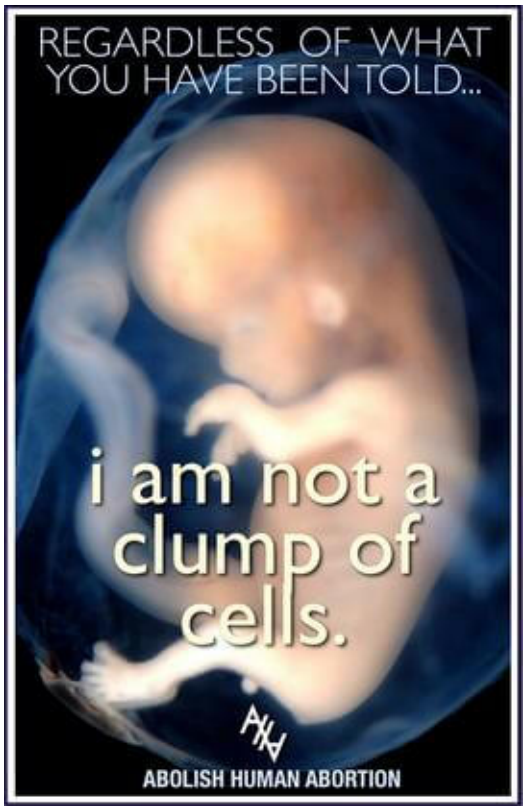

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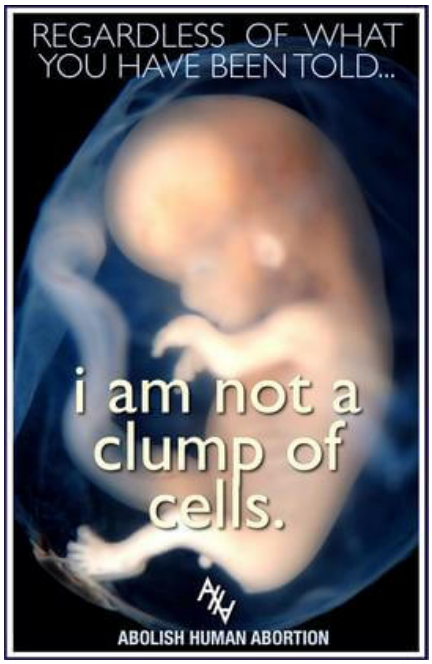
Like toddler and adolescent, the terms "embryo" and "fetus" do not refer to nonhumans but to humans at particular stages of development. Human beings inside the womb are smaller, less developed, and more dependent than human beings outside the womb. These are differences of degree, not differences of kind. We can all point to other people who are bigger, stronger, smarter, or less dependent than we are, but that doesn't make our life any less valuable or any less deserving of protection.



The lives of newborn children are protected by law. The lives of embryos and fetuses are not, at least when the context is abortion. If you asked the average abortion-supporter why this is, why it is generally legal to kill a human being before birth but not legal to kill the same human being after birth, they would likely point you to some of the differences that exist between humans in the womb and humans out of the womb.

Stephen Schwarz, in his book, The Moral Question of Abortion, notes that there are four basic ways that an embryo or fetus differs from a newborn baby. He coined the acronym SLED to help people remember and categorize these differences.

They are: Size, Level of Development, Environment, and Degree of Dependency. By looking at each of these differences in context, it is easy to see that none of them are sufficient to justify abortion, because each of them are equally applicable to many people outside the womb.

Size

The first difference is size. Embryos are smaller than fetuses who are smaller (usually) than newborns. But what does size have to do with rights of personhood?

Smaller people are no more or less human than those who are bigger. Embryos and fetuses are smaller than newborns, just as newborns are smaller than infants, just as infants are smaller than toddlers, just as toddlers are smaller than adolescents, just as adolescents are smaller than teenagers, and teenagers are smaller than adults.

Size doesn't matter. It is lawful to kill a fly and unlawful to kill a person, not because the person is bigger, but because the person is human. Trees are generally bigger than people, but while it is lawful to cut branches off of trees, it is unlawful to cut arms off of people. Why? Because humanity, not size, is what determines rights of personhood.

This might seem laughably obvious but there are people across the globe who try and justify abortion on the claim that the diminutive size of the embryo or fetus makes them ethically insignificant. Since size does not determine personhood after birth, it shouldn't be used to determine personhood before birth.

Level of Development

It is quite true that embryos and fetuses are less developed than a newborn (unless, of course, that newborn was born prematurely). But this, too, is a distinction which has no moral significance. It

is a difference of degree, not of kind.

Physical and/or intellectual development has nothing to do with determining personhood outside the womb. It is equally insignificant for determining personhood inside the womb.

Children are generally less developed than adults. People with developmental disabilities may be less developed than some children, and those with extraordinary mental capacity are no more human than those with lesser IQs. It is humanity, not brain capacity or arm strength that determines personhood.

Environment

The third difference between an embryo or fetus and a newborn baby is their place of residence. Embryos and fetuses live inside the womb, and newborn babies live outside the womb. Just like the distinctions that have gone before, this, too, is an inconsequential difference.

Where someone lives has nothing to do with the essence of who that someone is. Moving from the bedroom to the kitchen, or from indoors to outdoors, or from your car to the classroom doesn't affect your personhood in the least.

Personhood stems from inclusion in the human species not from the location in which you reside. For the entire duration of pregnancy, the tiny unborn child is a human being all it's own. It is dependent upon its mother for many life-sustaining functions, but it is certainly not part of its mothers body.

Any attempt to disqualify unborn children from receiving their due rights of personhood because they live in a womb rather than in a room is dishonest and unjust. Location doesn't affect the personhood of those outside the womb, and it shouldn't affect the personhood of those inside the womb.

Degree of Dependency

The issue of dependency may well be the one abortion supporters turn to most in their attempt to justify abortion. "Since a fetus can't survive on its own," they argue, "it has no inherent right to life". What's the problem with this argument? In the broadest sense, it could be applied to all of us.

There isn't a person alive who is radically independent from the universe we live in. We all need food, water, rest, and oxygen. We're all vulnerable to a million different bodily breakdowns. Are those who must rely on kidney machines, pace-makers or insulin shots for their survival less deserving of basic human rights than anyone else?

Some of us may be less dependent than others, but if it is dependence that strips away a person's right to protection under the law, then we would all be in trouble. Embryos and fetuses who must rely on an umbilical cord in the womb are just as human as those who must rely on a feeding tube outside the womb.

Perhaps the biggest absurdity about this whole attack on dependence is the fact that dependency should merit more protection under the law, not less! After all, the younger and more dependent a child is, the more care and compassion we have for them. The U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention expresses it well when they say:

> Homicides are always tragic, but our sympathies are heightened when the victim is a young child or adolescent. Thus, the deaths of juveniles raise understandable public concerns.

The nation is far more outraged at violence directed towards children than at violence directed towards other adults. The reason is simple. Children are more helpless, and less capable of defending themselves. And the younger the child is the truer this becomes. How we ever got to the place of using dependency against children rather than for children is a tragedy of staggering proportions.

A person, as defined by the dictionary, is nothing more or less than a living human. Anyone who tries to narrow this general definition of personhood does so in an attempt to eliminate a certain group of people who is either getting in their way or has something they want. Creating self-defined definitions of personhood, which are uniquely crafted to eliminate certain individuals from protection under the law, has long been the method of choice for implementing all manner of genocidal atrocities.

The differences that exist between a human being before birth and a human being after birth are differences that don't matter.

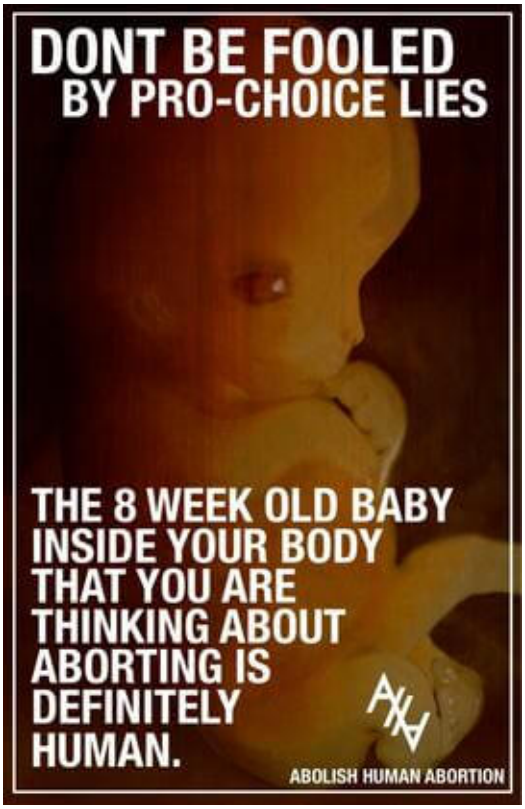
Like toddler and adolescent, the terms embryo and fetus do not refer to nonhumans, but to humans at particular stages of development.

The word embryo is used of any living creature at an early stage of development. Fetusis a Latin word variously translated "offspring," 'Young one," or "little child."

It is scientifically inaccurate to say an embryo or a fetus is not a human being simply because he is at an earlier stage of development than a born infant. This is like saying that a toddler is not a human being—or is less of a human being— because he is not yet an adolescent. Or that an adolescent is not a human being because he is not yet an adult.

Stage of development has nothing to do with human worth. One of my daughters is two years older than the other. Does this mean she is two years better? Is a two-year-old child more precious now than he was a year ago? Is a child more worthy to live after birth than before birth?

Semantics affect perceptions, but they do not change realities; a baby is a baby no matter what we call her.



"A rose by any other name would smell as sweet." A baby by any other name is still a baby. Though fetus was once a good word that spoke of a young human being, it is now used with a subhuman connotation. Referring to the fetus allows us not to use the B-word (baby). The pro-choice movement labors to avoid the B-word for it reminds us of the reality that abortion kills a child. This reality must be denied at all costs, because anyone who is understood to be arguing for the right to kill babies is fighting an uphill battle.

Product of conception (POC) goes a step further in depersonalizing the unborn child. In reality, the infant, the ten-year-old, and the adult are all "products of conception," no more nor less than the fetus. As the product of a horse's conception is always a horse, the product of human conception is always a human. Still, the use of impersonal terminology allows us to overlook this reality.

Fertilized egg is a term frequently used of the newly conceived person. This term is dehumanizing and misleading. Neither egg nor sperm is in any sense a human being, but merely the product of a human being. However, at the point of fertilization someone brand new comes into existence, a unique human being. As the sperm no longer exists, neither does the egg per se. It is replaced by a new creation with unique DNA, rapidly growing and dividing on its own. This new human being is no more a mere "fertilized egg" than it is a "modified sperm." He or she is a newly created person with the equivalent of hundreds of volumes of distinct genetic programming.

Historically, the terms conception and fertilization have been virtually synonymous, both referring to the very beginning of human life. A contraceptive, just as it sounds, was something that prevented fertilization (contradicted conception). Unfortunately, in the last few decades alternative meanings of conception and contraception have emerged, a semantic shift which has greatly confused the issue. In Physician magazine, Dr. Eugene Diamond explains:

> Prior to 1976, a "contraceptive" was understood to be an agent that prevented the union of sperm and ovum. In 1976 the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists , realizing that this definition didn't help its political agenda, arbitrarily changed the definition. A contraceptive now meant anything that prevented implantation of the blastocyst, which occurs six or seven days after fertilization. Conception, as defined by Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary , became "the onset of pregnancy marked by implantation of the blastocyst." The hidden agenda in ACOG's redefinition of "contraceptive" was to blur the distinction between agents preventing fertilization and those preventing implantation of the week-old embryo. Specifically, abortifa-cients such as IUDs, combination pills, minipills, progestin-only pills, injectables such as Provera and, more recently, implantables such as Norplant, all are contraceptives by this definition.

This redefinition of "contraceptive" has gradually crept into the medical literature. Because of the change, many medical professionals refer to agents that sometimes prevent implantation as contraceptives, even though whenever they prevent implantation, they are in fact functioning as abortifacients. But because of some convenient semantic changes, this reality is hidden from the consumer. (See appendices D and E on chemical abortifacients and the birth control pill.)

Sometimes semantic shifts are made to depersonalize our smallest children; other times they are made to mask reality and confuse people. The National Institute of Health found that the public was reacting against the term "human embryonic stem cell research," referring to the destroying of human embryos by performing experiments on them. NIH actually chose to use a new term, "human pluripotent stem cell research," to describe the same thing. The new term masks the reality that human embryos are involved.

Sometimes the characterization of the unborn is overtly hostile. I heard one pro-choice advocate refer to unwanted pregnancy as a "venereal disease" and abortion as the "cure." Abortion-rights advocates have referred to unborn babies as debris, garbage, and refuse to justify abortion. Holocaust scholar Raul Hilberg argues that the key to the widespread destruction of the Jewish people was the use of degrading terminology such as "useless eaters" and "garbage," which blinded society to the fact that real people were being killed.

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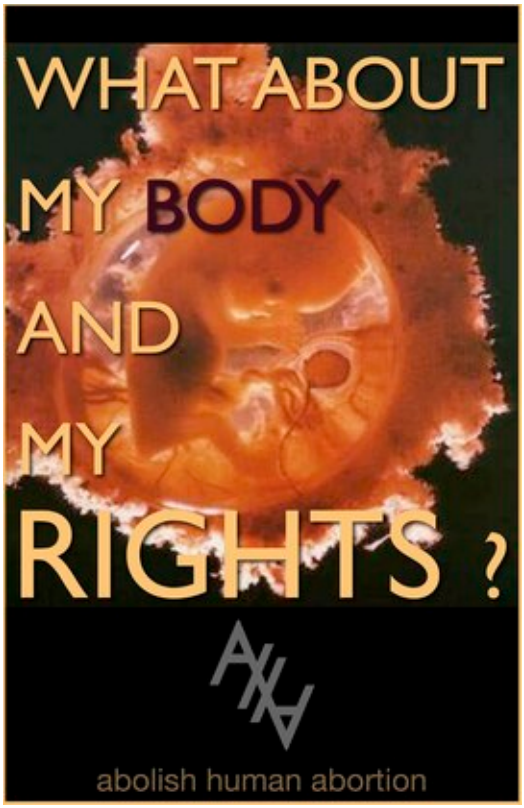
From the moment of conception, the unborn is not simple but very complex.

The newly fertilized egg contains a staggering amount of genetic information, sufficient to control the individual's growth and development for an entire lifetime. A single thread of DNA from a human cell contains information equivalent to a library of one thousand volumes, or six hundred thousand printed pages with five hundred words on a page. The genetic information stored in the new individual at conception is the equivalent of fifty times the amount of information contained in the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Prior to the earliest abortions, the unborn already has every body part she will ever have.



At eighteen days after conception the heart is forming, and the eyes start to develop. By twenty-one days the heart is not only beating, but pumping blood throughout the body. By twenty-eight days the unborn has budding arms and legs. By thirty days she has multiplied in size ten thousand times. She has a brain and blood flows through her veins.

By thirty-five days, mouth, ears, and nose are taking shape. At forty days the preborn child's brain waves can be recorded. The child's heartbeat, which began three weeks earlier, can already be detected by an ultrasonic stethoscope. By forty-two days the skeleton is formed, and the brain is controlling the movement of muscles and organs. The unborn reflexively responds to stimulus and may already be capable of feeling pain. This is before the earliest abortions take place.

Famous intrauterine photographer Lennart Nilsson is best known for his photo essays in Life magazine and his bestselling book A Child Is Born. In his "Drama of Life Before Birth," he says this of unborn at forty-five days after conception (this is just six-and-a-half weeks, when many women don't yet know they are pregnant): "Though the embryo now weighs only 1/30 of an ounce, it has all the internal organs of the adult in various stages of development. It already has a little mouth with lips, an early tongue and buds for 20 milk teeth. Its sex and reproductive organs have begun to sprout."

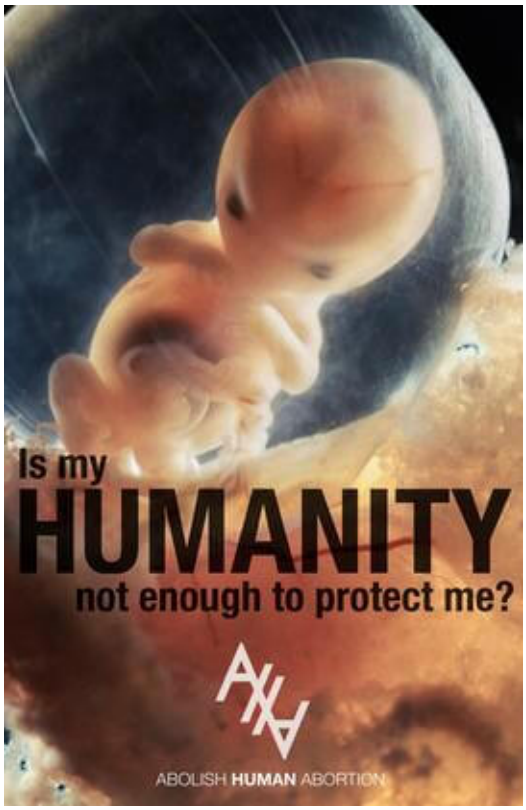
By eight weeks hands and feet are almost perfectly formed, and fingerprints are developing. Already, "Mother's movements stimulate the fetus's balance and motion detectors." By nine weeks a child will bend fingers around an object placed in the palm. Fingernails are forming, and the child is sucking his thumb. The nine-week baby has "already perfected a somersault, backflip and scissor kick."

By ten weeks the child squints, swallows, and frowns. By eleven weeks he urinates, makes a wide variety of facial expressions, and even smiles. By twelve weeks the child is kicking, turning his feet, curling and fanning his toes, making a fist, moving thumbs, bending wrists, and opening his mouth.

All this happens in the first trimester, the first three months of life. In the remaining six months in the womb nothing new develops or begins functioning. The child only grows and matures.

Even in the earliest surgical abortions, the unborn child is clearly human in appearance.

The biggest disadvantage to the preborn child is that there is no window to the womb. His fate is in the hands of those who cannot see him. There are technologies, however, that have allowed us for almost thirty years to see into the womb. Both still and moving pictures show the startlingly clear humanity of the preborn.



Watching obviously human unborn children through ultrasound convinced abortionist Bernard Nathanson that for years he had, unwittingly, been killing human beings. A liberal Ivy League professor and his wife changed their minds on this issue when a sonogram of their amniocentesis showed their unborn child grabbing hold of the needle.

One of the photos shown on this page is of an unborn child at eight weeks of development. Notice the clearly discernible eyes, ears, mouth, nose, and hands. The tear-drop shaped picture below it is of an unruptured ectopie pregnancy six weeks after the mother's last menstrual period, taken after surgery by a medical photographer at the University of Minnesota. Notice again the clearly discernible features, especially eyes and hands. Remember that few abortions take place before this stage. This is the true appearance of one of the youngest of the 3,753 children killed in America every day. Sadly, few women getting abortions know this. Abortion clinics do not show them such pictures.

When I showed a picture of an eight-week developed unborn, a pro-choice advocate—an intelligent college graduate—looked at me with disdain and asked, "Do you really think you're going to fool anyone with this trick photography?' This woman, whom I'm convinced was sincere in her belief, had been taught that the unborn was a blob of tissue, but when she looked at the actual picture, she saw that this was clearly a little human being.

She was forced to conclude either that what she had been taught was wrong, or that this was a phony picture. It was easier to conclude the latter. Yet, as I pointed out to her, she could go to such secular sources as Harvard University Medical School textbooks, or Life magazine, or Nilsson's A Child Is Born and find exactly the same thing. I wonder if she ever investigated the scientific data.

Unfortunately, the problem is not just ignorance, but misinformation. An abortion clinic spokesperson told the Winnipeg Sun that the unborn is "a froglike thing…without a heartbeat, brain, eyes or internal organs." A Kansas state representative, getting her information from a paid lobbyist of the abortion industry, stated that the unborn child at seven months "looks a lot like chopped liver." I often hear people who believe and pass on such utterly false information.

A pro-choice video aired on a cable television network showed a little pool of blood with no visible tissue, much less body parts, and said, "This is the contents of an emptied uterus after an eight-week abortion. It is clearly not a baby, despite what antiabortìonists say in their propaganda." Since the scientific facts of human development are indisputable, there are only two possible explanations: The video did not show the full remains of the abortion, or the child was so torn apart in the abortion that his body parts were no longer discernible. In either case, it is an attempt at deception, as one look at the photograph of the eight-week baby on the back cover of this book clearly shows.

Despite the widespread ignorance and misinformation on the subject, whenever we discuss abortion in this country, we are always discussing the death of a preborn with clearly discernible human features. In no way is it, nor does it even appear to be, "a blob of tissue."

Even before the unborn is obviously human in appearance, she is what she is—a human being.

The cells of the new individual divide and multiply rapidly, resulting in phenomenal growth. There is growth precisely because there is a new and distinct life. Long before a woman knows she's pregnant, there is within her a living, growing human being.

Between five and nine days the new person burrows into the wall of the womb for safety. Already his or her sex can be determined by scientific instruments.

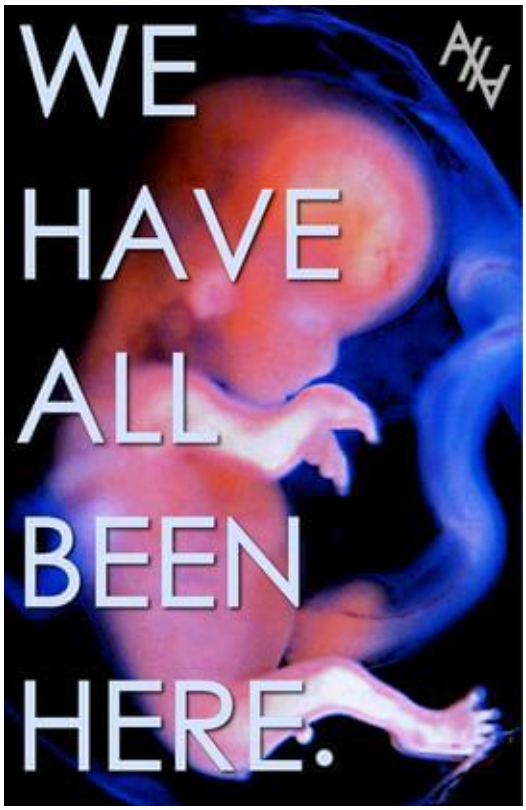
By fourteen days a hormone produced by the new child suppresses the mother's menstrual period. It will be two more weeks before his clearly human features are discernible and three more before they are obvious. Still, he is what he is, regardless of his appearance. As any of us know who have been around people terribly injured in accidents and fires, one need not look human to be human. At conception the unborn does not appear human to us who are used to judging humanity purely by appearance. Nevertheless, in the objective scientific sense he is every bit as human as any older child or adult.

Though I have emphasized the clearly human features of the unborn after six weeks of development, this does not mean babies are any less human before they look human. No matter how he or she looks, no matter which organs have developed and which haven't, a child is a child, and abortion terminates that child's life. The earliest means to cause abortion, including

Mifepristone (RU-486) and all abortion pills, are—and will always be—still too late to avoid taking a life.

Even if someone takes the scientifically untenable position that the unborn is not a human being until it looks human and its heart and brain are functioning, he is still acknowledging the humanity of the twenty-eight million unborn killed by abortion in America in the last two decades.

There is nothing about birth that makes a baby essentially different than he was before birth.



In 1983 a physician was accused of murder because he killed a baby who survived his attempt to abort him. Envision this scenario as it actually happened. Before the attempted abortion, the baby was normal and healthy. Five minutes later, he had been disfigured, poisoned, and burned with salt, all of which was perfectly legal. But since this child had been moved a few feet from where he was before (inside his mother), he was now considered a person.

The same physician, who went on to become a director of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, had full legal right to poison and kill the child moments earlier, but was now considered a murderer because he bungled his assigned task of killing inside the womb and finished the same job on the outside. He was prosecuted not for killing a child, but for doing such a poor job killing a child. Does anyone really believe that one of these attempted killings was right and the other was wrong?

I spent the night in a city where the news was dominated by the frightful story of a murdered infant estimated at three pounds. Only the top half of the child's body had been found. Doctors examining the baby said that he could have been born prematurely or aborted, but it was impossible to tell. The reason this was so newsworthy was that if it could be determined the child had been born, it would have been a murder of the worst kind.

But children of this size are killed by abortion every day, and it is a ho-hum affair to the media. Those who oppose the abortions that kill these children are regarded as antichoice and antirights. Yet anyone who would defend the bloody slaying of the child in the news—a child essentially no different than all aborted children of the same age—would be regarded as a monster. What's the difference?

If our concern is for the innocent child, why should anyone be relieved to find out the child was aborted rather than murdered? Either way, he was killed— and killed brutally! There would be no less pain, no less horror, and death would be no less real if this baby had been killed inside his mother by the doctor's knife or outside her by the knife of a psychopath.

There is simply no magic that somehow changes the nature and value of a child just because he has moved from inside his mother to outside.

<- HomeFact #8: Less than 1% of all abortions are performed to save the life of the mother. ->

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Black Protesters Against “Black Genocide” of Abortion Win Case in Washington DC

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— Protesters win case filed against the National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC) —

The National Museum of African American History & Culture in Washington, DC

Washington, DC — Late yesterday, the American Freedom Law Center, a national public interest law firm, resolved an important First Amendment case against the federal government in favor of several pro-life demonstrators who were prevented from expressing their pro-life message outside of the National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC) in Washington, D.C.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of the **Center for Bio-Ethical Reform, Inc. (CBR)**, a California-based pro-life organization, its executive director, Gregg Cunningham, Reverend Clenard H. Childress, Jr., an African American pastor and assistant to National Director Rev Dr, Johnny Hunter of **LEARN (the Life Education And Resource Network)**, the largest African American Pro-Life Network in USA, and Jacqueline Hawkins, an African American woman who is the director of minority outreach for CBR. Pastor Childress and Ms. Hawkins direct the NMAAC project, which was developed by CBR in collaboration with LEARN.

The NMAAHC project involves the use of hand-held, photo-mural exhibits that demonstrate the devastation of abortion's consequences on the African American community. This project also includes the distribution of literature. A principal goal of the project is to raise awareness of the black genocide that is being perpetrated through abortion.

This past February, Pastor Childress and Ms. Hawkins initiated the NMAAHC project by peacefully standing outside of the museum entrance on the public sidewalk adjacent to Madison Drive with one of the project signs. Mr. Cunningham was present as well.

Project Display

Shortly after they arrived, Pastor Childress and Ms. Hawkins were confronted by an NMAAHC official and several armed, uniformed police officers from the Office of Protection Services (OPS) who told them that they could not stand outside the museum with their sign. Reverend Childress responded that this is a public sidewalk. The senior OPS officer warned Pastor Childress and Ms. Hawkins that if they did not move to a remote location across the street, then he and his fellow officers would physically move them. The OPS officer also confirmed that if they did not move, they would be subject to arrest. Rather than face arrest or physical force, Pastor Childress and Ms. Hawkins ceased their First Amendment activity and moved per the officer's order.

Rev Clenard H. Childress Jr, stated, "What should be a institution that enlightens the public of the rich history and meaningful contribution of African Americans has turned out to be a citadel of subliminal bias, discrimination and coercion. It is clear the hidden agenda is to invoke anarchy and produce a grievance culture with disdain for the Judeo Christian ethic. Dr. Martin Luther King's dream was one of love of nation, social justice and the ability to sit at the table of brotherhood as one people. Dr. King forsaw that oneday this nation would live out its creed of *Life, Liberty And The Pursuit Of Happiness*. The exclusion of a sitting African American Supreme Court

Justice Clarence Thomas , the first Black women to be elected as a Republican congresswomen Mia Love and the **omission of eugenics** which is the leading cause of death of African Americans is a tragedy."

This past June, AFLC filed a federal lawsuit in the U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C. against NMAAHC, OPS, and several federal officials. Shortly after the lawsuit was filed, AFLC attorneys were contacted by an attorney from the Department of Justice who confirmed our clients' First Amendment rights and who stated that the federal government wanted to settle the case on terms favorable to our clients.

Yesterday, the parties filed a stipulated dismissal in which the federal government formally acknowledged "that the public sidewalks forming the perimeter of the National Museum of African American History and Culture are available for First Amendment activity" and agreed to pay AFLC its attorneys' fees incurred for having to file the complaint.

Robert Muise, AFLC Co-Founder and Senior Counsel, commented: "There was no question that our clients had a clear right under the First Amendment to engage in their peaceful, non-obstructive free speech activity on the public sidewalks outside of this museum. The government was wrong for denying our clients that right, and they knew it. Fortunately, we were able to correct this injustice by filing a federal lawsuit. Otherwise, there would have been no such acknowledgment and our clients would have been deprived of a fundamental liberty guaranteed by our Constitution."

David Yerushalmi, AFLC Co-Founder and Senior Counsel, added: "In addition to being a gross violation of our clients' fundamental rights, the actions of the museum officials and their armed security demonstrate the hypocrisy of the left. Progressives claim to be for diversity and tolerance, but if you don't march in lockstep with their narrative, they use force and the threat of force to shut you down. Here, we were able to use the federal courts to turn that narrative on its head."

For more information about LEARN (the Life Education And Resource Network),
visit **www.BlackGenocide.org**

For more information about the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform, Inc. (CBR),
visit **www.AbortionNo.org**

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Fact #6: Poverty, Rape, Disability, or “unwantedness” Do Not Morally Justify Abortion.

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The Virginia Christian Alliance recommends to our readers to visit “**Abortion Facts**“, which lists 20 facts on abortion. We have published Abortion Fact #6 exerpt and the link to full informative article below. Even the most skilled pro-choice debater would be thoroughly defeated by these facts.

There are all sorts of circumstances that people point to as justification for their support of abortion. Since none of these circumstances are sufficient to justify the killing of human beings after birth, they’re not sufficient to justify the killing of human beings before birth.

If abortion is wrong because it is killing a child, then whether or not the child is “wanted” has no bearing on the matter—unless, of course, it is wrong to kill “wanted” people, but right to kill “unwanted” people.

When it comes to abortion, there is no shortage of “What if…?’s.” Just when it seems the injustice of abortion has been firmly established, you’ll hear things like: “What if the woman was raped?”, “What if she can’t afford a child?”, or “What if the baby is deformed?”

These questions don't address the fundamental ethics of abortion, but they do introduce a host of difficult variables. Some people appeal to them earnestly. Many do not. These "hard cases" are often used as a last defense by those who actually believe abortion should be legal no matter what the circumstances. They appeal to these more emotionally-charged circumstances in an attempt to move the focus away from the heart of the issue – which is the humanity of unborn children and the violence of abortion.

The best way to expose the fallacy of such claims is to simply broaden the context and apply them to children outside the womb. No matter how you frame it, the difficulty that these circumstances present do not justify the death of an innocent human being.

What if the child is unwanted?

One of the favorite mantras of abortion advocates around the country is "Every Child a Wanted Child." It sounds noble enough, until you realize what their solution to unwantedness is. If a child isn't wanted, they argue, then it shouldn't be born. The problem, of course, is that the child is already conceived, and the only way to keep said child from being born is to kill it. How do they justify such violence? Often by arguing that it is better for the child to be dead than for the child to be unwanted.

This is a bogus argument. It doesn't work for the simple fact that no one makes such an argument about children after birth. Is certain death really the answer to potential neglect or abuse?

If someone's right to life truly were established or removed based simply on their "wantedness," what would that mean for those in foster care, the homeless, the aged or the infirm?

In the broadest sense, the whole discussion of "wantedness" ignores a substantial reality. Even if the biological parents want nothing to do with their offspring, there are families all over the nation waiting desperately to adopt a baby, families who are willing to adopt diseased babies of any race or ethnicity.

Something as subjective as "wantedness" can never be the basis for granting someone the right to life, and abortion advocates know this. They don't argue that mothers should be free to kill their "unwanted" children after birth because they know these children are living, human beings with full rights of personhood. The only reason they argue that mothers should be free to kill their unwanted children before birth is because they're ignoring the scientific reality that these children, too, are living, human beings. The question is humanity, not wantedness.

What if the mother can’t afford a child?

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Abortion reversal is catching like wildfire: Here's what women are saying

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/By Laura Peredo | **LIVE ACTION**

Immediately after taking the first of two pills used to complete a medical abortion, 19-year-old Karen Raya was flooded with regret, and searched the internet for abortion pill reversal. She found Dr. George Delgado's pioneering research, which saved her preborn baby, now safely growing into her second trimester.

In a recent interview with NBC San Diego, Raya said "the results are a miracle." A single mom to a toddler, Raya was driven by fear and loneliness, like many other women, toward obtaining an abortion. But after experiencing immediate regret and seeking reversal, she said "hearing the first heartbeat gave me a sense of hope."

Dr. George Delgado of the Culture of Life Family Services in San Diego, California, along with Dr. Matthew Harrison, has been pioneering a reversal protocol for several years and now receives 100-150 calls a month on the abortion pill reversal hotline. Of the women who have undergone the treatment, 60-70 percent have successfully carried their pregnancies to term, Dr. Delgado told NBC San Diego.

The protocol occurs after a patient has taken the first of two medications used to induce a medical abortion – mifepristone. This medication blocks progesterone production, necessary to sustain a healthy pregnancy, and causes the uterine lining to break down. Essentially it starves the preborn baby, who will soon die. The second medication used to complete a medical abortion is misoprostol, distributed to women at the abortion facility with instructions to take later at home. Misoprostol causes the uterus to contract and expel the preborn baby, ending the pregnancy. Watch as former abortionist, Dr. Anthony Levatino, explains this process in the video below:

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Dr. Delgado seeks to reverse the effect of the first medication by prescribing progesterone so the woman's body will reverse the effects and be able to carry the preborn baby to term. Due to his pioneering research, Karen is one of hundreds of women who have successfully reversed their abortions and had healthy pregnancies.

Emily, another woman who successfully reversed her abortion, was overcome with the fear of being pregnant and took the first pill. "On the drive home I was consumed with guilt and regret. I cried the whole way home . . . I started looking online . . .and came across a website discussing a reversal process, and it had a phone number. I was filled with hope, but also doubt that it was real or attainable."

"I remember hearing my son's heartbeat for the first time around Thanksgiving," she said, and then gave birth to her son Ezekiel the following July. "I am forever changed into a new person

because of my son and what I went through to bring him into this world. He is the absolute best thing that has ever happened to me . . . I hope everyone when faced with this choice chooses life, but thankfully, if they make a mistake like mine, there's a second chance, which is the reversal process."

Another mom, Amy Mendoza, **was lied to by a Colorado Planned Parenthood facility** that told her reversal was not possible. She was grateful to find the reversal hotline, and says, "every time I look at him, I'm just so thankful."

Summer and Jason are now proud parents of their daughter Finley, who was saved after her parents immediately regretted their decision to obtain an abortion. Summer had convinced herself there was no other option, but on the way home from taking the first pill, "the anguish and regret grew so overwhelming we had to pull over on the side of the road," Summer explained. "We knew we had made the biggest mistake of our lives." Finley was born around Christmas last year due to the abortion reversal protocol, and is now the joy of her family's lives. "Everyone is so happy and crazy in love with our daughter. She has changed all of our lives for the better, and we are forever grateful," her mother said.

These parents are not alone in regretting their abortion decision and seeking help to reverse the effects of mifepristone. Nearly 300 women have successfully delivered their babies after undergoing the protocol. Further evidence of the protocol's integrity and potential will be released in Dr. Delgado's studies later this year.

If you or someone you know regrets taking the abortion pill, it may not be too late to save your preborn baby. Help is available at **AbortionPillReversal.com** or 1-877-558-0333.

Abortion Fact #5: The Right To Not Be Killed Supersedes The Right To Not Be Pregnant

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The Virginia Christian Alliance recommends to our readers to visit "**Abortion Facts**", which lists 20 facts on abortion. We have published Abortion Fact #5 and the links to the rest below.

The comparison between a baby's rights and a mother's rights is unequal. What is at stake in abortion is the mother's lifestyle, as opposed to the baby's life. Therefore, it is reasonable for society to expect an adult to live temporarily with an inconvenience if the only alternative is killing a child.

Of course a child does not have more rights than her mother. Any two people are equal, and any two people have equal rights. Hence, a mother has every bit as much right to live as any child. But in nearly all abortions, the woman's right to live is not an issue, because her life is not in danger.

The mother has not only the right to live, but also the right to the lifestyle of her choice—as long as that choice does not rob other people of even more fundamental rights, the most basic of which is the right to live. The right to a certain lifestyle is never absolute and unconditional. It is always governed by its effects on others.

Planned Parenthood states:

> The desire to complete school or to continue working are common reasons women give for choosing to abort an unplanned pregnancy.

Completing school and working are desirable things in many cases, and pregnancy can make them difficult. But a woman normally can continue school and work during pregnancy. If she gives up a child for adoption, she need not give up school or work. If she chooses to raise the child herself, there are childcare options available if she must work outside the home. I am not suggesting this is ideal, nor do I say it callously. I have worked with single mothers and know their difficulties. I am simply pointing out there are alternatives, any one of which is preferable to an innocent child's death.

Regardless of the challenges, one person's right to a preferred lifestyle is not greater than another person's right to a life.

Rebutting Judith Jarvis Thomson's "A Defense of Abortion"

Abortion-rights advocate Judith Jarvis Thomson invented an analogy that has been widely quoted in pro-choice literature and debates. She compares pregnancy to a situation in which someone wakes up strapped to a famous but unconscious violinist. Imagine, Thomson says, that some group called the Society of Music Lovers has "kidnapped" you because you have a certain blood type. Now you are being forced to stay "plugged in" to the violinist's body for nine months until he is viable, or able to live on his own.

Thomson then asks what if it were not just nine months, but nine years or considerably longer? (Apparently this is a comparison to having to raise a child once he is born.) Thomson assumes that readers would find such a situation "outrageous" and would not consider it their obligation to be subjected to nine months—at least—of bondage and misery for the sake of the violinist, who is little more than a human parasite.

This analogy is worth a closer examination, both because of its popularity and because it is typical of the way the abortion issue is framed by pro-choice advocates. Here are six fallacies of this argument that cut to the heart of the abortion debate:

Rebuttal #1: Over 99% of all pregnancies are the result of sexual relations in which both partners have willingly participated.

One is rarely coerced into pregnancy. Though pro-lifers may be in Thomson's mind, neither they nor anyone else is parallel to the Society of Music Lovers. No one is going around forcing people to get pregnant. The outrage the reader feels at the idea of being kidnapped and coerced is an effective emotional device, but it is a distortion of reality.

Rebuttal #2: Pregnancy is a much different experience than the analogy depicts.

Pregnancy is portrayed as a condition in which one is unable to leave the room, to socialize, to have a job, or even to get out of bed. Carrying a child is depicted as a horrid, degrading, and debilitating situation. Both medical science and the personal experience of millions of women argue against this bleak and twisted picture. Carrying a child is a natural condition in which there is some inconvenience. But few women are bedridden during their pregnancies. Most are socially active, capable of working, traveling, and exercising almost to the day the child is delivered.

Rebuttal #3: Even when pregnancy is unwanted or difficult, it is a temporary condition.

Since the great majority of abortions take place from seven weeks to six months of development, the actual difference between the woman who aborts her child and the woman who doesn't is not nine months but three to seven months. The analogy to nine years or even a lifetime of being chained to someone is obviously invalid since after birth a woman is free to give up her child to one of the hundreds of thousands of families waiting to adopt infants in this country. While pregnancy is a temporary condition, abortion produces a permanent condition— the death of a child.

Rebuttal #4: In this scenano, mother and child are pitted against each other as enemies.

The mother is at best merely a life-support system and at worst the victim of a crime. The child is a leech, a parasite unfairly taking advantage of the mother. Love, compassion, and care are nowhere present. The bonding between mother and child is totally ignored. The picture of a woman waking up in a bed, strapped to a strange unconscious man is bizarre and degrading to women, whose pregnancy and motherhood are natural.

Rebuttal #5: The child's presence during pregnancy is rarely more inconvenient than his presence after birth.

The burden of a born child is usually greater on a woman than the burden of an unborn. Yet if a parent of a two-year-old decides that she is tired of being a parent and that no one has the right to expect her to be one any longer, society nonetheless recognizes that she has certain responsibilities toward that child. She can surrender him for foster care or adoption, but she cannot abuse, neglect, or kill the child. If the solution to the stresses of pregnancy is killing the preborn child, is killing not also the solution to the stresses of parenting the preschooler?

Rebuttal #6: Even when there is no felt obligation, there is sometimes real obligation.

If a woman is being raped or murdered, what do we think of those who make no effort to rescue the woman? Don't we recognize that there is moral responsibility toward saving a life, even if it involves an inconvenience or risk we did not ask for or want? For the woman carrying a child, isn't it a significant consideration that her own mother made the same sacrifice for her? Can we forget that every one of us was once that "leech," that "parasite," that "violinist" dependent on our mothers in order to live? Aren't you glad your mother looked at pregnancy—and looked at you—differently than portrayed by this pro-choice analogy? This argument for abortion is based in utilitarianism, the idea that whatever brings a person momentary happiness or relief is the right

course of action. This is a shaky foundation for any society that hopes to be moral and just in its treatment of the weak and needy.

If the unborn are human beings, then they have the right to live. Period!

See if you can spot what's wrong with the following statement:

> Even if the unborn are human beings, they have fewer rights than the woman. No one should be expected to donate her body as a life-support system for someone else.

Does this sound reasonable at first glance? WAIT!...

Once we grant that the unborn are human beings, it should settle the question of their right to live.

One pro-choice advocate, in the face of the overwhelming evidence, admitted to me that the unborn are human beings. He then added, "But that's irrelevant to the issue of a woman's right to have an abortion." But how can one's humanity be irrelevant to the question of whether someone has the right to kill him? Wasn't the black person's humanity relevant to the issue of slavery, or the Jew's humanity relevant to the ethics of the Holocaust? Not only is the unborn's humanity relevant, it is the single most relevant issue in the whole abortion debate.

In the Roe v. Wade decision, Justice Harry Blackmun stated:

> We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins.

In fact, this question is not difficult at all, as the many scientists quoted under fact #1 attest. But no matter what answer we come to, isn't the question of whether living children are being killed by abortion precisely the question we must resolve?

Writing in the New York Times, pro-choice Barbara Ehrenreich says:

> A woman may think of her fetus as a person or as just cells depending on whether the pregnancy is wanted or not. This does not reflect moral confusion, but choice in action.

In this Alice-in-Wonderland approach, one's choice is not made in light of scientific and moral realities. One's choice is itself the only important reality, overshadowing all matters of fact. But if society operated this way, every killing of a person would be justifiable. The real issue would not be the worth of the person killed, but the free choice of the one doing the killing. If a man doesn't want his wife, he can think of her as a nonperson. If he chooses to kill her, it would not be "moral confusion," but "choice in action."

Ms. Ehrenreich goes on to say:

> Moreover, a woman may think of the fetus as a person and still find it necessary and morally responsible to have an abortion.

We must not miss the implications of this viewpoint. It says that one may acknowledge the personhood of a fellow human being, yet feel that for one's personal benefit it is legitimate—even "morally responsible"—to kill that other person. Though this is a logical conclusion of abortion-rights thinking, if carried out in our society it would ultimately mean the end of all human rights and social justice.

Naomi Wolf admits that her fellow feminists have lied to themselves in depersonalizing and dehumanizing the unborn:

> This has led to a bizarre bifurcation in the way we who are prochoice tend to think about wanted as opposed to unwanted fetuses: the unwanted ones are still seen in schematic black-and-white drawings while the wanted ones have metamorphosed into vivid and moving color. Even while Elders spoke of our need to "get over" our love affair with the unwelcome fetus, in entire growth industry—Mozart for your belly; framed sonogram phoios; home fetal-heartbeat stethoscopes—is devoted to sparking fetal love affairs in other circumstances, and aimed especially at the hearts of over-scheduled yuppies. If we avidly cultivate love for the ones we bring to term, and "get over" our love for the ones we don't, do we not risk developing a hydroponic view of babies—and turn them into a product we can cull for our convenience?
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> Any happy couple with a wanted pregnancy and a copy of What to Expect When You're Expecting can see the cute, detailed drawings of the fetus whom the book's owner presumably is not going to abort, and can read the excited descriptions of what that fetus can do and feel, month by month. Anyone who has had a sonogram during pregnancy knows perfectly well that the 4-month-old fetus responds to outside stimulus—"Let's get him to look this way," the technician will say, poking gently at the belly of a delighted mother-to-be. The Well Baby Book, the kind of whole-grain holistic guide to pregnancy and childbirth that would find its audience among the very demographic that is most solidly prochoice reminds us that: "Increasing knowledge is increasing the awe and respect we have for the unborn baby and is causing us to regard the unborn baby as a real person long before birth…."
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> So, what will it be: Wanted fetuses are charming, complex REM-dreaming little beings whose profile on the sonogram looks just like Daddy, but unwanted ones are mere "uterine material"? How can we charge that it is vile and repulsive for prolifers to brandish vile and repulsive images if the images are real? To insist that the truth is in poor taste is the very height of hypocrisy.

"The height of hypocrisy" is one feminist's appraisal of this double standard. Yet, amazingly, in this same essay Wolf still defends abortion, saying it should be done with grief and mourning for the loss of the child. In some ways, her bottom-line message is even more frightening. She is telling people:

> Stop lying to yourselves about the unborn…these are real babies, just as real and just as precious when we don't want them as when we do. Keep that tragic fact in mind as you go ahead and kill them.

The child's right to not be killed is more fundamental than the woman's right to not be pregnant.

Some have suggested that prohibiting a woman from having an abortion is to place the value of an embryo or fetus above that of the woman herself. Restricting abortion does not imply that the child is more valuable than the mother. Rather, it recognizes that the child's right to not be killed is more fundamental than the woman's right to not be pregnant.

Politically speaking, abortion is an issue that involves competing rights. On the one hand, you have the mother's right not to be pregnant. On the other hand, you have the baby's right not to be killed. The question that must be answered is this. Which right is more fundamental? Which right has a greater claim? Abortion advocates argue that outlawing abortion would, in essence, elevate the rights of the unborn over and above those of the mother. "How can you make a fetus more important than a grown woman?", they might ask. In reality, outlawing abortion wouldn't be giving unborn children more rights, it would simply gain for them the one most fundamental right that no one can live without, the right to life.

If a baby is not to be aborted, then the pregnant mother must remain pregnant. This will also require of her sickness, fatigue, reduced mobility, an enlarged body, and a new wardrobe. Fortunately, it is not a permanent condition. On the flip side, for a pregnant woman not to be pregnant, her child must be killed (unless she is past her 21st week of pregnancy, in which case the baby may well survive outside the womb). Abortion costs the unborn child his or her very life and it is a thoroughly permanent condition. This is what's at stake, both for the child and for the mother. It is not an issue of who is more important, but rather who has more on the line.

Any time the rights of two people stand in opposition to each other, the law exists to protect the more fundamental right. We see this all the time. For example, if a car is driving down a street while someone is crossing that street, the law requires the driver of the car to slow down and stop (giving up their right to drive where they want, when they want, and at what speed they want) so that the pedestrian may cross the street in front of him. Why? Why must the driver temporarily give up his right to drive down the street just because someone else is walking across the street? Why is the right of the man on foot upheld while the right of the man in the car is denied? It is not because the pedestrian is more valuable than the driver but rather because, if the driver doesn't stop, the pedestrian will likely be killed. In order for the driver to proceed down the street at full speed, at that moment, it will cost the pedestrian his life. In order for the pedestrian to finish crossing the street, at that moment, it will cost the driver a few minutes of drive time. The autonomy of the driver must be temporarily suspended to protect the life of the pedestrian. Though a pregnant woman gives up far more than a few minutes of drive time, she gives up far less than the baby, who would otherwise be killed.

At a basic level, the driver/pedestrian example helps illustrate how the law should respond when the rights of individuals conflict with each other. Namely, the less fundamental rights must yield to the more fundamental rights.

The comparison between a baby's rights and a mother's rights is unequal. What is at stake in abortion is the mother's lifestyle, as opposed to the baby's life. Therefore, it is reasonable for society to expect an adult to live temporarily with an inconvenience if the only alternative is killing a child.

<- HomeFact #6: Poverty, rape, disability, or "unwantedness" do not morally justify abortion. ->

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Abortion Fact #4: It Is Just, Reasonable, and Necessary for Society to Outlaw Certain Choices.

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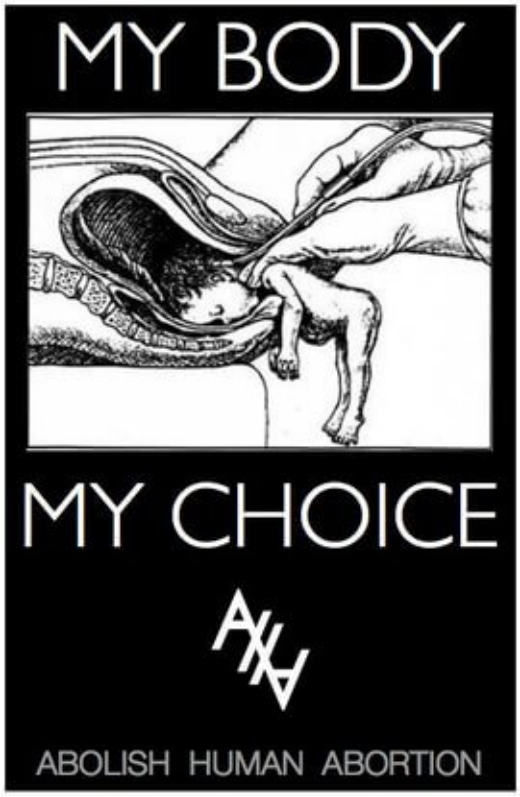

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The pro-choice position always overlooks the victim's right to choose. The women don't choose rape. The blacks didn't choose slavery. The Jews didn't choose the ovens. And the babies don't choose abortion.

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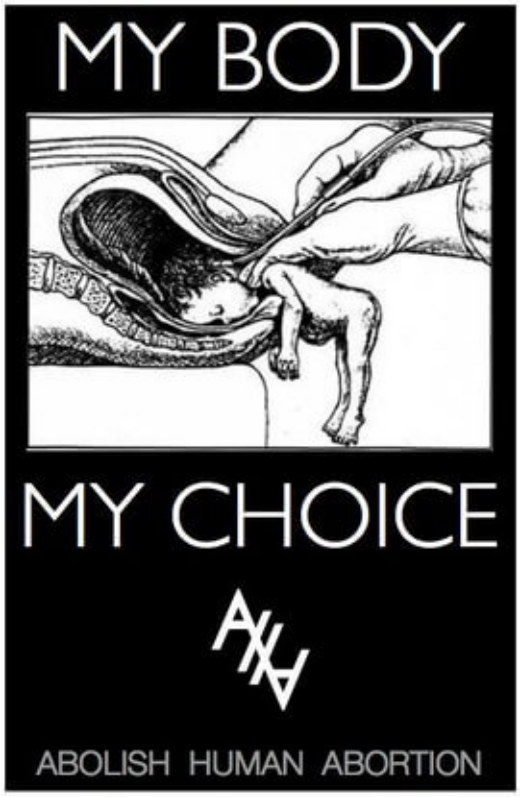


Whenever we hear the term pro-choice, we must ask the all-important question, “What choice are we talking about?” Given the facts about abortion, the question really becomes, “Do you think people should have the right to choose to kill innocent children if that’s what they want to do?”

The fundamental role of every government is to provide security for its citizens and to maintain public order. This cannot be done without legislating against certain choices. Even in free countries, citizens are not free to choose in any absolute sense. Some choices are lawful and some are not, which is why it is impossible to justify abortion by simply arguing that women should be “free to choose”.The fundamental role of every government is to provide security for its citizens and to maintain public order. This cannot be done without legislating against certain choices. Even in free countries, citizens are not free to choose in any absolute sense. Some choices are lawful and some are not, which is why it is impossible to justify abortion by simply arguing that women should be “free to choose”.

This, of course, has not stopped people from building their defense of abortion on the abstract defense of choice. You’ll hear things like, “This is a free country…You can’t legislate morality… My body, my choice!” In fact, many abortion-rights advocates will openly admit that abortion is “bad,” only to turn around and argue that women must be free to make their own decisions, even if they’re bad ones. On the surface that might sound noble. You’re giving people a choice. You’re letting them decide what’s right for themselves, even giving them the freedom to fall.

The problem is, there is a big difference between a “bad” decision and a “criminal” decision. Getting sun burned is a bad decision. Burning your neighbors house down is a criminal decision. Refusing to study for a big test is bad. Refusing to stop when there is a pedestrian in the street is criminal. The law generally leaves people the legal freedom to make bad choices, but the law must do all it can to prohibit criminal choices.

So how do we decide what “bad” choices should be left to the discretion of the individual and what “bad” choices should be regulated by law? It’s actually quite simple. If you look to the scenarios above, it’s not hard to find the common denominator. Whenever bad choices inflict injury or harm on others, they become criminal choices. Drinking too much alcohol is bad. Driving drunk is criminal. This is why citizens are generally free to smoke in their home or car, but not free to smoke in all sorts of public places. Inflicting harm upon yourself is one thing. Inflicting harm upon someone else is quite another.

“Choice” is not always good...

As it relates to abortion, the heart of the issue has nothing to do with choice. It has everything to do with what is being chosen. Therefore, when people insist on being called “pro-choice” instead of “pro-abortion,” they’re not being honest. Why? Because there are countless other issues for which abortion supporters are decidedly not pro-choice. Laws against rape, murder, theft, and assault are all “anti-choice,” and yet no one criticizes these prohibitions for taking away the freedom to choose.

When someone says they’re “pro-choice,” what they mean is that they support the right to choose abortion. That’s the only thing on the table. Nobody is debating the right to parent the child or place the child for adoption. We’re all agreed on those. Abortion is the single point of contention. So why not just say “pro-abortion”? Are they ashamed to even be associated with the word? Gay-marriage advocates don’t seem to have a problem admitting they’re “Pro-gay marriage.”

By all appearances, abortion-advocates are attempting to distance themselves from the actual act of abortion, by arguing that they don’t support abortion, they only support a women’s legal right to choose abortion. But does that change anything? Is there a moral distinction between supporting abortion and supporting the right to abortion?

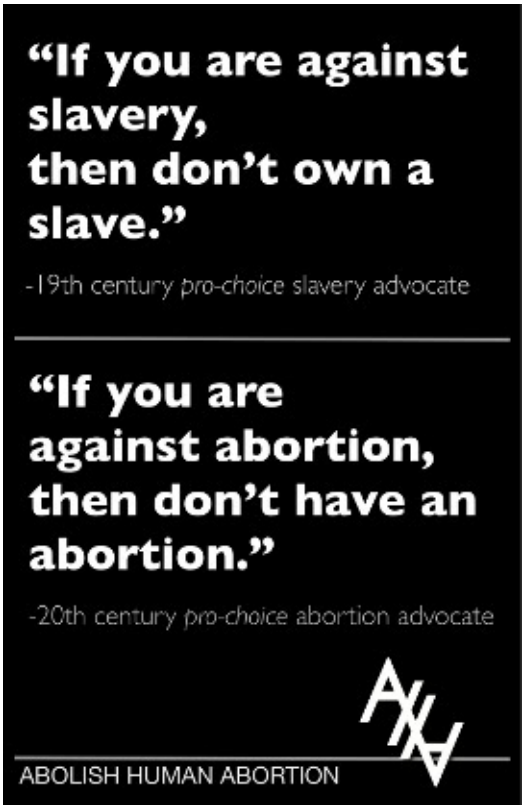
“I’m not pro-slavery, I just think people should have the choice to own slaves...”

What if the context were shifted? Imagine if the same distinctions were applied to slavery.

Would we admire the tolerance and neutrality of someone who said, “I’m not pro-slavery, I just think people should have the choice to own slaves.”?

Just as there is no meaningful difference between being “pro-choice” about slavery and being “pro-slavery,” there is no meaningful difference between being “pro-choice” about abortion and being “pro-abortion.” The next time someone tells you they’re pro-choice, ask them what “choice” they’re referring to. Guess what their answer will be.

If abortion is a morally-neutral choice, like getting your hair cut or having a tooth pulled, then obviously women should be free to choose it. But if abortion is a not a morally-neutral choice, if it is more akin to cutting off someone’s arm or pulling their head off (**which abortion often does**), then it must be stringently opposed by law!



And don't forget that in 99% of all abortions, the woman having the abortion chose to have sexual intercourse. Therefore, it could just as easily be argued that these women already made their choice when they chose to engage in behavior that often leads to pregnancy.

Abortion does not keep a woman from being pregnant. It simply ends the pregnancy of an already pregnant woman by killing the embryo or fetus living within her.

Abortion itself can't be defended so the focus is shifted to "choice"...

The abortion industry has long known that abortion is almost impossible to defend in itself. There is simply no getting around **the fact that it kills a living, genetically-distinct human being**. Defending abortion on the basis of choice has proved a far more profitable strategy for them. But it only works so long as people are under-informed as to what abortion actually does to innocent human beings.

When it's an abstract "bad," people can live with it. Abortion, to them, is a "necessary evil." But when abortion is accurately understood, it ceases to be "bad," it becomes "barbaric." And if it's bad enough to make its most ardent defenders leery of wearing its label, shouldn't that tell us something about the procedure itself?

The only way people can successfully live together in community is to give up a measure of personal freedom. Personal choices that infringe on the life or livelihood of another human being must be legislated against. Nobody argues that a man should be free to choose when the context is sexual assault. What a fool he would be to try and justify rape by saying, "My body, my choice."

Society seems perfectly content to "force their morality" on would-be rapists.
In a perfect world, laws would be unnecessary. We would all love our neighbor and regulate our behavior accordingly, but we don't live in that world. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said:

> It may be true that the law cannot make a man love me, but it can keep him from lynching me, and I think that's pretty important.

Nothing short of anarchy can guarantee the perfect freedom of choice, and so anyone who makes "choice" the basis of their defense for legal abortion is either ignorant or dishonest.

Any civilized society restricts the individual's freedom to choose whenever that choice would harm an innocent person.

When I present the pro-life position on school campuses, I often begin by saying, "I've been introduced as being pro-life, but I want to make clear that I'm really pro-choice. I believe that a person has the right to do whatever she wants with her own body. It's none of our business what choice she makes, and we have no right to impose our morals on others. Whether I like someone's choices or not is irrelevant. She should have the freedom to make her own choices."

I'm normally greeted by surprised looks and audible affirmation, including smiles, nods, and even applause. I have used the sacred buzzwords of the pro-choice movement—rights, freedom, and choice. I have sounded tolerant, open-minded, and fair. Then I say this:

'Yes, I'm pro-choice. That's why I believe every man has the right to rape a woman if that is his choice. After all, it's his body, and neither you nor I have the right to tell him what to do with it. He's free to choose, and it's none of our business what choice he makes. We have no right to impose our morals on him. Whether I like the choice or not, he should have the freedom to make his own choices."

After I let the shock settle in a bit, I explain that I am not really pro-choice when it comes to rape. I ask them to point out the fallacy of the "it's his body and he can choose what he wants" argument. They realize that in emphasizing the man's right to choose, I have completely ignored the rights of the innocent woman. My hope is that they also realize it is not always a virtue to be pro-choice.

All laws impose a moral viewpoint and restrict the individual's behavior. This is true of laws against drunk driving and child abuse. Laws against false advertising restrict a businessman's right to free speech. Laws against discrimination infringe on the freedom of choice of those who would treat minorities unfairly.

When others' rights are at stake—and particularly when their very lives are at stake—any decent society must restrict the individual's freedom of choice. Is an innocent person being damaged by a woman's choice to have an abortion? If not, no problem. If so, it is a major problem that society cannot afford to ignore. Any law that prohibits the fatal victimization of another person is by nature a just law.

"Freedom to choose" is too vague for meaningful discussion; we must always ask, "Freedom to choose what?"

It is absurd to defend a specific choice merely on the basis that it is a choice. Yet if you read the literature and listen to the talk shows, you know that this is constantly done by pro-choice

activists. “The right to choose” is a magic slogan that seems to make all choices equally legitimate.

All of us are in favor of free choice when it comes to where people live, what kind of car they drive, and a thousand matters of personal preference that harm no one else. We are also pro-choice in matters of religion, politics, and lifestyle, even when people choose beliefs and behavior we don’t agree with. But most of us are decidedly not pro-choice when it comes to murder, rape, kidnapping, armed robbery, and child abuse.
When we oppose the right to choose rape or child abuse, we aren’t opposing a right; we’re opposing a wrong. And we’re not narrow-minded and bigoted for doing so. We’re just decent people concerned for the rights of the innocent. To be pro-choice about someone’s right to kill is to be anti-choice about someone else’s right to live.

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Everyone is pro-choice when it comes to the choices prior to pregnancy and after birth.

Men and women are free to choose to abstain from sex or to use birth control or to do neither. But when a woman is pregnant, the choice she has made has produced a new human being. As one woman has pointed out:

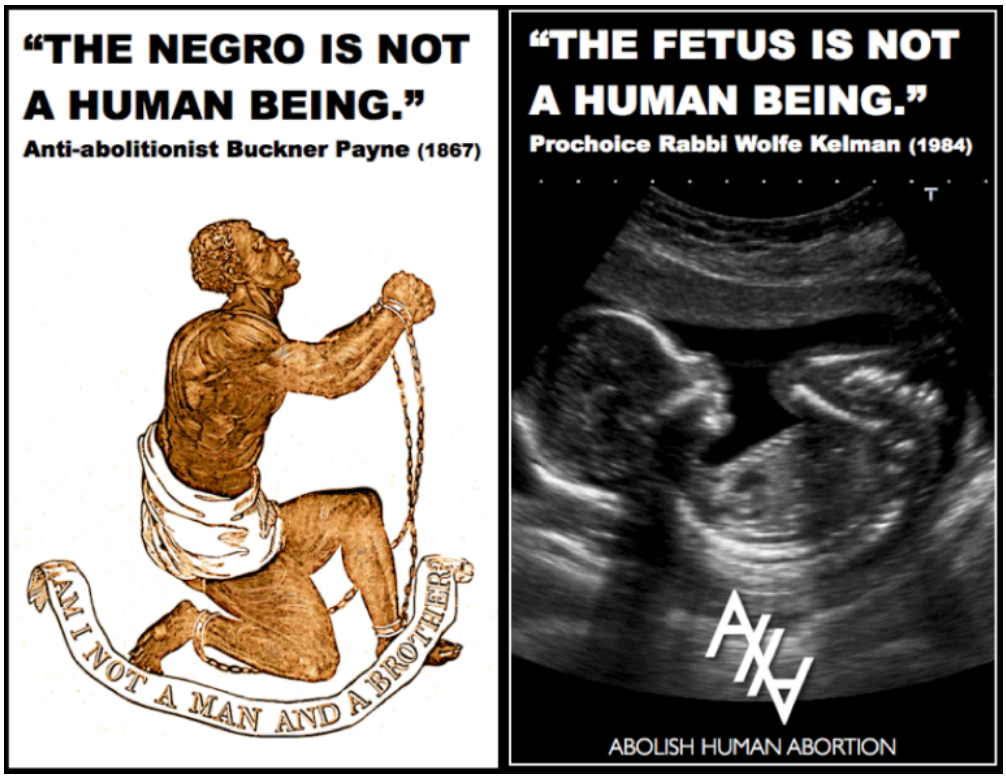
> After a woman is pregnant, she cannot choose whether or not she wishes to become a mother. She already is, and since the child is already present in her womb, all that is left to her to decide is whether she will deliver her baby dead or alive.

Once the baby is born, the woman is again free to choose: She can keep the child or give him up for adoption. The choice pro-lifers oppose is the choice that takes an innocent life.

Nearly all violations of human rights have been defended on the grounds of the right to choose.

The slaveowners in this country a century and a half ago were pro-choice. They said:

> You don't have to own slaves if you don't want to, but don't tell us we can't choose to. It's our right.



Those who wanted slaveholding to be illegal were accused of being anti-choice and anti-freedom, and of imposing their morality on others.

The civil rights movement, like the abolitionist movement one hundred years earlier, vehemently opposed the exercise of personal rights that much of society defended. It was solidly anti-choice when it came to racial discrimination.

Whites historically had a free choice to own slaves and later to have segregated lunch counters if they so chose. After all, America was a free country. But the civil rights movement fought to take away that free choice from them. Likewise, the women's movement fought to take away an employer's free choice to discriminate against women.

Nearly every movement of oppression and exploitation—from slavery, to prostitution, to pornography, to drug dealing, to abortion—has labeled itself pro-choice. Likewise, opposing movements offering compassion and deliverance have been labeled antichoice by the exploiters. At least with prostitution, pornography, and drugs, the victim usually has some choice.

In the case of abortion, the victim has no choice. He is society's most glaring exception to all the high-sounding rhetoric about the right to choose and the right to live one's life without

interference from others.

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(VIDEO) Planned Parenthood Med Director: “dismemberment” Abortion “checkbox” Skirts Federal Partial-Birth Law

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(VIDEO END OF ARTICLE) Dr. Suzie Prabhakaran, Medical Affairs VP for Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida, Confirms PPFA Uses Paperwork to Fake Compliance with Late-Term Abortion Rules

ORLANDO, July 27–Never-before-released undercover video shows Dr. Suzie Prabhakaran, the Vice President of Medical Affairs for Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida, graphically discussing Planned Parenthood’s late-term “dismemberment” and partial-birth abortion protocols in the context of fetal body part harvesting.

The new video comes as the U.S. Senate is debating provisions to terminate taxpayer subsidies to Planned Parenthood, the nation’s biggest abortion business.

At a Planned Parenthood conference evening reception, CMP investigators posing as buyers from a biotech company discuss partnering with Dr. Prabhakaran’s Planned Parenthood affiliate in order to harvest fetal organs and tissues from the 2nd-trimester abortions performed there. Prabhakaran advises that her affiliate is merging with the Orlando Planned Parenthood, which does abortions up to 23 weeks and has a high procedure volume, with eighteen abortions at 18-weeks and above scheduled for the next week.

Prabhakaran discusses how Planned Parenthood allows their abortion doctors to certify compliance with the federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, which prohibits abortions in which a fetus is extracted alive up to certain anatomical landmarks (18 U.S.C. 1531). According to Prabhakaran, Planned Parenthood abortion doctors can certify compliance with the law by using a feticide like digoxin to kill the fetus before the abortion, or they can simply “document” their “intent” to do a “dismemberment” abortion where the fetus is pulled apart with forceps rather than extracted intact.

“So some people train to just document that like, you know to comply with the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, you basically have to say, ‘I intend to utilize dismemberment techniques for this procedure,’” explains Prabhakaran. “So every time you do a procedure, that’s how you document. So, like, there’s like a checkbox,” Prabhakaran states, “so it would be before the procedure, you do your evaluation, you write, ‘I intend to utilize dismemberment techniques for this procedure.’”

Prabhakaran indicates she never uses digoxin to kill the fetus before the abortion, and relies entirely on the "checkbox" to "document" her intent in the abortion to certify compliance with the federal law: "I'm not doing digoxin, and we're just going to document and there's never been a problem."

Prabhakaran's description of Planned Parenthood's loose protocols for 2nd-trimester abortion procedures corroborates statements by Dr. Deborah Nucatola, Senior Director of Medical Services for Planned Parenthood Federation of America, in CMP's first undercover video, that show a lax attitude toward the partial-birth abortion law:

"The Federal Abortion Ban is a law, and laws are up to interpretation. So there are some people who interpret it as it's intent. So if I say on Day 1 I do not intend to do this, what ultimately happens doesn't matter."

Nucatola states in the first video that Planned Parenthood abortion doctors can make changes to the abortion technique in order to bring the fetus out intact for body parts harvesting, regardless of any initial "intent" statement: "So if you do it starting from a breech presentation, there's dilation that happens as the case goes on, and often, the last step, you can evacuate an intact calvarium at the end."

CMP project lead David Daleiden notes, "Planned Parenthood medical directors and abortion doctors feign compliance with the federal partial-birth abortion law on paper, knowing full well that 'what ultimately happens doesn't matter' so long as no one is scrutinizing what they actually do to women and children in the operating room. And the fact that Planned Parenthood has a 'dismemberment' 'checkbox' on their abortion forms should tell the public and policymakers everything they need to know about this barbaric abortion business. The Department of Justice should open an immediate investigation into Planned Parenthood's late-term abortion practices, and the U.S. Congress must stop forcing taxpayers to subsidize Planned Parenthood's brutal abortion empire."

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Fact #3: Beginning at Conception, Every Pregnancy Involves Two or More Bodies.

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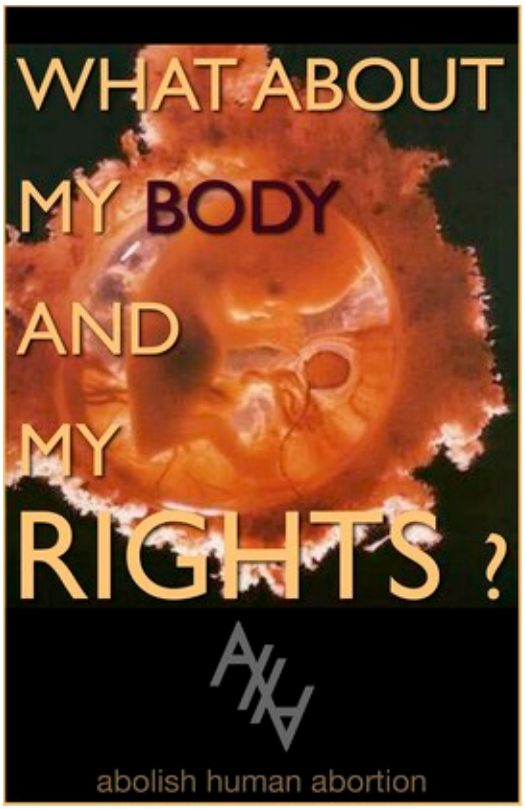

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No matter how you spin it, women don't have four arms and four legs when they're pregnant. Those extra appendages belong to the tiny human being(s) living inside of them.

The slogan, "My Body, My Choice," betrays a tragic misunderstanding of what is taking place inside the womb. **At no point in pregnancy is the developing embryo or fetus simply a part of the mother's body.**

There are a number of clear biological facts, and all sorts of legal precedents, that easily refute the claim that the embryo or fetus is simply part of the mother's body.

Proof #1: Different genetic code.

An individual's body parts all share the same genetic code. If the unborn child were actually a part of the mother's body, the unborn's cells would have the same genetic code as the cells of the

mother. This is not the case. Every cell of the unborn's body is genetically distinct from every cell in the mother's body.

Proof #2: Different blood type.

In many cases, the blood type of the unborn child is different than the blood type of the mother. Since one body cannot function with two different blood types, this is clearly not the mother's blood.

Proof #3: Different gender.

In half of all pregnancies, the unborn child is a male, meaning that even the sex of the child is different from the mother.

Proof #4: Different race.

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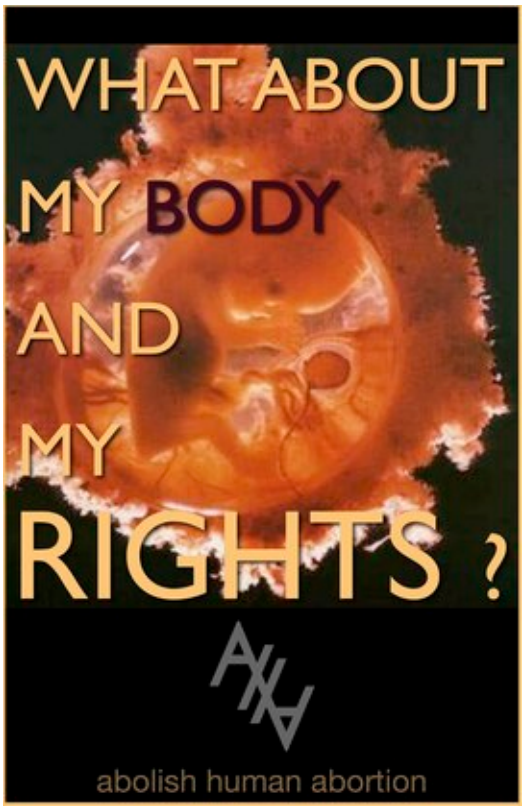

Why A Virginia Woman's 3rd Trimester Self-Abortion Should Make Us Question Abortion

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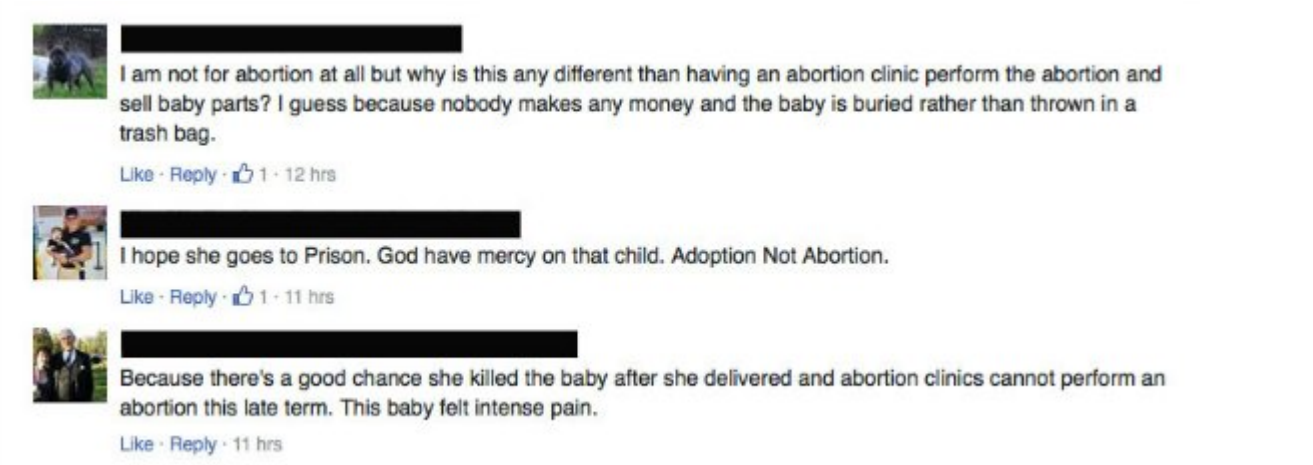

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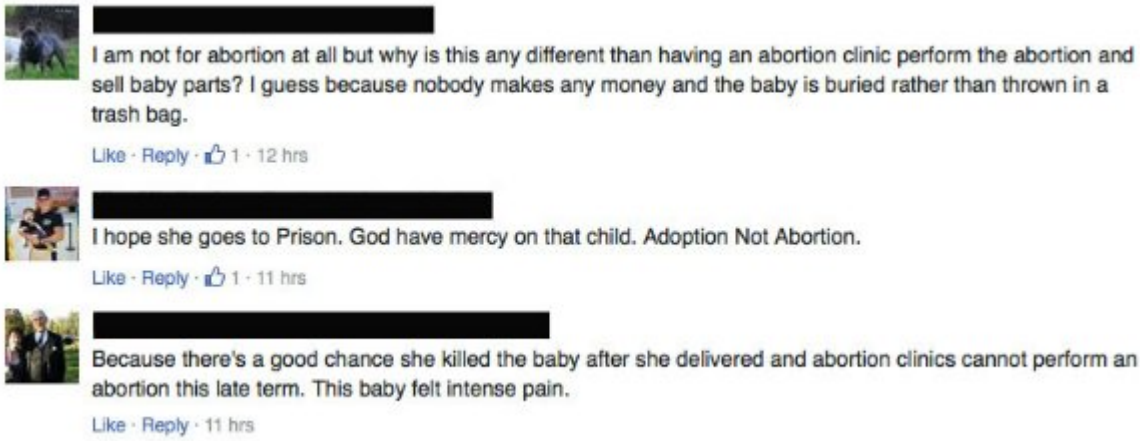

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In the third trimester of pregnancy (25 weeks and up), an induction abortion is typically done. At this stage, the baby's odds of surviving outside the womb are very good, and the child is so large that the risk of injury to the woman increases greatly. Dr. Levatino explains:

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The bottom line is that while an abortion facility could have legally aborted Roberts' baby in the third trimester (especially under the guise of maternal health/fetal indications, given her drug use), Roberts did late-term abortionists' job for them — and she's now rightfully being charged with a serious crime.

That should speak volumes.

SOURCE: **LIVE ACTION**

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LIVE ACTION

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Planned Parenthood would like for you to think that an **abortion** is a routine medical operation. The organization, which commits more than 320,000 abortions per year, prefers to use terms that are as emotionally detached as possible, like "fetus," instead of "baby," and "the pregnancy" instead of "preborn child."

These aren't efforts in accordance with a desire to be medically accurate. A recent Planned Parenthood video illustrates that by depicting an abortion as nothing more than removing a tiny blue dot from a mother's uterus. The Planned Parenthood video states, "During an in-clinic abortion, a doctor, a nurse, or other healthcare provider empties your uterus using gentle suction and sometimes other medical tools."

This is medically inaccurate. Abortions are gruesome procedures. In **a Live Action video which points out the Planned Parenthood video's inaccuracies**, former abortionist Dr. Anthony Levatino — who himself once committed over 1,200 abortions — detailed what actually happens during an abortion:

The baby has a heartbeat, fingers, toes, arms, and legs, but its bones are still weak and fragile. The suction is then turned on, with a force ten to twenty times more powerful than your household vacuum cleaner. The baby is rapidly torn apart by the suction, and squeezed through this tubing down into the suction machine, followed by the placenta. The abortionist uses a curette to scrape the lining of the uterus. A curette is basically a long-handled, curved blade. Once the uterus is empty, the speculum is removed and the abortion is complete.

Watch the Live Action video below:

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Another video from Planned Parenthood shows the abortion pill procedure — but it is also medically inaccurate. The video instructs its viewers to first take mifepristone, saying, "it stops your pregnancy from developing." It then instructs its viewers to take misoprostol 1-2 days later, claiming it "causes cramping and bleeding that empties your uterus." But **another Live Action video** featuring Dr. Levatino details what really happens during this type of abortion:

At the abortion clinic or doctor's office, the woman takes pills which contain mifepristone, also called RU 486. RU 486 blocks the action of a hormone called progesterone. When RU 486 blocks progesterone the lining of the mother's uterus breaks down, cutting off blood and nourishment to the baby, who then dies inside the mother's womb. Twenty-four to forty-eight hours after taking RU 486, the woman take misoprostol… that is administered either orally or vaginally. RU 486 and misoprostol together cause severe cramping, contractions, and often heavy bleeding to force the dead baby out of the mother's uterus.

The process can be very intense and painful, and the bleeding and contractions can last from a few hours to several days. While she could lose her baby anytime and anywhere during this process, the woman will often sit on a toilet as she prepares to expel the child, which she will then flush.

Watch the second Live Action Video HERE

SOURCE: LIVE ACTION

Vice President Mike Pence's Speech at 2017 Campaign for Life Gala May 5, 2017

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The White House | Office of the Vice President

Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium
Washington, D.C.

THE VICE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Marjorie. To Dr. Alveda King; distinguished members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives; Senator Steve Daines, Congresswoman Diane Black — an honoree tonight — Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, Congresswoman Marsha Blackburn, Congressman Trent Franks, so many other guests and friends, it is great to be back to the Susan B. Anthony List — the most effective grassroots pro-life organization in America. (Applause.)

Just delighted to be with you tonight. And I bring greetings from my friend, a great champion for life, and the 45th President of the United States of America, President Donald Trump. (Applause.)

Thanks to the support of so many in this room and the Susan B. Anthony List, last November President Trump won a historic victory. More counties than any President since Ronald Reagan, 30 of 50 states — states no Republican had carried in a generation. President Donald Trump turned the blue wall red. And SBA was there every step of the way. (Applause.) So really, I'm just here on behalf of the President to pay a debt of gratitude to all of you who helped — helped in this election and who are helping the President in the Oval Office who is fighting every day — I promise you, fighting every single day — to restore the sanctity of life to the center of American law. (Applause.)

It is really is great to be back to the 10th annual Susan B. Anthony List Gala. This organization, 25 years in the making, 25 years strong, is named after the leading light of the women's rights movement in the 19th century — a leader who fought tirelessly to empower her fellow women and to secure for them the rights that were, and are, and ever will be their birthright — and so we remember and honor Susan B. Anthony tonight. (Applause.)

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Today the women leaders of the pro-life movement I believe are Susan B. Anthony's heirs — like so many of the women here tonight, leaders in communities, leaders in business, leaders in public life. And there is someone who I believe actually best embodies the spirit and the courage of Susan B. Anthony in our own time. Would you join me in giving a standing ovation to Marjorie Dannenfelser, who is a champion, the best leader the pro-life movement has in the United States of America. (Applause.)

As I look out across this room, I see more friends than I can count. We've fought together. We've prayed together. We've believed together. And it's really hard for me to express, before my friends of so many years, the deep humility and gratitude that Karen and I feel to stand before you today — my years in the Congress, my years as a governor — as the 48th Vice President of the United States of America. And I want to thank you — thank you for the privilege to serve. (Applause.)
Thank you for giving our family the opportunity to serve this country.

You know, I actually spoke at this very gala — I think Marjorie mentioned it — back in 2011. So much has changed since the last time I was here. Six years ago, I came here after the Susan B. Anthony List helped restore a pro-life majority in the House of Representatives. And now, thanks to you — thanks to your tireless work, your support, and your prayers — today we have a pro-life majority in the House of Representatives, a pro-life majority in the United States Senate, and we have a pro-life President of the United States. (Applause.) Thanks to SBA and the countless hours of volunteer time and resources provided for events like tonight, life is winning in America.

Even before day one of this administration, President Donald Trump has also been keeping his promises to stand for life. The President knows that personnel is policy — that's why he's literally filled this White House and federal agencies with pro-life leaders. (Applause.) Like I'm telling you anything here tonight. You've already heard from Kellyanne Conway, the Counselor to the President, who's with us here tonight. Would you stand up, Kellyanne? This is a great, great champion for life. (Applause.)

And how about the President's world-class Cabinet full of great pro-life leaders. Marjorie mentioned a few — Dr. Tom Price running Health and Human Services; Dr. Ben Carson at Housing and Urban Development; Rick Perry at the Department of Energy; and how about Ambassador Nikki Haley at the United Nations. Folks, this is the A-Team. (Applause.)

And I know that everybody in this room was proud when just last week President Trump picked the former president of Americans United for Life to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs at the Department of Health and Human Services –Charmaine Yoest is on the team. (Applause.)

For the first time in a long time, America has an administration that's filled top to bottom with people who stand without apology for life. But it's not just the people. It's also the pro-life policies that President Trump is implementing across the board. In his first week in the Oval Office, President Trump reinstated the Mexico City Policy, preventing taxpayer-funded foreign aid from paying for abortion or promoting abortion beyond America's borders. (Applause.)

Only a few days later, the President personally sent me to speak at the March for Life — and I had the high honor of being the first sitting Vice President to ever speak at that annual gathering. (Applause.) And make no mistake about it, he was the one who sent me. Kellyanne was there, she knows. Karen and I were honored to represent him.

I'll never forget, the Prime Minister of England was actually visiting that day. It was a busy day for the President, and he was unable to break away to make that traditional phone call that every Republican President has made since the days of Ronald Reagan to the March for Life. I was standing by his desk in the Oval Office — remember, Kellyanne? Standing by his desk, and I said, fairly shyly, you know, they invited me, too. And he immediately said without hesitation, you go and tell them we're standing for the right to life. (Applause.) It's true.

And of course, we all celebrate tonight the President's decision to nominate to the Supreme Court of the United States a new associate justice in the tradition of the late and great Justice Antonin Scalia. I believe, and say from my heart with great confidence, that now Associate Justice Neil Gorsuch is a jurist who will keep faith with the Constitution and who will uphold the God-given liberties that are enshrined there. And last month, thanks in no small part to all of you, and to our honoree, Leonard Leo Judge Neil Gorsuch became Justice Neil Gorsuch, and he is on the Supreme Court today. (Applause.)

My friends, President Trump has been keeping his promises to all of you and the American people. I like to say that in this administration we're in the promise-keeping business. (Applause.) But I will tell you from my heart, it is the greatest privilege of my life to serve as Vice President to a President who is so dedicated to caring for our most vulnerable in our society — the aged, the infirm, the disabled, and the unborn. (Applause.) My family and I are humbled to play even a small role in this historic time for our principles, the principles that we all hold dear.

Just over one month ago, at President Trump's direction, I walked up the steps of the United States Capitol to do my duty as the President of the Senate. That day, the Senate had deadlocked on a crucial bill that was personally important to President Trump and to all who cherish life. On that day, at the President's direction, as President of the Senate, it was my privilege to cast the tie-breaking vote to give states the power to withhold taxpayer funding from abortion providers at the state level. (Applause.)

You know, the day the President signed that very bill into law did not mark the end of our fight to keep federal taxpayer money out of the hands of abortion providers. It was the beginning. And we're going to see that fight all the way through. (Applause.)

This President is unwavering — he is unwavering in his commitment to defend life and protect women and children. And that commitment will be on full display this week — if you haven't heard the news yet — because tomorrow, thanks to President Trump's leadership, Congress is going to vote to repeal and replace Obamacare. (Applause.) And when they vote to repeal and replace Obamacare, we will finally defund Planned Parenthood. (Applause.)

When it comes to Obamacare, I don't have to remind anyone in this room that this is why Obamacare has got to go. Despite all the promises that were made, despite the tireless work of everyone in this room to stop it so many years ago, Obamacare has allowed taxpayer money to be used to purchase health insurance that covers abortion, among all of its other failings. We all remember all the promises of Obamacare, don't we? If you like your doctor you can keep him — right? If you like your health insurance, you can keep it. Remember they promised you that health insurance premiums would go down. All the promises of Obamacare have been broken. And tomorrow, we begin the end of Obamacare once and for all. (Applause.)

The day Obamacare passed was also — it was a day of disappointment for the sanctity of life. But hope is finally shining through. The bill before the Congress actually eliminates Obamacare's abortion expansion and it defunds Planned Parenthood, and keeps the President's promise to devote those resources to healthcare providers that help women without promoting abortion.

When this bill passes, it, I believe, will be one of the defining victories for life. And know that the President is grateful for your continued support. We're just at the beginning, tomorrow. The House of Representatives is the first stage; then we head to the United States Senate. And I want to thank you in advance for all that each one of you will do in the future to help move this legislation forward — to give voice to the voiceless, and bring healing and hope to women, to usher in a new era of healthcare in America that respects the values of the American people and finally and at last gives the American people the world-class healthcare that they deserve. (Applause.)

My friends, life is winning in America. And SBA is one of the big reasons why. Your support here tonight is making a difference for the cause of life in America. And I hope you know that. The President and I just came to say thanks. Life is winning through the steady advance of so many areas of science that illuminate almost on a daily basis when life begins. Life is winning through the generosity of millions of adoptive families, who open their hearts and homes to children in need. And life is winning through the compassion of caregivers and volunteers at crisis pregnancy centers and faith-based organizations who minister to women in cities and towns across America.

Life is winning, I believe, also through the quiet counsel between mothers and daughters, grandmothers and granddaughters, between friends across kitchen tables and coffee on college campuses — I think the truth about abortion is being told. Compassion is overcoming convenience, and hope is defeating despair. Life is winning in America because of all of you — because of your support and your prayers.

I truly believe we've come to a pivotal moment in the life of this movement — in the life of our nation. And in this moment, President Trump needs all of you to let your voices be heard — to continue to stand up and speak out, as if it's the most important moment in the history of our movement — because it is. We need every ounce of your energy and enthusiasm. We need your determination and conviction, your passion, and we need your prayers. We need you to continue to embody the spirit of Susan B. Anthony — the namesake of this organization and our gala tonight, the great defender of women's rights.

In the rotunda of the United States Capitol stands a statue to that extraordinary American hero, and her sisters-in-arms, Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. It truly is a beautiful depiction, immortalizing their grace, their courage, their steely strength. But for all its beauty, those of you who have seen the statute know that it still remains unfinished — the smooth and

gleaming marble of those visionaries contrasting with the rough, unhewn block of stone behind them.

I've often wondered what that unfinished statue represents, but now I think I know. The work that Susan B. Anthony and her companions began so long ago has not been completed. And so the statue remains unfinished. Yes the strides toward freedom that they boldly made will echo always — securing suffrage rights for women being chief among them. But their accomplishments — made all the more heroic by the criticism and condemnation they faced in their time — have given shape to America as we know it today, and will inspire the people of this country forever.

But of all the wrongs that women faced that Susan B. Anthony and her fellow freedom fighters fought to right, too many still survive to this day — and abortion is the worst of it. That's why we gather here. That's why, with President Trump, we march forward to complete their mission, complete their work.

Today, tomorrow, and every day hence, let us strive with all our might to finish the work that Susan B. Anthony started, to ensure that the timeless promises of the Declaration of Independence — of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness — ring true and are preserved not only for ourselves, but our posterity. And this I know we will do.

On January 20th, when I took my Oath of Office, I only had two decisions to make. One was who would administer my Oath of Office, and I chose Justice Clarence Thomas. (Applause.) The second was what Bible I would use. And my son told me I had to use one of mine so the family would have it, and it was my great privilege to actually use the Bible, as well, that the 40th President of the United States used in January 1981 — President Ronald Reagan's. (Applause.)

I'll never forget — the tradition is that you open the Bible to a particular verse. I did it when I was governor and I did it that day. I opened the Bible to the verse that I had chosen — it was the same verse that I most often quoted on the campaign trail as I traveled around the country, campaigning on behalf of President Trump and with President Trump. And in the days as we labor ahead, as we advance this cause and continue to restore the sanctity of life to the center of American law, these words that I chose I think are worth remembering today.

In fact, to my great delight, I found out that they were exactly the same verse that President Reagan took his oath of office on. When I learned that, that gave me a chill. It's these ancient words: That if His people, who are called by His name, will humble themselves and pray, He'll do as He's always done — He'll hear from heaven, He'll heal our land.

Those words are as true today as they were in millennia past. And so I close tonight with faith — faith that with your continued help, with God's help, and with President Donald Trump in the White House, we'll heal this land. We'll renew this one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty — and life — for all.

Thank you very much. And may God bless you. And may God bless the United States of America.
(Applause.)

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Defending the Inalienable Right to Life

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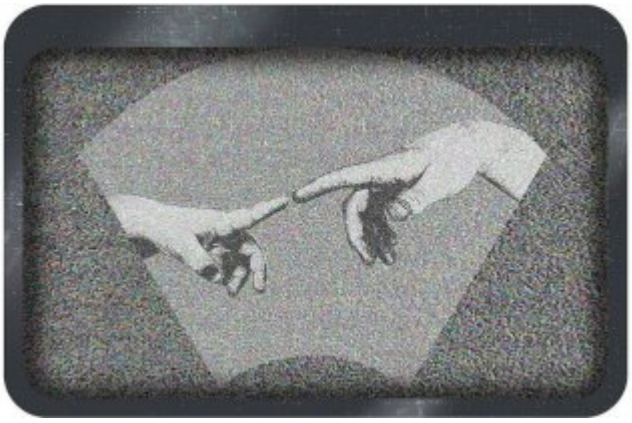

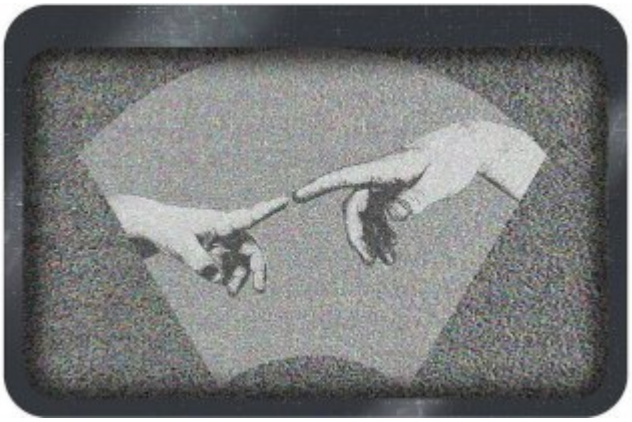

by Terry Beatley
First published in the **Washington Times**

Why legislators cannot alter the value system by which America must govern

The word "precedent" was used many times during Judge **Neil Gorsuch**'s confirmation hearing, but it was Sen. Dianne Feinstein's questions that recalled William Blackstone's iconic work, "**The Laws of Nature and Nature's God**." Blackstone affirmed the parallel equality of the "*laws of nature*" (the moral law governing nature and inscribed on the heart of man) to the "*law of God*," the revelation of that law in the Scripture. Sen. Feinstein pressed Judge **Gorsuch** to agree that Roe v. Wade of 1973 which decriminalized abortion was not only a precedent but something now called a "super-precedent." She insinuated it was solidly supreme.

As if to carve in stone the infallibility of the **U.S. Supreme Court** decisions by tacking on superlatives — no matter how incorrect and unjust such a decision might be, Sen. Feinstein and other dissenters to Blackstone's "Laws of Nature and Nature's God" aimed for supremacy over God's law. In the end, they will always lose no matter how many "super-super-super's" they put before the word "precedent" because God has already spoken and given us His Supreme Law.

Here it is:

> the right to life is inalienable, unalienable, absolute, immutable, unassailable, indisputable and undeniable. **Supreme Court** justices, congresswomen, nor a mob of misguided feminists who march on Washington give us the right to live. God does. In fact, God keeps stacking the deck in His favor making His "super-super-super precedent" on this perceived inconsequential

> matter of human life known through the realm of science even converted the heart and mind of America's "abortion king," Dr. Bernard Nathanson. He is the onetime atheist who cofounded NARAL. The science opened his eyes to the supreme law written on his heart, that the unborn child is his second patient, and that abortion is cold-blooded murder.

Dr. Nathanson told me in 2009 that "the bombshell was real-time ultrasound. It made everything come alive. It opened a window into the womb." In his book, "The Abortion Papers," Dr. Nathanson reflected on the tactics he and others used to establish abortion as a constitutional right. "A political victory achieved by such odious tactics is at best an unstable tyranny spawned by an unscrupulous and unprincipled minority. At the very least this disclosure of those odious tactics should compel those who are uneasy with permissive abortion to re-examine the issue ." If still alive, Dr. Nathanson might be glad that Sen. Feinstein is asking Judge **Gorsuch** to revisit Roe v Wade.

Dr. Nathanson grew to appreciate that neither our legislators nor our judges can alter the value system for which America must operate. It was settled at the birth of our nation when it was written in the Declaration of Independence. It's the value system which recognizes the self-evident truth that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Whether Sen. Feinstein likes it or not, Judge **Gorsuch** is bound by "the Laws of Nature and Nature's God." Neither she, nor any other senator, can undo it because those laws are written on the heart of man. Judge **Gorsuch** recognizes that they are written in America's founding documents, and he cannot alter them, either. The intentional killing of innocent life — no matter how the procedure is linguistically sugar-coated — does not abide by our founding principles.

When Judge **Gorsuch** and future nominees are confirmed and the abortion cases are revisited, these Justices will have what the **Supreme Court** did not have in the early '70s: the science of real-time ultrasound showing what it looks like to abort a baby.

In his letter resigning from NARAL in 1975, Dr. Nathanson wrote that "the judgments of the **Supreme Court** were never meant to be infallible or eternal. And what if we've been wrong, if the **Court** should soon reverse itself on the abortion issue in the light of changing times and/or new scientific evidence? What an incalculable injustice will have been perpetrated. What an immeasurable irretrievable loss will have been suffered."

The NARAL founder understood the fallibility of man's perception of precedence and how it can never supersede "the Laws of Nature and Nature's God." The truth Dr. Nathanson and our Founders left behind will restore righteous precedent, justice in the courts and a catalyst to heal our land.

• *Terry Beatley, president of the Hosea Initiative, is a right-to-life activist and a member of the board of the Virginia Christian Alliance.*

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Pro-Life Club Wins Free Speech with New Poster Display

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CARMEL, IN – After school administrators at Carmel High School censored and discarded a previously approved adoption poster display created by Carmel Teens for Life, the pro-life student club members hang their newly-created sign today on the cafeteria wall. The new poster will hang for 10 consecutive school days.

Last fall, student members of Carmel Teens for Life, represented by Liberty Counsel, spent over 25 hours painting a **poster display** which included 300 individual tiny hearts, each representing 10 lives, to symbolize the written statement "3,000 Lives Are Ended Each Day." When one student complained to an administrator that it was "offensive," school officials threw the poster away without consulting with the pro-life club's leadership. School officials later claimed the multi-part poster impermissibly expressed an "ideology" and was "not approved for display." The poster was, in fact, approved for display, as evidenced by approval stamps on each of its component pages, and it complied with school signage guidelines to the letter.

However, when challenged for taking down the poster, the principal and assistant principal said that club signs are not permitted to "interfere with what folks are thinking or feeling comfortable with" despite the fact that signs from other organizations promoting ideologies such as pro-LGBT

and pro-Young Democrats are allowed. Trying to save face, the Carmel Clay School Board of Education, through its general counsel, stated in a contradictory **recent press release**, "Our decision to allow the sign to return is not the school's endorsement of the message any more than our decision to remove the sign was the school's rejection of that message."

School personnel had also demanded the Carmel Teens for Life student members sign an agreement prohibiting club members from using the word "abortion" in any club communications, verbal or written, including on Facebook, school posters and other official correspondence. The onerous agreement also dictated they could not contact outside legal assistance. The students were not allowed to take the agreement home or to discuss it with their parents. They were threatened that if they did not sign the agreement immediately the club sponsors would be forced to resign, jeopardizing the club's existence.

"Carmel High School officials engaged in unconstitutional viewpoint discrimination and undoubtedly violated the Carmel Teens for Life members' free speech by throwing away their sign," said Mat Staver, Founder and Chairman of Liberty Counsel. "Not only did they censor protected speech, they threatened students with retaliation if they sought legal counsel. The school officials were clearly wrong in this case. But, with Liberty Counsel's help, the students have secured the right to hang their sign, which they had a right to do all along. Despite what the school district now claims, the students always followed the rules and would have won in court. We hope the school officials will now respect the free speech rights of Carmel Teens for Life. Liberty Counsel stands ready to defend the students in the event they don't," said Staver.

Mary Carmen Zakrajsek, president of Carmel Teens for Life, recently addressed the Indiana House Education Committee in support of House Bill 1024, which seeks to prevent public schools from discriminating against students for their religious beliefs and expression. Zakrajsek said, speaking from her recent experiences, “Student voices are being silenced and it’s time to take a stand.”

Liberty Counsel is an international nonprofit, litigation, education, and policy organization dedicated to advancing religious freedom, the sanctity of life, and the family since 1989, by providing pro bono assistance and representation on these and related topics.

SOURCE: **LIBERTY COUNSEL**

This is Autumn. She's Planned Parenthood's worst nightmare

FEBRUARY 26, 2017
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Tim Wildmon | **AFA** Life is precious.

At AFA sanctity of life is a big deal. That's why I wanted you to see this video of a 16 year old high school student named Autumn. She is responding to a *Teen Vogue* article recently published entitled "**What to Get a Friend Post-Abortion**." Autumn's rebuttal of the article is both inspiring and indicative of the future of the pro-life movement. The video is less than ten minutes so sit back and take a look at the face of the generation that will take down abortion giants like Planned Parenthood.

This article and video is from **Students for Life**

This is Autumn. She's Planned Parenthood's worst nightmare.

Teen Vogue recently ran a story on supposedly great ideas for a friend who just had an abortion. In reality, there were no good ideas, only ridiculous suggestions that were overtly political (an F-U-terus pin and a coloring book of liberal Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg). SFLA did our **own slideshow in response**, which contained actual helpful advice, no politics involved. Then Autumn came along. She had something to say about that Teen Vogue story.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=

Autumn is in high school. She's passionately pro-life. And she's smart, engaging, and is about to become Planned Parenthood's biggest nightmare.

Why? Because this is what the next generation looks like on the issue of abortion – and the abortion industry is going to have real problems facing that down.

If we were Planned Parenthood, we'd be terrified of Autumn and the pro-life generation she represents: an educated, articulate and passionate one. A generation that cares deeply about human rights and equality of all people, which extends to the preborn. A generation that has successfully incorporated the mission to help women facing unplanned pregnancies into the mainstream pro-life movement through the Pregnant on Campus Initiative. A generation that is truly fearless in the face of Planned Parenthood and their allies. A generation where the majority believes abortion **should be illegal in all or most** circumstances. A generation that believes

where abortion is promoted and celebrated, that's where they need to be, spreading their message of compassion and love, and telling women that they do have another choice.

This is Autumn, member of the up and coming pro-life next generation versus those who support and glorify their
pro-abortion crowd by donning p*ussyhats

This is the generation that Autumn represents and that the abortion lobby saw coming years ago.

Outgoing NARAL president Nancy Keenan said in 2012 that she saw an "**intensity gap**" among young pro-lifers versus young pro-choicers, whereas those young pro-lifers were more passionate about their position than their counterparts in the pro-choice movement. In 2010, **Keenan told** Newsweek that she was shocked by the number of young people at the March for Life: "I just thought, 'My gosh, they are so young.' There are so many of them, and they are so young."

Students for Life of America surpassed the 1,000 group mark last year, our 10th year in existence. Planned Parenthood celebrated 100 years last October and do you know how many groups they have? 275.

If you still have doubts this generation is winning, think of the Women's March. Planned Parenthood was a main sponsor. They had a speaker wear **an entire dress** as a political statement about her love for abortion. And marchers **spit at us, tore up our signs and screamed at us** because we dared to hold signs that said "Abortion betrays women" and "We Don't Need Planned Parenthood."

Then look at Autumn. Listen to what she says and *how* she says it. She is firm but compassionate and confident. She knows without a doubt what she says is the truth and she's fearless in proclaiming that truth. And she is so young!

She is Planned Parenthood's worst nightmare.

This is the generation that they are going to have to contend with: an educated, articulate and passionate one versus an army of p*ssyhat-wearing grandmas.

Planned Parenthood & the Day of Tears

FEBRUARY 25, 2017
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

On Valley Radio This Weekend, Feb. 25 – 27 archived PODCAST RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW

"You saw me and You covered me in my mother's womb; I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." (Psalm 139:13 -16)

"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born, I set you apart." (Jeremiah 1:5)

"You shall not let any of your seed pass through the fire to Molech, neither shall you profane the name of the Lord your God." (Leviticus 18:21)

"We are endowed by our Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness … and that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men." (The Declaration of Independence)

Stop the Killing!

Our Crossroads program this weekend features two opposing voices in the ongoing debate about abortion in America.

The voice for abortion comes from Planned Parenthood. The voice for Life comes from the Valley in a new initiative called the "Day of Tears".

But behind all of this is yet a third voice of one who has played a critical role on both sides of the debate.

As a New York obstetrician-gynecologist, the late Dr. Bernard Nathanson personally performed tens of thousands of abortions and directed one of the largest networks of abortuaries in America.

As founder of the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL), he also worked closely with Planned Parenthood in urging the Supreme Court to legalize abortion in 1973.

But then he returned to his faith in God, and it changed his entire life.

As part of that change, he narrated a video film in 1984 entitled ***"Silent Scream"*** which captured ultrasound images of the real-time abortion of a 12-week-old child.

He concluded the film by calling on America to ***"Stop the Killing"***, all of which has had a profound impact on both sides of the debate.

Then, in one of the last conversations before his death in 2011, Dr. Nathanson asked Terry Beatley to repeat his call across America, which she has now done in a new book entitled What If We've Been Wrong?

Planned Parenthood

But why are we now singling out Planned Parenthood, which touts itself as the proud champion of women's "Reproductive Rights" – a euphemism for abortion. There are several reasons.

Size: Planned Parenthood is the largest single abortion provider in America. In 2014, for example, it performed 324,000 abortions. That is over one-third of the total number of abortions in the country.

— Therefore, if we can close the doors of Planned Parenthood, it would be a big step toward Dr. Nathanson's goal to ***"Stop the Killing"*** and thereby conclude one of the darkest chapters in America's history.

Racial Targeting: In addition, Planned Parenthood's abortions are done disproportionately in minority communities, 28% among African Americans with only 13% of America's population, and 25% among Hispanics with only 17%. Moreover, 79% of its clinics are located within a two-mile radius of neighborhoods that are predominantly black or Hispanic.

— This focus on minority communities should come as no surprise. From its earliest days, led by eugenicist founder Margaret Sanger, it openly called for the creation of a superior race and the need to limit the number of people it considered to be "undesirable" and "unfit".

Body Parts: It has also been caught on tape admitting that it engages in the sale of aborted baby parts and in some cases even illegally alters its procedures to obtain "undamaged" products.

Taxpayer Funding: Even though in 2014 it generated $1.3 billion in revenue, $554 million of that came from government grants and reimbursements, including Medicaid reimbursements. That is American taxpayer money, comprising approximately 43% of total revenue.

Vote Buying: In 2016, its Political Action Committee shelled out $34 million to support pro-abortion Democrats as well as to defeat pro-life Republicans. As a result, defunding Planned Parenthood is difficult in states like Virginia where Planned Parenthood helped fund Democratic Gov. Terry McAuliffe's political campaign and who, in return, vetoes defunding efforts.

The Day of Tears

Against that background, and as one more step toward generating popular support for ending this continued fetal genocide, we are encouraged by a new Valley-led, pro-life initiative called "The Day of Tears".

In a resolution sponsored by Del. Ben Cline, co-sponsored by Del. Dickie Bell, and approved by the VA House of Delegates last month, it asks all Americans to lower their flags on Jan. 22 each year.

That has two goals. It marks the day of infamy in 1973 that the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion, and it is also calls us to mourn the loss of 58 million babies who have been aborted since then.

To learn more about this creative campaign and who is leading it, go to **www.dayoftears.com**.

VFIA airs five times on WAZT-TV, the Faith Network, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, again at 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday, and finally at Wednesday midnight. That is on Comcast Cable Channel 13 in Harrisonburg and Rockingham but varies in other areas, including on WIAV-TV at 8:00 p.m. every Friday in Washington DC. However, you can also watch it online **HERE** anytime.

The untold story of America's 'abortion king' – and one woman's mission to share his pro-life conversion

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TAGS: EUGENICS

Claire Chretien | **LifeSiteNews**

THIS IS AN EXCERPT : February 10 2017 (**LifeSiteNews**) – Many pro-lifers are familiar with the conversion story of former abortionist and NARAL founder Dr. Bernard Nathanson, but fewer know the full story of how he convinced Americans to embrace abortion.

One woman is on a mission to change that because of a promise she made to Nathanson when he was dying of cancer.

That woman is Terry Beatley, the founder and president of the Hosea Initiative. She got her start in pro-life ministry doing outreach to minority communities, educating them about Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger's racist, pro-eugenics agenda.

In 2009, "I was just being obedient to the Lord" when the idea to meet with Nathanson came to her, Beatley told LifeSiteNews. She was at a 24-hour-prayer vigil at her church when she asked God what He wanted her "to do with these experiences and this head full of information."
PLEASE READ THE REST OF THE ARTICLE FROM THE SOURCE: **LIFESITENEWS**

https://youtube.com/watch?v=o8-Icy7KGwo

“So they developed what’s called the ‘Catholic Strategy’” to win over Catholics to vote for abortion supporters, said Beatley. Interestingly, she said, “we saw the Catholic Strategy being executed by Tim Kaine during the last political election.”

SOURCE: **LIFESITENEWS**

Final Report: The March for Life and for Women

FEBRUARY 7, 2017
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Laus Deo! A New Wind of Hope and Change"Make no mistake.

> Abortion-on-demand is not a right granted by the Constitution. (Roe v. Wade was) an act of 'raw judicial power' (and) has become a continuing prod to the conscience of the nation. … We cannot survive as a free nation when some men decide that others … should be abandoned to abortion … "President Ronald Reagan, from "Abortion and the Conscience of a Nation", 1983"
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> I hereby proclaim and declare the unalienable personhood of every American, from conception to natural death (and have asked) the Legislative branch … to protect the life of each person before birth. President Ronald Reagan, a Presidential Proclamation, 1988
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> "If every church in America spoke out against abortion, it would fall like a house of cards." (Susan)

The Context: Three Different Presidents

Have you noticed? There is a new wind of Hope and Change blowing in Washington that is taking many forms, including on the issue of life. It is so refreshing and so encouraging for so many of us.

That is due, in part, to the very stark differences between recent presidents regarding their views about the Sanctity of Life.

Throughout his two terms in office, President Ronald Reagan spoke out very clearly in support of life for the unborn. President George W. Bush did the same. Good laws were passed during that time.

In stark contrast, President Barack Obama and presidential candidate Hillary Clinton actually led the war against life with their active defense of and support for ***Roe v. Wade***, that tragically misguided 1973 Supreme Court decision that "legalized" the dismemberment and slaughter of over 58 million unborn babies over the past 44 years.

As a result, the Obama era has been difficult for many of us in this ongoing battle for life, and millions more babies and their mothers have paid the price.

Why Did We March?

And that is why we cannot and will not stay silent in the face of this continuing American Holocaust. Our intrepid Valley delegation joined hundreds of thousands of other pro-life marchers who came in buses from across America to mark this 44th anniversary of ***Roe v. Wade***.

It was a full-throated call on the Supreme Court to overturn that deadly decision and also on Congress and on our new pro-life president to enact and to enforce new laws that would once again ban abortions and protect all innocent human life from conception until natural death.

The President and the Congress

We are off to a very good start with President Trump. One of his first executive orders this week was to reinstate the ***"Mexico City"*** policy, which Obama had overturned eight years ago. It bans U.S. funds for any group that engages in or promotes overseas abortions. ***Laus Deo!***

In addition, and just before the Rally began, we celebrated another pro-life victory in Congress with members of Cong. Bob Goodlatte's office, who gave us a personal update on pro-life bills that are being considered in the Congress.

That included a new bill (**H.R. 7**) that the House of Representatives passed earlier this week. Entitled the ***"No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act … of 2017"***, it bans federal funding of abortions as well as of health benefits plans that include abortion.

The Long March on the Supreme Court

And then came the Rally, where we joined a massive crowd of other Marchers at the base of the Washington Monument for powerful speeches from a range of political and religious leaders.

The highlight came when VP Mike Pence, the first sitting President or Vice President to attend the Rally in person, brought a full-throated roar from the crowd with these words: "Life is winning again in America. … Along with you, … we will not rest until we restore a culture of life in America for ourselves and our posterity."

Kellyanne Conway, one of President Trump's senior advisors, reinforced this message. Referring to both VP Pence and President Trump, she brought another roar when she said that "Their impassioned defense of life as candidates showed a nation that courage and commitment can overcome indifference and insults. … We hear you, we see you, we respect you, and we look forward to working with you."

The Long March to the Supreme Court

The long March followed for over three hours, with an estimated several hundred thousand marchers stretching for more than 16 blocks on Constitution Avenue, winding around the Capitol, and finishing up in front of the Supreme Court for a period of reflection and prayer.

We were joined there by scores of women holding black placards with white lettering that said simply ***"I Regret My Abortion."*** We listened to their tragic but courageous stories of physical, spiritual, and emotional trauma following their abortions, destroying the lie that abortions are "good" for women.

They exposed the true ***War on Women*** waged by President Obama and his pro-abortion allies like Planned Parenthood who share responsibility for the unreported ***Post-Abortion Stress Syndrome*** (PASS) of guilt and loss that plagues women after their abortions. It is time to turn the page.

That is why we joined them in their vow to be ***Silent No More*** and celebrated with them their redemption through a new life in Christ.

Enduring Impressions – For Life

We returned to the Valley encouraged and inspired by the unity for life that crosses differences of faith, race, age, gender, and nationality. The high-energy enthusiasm from so many young marchers who refer to themselves as "The Pro-Life Generation" renews our hope that this flame for life will continue to burn brightly.

Carrying signs like "***Stop Abortion Now"***, young marchers also wore shirts with messages that underscored their determination to continue the fight for life, such as:

You will not silence my message.

You will not mock my God.

You will stop killing my generation.

The Road Ahead

Yes, a new day is dawning in America that takes us one step closer to a time when all innocent human life will again be protected. However, it is also a reminder of the need for every church and for every pastor, priest, and rabbi to help lead this cause. As one friend put it, ***"If every church in America spoke out against abortion, it would fall like a house of cards."***

"***We won't give up, we won't give in, and we won't stop until we win!***

For God, for Life, and for Country!

Dean Welty serves on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Christian Alliance and is Director of the Valley Family Forum, a network of families in the Shenandoah Valley that helps build Faith, Family, and Freedom in the culture and in the public square. He also hosts a weekly television program entitled "**Valley Faith in Action**".

Valley Faith in Action airs at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and at 8:30 p.m. Sunday on WAZT-TV, which is Comcast Cable Channel 13 in the Harrisonburg area. It will air again at Wednesday midnight. You can also access it and other recent programs by clicking **HERE**.

The Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection HB 1473

JANUARY 29, 2017
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: CHILD ABUSE

Shammah Action

Dear Virginia Citizen,

It seems like just yesterday the undercover videos released by **The Center for Medical Progress** showed Planned Parenthood staff discussing how Planned Parenthood affiliates sell the body parts of aborted children and change abortion procedures to ensure the requested organs remain intact. The videos show the crass treatment of human life as resources to be exploited in the abortion industry.

McAuliffe, Herring, Northam at WDC Woman's march

This picture of Virginia's Governor, Attorney General, and Lieutenant Governor wearing Planned Parenthood gear makes it clear this kind of disgusting abuse of little baby boys and girls doesn't faze them a bit. Their loyalties clearly lie with one of their biggest campaign donors, the for-profit abortion industry.

Back in Richmond, thanks to your prayers and calls, HB 1473, The Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, was referred to the House Courts of Justice Committee for deliberation. The bill has **37 patrons in the house and 8 patrons in the senate as well as the support of House leadership with both the Speaker and House Majority Leader as well as a candidate for governor and one for lieutenant governor** included on the patron list.

Charlotte, John, Del. Dave LaRock and Abby march in 2016 as the big storm drew near

As the battle to pass this law rages, some Republicans are not cooperating. The Governor has called it bad for business and said it will "….hit a wall" if it comes to him. AG Herring, in a Richmond Times Dispatch article, falsely labeled the bill unconstitutional. All this makes the outlook for passage grim, unless… you believe what the Lord says:

In the LORD's hand the king's heart is a stream of water that he channels toward all who please him. Proverbs 21:1

Will you pray that the Lord will turn the hearts of our leaders? And once you have asked the Lord to soften their hearts toward the defenseless babies, would you call them and send them an email message to let them know you prayed for them? It only takes a few minutes.

Here are the people we need you to contact:

Governor McAuliffe: (804) 786-2211

Constituentservice1@governor.virginia.gov

and

Delegate Dave Albo: (804) 698-1042

DelDAlbo@house.virginia.gov

The 44th Annual March for Life happens in Washington DC this Friday, January 27th, and is expected to bring pro-life Americans by the hundreds of thousands from all across America. Friends, these compassionate people take days off from work, fly and drive in from many states, and converge in the middle of winter to demand justice and mercy.

All we ask from you is a few minutes of your time. Are you with us?

HB1473 is now waiting for a hearing in the House Courts of Justice Committee where national experts from Susan B. Anthony List, Virginia Society for Human Life (VSHL) and National Right to Life (NRTL) will be available to testify. HB 1473 is modeled after National Right to Life's legislation passed in 16 other states. Already in 2017, two states have passed Pain Capable bills into law – Kentucky and Ohio.

*PS **Delegate LaRock** is hoping to find bipartisan support of this commonsense life-saving measure and has been **sharing information handouts** with all his colleagues concerning disability-selection abortions which discriminate against unborn children based on their disabilities and suggests compassionate and life affirming alternatives to abortion in cases of **fetal disabilities**.*

Top 10 LifeNews.com Pro-Life News Stories of 2016

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CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

From LifeNews!

LifeNews.com is an independent news agency devoted to reporting news that affects the pro-life community. With a team of experienced journalists and bloggers, LifeNews.com reaches more than 750,000 pro-life advocates each week via our web site, email news reports, social networking outreach and weekday radio program.

With the new year here it's that time of the year where we typically look back and see what happened over the past 12 months.

For the pro-life movement it was definitely one of the most interesting years ever. There were incredible highs and overwhelming defeats.

But no matter what happened in our fight to protect unborn children from the evil of abortion, the pro-life movement had one thing you could count on for the truth each and every day. That's LifeNews.

Whether it was taking on Hillary Clinton and her pro-abortion supporters, exposing the ways in which the Planned Parenthood abortion business sells the body parts of aborted babies, or rejoicing in their collective defeat on Election Day, LifeNews was with you every step of the way.

The following is a list of our top -10 most-read news stories for 2016:

Hillary Clinton: An Unborn Child Just Hours Before Delivery Has No Constitutional Rights

Remembering When Mother Teresa Left Hillary Clinton in Stunned Silence on Abortion

Chelsea Clinton: I Left the Church When I Was 6 Because It Opposed Abortion

High Court in Ireland Rules an Unborn Baby Has a Right to Life

Nurse Says Baby Who Survived Abortion Cried While Left Alone in a Steel Pan to Die

Ohio Senate Passes Bill to Ban All Abortions After an Unborn Baby's Heartbeat Begins

After Abstaining Until Marriage, NFL Star Russell Wilson and Ciara Get Married: "We Did It Jesus' Way"

Priest to Christians: "You Might Not Have a Church to Go to If You Don't Vote Right in November"

Donald Trump Calls for Permanently Banning Taxpayer Funding of Abortions

First Child Dies After Belgium Approves Measure Allowing Doctors to Euthanize Children

Atheists Want To Abort Baby Jesus

DECEMBER 17, 2016
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Linda Harvey, **WND.com**

The haters of all-things-Christmas, some of whom claim to be "freedom" lovers, are busy again this December trying to legally abort the baby in the manger.

If they could pull this off, it would be the ultimate late-term abortion, since that baby was born 2,000 years ago and lives eternally as the King of Kings.

In St. Bernard, Ohio, a village in greater Cincinnati, the nativity scene displayed in front of city hall is under attack by the spiteful, small-minded Freedom from Religion Foundation (FFRF), the far-left Wisconsin group that spends its time and money attempting to dilate and extract the baby Jesus from the wombs of community after community.

But many are choosing life instead. The law director of St. Bernard says the village **has no intention** of removing the nativity scene, since it is surrounded by secular symbols of Christmas, like reindeer and Santa, and is thus legally permissible.

Clearly, the ancient enemy of the Lord is working overtime. Atheists, while being manipulated by Satan, will often claim, "Oh, no, we don't believe in Satan or God, so they don't exist!"

I don't believe in the IRS. Will that make it go away?

Yet another recent atheist strategy is to openly embrace "Satan" as merely a symbol (they think) of in-your-face rebellion to a Christmas-loving majority, or useful to challenge any public display of Christianity.

The atheist-Satan alliance is becoming more visible than ever. **Bill Donohue** of the Catholic League noted in a recent press release that atheists and Satanists have the same goals: they hate Christianity.

And their target is frequently children, even a child who is the "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6).

Can't have princes of peace, now, can we? Someone like that might discourage anarchistic, heartless, evil revolution.

Or corruption of the innocent.

Grade-school children in selected school districts have been recent targets of revolutionary tactics to ensure "church-state separation." How are "atheists" getting this done?

By bringing in their usual unpaid consultant – Satan.

Parents of children at Point Defiance Elementary School in Tacoma, Washington, are outraged that after-school Satan Clubs are being allowed. An **online petition** has gathered over 113,000 signatures and a prayer vigil is being held Dec. 14.

The group behind this is the "Satanic Temple." Are they Satanists? Atheists? Clowns?

It's hard to miss the diabolical presence on one group's website called **"After School Satan."** And no, it's not a joke. This group has clubs in Atlanta, Los Angeles, Portland, Salt Lake City, Seattle and Washington, D.C.

The purpose is to counteract what is considered harmful – evangelism by the Good News Clubs:

"It's important that children be given an opportunity to realize that the evangelical materials now creeping into their schools are representative of but one religious opinion amongst many. While the Good News Clubs focus on indoctrination, instilling them with a fear of Hell and God's wrath, After School Satan Clubs will focus on free inquiry and rationalism, the scientific basis for which we know what we know about the world around us. We prefer to give children an appreciation of the natural wonders surrounding them, not a fear of everlasting other-worldly horrors."

The website also offers "The Satanic Big Book of Children's Activities." And if you can stomach it, watch the video on the home page. Mixing images of impressionable children with creepy music, spiders and mindless worship of the satanic icon, Baphomet, it's clear that this website is, indeed, inspired by the father of lies, as Jesus called him (John 8:44).

Where is so-called "rationalism" or exploration of the world's "wonders"? Not here.

What school administrator would allow a Satanic after-school club? What school board? Idiotically, some officials are willing to open this wicked spiritual door to small children. The virulent anti-Christian bias of too many educators today does, one can only surmise, occasionally reach this extreme, with tolerance of such evil – or even sympathy for it.

God help us. God help our precious children.

Many of these atheists/neopagans believe the demonic realm can be controlled, as long as they are on the same, Christ-defying side.

Think again.

In Lansing, Michigan, the Capitol lawn has become the battleground between strongly divergent worldviews. The Satanic Temple of Detroit sponsors a **"Snaketivity"** display, which features a cross, a red snake and a sign that reads, "The greatest gift is knowledge." This stands next to a traditional Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus nativity display.

What "knowledge" are they talking about? A complete familiarity with evil impulses and choices, and the horror and destruction they introduce to one's life? Our loving Savior, Jesus, wants to save us from this pain. "Knowledge" isn't salvation. Without Christ, they are freely choosing eternal darkness, which will be accompanied by eternal regret.

Some atheist activists encourage a human descent to self-absorption and apathy with a **recent billboard campaign.** Erected in Colorado, the message depicts a mother behind her daughter, who is saying she will skip church because, "I don't believe that stuff anymore." The theme line is "Atheist Christmas! The more the merrier."

But a billboard campaign is not cheap. If God doesn't exist, why go to such trouble and expense?

The good news is that many communities are standing up against these poisonous school clubs and the ongoing potshots by atheist/Satan alliances.

In Franklin, Pennsylvania, the FFRF allied with one local resident to complain about a long-standing nativity scene in a city park, but the city council voted unanimously to keep the display. Diane Gramley, executive director of the American Family Association of Pennsylvania, which is located in Franklin, **helped with this effort.**

If we stand against paper tigers, they often collapse and go away. We must keep holding up the good – the Lord Jesus and His gift of eternal salvation– while pushing evil aside.

Our spiritual and national lives, and those of our children, are at stake.

ProLife Homily Voting for Abortion Puts Your Soul in Jeopardy

OCTOBER 16, 2016
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The Virginia Christian Alliance reported on two protests by Catholics and prolife advocates against both Tim Kaine on the ***sidewalk of St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church*** *and* ***again at the local Richmond Catholic Diocese*** *to petition Bishop DeLorenzo to follow Canon Law 915 in regards to Virginia Senator and candidate for vice president Tim Kaine.*

Both the Richmond Catholic Diocese and St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church have ***not*** *taken the corrective measures to address Kaine's deliberate and repetive sin in this regard. Perhaps Bishop DeLorenzo and Father Jim Arsenault should take pause to hear Father Lankeit's message in the video below and to turn to the word of God and Canon 915 instead of being "politically correct" in the sight of men and playing nice with a wayward and stubborn politician lusting for power as Kaine is obviously doing.*

Father John Lankeit from the Diocese of Phoenix

A Phoenix bishop's plea to voters and politicians: no votes for abortion : Catholics may never legitimately promote or vote for any law that attacks innocent human life," Bishop Olmsted said, latter adding "being right on all the other issues can never justify a wrong choice on this most serious matter." (see video below)

"If a politician is actively supporting and furthering the culture of death, he is not only causing scandal; he is sinning. Similarly, when a politician performs actions (like voting) that allow for abortions and even promote abortions, or that mandate the distribution of contraceptives by pharmacists and others, that politician is materially cooperating in grave sin," the bishop's booklet continued.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=cdwT5tXvGUw

DEFENDING THE BRIDE

Print Free Pamphlet – Spanish Version see Católicos y Vida Pública

A Phoenix bishop's plea to voters and politicians: no votes for abortion :

Catholic News Agency published the following article by Kevin Jones about Bishop Olmsted's new guide. CNA has given permission to republish their article below. Phoenix, Ariz., Sep 20, 2016 / (CNA/EWTN News)

Catholics should be consistent in public life and need to make protecting innocent life a serious political priority, Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted of Phoenix has said in the latest edition of his booklet on the duties of Catholic voters and politicians.

The booklet "Catholics in the Public Square," now in its fourth edition, makes a distinction between support for intrinsically evil issues and support for different methods of achieving policy.

"For example, Catholics may never legitimately promote or vote for any law that attacks innocent human life," Bishop Olmsted said, latter adding "being right on all the other issues can never justify a wrong choice on this most serious matter."

The guide reiterated the need to examine one's conscience and the need for Catholic politicians to oppose laws that allow or promote abortions.

"If a politician is actively supporting and furthering the culture of death, he is not only causing scandal; he is sinning. Similarly, when a politician performs actions (like voting) that allow for abortions and even promote abortions, or that mandate the distribution of contraceptives by pharmacists and others, that politician is materially cooperating in grave sin," the bishop's booklet continued.

These politicians must make a sincere confession before receiving Holy Communion, he said. Because the harm they have done was public, they should also publicly make amends. "The Church needs clear and courageous teaching and witness to confront the idols of a secularized, post-Christian America," Archbishop Gomez said.

Bishop Olmsted suggested that some Catholics have been "frightened into silence and even confused by charges that they are imposing their morality on others."

"Of course, if one's faith does not impact on one's whole life, including one's political and social responsibilities, then it is not authentic faith; it is a sham, a counterfeit," he countered.

“A democratic society needs the active participation of all its citizens, people of faith included,” he added. “This is not an imposition on other’s morality. It is acting with integrity… The active engagement of Catholics in democratic processes is good for society and it is responsible citizenship.”

Richmond School Sanctions Abortion Advocacy Group

OCTOBER 10, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Rick Buchanan | **Fauquier Free Citizen**

It has come to our attention that the major abortion advocate in America, Planned Parenthood, is attempting to establish a student group to "engage in the political process to win elections and pass pro reproductive freedom legislation" in a Richmond area school.

No big deal, right. College clubs are founded all the time by advocacy groups; except this is not being formed on a college campus where young adults are mature enough to decide for themselves what clubs they want to join. Or this must be a private school, with an agenda they want to push, right?

Actually, this "Club" is being formed in a public school. A school funded by taxpayer dollars. A school that, because of federal policy, cannot have prayers or religious teaching of any sort, but they can have a club that advocates abortion.

Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies (MLWGS), which proclaims on their webpage that it "is an innovative public high school offering a comprehensive college preparatory program emphasizing government, international studies, science, mathematics, languages, and fine arts.

The school serves students selected on the basis of aptitude and interest in its mission." So MLWGS is a prime target for a group that wants to push a pro-abortion agenda. With kids a young as fourteen in the high school program taught at MLWGS, what better place to begin an indoctrination process.

One has to wonder, in the spirit of fairness, is there a similar club on campus espousing a pro-life agenda, with pregnancy counselling that promotes the rights of the unborn?

Several calls to the school Director's office went unreturned, so we cannot answer that here.

Since the schools that feed students into the advanced programs at MLWGS have no say into what clubs are allowed to be formed there, you may want to speak to the school Director, Jeff McGee, Ph.D.

Another person who may be helpful in understanding the thought process behind bringing in the abortion advocate, Planned Parenthood would be the Club Faculty Sponsor, Dr. Janet Spencer, whose husband just happens to teach at the Baptist Theological Seminary.

The number for the school is 804-354-6800. Since the school is publicly funded, surely they would be more than happy to answer your questions. After all, if you live here in Virginia and pay your taxes, you have a vested interest in the school. Please find **linked here** the "Maggie Walker Planned Parenthood Generation Action" proposed Constitution and By-Laws

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Maggie Walker Governor's School
Club Constitution & By–Laws

Article I

Name of Club: Maggie Walker Planned Parenthood Generation Action

Club Faculty Sponsor/Monitor: Dr. Janet Spencer

Article II

Purpose of Club: The purpose of this club is to provide education, outreach, and advocacy opportunities at Maggie Walker to support the goals of Planned Parenthood. It is meant to let students learn more about the issues that affect their lives, create a network with other students who support Planned Parenthood, and engage in the political process to win elections and pass pro reproductive freedom legislation.

Article III

Membership: Membership shall be open to any student in the school who is eligible to be a member

Article IV

The officers of this club shall be as follows: President Vice President of Education Vice President of Advocacy Vice President of Outreach Treasurer/Secretary Members

Their duties shall be as follows:

President

1)Preside over meetings and set the agenda
2) Oversee all other officers
3) Act as a liaison between the chapter and Virginia League of Planned Parenthood

Vice President of Education
1) Coordinate speakers
2) Plan workshops

Vice President of Advocacy
1) Coordinate political events (ex. Phone banking, canvassing, voter registration)
2) Organize students to support Planned Parenthood

Vice President of Outreach

1) Run social media
2) Make announcements/posters for upcoming club events
3) Attract new members to the club

Treasurer/Secretary
1) Record meeting minutes
2) Keep record of all funds for the club Faculty Sponsor/Monitor(s)

Article V

1. **The faculty sponsor/monitor shall attend all meetings to insure this** chapter of Maggie Walker Generation Action **does not violate any school policies.**
2. **The faculty sponsor/monitor shall act as a liaison between students and school administration.**
3. **The sponsor/monitor will serve in an advisory capacity only.**

Article VI

Club Meetings

The club meeting shall be as follows: The club will meet every Monday during lunch, or any meeting that needs to be called. Officers will meet or otherwise communicate about meeting agendas prior to every meeting.

Article VII

Removal from Office

(List reasons that an officer could be removed from office) If an officer is absent for 4 meetings or more without notice they will be asked to leave. An officer will also be asked to step down if they are found guilty of an honor violation.

Article VIII

(Procedure for dismissal from the club for honor's violation) Members will not be dismissed for an honor violation unless they hold an office in the club.

Article IX

Vacancies

(List how officers' vacancies will be filled) Officer positions will be filled through elections held every year. The officers for the 2016-2017 school year will be elected in September 2016 and the officers for the 2017- 2018 school year will be elected in April of 2017.

Article X

Committees (List any sub-committees and their responsibilities) There will be no committees for this club.

September 27: NARAL's Founder Speaks to America

SEPTEMBER 24, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Washington, DC – Tuesday, September 27, 2016, US Capitol Grounds,
House Triangle, TIME: 2:00 – 2:45 pm.

Biographer, Terry Beatley, joins **Congressman Trent Franks** and his colleagues on Capitol Hill to proclaim Dr. Bernard Nathanson's personal parting message to America.

The Hosea Initiative was inspired by a promise Beatley made to the late Dr. Bernard Nathanson, America's former "Abortion King" who deeply regretted co- founding NARAL and ultimately committed himself to pro-life advocacy.

Beatley's insight into the pro-abortion policy playbook is unique. Dr. Nathanson's instructions to Terry were to:

- **● end the exploitation of women and children from the propaganda,**
- **● expose a racist population-control plan,**
- **● reveal a deadly political maneuver called the "Catholic Strategy", and**

- **● save parental rights.**

During a rare interview with Dr. Nathanson in 2009, Beatley assured him that his pro-life mantle would be carried on and that she would reveal his 8-point strategy of deception put into place during NARAL's founding. The details are found in *"What If We've Been Wrong?"* – a must read that will change the hearts and minds of Americans.

Congressman Franks in preparation for Tuesday stated "I had the wonderful privilege of calling Dr. Bernard Nathanson friend. Terry Beatley has captured his parting and compelling message, a message the world desperately needs to hear during this National discussion of the Born Alive Abortion Survivor's Protection Act."

Join Congressman Trent Franks and other Members of Congress as Terry Beatley shares the message of Dr. Bernard Nathanson. This is a timely message with H.R. 3504 "The Born Alive: Abortion Survivor's Protection Act" before Congress.

Plan to hear the announcement of the 2016 Bernard N. Nathanson, M.D. Award recipients.

Pro-Life Update from Sidewalk Advocates for Life

AUGUST 11, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Sidewalk Advocates for Life update as Virginia Christian Alliance Board of Advisor's member, Susan O'Neill needs our support.

Empower her in becoming Northern Program Co-ordinator, training others, growing the organization that saves the lives of the unborn.

We need YOU!

Her letter follows:

God has called me to this mission and I'm delighted to tell you about it!

Here is a perfect example of why communities need Sidewalk Advocates for

Susan ONeill with a baby saved from abortion.
Empower her to train others to save many more unborn babies from abortion

Life.

Recently, one of our advocates Dave was out on the sidewalk when he engaged a Chinese woman arriving for an abortion appointment. Dave soon realized that the woman only knew Mandarin Chinese! In a pinch, Dave called Sidewalk Advocates for Life and was soon on the phone with a translator that was fluent in Chinese.

Dave was able to help the woman over to the nearest pregnancy resource center all because Sidewalk Advocates for Life was able to provide him with a desperately needed resource the moment he needed it. Can you imagine what could have happened if Dave didn't have anyone to turn to that morning?

The mission at Sidewalk Advocates for Life is "*To train, equip, and support local communities across the United States and the world in "sidewalk advocacy*": to be the hands and feet of Christ, offering loving, life-affirming alternatives to all present at the abortion center, thereby eliminating demand and ending abortion."

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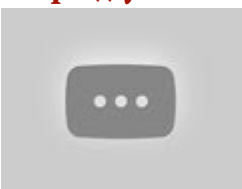

LINK: **https://youtu.be/u6hJIItqnBU**

I have $25,000 remaining to support raise in August. I can't do this mission that God has called me to do without your help! Your support, made payable to Sidewalk Advocates for Life, will go directly towards enabling my mission to continue. All donations are tax-deductible.

As Northern Program Coordinator, I am thrilled to have this opportunity to stand up for life. Your support will allow me to serve and support the local leaders in your community as well as foster new communities throughout the Northern region of the U.S. Through the grace of God, SAFL has saved over 1,300 babies in just over 2 years, we have over 300 hopefuls, and 30 abortion workers have left the industry for good! Our peaceful, prayerful, and law-abiding approach is research proven to be the most effective when it comes to supporting a mother in crisis.

To achieve this challenge of $25,000, we need financial support at all levels. Every dollar we receive here goes directly to my mission in the Northern United States to support and build peaceful sidewalk advocacy locations. We will transform hearts, save lives and end abortion!

We take your gifts seriously, and we make every effort to maximize your investment in our life-saving mission. **CLICK HERE** to see different monthly support options where you can help save the lives of the unborn.

Thank you in advance for whatever the Lord leads you to.

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Are you able to help Susan in support of her mission with Sidewalk Advocates for Life: to be the "hands and feet of Christ" reaching out in love to those at abortion facilities?

Yes, I can give:

- **$20 Monthly Partner**
- $500 allows Susan to do this mission for 1 week throughout the year
- $1000 allows Susan to do this mission for 2 weeks throughout the year
- $3000 allows Susan to do this mission for six weeks throughout the year
- _____ other

Thank you in advance for considering my mission to save lives and change hearts. I am dedicated to excellence and welcome any questions, comments, or suggestions you may have. Please feel free to contact me in any of the following ways:

E-mail: Susan@sidewalkadvocates.org

Phone: 804-525-0452

Susan O'Neill

The Best Pro-Life Video You May Ever See

JULY 24, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Talk to Gianna Jessen for just a few minutes and she's likely to punctuate every sentence with a deep, infectious laugh. Talk to her for a while longer and, as her story unfolds, it becomes apparent that the constant joy has overcome unspeakable challenges.

In many regards, her life has been a short path littered with obstacles at every turn: the hardest of hard knocks, betrayal, and cruelty. But for every setback, there have been invitations into the greatest halls of government and forays behind communist walls. A life that was never meant to be has been used to inspire—even save—others.

You see, Gianna Jessen was intended to die before she was born, just another one of the 1.2 million abortions each year in the United States. Instead of death, though, Gianna was bathed in a burning saline solution, but she overcame to enter the world. Two months premature and weighing just two pounds, she spent her first few months in a hospital. From there, she entered the foster care system.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=2hYvP5ZWLQk

The failed abortion had also provided the “gift” of cerebral palsy, as she calls it: “It allows me to really depend on Jesus for everything.”

Father's Day – Healing: Shockwaves of Abortion

JUNE 12, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

When Chuck Raymond stood outside the U.S. Supreme Court during this year's March for Life, he held a sign that read "I Regret Lost Fatherhood."

In his testimony for the Silent No More Awareness Campaign that day, the St. Louis resident said: "The pain of my lost fatherhood remains with me every day but now through God's grace and mercy and His unconditional love, I live with joy and peace."

Tens of millions of men suffer from that same regret and have not yet found the joy and peace that Mr. Raymond spoke of. These men, regardless of the role they played in an abortion, are the focus of Silent No More's ***Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion*** initiative in June.

Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion is an ongoing international effort to reach all the different groups of people who are impacted when a child dies from abortion. Those groups include grandparents, siblings, survivors, spouses, abortionists and their staff, and pro-life advocates.

"***Shockwaves*** seeks to give a voice to all those who have been hurt, all those who regret the abortion they took part in, and all those who mourn the loss of each innocent child," said Father Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life and Pastoral Director of Silent No More.

He noted that June's focus on dads is an acknowledgement that Father's Day is often a painful day for men who have lost children to abortion.

At SilentNoMore.com, visitors to the ***Shockwaves*** page will find **testimonies**, **prayers** and information on healing resources. Clergy looking for ideas on how to preach on abortion loss for men will find suggested sermons.

Kevin Burke, LSW, co-founder of Rachel's Vineyard and an expert on men and abortion loss, said that men are often seen to be peripheral figures in the abortion process, detached and unaffected by the woman's choice.

"But the reality is that men are involved in 95 percent of all abortion decisions," he said, "and they are profoundly impacted by their participation in the abortion of their child. Similar to women, when men experience deep healing of abortion pain, they are freed from the shame and guilt that feeds silence and isolation."

Janet Morana and Georgette Forney, co-founders of Silent No More, noted that men can play many roles in an abortion decision. Some men coerce women into abortion; others had no knowledge until it was too late. Some are complicit in the decision and some are just silent.

"We know through our work with Silent No More that no matter what role a man played, he is often thrown off guard by his reaction to the abortion," Mrs. Morana said. "Many feel they have failed as men by allowing, or insisting on, the destruction of their own child."

"Men are often pushed to the margins of the abortion debate, but after the baby and the mother, fathers are the most directly impacted," Mrs. Forney said. "We want them to know they are deserving of healing and we want to help them restore peace to their souls." (Written by Leslie Palma-Simoncek, Priests for Life/Silent No More Awareness Campaign 2015)

ABORTION HEALING PROGRAMS FOR MEN:

As many of us celebrate the Father's and influential men in our lives, there are many men grieving their lost fatherhood. Post-abortive healing is not just for women. Rachel's Vineyard offers and encourages healing for women and for men who are suffering after abortion. If you or someone that you know is hurting this Father's day, we encourage you to reach out to Rachel's Vineyard, and find peace, help and healing. Visit RachelsVineyard.org, or call our national hotline at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

Mother's & Father's Day…Can Be a Difficult Time for Those Who Chose Abortion

MAY 8, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

May: *Healing the Mom*

Mothers in particular, but also Fathers (depending on their role in the abortion) suffer the immediate impact of the abortion. *Mother's and Father's Days* allow us to focus in a special way on the unique experience of abortion loss suffered by the parents of unborn children, and the personal costs and effects on marriage and family life. *Mother's and Father's Day* can be a painful and confusing time for many because it touches on a core issue of *denial and repression of this loss*…the rejection of the unique motherhood/fatherhood of that unborn child who is missing from the family celebration.

In order to put the abortion event behind them, parents shut down their feelings and repress them deep into the unconscious. Some women and many men have the capacity for a time to successfully dissociate from this painful violation of the heart, soul and body and on the surface function quite well.

Others are less well-defended against the onslaught of emotions and memories from the procedure. This is especially true of men powerless to stop an unwanted abortion and women who feel ambivalent or felt great pressure to abort. These mothers and fathers experience the immediate symptoms of complicated grief and trauma…often in isolation. Depression and anxiety/ sleep disturbance/ suicidal thoughts/ relationship instability/ promiscuity/ sexual dysfunction/ addictions of all kinds and psychosomatic and auto immune disorders all are ways that the abortion wound is calling attention to the lost child and the pain and grief that is being repressed and denied. This is also related to the unfolding traumatic fallout after the procedure.

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The repression and disconnection from the abortion event establishes a very powerful psychological division within the mother but also the father as well. Psychological survival after

participating in the death of an unborn baby requires a parent to rationalize that *we made the right decision…for ourselves and the child*. Friends and family often confirm this denial and the dismissal of any feelings of regret or pain with comments such as: *Now you can get on with your life. One day you can welcome a baby into this world when you are ready to start a family.*

However without an integrated emotional and spiritual healing of an abortion loss, denial after abortion means you will never be a whole and integrated person. You may be a decent, caring, loving individual with many wonderful gifts and qualities…but you will remain in the deepest recesses of your heart and soul…deeply wounded.

Another way to understand this: If you remain disconnected in your heart and soul from the emotional and biological truth of what has been lost and your intimate and eternal connection to that child, it is natural that there will be a negative impact on emotional and medical health and one's personal relationships.

For more information about Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion campaign, to hear testimonies, prayers, sermons, and interviews:

http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org/shockwaves/may/overview.aspx

Thoughts on Mother's Day…

> Yes, Mother's Day can be a hard day. But it can also be a day for women with abortion loss to celebrate being mothers. So many women who have had abortions, and have no living children, never thought of themselves as mothers…until after a healing program like Rachel's Vineyard. Even someone like me who does have a living son, after doing my Rachel's Vineyard retreats, Mother's Day became a day for me to honor and celebrate my three aborted children & one miscarried. So, now I have five children that I rejoice in.

Jesus shares with us the source of this hope:

Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. John 14:1-4

Happy Mother's Day!

Virginia Turns Out to Support LIFE and Protest Planned Parenthood

APRIL 24, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

> : At Planned Parenthood on Hamilton Street in Richmond, Virginia, protest organizer Leslie Blackwell said, "I used to be pro-choice. I used to be the one out there, 'Don't you ever take my choice away,' and it's because I was not being honest." (**read more** on Brietbart News)

"If you're really pro-choice, you're pro what? Pro killing babies? Let's say what it is," she asserted, **reports** NBC12.

#ProtestPP National Day of Protest Against Planned Parenthood April 23 2016 in **Richmond Virginia** in front of a facility that has taken the lives of thousands of babies.

It was a good crowd for a cloudy morning, but the sun came out and about 150 people had a blessed experience hearing moving personal testimonials from a half dozen speakers. Both men and women shared their stories. Va Delegate Dave **David A. LaRock** of Northern Va was the featured speaker. Dave LaRock is a true champion in the General Assembly for life and family.

Major news sources across the nation and the state of Virginia took notice and g voice to the unborn children whose lives are taken every day by Planned Parenthood and other abortion mills across Virginia

Groups stage protest at Richmond Planned Parenthood center

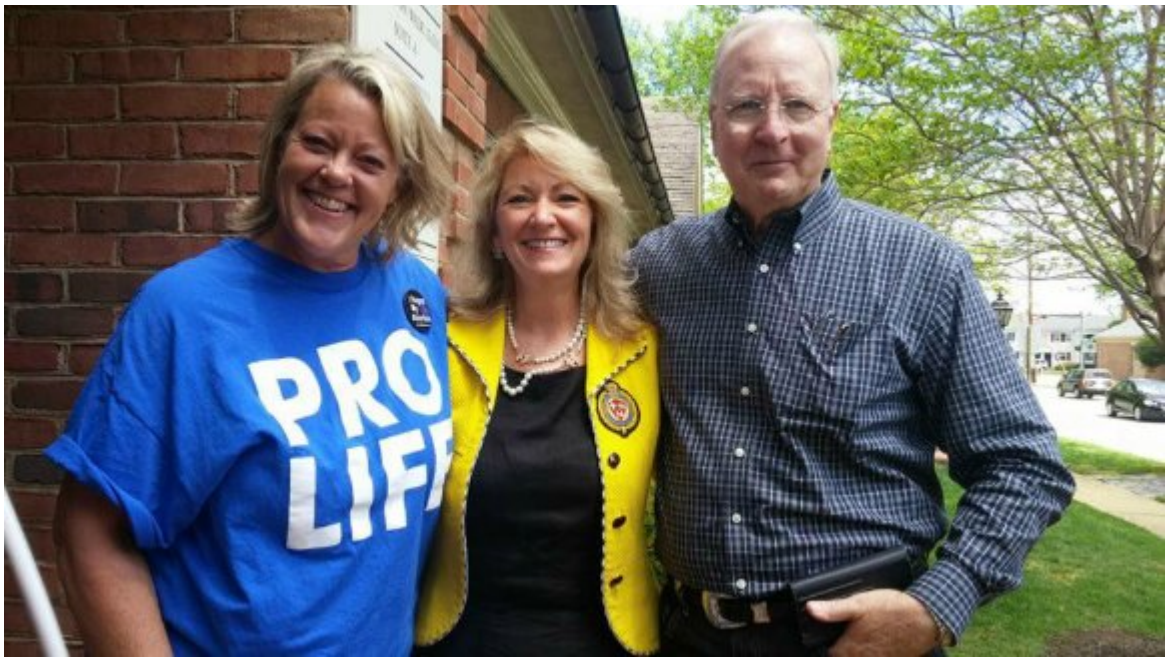
http://wric.com/2016/04/23/groups-stage-protest-at-richmond-planned-parenthood-center/

Thanks **Richmond Times-Dispatch** for your news coverage today at the Protest Against Planned Parenthood! **Don Blake Craig Johnson Baird Stokes**

Anti-abortion protest draws dozens in Richmond

During an anti-abortion protest Saturday in Richmond, across the street from the Planned Parenthood center at 201 N. Hamilton St., Baird Stokes told protesters that his mother was just $19 short of aborting him 63 years ago.

Richmond Times-Dispatch



Leslie Davis Blackwell, VA Regional Co-Coordinator, Silent No More Awareness Campaign; Missy D' Aconti, Faith Life Family; Don Blake, Chairman, Virginia Christian Alliance

Baby Saved! Sidewalk Advocates for Life

APRIL 24, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Dear Friend of Life,

In only 22 short months since Sidewalk Advocates for Life began, we are already so humbled and amazed by what the Lord has done. There have been over 1,100 lives saved from abortion — that we know of. Abortion facilities are cutting their hours and even closing their doors for good. The program has continued to grow and **currently, we have 80 locations around the globe! (Find your nearest location HERE.)**

The Holy Spirit has been able to translate the program to international settings, as well. There are now locations with trained Sidewalk Advocates in Australia, Canada, Romania, and Fiji!

In fact, we just received this photo of our newly-trained Sidewalk Advocates (who are also LIFE Runners) in Fiji — ***how beautiful to see God's people answering the call to be a light to women-in-crisis around the world!***

The blessings continue to flow! This next picture below was sent to us by Gary, our Program Director in Vestal, NY. Sidewalk Advocates were on the sidewalk one day, praying and reaching out to women at the local abortion facility, when Tanya arrived. Our Sidewalk Advocates spoke with her, and Tanya chose life!

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She gave us permission to share this picture of her precious son, Jahmir James ("JJ"), in hopes that other lives could be saved.

This is why we do what we do. Many times, our Sidewalk Advocates have no idea what impact they had that day on the sidewalk. However, when we look upon the sweet face of this child — created in the image and likeness of God Almighty — our hearts are full. Jahmir was almost another statistic; however, through faithful Sidewalk Advocates saying "YES" and being present on the sidewalk, the Holy Spirit moved, and JJ was saved. ***To God be the Glory!***

I want to encourage you: even if you aren't seeing these results personally right now, know that the Lord is faithful. He is blessing your efforts — and one day, you will reap the harvest. When you look at precious Jahmir's picture, understand that your sacrifice is worth it — even if you don't see the fruit right away. The world is now forever changed because he is in it. The world is forever changed when you and I say YES to God!

Your prayers, presence and persistence help make moments like this possible. If you would like to be a part of revolutionizing the sidewalk in front of your abortion facility with great love, drop us a line at **info@sidewalkadvocates.org**, and we'll help get you started!

In Christ, for Life,

Chantel Poisel
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On Life and Liberty: Virginia Bishops' Statement on Actions by Governor and General Assembly

APRIL 23, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE
TAGS: LIBERTY

April 11, 2016: DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON · DIOCESE OF RICHMOND

Representing the Virginia Catholic Bishops in Public Policy Matters

Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo, Diocese of Richmond, and Bishop Paul S. Loverde, Diocese of Arlington, today issued the following joint statement:

Over the past two weeks, Governor Terry McAuliffe made three decisions that contradict life and liberty at their core. We are dismayed and deeply disappointed that he sided with the abortion industry over real health care centers, vetoed legislation that would have protected the right of

religious organizations to follow their faith, and, instead of vetoing expanded use of the electric chair, inserted language that would shroud in secrecy the execution process.

We laid out our strong and clear stances in these matters in a letter to the governor dated March

18. He arrived at opposite decisions, however, despite our appeal and despite intensive advocacy throughout many months by the Virginia Catholic Conference and thousands of Catholic Virginians and other people of goodwill throughout the state, as well as certain dedicated legislators, to whom we are most grateful.

Governor McAuliffe chose a veto ceremony at a Planned Parenthood abortion center – where the lives of countless unborn children are snuffed out each year – to boast that he was "proud" to "smack down" legislation that would have diverted tax dollars away from the billion-dollar life-draining abortion industry and instead would have applied Virginia taxpayers' hard-earned dollars toward life-affirming community health centers that provide a broad range of real health care for women and their families. We are disappointed by the governor's comments and decision, but we are deeply grateful to all legislators who supported this life-affirming measure, particularly Delegate Ben Cline, the bill's patron.

Only a day later, the governor also vetoed – live on WTOP radio – legislation that simply would have protected the right of *religious* organizations to follow their *religious* beliefs regarding marriage, applying the exact principles the founders of our Commonwealth and our country intended. The governor alleged the bill was "nothing more than an attempt to stigmatize" – an unfounded and completely erroneous charge. Our Catholic agencies each year educate tens of thousands of Virginia's children; serve the poor and vulnerable through food banks, homeless shelters, mental health counseling and job training; and offer assistance to refugees and immigrants. We do not "stigmatize"; we serve. Though we certainly regret the governor's action, we thank all who stood with us with their votes, even in the face of heated adversity and unfair and false rhetoric. We thank especially Senator Bill Carrico and Delegate Todd Gilbert for their leadership and persistent determination at each stage of the bill's consideration by the General Assembly.

Finally, last night, the governor refused to veto legislation patroned by Delegate Jackson Miller that would force the electric chair on those sentenced to death if the state says lethal injection drugs are "not available" after "reasonable efforts." Instead the governor inserted language from legislation rejected by the General Assembly last year that would shroud in secrecy the execution process. Gov. McAuliffe's amendment would allow the state to special-order the drugs from compounding pharmacies while keeping the identities of those pharmacies and other information secret. We argued against similar legislation last year because it would hide from the public details about how the state exacts the ultimate punishment. This action by the governor – and the General Assembly – ignores a very public plea Pope Francis made earlier this year that

government leaders carry out no executions in this Year of Mercy and abolish the death penalty throughout the world. As we lament this action, we also express our gratitude to all who voted against this bill, especially Senator Scott Surovell, a death penalty opponent, whose work against it was tireless.

We are profoundly disappointed with Governor McAuliffe's actions on these vital issues. Yet we will persist as people of faith in our efforts – in parishes and the public square – to ensure we protect life at the beginning, life at the end and religious liberty for all who serve to make life better for people in need.

Richmond Joins Nationwide Protest April 23 to Tell Voters: Planned Parenthood is Bad for America

APRIL 18, 2016
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

RICHMOND, VA- On April 23, nationally coordinated protests will be held at over 200 Planned Parenthood centers throughout the United States, including the center at 201 N. Hamilton Street, Richmond, VA 23221, where over 2,290 babies were aborted in 2014. These protests are being organized by the #**ProtestPP** coalition, formed in response to the undercover videos released last year showing Planned Parenthood officials discussing the harvesting and selling of body parts from aborted children.

Despite the controversy created by the undercover videos—including possible illegal activity—Planned Parenthood continues to receive over $500 million from state and federal governments annually. The organizers of #**ProtestPP** are calling on their fellow Americans to vote for candidates this year who will promise to end this massive taxpayer subsidy for the nation's largest abortion chain.

"The undercover videos we saw last year showed the cruelty of abortion and the truth behind Planned Parenthood," said Leslie Davis Blackwell, **#ProtestPP** Organizer and VA Co-Coordinator of the *Silent No More Awareness Campaign*.

> **"It's chilling to see Planned Parenthood's doctors talk about how to crush an unborn child's body in order to most effectively procure his or her organs. This organization should not be receiving any taxpayer funding for any reason and Governor Terry McAuliffe should be ashamed for his recent ceremonial veto at this very Planned Parenthood location."**

The protestors in Richmond and throughout the country will also be standing in solidarity with David Daleiden, the pro-life whistleblower who is facing baseless civil and criminal charges for conducting a 30-month undercover investigation of the abortion industry's trafficking in fetal tissue. **"Planned Parenthood and their powerful allies in government are trying to discredit and silence pro-lifers who are guilty of nothing more than exposing the shocking truth about their abortion practices**," said Blackwell. "On April 23, we'll be setting the record straight that Virginia is for Lovers…of LIFE."

Special guest speakers include **Delegate David LaRock**, 33rd House of Representatives District; **Callie Jett**, Founder/CEO of **Let's Talk Adoption** (Open Adoption), will share her courageous story of choosing adoption 13 years ago; **Andie Pearson, Silent No More** VA Co-Coordinator, will give her testimony of having 3 abortions and its impact on her life; **Dr. David Russell**, Author of "*Through My Father's Eyes*:" *What Every Man (and Woman) Should Know About Abortion*, will discuss his personal story of lost fatherhood; **Craig Johnson**, Richmond Radio and Internet Blogger/Host, will share his story of being conceived in rape, surviving abortion, and being a Post Abortive Father; **Baird Stokes** will tell how his life was saved by a $19 dress, and other inspirational life affirming stories will be presented.

#**ProtestPP** is a coalition of state and national pro-life groups, headed by three national pro-life activist organizations: Citizens for a Pro-Life Society, Created Equal, and the Pro-Life Action League. In the wake of the coalition's two national days of protest last year, more than 20 Planned Parenthood facilities closed and nine states voted to strip the organization of state funding.

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I Mourn My Aborted Sibling

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Sibling survivors struggle to understand their value as a human being in light of their siblings' lives discarded through abortion.

In April, the Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion Initiative will focus on the Siblings that have lost brothers and sisters to abortion. Here's a **link** to comprehensive information for Siblings.

April: ***Siblings***

Dr. Philip Ney is a child psychiatrist and has done extensive work in the area of child abuse and pregnancy loss. Dr. Ney also has focused on another phenomenon that impacts millions of people…they are *siblings* of aborted children.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=8Qh2SKOS_fA

Sibling survivors constitute one of ten distinct groups of “abortion survivors.” We focus in this month specifically on the siblings because of all the dynamics that arise in that relationship with

a brother or sister who was aborted. That relationship brings a profound sense of emptiness, anxiety, and guilt to the surviving sibling, and also complicates his or her relationship to his or her parents. One specific category within the sibling survivors are the twin survivors.

Sibling survivors struggle to understand their value as a human being in light of their siblings' lives discarded through abortion. This is an extremely important and rarely discussed example of the collateral damage from the abortion blast. In this month we will rely heavily on the expert testimony and research from Dr. Ney to draw attention to this issue.

Dr. Ney reflects on his experience with his patients who have experienced voluntary pregnancy loss:

Observations of psychiatric patients led me to believe that some people were deeply affected by surviving when someone near and dear to them, usually a sibling, died from a pregnancy loss. The symptoms appeared to be most pronounced if the loss was as a result of abortion. Statistically analyzed data showed the most frequent and intense symptom was a feeling they did not deserve to be alive. That was closely correlated to: a sense of impending doom, guilt about surviving, pessimism about the future, not trusting caregivers and other existential symptoms all of which form a fairly closely circumscribed syndrome. These were significantly associated with: recurrent depression, intense obsessions, suicidal risk taking, and frequent hospitalizations. – Dr Philip Ney, MD

Leslie Davis Blackwell is the Virginia co-coordinator for the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, sharing her own testimony of regret for having two abortions. A self-described reformed radical feminist, Leslie supported pro-choice causes for over 20 years before her heart dramatically changed. She now works tirelessly for the lives of the unborn. For more information about post-abortion healing and the Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion campaign, please contact:

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Harrisburg Faces Lawsuit for Discrimination Against Pro-Life Sidewalk Counselors

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HARRISBURG, PA – Liberty Counsel filed a federal **lawsuit** against the city of Harrisburg because its ordinance created unconstitutional buffer zones on public sidewalks and public property 20 feet away from abortion clinic entrances, exits, and driveways. In practice, this ordinance pushes sidewalk counselors sometimes 50, to more than 70, feet away and completely silences their freedom of speech. The U.S. Supreme Court recently overturned similar buffer zones in *McCullen v. Coakley,* the unanimous decision which establishes a strong precedent in favor of this lawsuit.

Liberty Counsel represents Becky Biter, Rosalie Gross, and Colleen Reilly, who have regularly engaged in peaceful sidewalk counseling on the public sidewalks outside the Planned Parenthood clinic and the Hillcrest abortion facility. Since the passage of the ordinance, they have been harassed and intimidated by clinic staff and the local police.

The Harrisburg City Council did not list any specific incidents that led to the passage of the ordinance. While pretending to be neutral, this ordinance discriminates based on the speaker's viewpoint. It allows pro-abortion clinic employees and agents to speak within the buffer zones but bans all pro-life speech. In addition, the city did not first seek any solutions that would cause less than complete censorship of the free speech of pro-life sidewalk counselors.

Liberty Counsel's suit states that "the Ordinance has completely abolished free speech in traditional public fora used for the expression of ideas, debate, and protest—specifically, public sidewalks and streets adjacent to health care facilities, including abortion clinics, throughout the City of Harrisburg."

"This city's blatant discrimination against the pro-life point of view is unconstitutional. The city cannot prohibit one viewpoint on the subject matter of abortion. Sidewalks and parks have always been viewed as a place where we respect the marketplace of ideas. It is a dangerous position for a city to prohibit one viewpoint," said Mat Staver, Founder and Chairman of Liberty Counsel.

Liberty Counsel is an international nonprofit, litigation, education, and policy organization dedicated to advancing religious freedom, the sanctity of life, and the family since 1989, by providing pro bono assistance and representation on these and related topics.

Pro Life News: Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion

MARCH 12, 2016
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I'm delighted that my good friend and fellow culture warrior, Don Blake, asked me to write a monthly column to share with the members of the Virginia Christian Alliance. Don and VCA have been instrumental in the Pro Life movement and its vigorous support of the dignity of all human life.

As the Regional Coordinator of the **Silent No More Awareness Campaign**, my job is to make the public aware of the devastation abortion brings to women and men, our families, and society. We seek to expose and heal the secrecy and silence surrounding the emotional and physical pain of abortion.

Each month we will focus on **Healing the Shockwaves of Abortion**…and target a specific group that has been directly impacted by abortion loss. This month's focus is on the **Grandparents**… many who have been directly involved and need healing from their complicated grief.
http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org/shockwaves/march/

Like stepping out of a dark room, into the bright sunlight, the light can at first be jarring. But as we gain greater clarity and understanding, we will see the blessing of reconciliation and healing for our loved ones and ourselves.

The gentle but powerful waves of forgiveness and healing are stronger than the destructive shockwaves of abortion. The TRUTH will set you free!

For Life!

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Roe V. Wade: The Shameful History of an Egregious Scotus Decision

JANUARY 23, 2016
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Tami Jackson | **Barb Wire**

Editor's note: I wrote this article one year ago (I've updated only the anniversary year and the total of babies murdered), hoping to bring the woeful facts of the Roe decision to the fore. I mourn the loss of those babies, and the irreparable harm done to the mothers, fathers, and our nation's collective conscience. America must repent and work to elect leaders who fear God and will restore a culture that chooses life. Tami Jackson

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Yesterday marked the 43rd anniversary of the shameful *Roe v. Wade* decision, a Supreme Court decision made without precedent.

The *Roe v. Wade* timeline is worth remembering, or learning, since many were too young (or not yet born) when SCOTUS was hearing the case.

Roe v. Wade pitted fetal "right to life" against a woman's "right to privacy."

The Gospel coalition writes of Norma McCorvey (aka Jane Roe):

In 1969 Norma was 21 years old, divorced, and pregnant for the third time. (The first two children were placed for adoption.)

After seeking an abortion but finding out it was illegal, and then driving to an illegal clinic only to find it closed, adoption attorney Henry McCluskey referred her to two young lawyers in Dallas, Sarah Weddington and Linda Coffee.

Weddington (who had traveled to Mexico a couple of years earlier to have an abortion) was seeking a class-action lawsuit against the state of Texas in order to legalize abortion.

It was an unlikely party at the corner booth of Columbo's pizza parlor in Dallas: two recent law-school grads in business suits sitting across the table from a rough and uneducated homeless woman.

The lawyers needed a representative for all women seeking abortions—one who was young, poor, and white. They just didn't want her to cross state lines to get a legal abortion, or the case would be considered moot and dismissed.

Without money and five months pregnant, Norma was the ideal candidate. After downing several pitchers of beer, they agreed on using the pseudonym "Jane Roe." ("Wade" referred to Henry B. Wade, the attorney general of Dallas.)

Norma McCorvey was unaware of the meaning of abortion:

Weddington and Coffee told Norma that abortion just dealt with a piece of tissue, and that it was like passing a period rather than the termination of a *distinct*, living, and whole human *organism*.

Abortion was a taboo topic in 1970, and Norma had dropped out of school at the age of 14. She knew that John Wayne movies talked about "aborting the mission," so she thought it meant to "go back"—as in, going back to not being pregnant.

She honestly believed "abortion" meant a child was prevented from coming into existence.

Norma had a change of heart, thanks to a little girl:

She went on to work in abortion clinics, holding the hands of women and offering reassurance as they terminated their pregnancies…

In 1995, while working at the clinic, Norma became haunted by the sight and sound of empty playgrounds in her neighborhood. Once teeming with kids, they now seemed deserted. And she began to see it was the result of what she once called "my law."

But the decisive change happened when she met Emily Mackey, a seven-year-old girl whose parents were protesting at the clinic where "Miss Norma" worked. Emily, who had almost been aborted herself, befriended Norma, showing genuine interest and love, giving her hugs and inviting her to church.

Through this young girl's combination of truth and grace, along with those who shared the gospel of Jesus with her, Norma not only became convinced of the pro-life position but also converted to Christianity.

Norma did come to know the Lord, and is trying to use the remainder of her life to shine a light on what abortion really is: the killing of pre-born children.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=wsbkLTxnb4I

Roe v. Wade reached the Supreme Court on appeal in 1970, and the court issued its decision on January 22, 1973.

With a majority vote of 7-2, SCOTUS voted to strike down the Texas law which held abortion, for any reason other than rape or incest, to be illegal.

The court ruled:

The right to privacy was broad enough to "encompass a woman's decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy."

The question of "whether a fetus can enjoy Constitutional protection is separate from the notion of when life begins," was not resolved by the court.

The Supreme Court members who decided *Roe v. Wade*:

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger
Justice William O. Douglas
Justice William J. Brennan, Jr.
Justice Potter Stewart
Justice Byron White
Justice Thurgood Marshall
Justice Harry Blackmun
Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
Justice William Rehnquist

Justices Byron White (John F. Kennedy) and William Rehnquist (one of Nixon's new appointees) dissented.

Justice Byron White wrote a stern dissent:

I find nothing in the language or history of the Constitution to support the Court's judgment.

The Court simply fashions and announces a new constitutional right for pregnant women and, with scarcely any reason or authority for its action, invests that right with sufficient substance to override most existing state abortion statutes.

The upshot is that the people and the legislatures of the 50 States are constitutionally disentitled to weigh the relative importance of the continued existence and development of the fetus, on the one hand, against a spectrum of possible impacts on the woman, on the other hand.

As an exercise of raw judicial power, the Court perhaps has authority to do what it does today; but, **in my view, its judgment is an improvident and extravagant exercise of the power of judicial review that the Constitution extends to this Court.**

Improvident indeed. God bless Justices Byron White and William Rehnquist!

However, I would not want to be the other 7 Supreme Court Justices…knowing that over 57 million babies have been killed via abortion since that January 22, 1973 decision.

This is a shameful legacy, and I pray that one day Roe v. Wade will be overturned.

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live.

Deuteronomy 30:19

SOURCE: **BARB WIRE**

Power of Prayer: The Abortion King Repents

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By Terry Beatley and first published in **The Washington Times**

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Self-identified 'mass murderer': "I deceived America"

In 2009, my response to the power of prayer led me to New York to meet "The Keeper," a terminally-ill doctor who self-identified as one of America's mass murderers and who admitted to setting America on a perilous course. I didn't understand *why* God was sending me to meet him, but before leaving the interview my mission had been made very clear: I promised "The *Keeper of the Abortion Industry Keys"* I would reveal the strategy of his national deception and deliver his personal parting message until it becomes widely known. Keeping this promise has been an odyssey into the warped world of women's healthcare, population control and judicial fiat. More importantly, though, my journey is a testimony to how the Lord answers prayers as I stay committed to delivering on my promise.

What had motivated me to meet this doctor? Seven months earlier, a friend referred me to the senior pastor of a primarily black congregation in rural Virginia. We watched Maafa 21, a documentary about black genocide in the 21st century. It explains the genesis of Planned Parenthood and the worldview of its founder, Margaret Sanger who launched "The Negro Project" – a strategy for controlling births of those she deemed less desirable.

When it was over I nervously asked the pastor what he thought. He pointed his finger at me and said, "I'll tell you what I think. I will *never* vote for a pro-choice candidate ever again, for if I do, I'm voting to annihilate my own race and furthermore abortion is just plain wrong. I did not know the truth about Planned Parenthood and Sanger's 'Negro Project,' but I am more convinced than ever that abortion is the ultimate injustice. Terry, all Americans need this information, not just black Americans." He thanked me for sharing it with him and encouraged me to never quit. I felt as though the Lord gave me a glimpse at what could heal America: *renewing dignity to the gift of life because all lives matter.*

Following our meeting, I prayed for seven months asking the Lord what he wanted me to do. One evening at a 24-hour prayer vigil at my church I sat alone in a peaceful, candle-lit room praying for guidance. Then His answer came—a consistent and repetitive thought: "Go and interview Dr. Bernard Nathanson, the doctor who demanded that Planned Parenthood jump into the abortion trade. Go and interview him." I was surprised and troubled by this idea. I knew the doctor's history but I couldn't imagine why I was being instructed to interview the Father of the Abortion Industry, once known as "The Abortion King." I argued with God that he had the wrong person for the job. It made no sense to me that a stay-at-home mom from Virginia would even be granted an interview. I lost the argument and two weeks later I was sitting beside the very frail, 83-year old Dr. Nathanson, co-founder of what is known today as NARAL Pro-Choice America, a political action organization.

Dr. Nathanson deeply regretted unleashing the abortion industry and he desperately wanted our country – and the world – to be liberated from his pro-choice propaganda lies. At the end of the interview I felt a deep sense of compassion for him and asked, "Dr. Nathanson, I know you are too sick to travel around anymore getting your message out. *If* you have something to tell America, I promise I will carry it for you across our nation. Do you have a message for our country?"

Pausing to contemplate, he turned and looked at me. Slowly and carefully he responded, "*Yes. Yes I do."* He gently implored, *"Continue teaching the strategy of how I deceived America, but also deliver this special message. Tell America that the co-founder of NARAL says to 'Love one another. Abortion is <u>not</u> love. Stop the killing. The world needs more love. I'm all about love now."* I shook his hand promising him that our country will learn the truth. I had no idea how to proceed, but God did. He moved my family to Fredericksburg, Virginia, into a very powerful, pro-abortion state senator's district. His egregious voting record strongly suggested he was an ally to NARAL and Planned Parenthood and no friend to parental rights or the unborn. Through prayer, God made it very clear I was to help defeat the senator's bid for re-election.

Praying in a special place called The Wilberforce Garden became my mainstay. With my knees and elbows in the grass, I cried out to God asking that He would make a way for the senator's defeat and for my promise to Dr. Nathanson to be fulfilled. Then, the Lord began to answer in the most profound and vivid ways making His presence known. What I didn't realize was that over the next year as I exposed the aggressive abortion industry and its dependence on elected officials, God was knitting an action-packed story together and the framework for a feature film in which to complete the mission.

I experienced that the power of prayer should never be underestimated, nor should we worry when He asks us to step out of our comfort zone and onto the water.

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When Prayer Is Not Enough

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At the last 40 Days for Life kickoff rally, I spoke about the need for pastors to rise up and bring their churches to the abortion mills. Most everyone at the rally agreed with me that the pastors had to lead out in the fight against abortion: all but one person. He was a local pastor that had come to justify what he and his church were doing. After a number of talks, he asked if he could say something. That was all right by me, but I knew what he was going to say.

His church was pro-life and prayed for the pro-life movement. Then he added that they were active in drug prevention, visiting the prison and helping the poor. He believed that abortion was just one of the evils in America and again added they did pray for the pro-life work. He left right after that and I couldn't get to him.

As I pondered what he had said, the Lord brought this thought to mind. His church visited those in prison, they fed the poor, they helped people get off drugs and they PRAYED FOR PRO-LIFE. Everything else the church did was an active intervention on their behalf but when it came to abortion it was a passive action which they did. Why not pray for the sick, those in prison and those on drugs in the comfort of their homes or churches?

Pastors will tell you that this is not the way to treat poor people. We must act on their behalf. They don't just need our prayers they need us to actively help them. Why then is it enough to pray for our little brothers and sisters who are about to die in an abortion death chamber every day?

I wrote about little Somer Thompson last month. She was a 7 year old girl in Orange Park, Florida that was kidnapped on her way home from school. They found her body in a dump. What would be the reaction from the community if a pastor had witnessed Somer being kidnapped and simply had a prayer for her? We have to realize that he was on his way to feed the poor, or visit those in prison or a sick person in his church. He was a very busy man and he determined that saying a prayer was the best thing he could do. He also decided that his church could donate some funds to those that were active in helping runaways or kidnapped victims.

What would the community say when they found out the actions or inactions of this pastor? In a New York minute he would be out of his church. His family would disown him. In fact, he could be convicted of a crime and put in jail. ALL BECAUSE HE DID NOT ACT IN THE RIGHT WAY TO WHAT WAS HAPPENING. He did everything right except he prayed when he should have acted.

ABORTION KILLS ANOTHER HUMAN BEING. THE CHILD IN THE WOMB IS EVERY BIT ALIVE AS SOMER THOMPSON AND ALL THE OTHER POOR CHILDREN THAT ARE KIDNAPPED,

MOLESTED AND MURDERED EACH YEAR.

When a pastor tells me that his church prays for abortion, gives to a pregnancy center or a home for unwed mothers, I tell them that what they are doing is wonderful but IT IS NOT ENOUGH, PRAYER IS JUST NOT ENOUGH!

by Pastor Ed Martin of Jacksonville, Florida

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Postscript:

C. T. Studd once said, “Some may wish to live within the sound of church and chapel bell. I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell”..

A good place to start- on the sidewalk next to the gates of hell, an abortion clinic. The work is to convince the girls and women to not ruin their lives nor kill their baby. Sometimes there is the opportunity to witness and see people accept the Lord Jesus as Savior.

There are three abortion clinics in Richmond. We need people to sidewalk counsel.

Call Greene Hollowell 272-3556

In the Abortion Debate, the Facts Matter

OCTOBER 18, 2015
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Many people will not read nor listen to the facts about abortion but show them a picture of the baby that has been ripped apart by the killer doctor and some will change their minds. This is the reason the PRO LIFE ON CAMPUS ministry shows the pictures to our college kids. Many don't like it but some have to change their minds if there is an honesty in them.

Fletcher Armstrong | Townhall

In the world of pro-life activism, some pro-lifers have a rather disparaging but also confusing view of abortion victim photos (AVPs) as a tool for pro-life activism.

They don't necessarily rule out the use of AVPs altogether, recognizing that they are "a tool in the toolkit." But they believe AVPs should be employed only under limited circumstances, without ever specifying what those limitations should be. They unfairly associate displaying AVPs with screaming at women and other uncivilized behavior.

They argue that AVPs are not the ***only*** tactic pro-lifers should use. But who believes we should display AVPs and do nothing else? This is a straw-man argument that people often use to downplay the need to show them at all.

The facts matter. As a movement, we can never end abortion until we change public opinion, because 60 to 70 percent of the public believes first-trimester abortion should be legal. In any court, the facts matter. If the facts favor one of the litigants, his attorney does everything possible to not only make the facts known, but also to prove they are true. Then he builds his arguments upon those facts. Conversely, opposing counsel suppresses the facts as a way to undermine those arguments. The same happens in the court of public opinion.

The most relevant facts are (1) the preborn is a living human being, and (2) abortion is a savage act of violence that decapitates and dismembers little human beings. For most of our audience, those are unproven claims, but AVPs can prove them at a glance. What else can do that? The facts are on our side, but so many in our movement believe we can win the debate without proving the facts. How can that be?

Numbers matter, too. In the abortion debate, the jury is the roughly 50% of Americans who are in the "mushy middle." They don't know much, they don't care much, and they like it that way. It's easier not to care. Yet, these are precisely the millions whose minds we must change. Let us call them the MM-50 (mushy middle 50%). To win, we must convince millions of the MM-50 that abortion is so evil it ought to be against the law. (Really, it's tens of millions, but let's not quibble.)

Relationships matter, but they don't replace the facts. Some suggest we can end abortion through personal conversations and relationships. Of course they are important, but conversations are much more productive when based on proven facts. Even our best friends won't accept arguments based on unproven claims they believe to be false or exaggerated.

Relationships and facts are not mutually exclusive. William Wilberforce and Thomas Clarkson also had personal conversations and relationships, but they were ineffective at changing public opinion until they clarified the horrifying facts. When they started using victim images, they didn't abandon conversations and relationships. In fact, their conversations were more effective and relationships more productive than ever, because images gave their audience a better understanding of the facts.

AVPs create opportunities for dialogue. Most of the MM-50 are committed to ignorance and apathy, so they don't speak with us. They don't "opt in" to our videos or anything else, but we must reach them anyway. By displaying AVPs at just a few campus locations, we annually create tens of thousands of conversations about abortion. They don't want to speak with us, but when they see AVPs, they can't help themselves. And the thoughtful, respectful conversations far outnumber the other kind.

Mass media matters. To convert millions of the MM-50, our conversations aren't enough. There are simply too few of us. PP doesn't depend on one-on-one encounters; they depend on mass media, including the news media, the government, and the educational establishment. To make matters worse, they don't even have to prove their claims. We do.

The dominant media won't help us, but we can create our own media. By using large displays featuring AVPs, we can deliver and prove the facts to millions of the MM-50 we could never reach with a conversation.

Of course we don't convert everyone, but we do convert some every time we display AVPs. Furthermore, we change the nature of the debate, from the abstraction of choice to the reality of

what is being chosen.

Yes, women still abort, but that doesn't mean AVPs don't work. Some attempt to discount the effectiveness of AVPs based on the response of some aborting mothers. Some women see AVPs and still abort. Of course. But the logic of this argument fails on three points. First, any sampling of women going into abortion clinics cannot include the women who see AVPs and decide not to come to the clinic at all. Conversely, women who get abortions could perhaps view AVPs beforehand, but that doesn't mean they all actually do.

Second, women speak to sidewalk counselors without AVPs and still abort. Does that mean sidewalk counseling without AVPs doesn't work as well as its advocates claim?

Pregnant women are not our only audience. The third reason the "women still abort" argument fails is that abortion-minded mothers are not our only target audience, or even our primary target. In the battle for public opinion, everyone (in particular, every voter) is our target. In a given election year, about 1.2 million women abort, but 100 times that many men and women vote. People who are not in a panic and not already committed to a particular course of action are much more likely to receive hard truth and consider unfamiliar arguments.

Times do change. But people? Not so much. Some suggest that times have changed, and pictures won't work for us like they worked for Lewis Hine and Martin Luther King. Yes, times have changed. The dominant media won't help us like it helped them. But the human inclination to rationalize bad behavior and avoid inconvenient truth is timeless.

They suggest that facts aren't as important to modern moral relativists, but they confuse moral relativism with factual relativism. Believing "your truth isn't always my truth" is not the same as believing "your facts aren't always my facts." We have shown AVPs to millions of students. Although people have (sometimes) questioned whether our pictures are factual, or (more often) have disagreed with our conclusions, nobody has ever claimed that facts don't matter.

The Center for Medial Progress (CMP) videos demonstrate the effectiveness of AVPs, but also the futility of opt-in strategies. The CMP videos are effective, but only to a limited degree, with a limited audience, and for a limited time.

The videos are effective because they focus on the collection and sale of hearts, eyes, brains, etc. These words evoke word-pictures that our usual talk of "lives" and "babies" simply do not.

In this unique and temporary circumstance, we don't have to prove our claims because abortion-industry managers are doing all the talking. For those who actually watch the videos (**which is a relatively small audience**), the facts are undeniable. But when the story has run its course and PP no longer grants hidden-camera interviews, the facts will be disputed and we will have to prove our claims.

The videos have created an uproar because they have unified and energized us . . . for a time. They have emboldened squeamish pro-life politicians to defund PP in a very few states. But our objective isn't to create an uproar or even defund PP; our objective is to end abortion, and this is possible only by changing the opinions of millions of the MM-50. Unfortunately, public polling has demonstrated that most people (primarily those in the MM-50) **know little or nothing about the videos**.

What can we do? Now that the CMP has reminded us how much the facts matter, and also how much pictures matter, we must figure out a way to force-feed the facts into the collective conscience of the MM-50. But this is a more distrusting audience than our pro-life friends on Facebook, so word-pictures won't be enough. It will have to be the real thing. And they won't come to us (on Facebook or anywhere else), so we have to go to them (in the public square) and make the facts unavoidable.

AVP skeptics foster the illusion that because there are many things we can and should do, we can win without AVPs — we cannot — and therefore AVPs are optional for the movement — they are not. There are of course people who can't use them at all, and there are times to put them aside and do something else, but we cannot win if we help PP suppress the facts.

The failure of the pro-life movement isn't that we have made the facts too visible; the failure is that we haven't made them visible enough.

SOURCE:**TOWNHALL**

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News to Make You Smile

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National Conference on Christian Apologetics

Terry Beatley will speak at the **22nd National Conference on Christian Apologetics** in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Saturday, October 17th. At the invitation of Dr. Richard Land, President of the Southern Evangelical Seminary, she will present **The Deadliest American Hoax: What the Co-founder of NARAL Pro-Choice America Wanted Every American to Know**.

The theme for the conference is *"The Bigger the Idea, the Bigger the Consequence.* This is an encouraging step in the right direction for Hosea Initiative as we continue to fulfill the promise to Dr. Nathanson on a national scale.

www.conference.ses.edu

https://youtube.com/watch?v=r1OmuONm8F4

Book the **Hosea Initiative Team for 2016** with our **PEP Talk: Parish Education Project!**

Ask your clergy today to bring us to your parish for our **PEP Talk: Parish Education Project.** We received such positive feedback in 2015 that we have expanded it to include a PEP Talk for ***Catholic*** parishes and similar one for ***Protestant*** parishes. **Hosea Initiative** equips the Body of Christ with the information that Dr. Bernard Nathanson wanted Christians to know. Learn from Terry Beatley who met with "The Abortion King" and promised the co-founder of NARAL Pro-Choice America she would carry his parting message nationwide. **Hosea Initiative's PEP Talk** includes a detailed understanding of how decriminalized abortion affects:

- Family and parental rights
- Law and national sovereignty
- Demographics and healthcare

- Religion and morality

Presentation includes:

- Dr. Nathanson's personal parting message and instructions for teaching NARAL's propaganda strategy of "Choice"
- High level minutes from NARAL's Board of Director meetings from 1969-1972
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Families will continue to suffer the consequences of the culture of death as long as Christians remain apathetic and think this issue has nothing to do with them. Let us help your parish invigorate a passion to restore a life-affirming culture!

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"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Hosea 4:6

"Have nothing to do with the evil deeds of darkness, but rather expose them."

Ephesians 5:11

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Just Decision Made for Baby Justice

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One of our CBR-Southeast Project Directors spoke in her church about her ministry with CBR. This pro-life church already supports CBR, but in her presentation she showed first-trimester abortion victim photos. This was a first for her church. These photos are essential to awaken the conscience of the church to fight the evil of abortion.

She did not know that a young woman in the congregation was scheduled to abort the following Saturday because she was pregnant as a result of a gang rape. God spoke to "Melanie's" heart. After seeing the CBR abortion victim photos, she knew she couldn't abort her child and she told her parents about the rape. With their support, she made the courageous decision to carry her baby to term and then placed him for adoption with a family from the church. Justice was born earlier this year and Melanie gave CBR permission to share his photo with our supporters. Melanie is now in a college ROTC program and she's starting a Students for Life club on her campus. Pray for God to bless her and dear little Justice.

Many people think abortion is permissible if a woman is raped. At CBR, we oppose all abortions. These little children do not deserve to die for the crimes of their fathers. Having an abortion will not "unrape" a woman. She will only add more trauma to her life; she did not choose the rape, but she will bear responsibility for having an abortion. Society also bears a large part of the responsibility for each abortion done on a rape victim as it tells the woman who has been raped: "Of course you will have an abortion. How could you bear to carry the child of a rapist?!"

We have a GAP sign that speaks to the issue of rape using the example of honor killings. Our message is to ask if people are horrified to learn that in some cultures women who have been raped are then killed by male relatives in "honor killings," how can we in America turn around and kill the other victim — the child that was conceived?

All children are made in God's image regardless of the circumstances of their conception. He has a plan for each person's life. We must educate people and work to protect all the little ones.

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created" Revelation 4:11

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GAP Pierces through Lies at CSULB

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Students at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), were faced with the harsh reality of abortion on April 7-8, 2015. No longer can their pro-abortion professors effectively lie to them and offer catchy phrases like "choice" and "reproductive freedom." CBR's Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) pierces those lies by using massive photomurals (12 x 6 feet each) to contrast abortion to other recognized genocides. Students will never think of abortion as they did before seeing GAP.

The CSULB Newman Club sponsored GAP again this year and reserved the best location on campus. This club of energetic and dedicated pro-life Catholic students is a joy with which to work. Our CBR team was also joined by a number of dedicated Southern California volunteers. Here is what the student newspaper reported about GAP:

In honor of Genocide Awareness Month, the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform erected 20-foot posters of graphic abortion images as part of its Genocide Awareness Campaign on the Free Speech Lawn Tuesday.

Brett Waterfield, the director of student life and development at California State University, Long Beach, said that the school must remain content neutral when allowing students to host events on campus.

"The genocide awareness event is sponsored by a student organization here on campus," Waterfield said. "We have to support the students' first amendment rights to express their views… we have to respect our students' voices and opinions and beliefs and so forth."…

In 2006, the U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals established that public universities could reasonably control the time, place and manner of expression on campus to allow the maximum flow of ideas so university students and faculty can push the sociological edges of culture forward.

'We want to educate students about abortion," Kevin Olivier, the director of operations for the CBR, said. "To let them know it is an act of violence that decapitates and dismembers human beings. The pictures provide evidence for our claim.'…

The signs and photos are graphically detailed with the intentions of getting students' attention, said Christopher Page, vice president of the CNC.

‘Human beings… are killed and then sucked out in pieces… and its perfectly legal…’ Page said. ‘We have to get everyone’s attention, and these signs are appropriate.’

URGE plans to protest the Genocide Awareness Campaign for as long as they choose to stay at CSULB.

‘Our goal is to get them banned from campus because of how uncomfortable it makes people feel,’ said Karina Sarabia, a sophomore English education major and board member for URGE (United for Reproductive and Gender Equity) See: *CSULB Catholics bring pro-life advocates to campus*

Newman Club member and sophomore Meredith Amon, wrote a letter to the editor in response.

Last week, the Daily 49er printed an article about the Genocide Awareness Project. Contrary to what some believe, the pictures GAP uses are authentic and depict the reality of abortion.

If abortion is designed to terminate that life by vacuuming or tearing up the child, what does it look like? GAP encourages students to see the evidence in these pictures and to challenge them to do their own research. Just by seeing the image of prenatal development, like the one featured in GAP, is enough to see that life is not just a clump of tissue—it is a human life. What abortion does to that human life is saddening and horrifying…

GAP came to share peaceful conversation with students — to show the humanity of the unborn.

The media has become a powerful and effective means for communication and that is what GAP does with these images. They were there to inform, spread an awareness of abortion, and back up their claims with scientific arguments — that science teaches that human life begins at conception, that the heart beat begins at 3 weeks, brain waves can be detected at 6 weeks, and once conceived, the child’s DNA is separate and unique to that of its mother. It was two days of trying to break the silence and have a conversation our country needs. What was disappointing was the protesters’ discouragement of any discussion with signs saying, ‘Do not engage’ or ‘Want to help? Just walk away. Do not engage.’ Were they attempting to silence GAP because the prolife side was actually making sense and was more compelling than theirs? Amazing conversations occurred on GAP’s side but what did protesters really gain? High-fives and ‘support’ without any real dialogue. As the dozens of students who talked to GAP know, they were peaceful, respectful, and stated their case with reason and logic.

In the United States, there are approximately 1.21 million abortions that take place each year, and since Roe v. Wade in 1973, there have been more than 57 million abortions in our country. That is one third of our generation lost to abortion. …Genocides, also according to the United Nations, can be ‘Many instances crimes of genocide have occurred when racial, religious, political, and other groups have been destroyed or in part.’ … By this definition, GAP brings awareness that

the human group being attacked is the unborn, and the grounds for which their existence is denied, is their unwantedness…. See: ***Letter to the editor: Genocide Awareness Project***

Tuyen Dinh, a junior journalism major and Contributing Writer to Daily 49er, believed that only liberals have freedom of speech. He wrote in his piece: "CSULB encourages progressive thinking and believes in the power of free speech, but the administration should draw the line when it comes to the anti-abortion demonstrators Center for BioEthical Reform." **http://bit.ly/1JygKGd** Thankfully, the First Amendment still guarantees our freedom of speech, but most students, and even many in positions of authority, do not begin to understand, nor appreciate, that right.

Student Dyanne Roper wrote a response to a Daily 49er opinion article entitled "**Ban the Abortion Fort**." She asked:

If the pictures are scarring and viewers are uncomfortable, wouldn't your next thought be 'Why?' Why the negative reactions? There must be something disturbing about what is being photographed. A picture is nothing but a neutral, unbiased portrayal of what is on the other side of the lens. If it is disturbing, why do we allow it? …

Great questions, Miss Roper. GAP is a powerful tool to get students asking questions that no one was asking the day before we came on campus.

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Richmond Times Dispatch: Hundreds Protest in Richmond at Planned Parent Clinic

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More than 500 Including Women and Children

It was actually more than 500 men, women and children lining both sides of Hamilton Street. The practically windowless multimillion dollar building Leslie Blackwell, protest leader, refers to as a "butcher shop".

NBC12 – WWBT – Richmond, VA News On Your Side

Blackwell spoke to the largest assembly of prolife groups of its kind in Richmond in many a year. The event was sponsored by a partnership of area and national prolife groups.

The large peaceful assembly stood patiently and quietly for almost two hours as speakers spoke about Planned Parenthood's harvesting and selling of baby body parts. They held their signs, many hand made, and listened to a half dozen speakers including VCA Board Member Terry Beatley who talked about the origins of Planned Parenthood and NARAL.

Several speakers gave heartfelt testimonies of their personal experiences with abortion and rape. There were several pauses for prayer and a special prayer for those inside the facility, workers and "clients". It truly must be difficult for men and women working in a facility whose primary purpose is to kill babies.

Jen Hanrahan of the East End Pregnancy Center in Richmond, spoke about the options available to women other than Planned Parenthood.

Jen Hanrahan and their two adopted children

Jen introduced two of her adopted children and told their stories. Both children spoke briefly. Jen told of the many services available at the four Richmond area Pregnancy Centers and the many options for adaption. It was one of the most inspiring talks.

The rally was closed out with an inspiring personal testimony and closing prayer by VCA board member Craig Johnson.

The rally was well covered by local media. All three T V stations reported the rally Saturday evening and on social media nationwide. For the most part local and national media have been very quiet about Planned Parenthood selling baby body parts.

The Governor of Virginia and seemingly the entire Democratic Party in Virginia are standing like a "Brick Wall" in support of Planned Parenthood's programs.

Church Leadership AWOL

The glaring omission of the event was the lack of participation from Christian church leaders. Five hundred plus attendees from as far as Williamsburg, and Fredericksburg from many church denominations, but only a few pastors and one priest, who gave the opening prayer.

Only one church bus was seen and that was from a small Hanover church, Winns Baptist carrying 30 members. There are some 700 plus churches in the Richmond area. Those pastors stayed home Saturday morning.

Where was **Bishop Di Lorenzo** or any major Catholic leader? The reason our nation is in such moral decay is that "church leaders "are AWOL. There are several churches in the Richmond are with 7, 8, 9000 members. The headquarters for the **Southern Baptist Conservatives** is Richmond.

What a powerful voice could be raised up if these Christian leaders would stand and speak moral authority starting in their own churches and in the public arena.

Another glaring omission, was the absence of black and Hispanic men and women at the event. There were a handful of each, but one would think that being prolife is a "white" thing.

The event was a blessing for those who attended, stood patiently on the sidewalks for almost two hours perhaps straining to hear the speakers standing on the back of a pickup truck with a speaker system turned to full volume.

The Christian church must come together and stand with Biblical Moral Authority before all religious rights are lost to the government and the unrighteous.

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A Response: The Real Question About the Fetal Body Parts Industry

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*Editor's Note. The above article responds to comments to the Planned Parenthood article presented **here** in the Fairfax Free Citizen.*

How do we want our government to look at us—as creatures or as Creations?

The former co-founder of NARAL (NARAL Pro-Choice America) had some strong opinions about this question when I met with him, and so did America's founding fathers, whose answers can be found in the Declaration of Independence. In light of the recent undercover Planned Parenthood videos, which demand this question to be asked, it is even more relevant today than in yesteryear. The stakes are high—creature or Creation?

I'd bet that the staunchest atheist and I can agree that we would rather be viewed as *Creations* because history has made it bloody clear what happens when people are viewed as mere creatures of the state.

Not sure? As you sip your coffee in the comfort of your American home, just think of Stalin starving to death 20 million Russians; Mao's military murdering the starving innocent for hiding ten grains of rice; or Hitler's scientists studying how freezing water affects a submerged Jew. Now

you can swallow and hang with me until the end of this article. We've all been programed for "soundbites," but I want to have a meal with you … and Margaret Sanger.

So, let's talk Margaret together. Defenders of the "Controlling Birth Queen" are absolutely correct. She was publically opposed to abortion BECAUSE she knew it killed a human being and, oh my, gentle reader, wasn't she right? I bet even Margaret would cringe and get queasy, just like we did, if she could view what her employees are doing today!

Margaret Sanger, birth control activist and founder of organizations that evolved into Planned Parenthood (Wikipedia Photo)

That queasiness comes instinctively to us because written onto our hearts, unless they are hardened and calloused, is the ability to triangulate between good, truth, and beauty. We know instantly when looking at a mother cuddle and kiss her newborn baby that that is an image of absolute beauty. Because of the beauty, we can triangulate and see goodness and truth. It's just the way it works … organically.

Juxtapose that image to a chopped up baby in a dish with little arms, legs, and eyeballs swirling in his or her blood, and we know instantly that that is *not* beauty, *nor* goodness. It is a lie. It's a big lie. It's a multi-billion dollar lie, as a matter of fact, and I'm so thankful Margaret publically recognized abortion for what it is—the mass scale, assembly-line butchering of children. Thank you, Miss Margaret. Cheers to you in … well, wherever you are.

Are you wondering:

> If Miss Margaret was not officially for abortion, what in Hades happened to her organization to transition it into a massive killing machine now funded by our tax dollars?

I wanted to ask her, but darn, she had died in 1966. So 43-years later, while doing what feminists said I would despise, that is, I quit my salvific, self-actualizing career to stay home with my two "parasites," I was able to interview the doctor who **demanded** Planned Parenthood enter the abortion trade.

His name was Dr. Bernard Nathanson, who co-founded what is known today as NARAL Pro-Choice America, the most powerful pro-abortion political action organization. Maybe he would know a little something about abortion considering his former position and nicknames: "The Abortion King," "The Scraper," and "The Keeper of the Abortion Industry Keys."

And he did. He:

> … helped nurture the creature in its infancy by feeding it great draughts of blood and money; guided it through its adolescence as it grew fecklessly out of control. (**The Hand of God**, Regnery Publishing, Inc., 1996, p. 4)

(Wikipedia Image)

In 1970, as the face of NARAL, he was working for legislation that would repeal New York's anti-abortion law and strip the unborn child from all rights and protections.

Now imagine this. . . Planned Parenthood was sitting on the sidelines *disengaged from the legislative battle,* and Dr. Nathanson asked for a meeting with them to present his case on why Planned Parenthood of New York should get involved in legalizing abortion. The Board listened to his demands, but they seemed unmovable and rather stoic.

The repeal bill, though, passed into law, and the governor blew kisses to the babies in their mother's wombs and told them to vote for him in 18 years—if they survived. The DOLLARS began to flow. . . umm, about $65,000,000 in New York alone. Since NARAL and the pro-aborts had convinced America that "it" wasn't a baby—*just a product of conception, a blob of tissue, or, of course, just a "choice,"*demand was high and like a good wine, probably the brand Planned Parenthood's Medical Director sipped in the first undercover video, the taste of profits was too much.

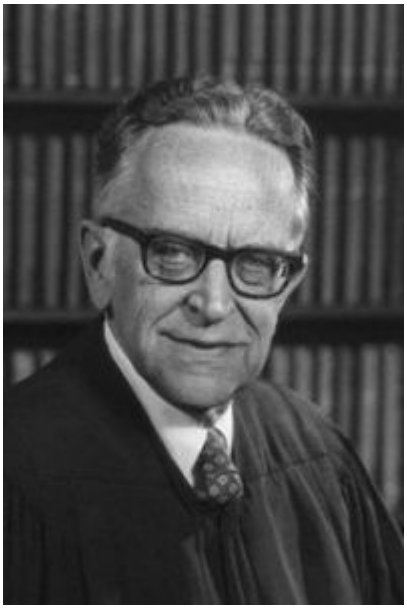
Despite its founder's public opinion that abortion was MURDER, Dr. Nathanson received a phone call from Planned Parenthood asking if he would teach them how to do the procedure and how to run a "clinic." For two years the embryonic abortion beast took "copious notes" and learned directly from the "The Keeper of the Abortion Industry Keys." Considering 75,000 babies lost their lives under his watch, Planned Parenthood got a first-class education.

So, back to the butchered babies in the dish.

Years later, after Dr. Nathanson recognized that human beings in the womb are marvelous Creations made in the image and likeness of God, not mere creatures, and he had decided against suicide, he warned about "fetal body parts farming." We talked about it in the interview, too, and the danger reminded me of a slippery slide.

You remember as a kid, sliding down and then trying to run back up and your feet would slip, yours knees bang down and you'd try again, only to fall again. This is the slope the botched *Roe vs. Wade* decision has put America on and for years after his pro-life conversion, Dr. Nathanson tried

running back up the slide only to bang his knees, but never loud enough. The media was no longer listening to the doctor, who they once venerated and nursed on his every word.



Associate Justice Harry Blackmun wrote the Court's Roe V. Wade opinion (Wikipedia Photo)

He had calculated and warned about the monetary value of creatures, not creations, so let's just look at the numbers and the cold, hard cash. Take diabetes, for example. In 1996, when Dr. Nathanson warned about what was coming, there were 1.4 million diabetic Americans who could be treated with "freshly aborted fetus" tissue. Success, though, required functional fetal pancreatic tissue to be from babies fourteen and twenty weeks old. Unfortunately, one "creature" was not enough:

> it requires the tissue from eight fetuses (Latin for 'young children') to substitute for the deficient pancreas in the adult … ; thus we (abortionists in America) would need to abort 11.2 million fetuses annually … (at that age range to) treat all of the insulin-dependent diabetics in the United States. (**The Hand of God**, p. 163.)

Where would this "tissue" come from?

If you noticed, there seems to be a deficit in fetal parts for diabetics, which of course, means a massive shortage on parts nationwide for other diseases. I mean, shucks, just Parkinson's alone needs four babies' brains and nerve tissue to be between nine and twelve weeks old for every one Parkinson's patient.

Folks, we now know where we are on the slippery slope … way at the bottom. From the mouth of babes, woops, I mean from the mouth of one of Planned Parenthood's feminists caught on video, the fetal parts industry is big bucks. You know, why even pull out my calculator? Planned Parenthood's employee, Dr. Mary Gatter, a real material girl, let her gold tooth shine when she remarked on lofty pricing. " I want a Lamborghini." Yes, indeed, I bet she'd look hot in that $300,000 car for an old lady who sells dead baby organs. I'll keep my mini-van.

Now it's time to don your Colonial costume and explore Miss Margaret's worldview. I promise you, we'll join hands and dance a Colonial minuet all the way back to the Declaration of Independence. Here we go … Miss Margaret had a 3-point philosophy, just like a waltz: 1) promiscuity, 2) eugenics, and 3) controlling births. Feminists like to boast about #3, but she was more than a latex

and pill-popping warrior. She was a Darwinist, atheist, socialist whose niche was revolutionary sexual liberation, and she adhered to a Secular Humanist worldview: "No Gods! No Master!"

Margaret Sanger published the Birth Control Review from 1917 to 1929 (Wikipedia Image)

As a lifetime member of the American Eugenics Society, she surrounded herself with devout racists and she even recruited a Nazi, Ernst Rudin, to write for her ***American Birth Control Review*** pamphlet. He was a big-wig in the German Society for Race Hygiene, author of Hitler's sterilization policy, and loved Miss Margaret's eugenic ideas. Imagine that! Please keep dancing with me.

She despised marriage. She denigrated chastity. She loved sexual promiscuity, and she often talked it. She believed in the Malthusian philosophy of controlling population of people she deemed "unfit;" and she died a miserable alcoholic and drug addict. Now, all of these "credentials" are perfectly fine for someone who denies the existence of God because they think they are a god, and Miss Margaret was one. . . . well, in her own mind.

But I HATE her population control strategy she called the "Negro Project" and what she and her organization did to Reverend J.T. Braun, a prominent black minister in 1941. He intuitively knew where her birth control train would lead, but under pressure from his wife, whom Sanger had strategically befriended, he acquiesced. Reverend Braun wrote Sanger in 1941:

> At first glance I had a horrible shock to the proposition **because it seemed to me to be allied to abortion ...**

Oh my, if only he knew of the gigantic slide she pushed him and his wife down: according to the U.S. Bureau of Vital Statistics, abortion is the leading cause of death in the black community today. Abortion deaths outnumber all other deaths combined due to diseases, accidents, and homicides.

Good Lord. I think I feel Reverend Braun's tears dripping into our Valley of Tears. How sick and sad, but then again, it's her Darwinian worldview—**THE PRESERVATION OF FAVOURED RACES**, which was the subtitle to his now famous book. Darwin says we are nothing but mere creatures in this struggle for life, and the most well-funded, oops, I mean the fittest, wins. I just don't want my taxes going to support the annihilation of the black race. We are equal Creations, and I love my black friends.

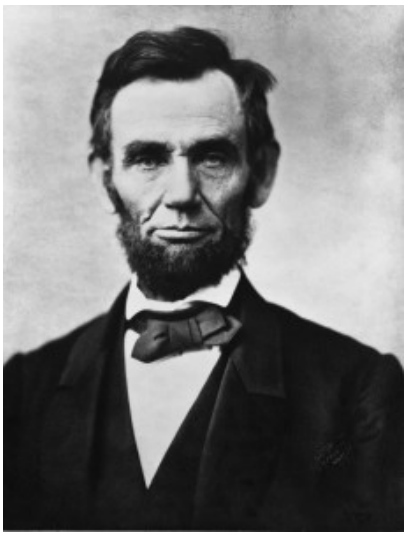
This, my fellow "creatures," is what happens when our laws veer away from recognizing God, the Creator, who fearfully knits us together in our mother's womb with rights that only He can give

and take away. No government, though they have tried, has the authority to take away what God gives.

As surely as the *Dred Scott* decision of 1857 was wrong, so is the the *Roe vs. Wade* Supreme Court decision because there is **nothing** in the Constitution even hinting at the fundamental right to privacy which allows the killing of another human being. This privacy claim is a spit in God's face, and He most patiently holds back his wrath, while ***men without chests in Washington, D.C.,*** debate whether or not to fund this damned monster.

But seriously, America, does the chopped-up baby really matter? If we are *not* Creations by the God of the Universe who gifted us with the unalienable right to life, then we are mere creatures of the state without any basis for rights and protections. We are really just pawns to move around on a political chessboard watching the powerful eat caviar (or is it?)

Could it be that all of our rights are abrogated when greedy, fallen man pushes God out of governance? President Lincoln asked it best when he said:



President Abraham Lincoln
(Wikipedia Image)

I would like to know if taking this old Declaration of Independence, which declares that all men are equal upon principle, and making exceptions to it, where will it stop? If one man say it does not mean a negro, why may not another man say it does not mean another man?

We're back staring at the Declaration and what it contains—the value system guiding America with its bold proclamation of the Creator of those unalienable rights that our Supreme Court, President, legislature, or Planned Parenthood cannot take away. Case closed. Thank you for the minuet.

As for the Hosea Initiative team, we are fulfilling a promise made to the doctor who unleashed abortion onto America and who wanted his strategy of deceit widely known. Through seminars, webinars, and educational material, we're doing just that and spreading his personal parting message. Dr. Nathanson told me to tell America to:

> Love one another. Abortion is not love. Stop the killing. The world needs more love.

So let's choose love, America. It is so much better than killing little babies that even the former NARAL co-founder could see that. We are so very grateful that America's founders ingrained the answer to this pivotal question: how do we want the government to see us? Clearly, the answer is

as a “Creation” made in the likeness and image of the Almighty Creator. Anything different, we’re nothing more than the sum of our parts.

> Dear Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy, especially the Planned Parenthood employees, who have lost all feelings for the unborn child. May they be driven down to their knees in repentance and recognize that you, Lord, are their Creator, as well.

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The Negro Project 2.0

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I distinctly remember the moment that I first wrestled with the problem of abortion. Like many young men of my generation, I had always assumed that if abortion was legal it must be okay. Since *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*—which made it illegal to restrict abortion in any stage of pregnancy were decided when I was just five years old, I had never really considered the fact that the legality of abortion was relatively new.

I grew up in a small country town and was not aware of anyone I knew ever terminating a pregnancy. On occasion women and girls had children out of wedlock, of course, and this I understood to be regrettable. Yet, whether these were children of neighbors, friends or relatives, they were welcomed, doted on, cared for and seemed to turn out as well as those of us who had been born well after our parents' weddings. It would have never occurred to me growing up that children conceived out of wedlock to young mothers would have terrible lives and thus might be better off dead.

No, my passive approval of abortion came from a lack of critically examining the issue. I respected women; women, I was told, needed to have the right to decide what to do with their bodies. That seemed good enough for me. So, it was only in college, when I struck up a conversation with some pro-life students that I was forced to reconsider my views. When I mentioned the legality of abortion, a student politely countered that slavery, too, had been legal but that did not make it right. This point forced me to consider: what if abortion was *not* okay? Had I been duped? Could there be a connection between slavery of the eighteenth century and abortion in the nineteenth century?

The more I learned of the history of the abortion rights movement in the United States and abroad, the more uncomfortable I became. I learned that there was a time not too long ago when black women had proportionately fewer abortions than white women and on average gave birth to more children than white women.

This disparity had worried people like Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger, who considered blacks "unfit" and was concerned about our numbers becoming overwhelming. In 1939, she launched The Negro Project, an initiative to use black leaders (particularly black ministers) to promote the placement of birth control clinics in black neighborhoods. Sanger's primary goal was to reduce the number of babies born to black women.

On December 10, 1939, Sanger wrote of the Negro Project to Clarence Gamble: millionaire heir to Proctor and Gamble and philanthropist in the birth control movement" The minister's work is also important and he should be trained, perhaps by the Federation as to our ideals and the goal that we hope to reach. We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population, and the minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of their more rebellious members."

In fact, the Negro Project sought to reproduce nationwide what Sanger had begun when she established one of her first clinics in Harlem nine years earlier. She staffed the facility with a black physician and a black social worker and gathered the support of leaders from the Abyssinian Baptist Church, the Urban League and black community leaders like W. E. B. Du Bois.

While few today would overtly espouse such beliefs, the overwhelming majority of abortion clinics still stand in minority neighborhoods. A study published by the Life Issues Institute revealed that of162 Planned Parenthood facilities, 62.5% were located in black neighborhoods.

Nowhere is Sanger's legacy more apparent today than in the disproportionate attention abortion advocates continue to pay to minority urban areas. NARAL Pro-Choice New York, a chapter of the nation's leading abortion-rights organization, is touting their Urban Initiative, which was launched in the fall of 2008 by the National Institute of Reproductive Health.

Regrettably, one of the goals of this strategic, nationally coordinated initiative is to work with urban leaders, mostly elected officials, to scrutinize and increasingly regulate pregnancy centers in urban areas. Since 2008, NARAL has passed anti-pregnancy center legislation in the following urban areas: Baltimore and Montgomery County (Maryland), New York City and Austin, Texas. Legislation may also soon be introduced in San Francisco and in the state of Michigan

Pregnancy centers, also called pregnancy help centers, provide free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, pre-natal nutrition classes, counseling, and referrals to social service agencies for women facing unplanned pregnancies. Nine out of ten pregnant women who visit a Care Net pregnancy center will decide to carry their pregnancy to term.* If they feel unable to care for the child themselves, they are connected with adoption services. For those who choose to abort, such centers provide post-abortive recovery programs for those who desire it.

There are two very strange things about the urban initiative NARAL is touting with such pride. First, as of this writing, an astonishing 62% of black pregnancies in New York City are aborted;

clearly black women have access to abortion. Yet, NARAL seems deeply concerned that the 38% of pregnant black women who carried their babies to term may have visited a pregnancy help center.

Second, as NARAL tries to increase restrictions on pregnancy help centers, they are simultaneously lobbying for relaxed regulation on abortion clinics Such proposals include allowing non-physicians to perform surgical abortions and making it impossible to sue an abortion provider for malpractice, even if the mother dies during the procedure.

If they are truly concerned with women getting the best healthcare, why wouldn't they want to hold abortion providers accountable for malpractice and ensure that surgical procedures where being performed by licensed physicians? Clearly, we are witnessing The Negro Project 2.0.

In theory, almost everyone agrees that abortion is not a good thing. Some abortion advocates will even state the desire to reduce the number of abortions. We are often told that the only way to reduce abortion is to increase the availability of contraception; in the same way we were told that the availability of abortion was the only way to reduce out-of -wedlock births. Yet, we have more birth control today than we did forty years ago, and we have more abortions *and* more out-of-wedlock births than we did then.

The sad truth is that there are powerful organizations at work in America who do not want to see abortions reduced, particularly among black Americans. They do not believe that all babies are blessings, and they strategically seek out pregnant black women and tell them that the babies they carry will ruin their lives. Abortion not only brings hundreds of millions of dollars to abortion providers nationwide, but it keeps alive Sanger's view that childbearing should be reserved primarily for the middle and upper classes.

In fact there is right now in this country a waiting list of families ready to adopt infants, and specifically black infants. There is no reason that any woman should fear that a baby she is unprepared to care for will not end up in a loving family that has been waiting, hoping and praying for her child.

It is my prayer that our women will find the help and support they need through caring pregnancy centers and communities that love and support them. We must also stand with and support the growing number of pastors, bishops, doctors, lawyers, coaches and educators who are committed to turning the tide of high abortion rates in the inner cities. Unlike Sanger's Negro leaders, these men and women are helping to create a culture of life in which each child is welcomed regardless of race or circumstance.

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Letter to the Editor: Great Destroyer of Peace is Abortion

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CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Maybe the following will help explain the killings at Charleston, Virginia Tech, the movie theater, the Jewish Center, the children's school and some of the other recent violent outrages.

The mother's right to abortion, made legal by the Supreme Court and affirmed by the majority of the American people, has left the recent generation of people know their mother could have had them killed without any concern. They know society does not look at their life as precious, to be protected.

I think Mother Teresa's statement sums it up- 'The great destroyer of peace is abortion because if a mother can kill her own child, what is left for me to kill you and you to kill me? There is nothing between.'

Good old USA- mom, apple pie and the right to kill up to birth!

Greene Hollowell
Richmond, VA

The Problem Is They're Killing the Solution to Social Security's Demise

JUNE 22, 2015
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By Rev. Thomas C. Lacy

Social Security (SS) is a critical political issue. Government officials are trying to find help for the beleaguered system. Some look to the current, so-called, wave of an economic up-turn to overcome SS's ills. Others say contributors to the system should invest a portion of their own money elsewhere to insure secure futures. Privatization, some claim, is the solution.

The problem is they are killing the solution. None of these solutions will succeed in rescuing SS for the long term. The greatest deterrents to the growth of SS are abortion, RU-486 and Zero Growth Population movements to be addressed later.

According to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Social Security Administration (SSA) and U. S., Bureau of Labor Statistics (LBS) about 154 million people will work in SS covered jobs or self-employment. The average income per worker in 1998 was $27,748 and the average reported taxable amount was $23,651. Multiplying the average taxable income by the combined SS (employee/employer) tax rate of 12.4%, we find $2,932.72 was the average paid into SS by each worker.

The U. S. Census Bureau, October 10, 2000, reported the population as 274,942,494. Statistically 56% of workers contribute to the SS plan, that is, 153,967,796 individuals paid into SS a total of $451,433,577,872 in 2000. Their combined total income was $7,672,328,791,988.

The Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI), a special research affiliate of Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PP), this nation's largest provider and promoter of abortions, reports since

Roe vs. Wade (1973) more than 50 million abortions have occurred in the U.S. AGI has estimated a possible 3-6% rate of underreporting.

They (AGI) states, “Much less than 1% of the abortions were because of rape, incest, or because the mother’s life was in danger.” This factor, aside from the financial loss and burden to our nation poses a major Human Rights issue not addressed in this article. Based on this statistic, the largest number of abortions performed in the U. S. A. were performed for convenience.

Since Roe vs. Wade the total aborted reported by AGI from 1973 to 2000 was 38,266,820. Applying the 56% of the population paying into SS 21,429,419 would have worked had they not been aborted. Those aborted in 1974 (no figures available for 1973) would have entered the job market in 1992 at age 18. Those aborted in 1975 would have started working in 1975, etc.

For calculation simplification, current SSA figures will be used as average. The time span is from 1974 to 2000, corresponding with the abortion report; and 1992 to 2018, corresponding to the time those aborted would have started working.

In this illustration the wage earner received no raises in pay during the focus period. This will greatly lower the amount of loss to SS, but the totals are still staggering.

Those aborted in 1974 would have entered the job market in 1992 at age 18 and would have contributed 27 years during the focus period from 1992 to 2018. Progressively, those aborted in 1975 would have entered the job market in 1993 and would have contributed 26 years during the focus period. These calculations will continue following this digression rate.

These 21,429,418 workers would have paid into SS $847,606,223,640. Their combined income would have been $8,019,646,435,300. The net results are billions lost in SS and trillions lost in spendable wages.

Abortion, however, is not the only enemy of the SS system. Medications like RU-486 and organizations like Zero Population Growth (ZPG) are steadily working to reduce or prevent population increases.

RU-486 was approved for the American market by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) September 28, 2000. It will take years to determine RU-486’s effect on the birth rate.

Zero Population Growth is a mind-set and a national movement. The name implies their goal.

Using AOL’s Net Find, 368 NGP-type organizations were identified with many advocating zero growth in population around the world in agreement with the U. S. A. setting an example according to the information found on their website.

Upon reading this, my first question was, “Where would these people be if their parents got the ZPG idea before they did?”

The Social Security system also encompasses social and spiritual issues. Many of our nations elderly, and those with health issues, depend on SS for primary and secondary support. It is also a spiritual issue encompassing sanctity of life concerns.

Life to some is incidental. Life to some it is accidental. However, many believe life has a Divine Origin. “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them” (Genesis 2:27 King James Version).

Life is real. Life itself is its own lifeline. And the human life cycle is the life-breath of the SS System. Zero Growth Population would eventually be the demise of the SS System – not to mention all human life.

No matter how good the economy, without new people paying into the SS System, SS cannot survive. Good economy doesn’t produce people, but people jointly can produce a good (great) economy that will produce a solvent SS System.

(Author’s Note: This article was drafted in 2000 when prognosticators forecasted Social Security would meet its demise in 2017 if the system was not revamped. To date, this System is still in jeopardy yet little has been done to abate this dilemma.)

Rev. Thomas (Tom) C. Lacy, Advisory Board Member of the Virginia Christian Alliance and Founder and Director, of New Hope Counseling Service.

Gosnell's "House of Horrors"

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Martin Fox | **National Pro-Life Alliance**

I'm sure you remember the result of abortion doctor Kermit Gosnell's trial for murder. Even after persuading the judge to bump all pro-lifers off the jury, not even his slick lawyer could stop the jury of 12 from unanimously finding him guilty of 3 counts of murder.
But even more importantly, the case gave America a clear picture of what abortion is really about. Of course, Gosnell's "House of Horrors" was first exposed when the FBI and Pennsylvania state police raided the abortuary for prescribing drugs illegally.

They got more than they bargained for. It turned out that this wasn't just your run of the mill drug bust. The officers who raided the clinic were stunned at the grisly scene inside. (Warning: what I'm going to describe now is hard to hear.)

Dismembered baby parts were everywhere — in milk jugs, bags, cat food cartons, even in the refrigerator next to staff lunches. In the basement they found a macabre trophy collection of severed babies feet, lined up in jars.

Investigators described the abortion mill as "filthy," "deplorable," "disgusting," with blood-stained floors and the heavy stench of urine in the air.

And in the freezer was a fully intact 19-week-old aborted child.

Ultimately Gosnell was charged with eight counts of murder – one charge for the death of a patient, and the others for killing seven babies after delivering them alive during the abortion procedure.

You see, Gosnell would regularly deliver babies and then deliberately kill them. "Snipping" the spinal cord of a newborn baby was considered "standard procedure" at Philadelphia's House of Horrors.

Yet as you know, there has been a virtual blackout of coverage on the trial in the pro-abortion national media.

And quite frankly – I understand why.

How could they explain that Gosnell's murder of newborn babies is sadistic and evil, but somehow justify that dismembering the same child in the womb is "moral choice"?

Gosnell delivered babies, and then killed them.

But if he had killed babies in the womb and then delivered them — that would be perfectly legal. Kermit Gosnell's only crime according to the law is that he just did it in the wrong order. This absurdity is precisely why Congress needs to step up and resolve this issue once and for all.

Please support the actions of tens of thousands of other NPLA members in support of the Life at Conception Act to overturn Roe v. Wade and end abortion-on-demand once and for all.

For Life,

Martin Fox, President
National Pro-Life Alliance

“Black Lives Matter”: Born & Unborn

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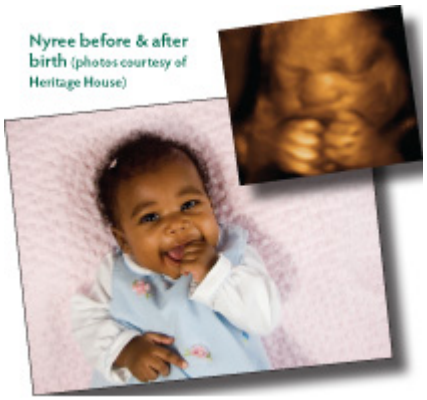
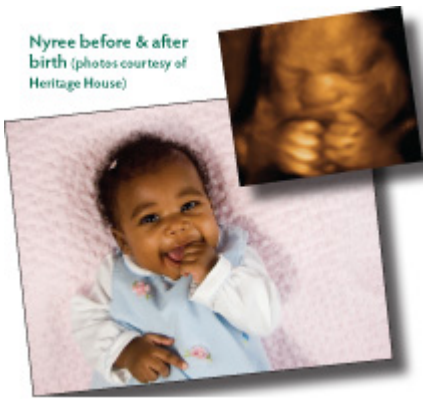


The Presbyterian Church, USA is among the main line denominations that support abortion. However they have a ministry, **PRESBYTERIANS PRO-LIFE**, that tries to change the church by research, education and care. It is a near hopeless task but we are thankful that there are those that will continue the fight. Please read the article BLACK LIVES MATTER by Marie Bowen, PPL Executive Director. Blacks riot when police kill blacks resisting arrest but seem to care less when their babies are killed by abortion.

Marie Bowen | **Presbyterians Pro-Life**

During Black History Month as we reflect and repent of our nation’s sins of racism, let’s take a hard look at the racial discrimination that continues against black lives in the womb.

For a white over 60 woman to wade into the topic of young black lives lost is a little like walking into a minefield. Whatever I say is bound to make someone angry—well, so be it. The truth about any violent death is hard to decipher. It is no wonder that the laws of the Old Testament required two or three witnesses to condemn someone of a crime. Even when we hear multiple accounts, we often do not know which sources can be trusted.



I do not pretend to know all the truth about the shooting of Michael Brown in August, or the choking death of Eric Garner in July or the deaths of John Crawford or Dante Parker—four African American men who **died at the hands of police** within one month last summer. I do know that it fueled rage that was expressed in riots and demonstrations and brought to the surface the ugliness of racism that continues to divide Americans.

I do know that when police matters arise, all Americans should be treated equally regardless of race. I do know that each of those men's lives were precious to God and that he is paying attention any time there is shedding of human blood. Each one will be remembered by God because as their Creator he is intimately acquainted with every aspect of their being—he formed them in the womb of their mothers!

Justice, and injustice, begin in the womb.

The facts show that abortion rates in America are higher for minorities. While blacks make up 13.2% of the population according to the 2010 census figures, the latest **reports** show that African Americans account for 30% of abortions. A slightly lower discrepancy exists for Hispanics who represent 17.1% of the population and have 25% of abortions. Individuals might disagree about the causes of the difference in abortion rates across the ethnic spectrum, but racial discrimination should not be ruled out as a causative factor. Planned Parenthood, America's leading abortion provider, was founded by Margaret Sanger who said "all our problems are the result of overbreeding among the working class." While her crass statement targeted economic status rather than race, it is a fact that Planned Parenthood has targeted Black and Hispanic neighborhoods in locating its clinics nationwide. They are **on record** as identifying their "core clients" as "young women, low-income women, and women of color."

The abortion of black babies is no small matter. **Ryan Scott Bomberger**, founder of **The Radiance Foundation** educates using **a factsheet** that states that abortion is the "Number one Killer" in the black community resulting in 363,705 deaths of black lives annually. Bomberger, whose birthmother was raped was adopted and raised in a Christian multi-racial family. He points to fatherlessness as a contributing factor to both the high instance of abortions and other forms of violence in black communities. "Nearly 73% of all black children are born into homes without fathers. Father absence has been killing the black community for decades." But, Bomberger points to the disproportionate number of black babies killed by Planned Parenthood and quotes Martin Luther King, Jr:

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Dr. Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. also believes the disparate numbers of abortions among black women is devastating in its effect on African American families. In a **blog post** she says:

> "The **Shockwaves of Abortion** have especially devastated the African American family. . .In New York City, 6 out of every 10 unborn African Americans are aborted! Since 1973, 13 million African American pregnancies have been ended by abortion."

In an open letter to African American leaders King states:

> "Here, we nobly speak of the quality of rights for all persons, action plans and non-violent solutions, while the rights of the helpless and the pre-born are continually violated in often the most violent acts imaginable. Indeed, in America, since 1973, over 40 million American babies have been legally murdered. At least 13 million of these babies were Black. Two of these babies were mine. Coupled with the blatant practice of euthanasia, and the open assault on marriage and family, we have lost and continue to lose millions of our children in this culture of death. Some may argue that a woman has a right to chose what she does with her body. She does, but where is the lawyer for the baby, who is like a helpless slave in the womb of his/her mother?"

How ugly are the racist attitudes toward unborn black babies?

Alveda King points to an online comment in response to an April 2011 Chicago Tribune article by Dennis Byrne.

> "Let them exercise their right to abortions. As terrible as it may sound, imagine the crime rates and social services that would be required in addition to all we already provide, if abortions didn't happen in the black community."

King interprets the attitude behind such comments:

> "For many Americans (particularly among non blacks), abortion is seen as an unpleasant but necessary solution to managing the birth rate in communities where the family is already on life support and city and state budgets for social services are pushed to the breaking point."

Abortion is no solution

King views it a "tragic mistake" to fail to see the high price minority communities pay for their high abortion rate. "Abortion creates emotional, spiritual and physical wounds and . . makes women more vulnerable to ongoing exploitation, dysfunction and abuse in their relationship," King claims. That leads to "instability and dysfunction" that leaves children "vulnerable to predatory relatives, partners and friends," says King, and the cycle continues.

Bomberger has also been the recipient of racist comments related to his stand against abortion of black babies. He compiled a **page of quotes** on the Radiance Foundation website. The comments (which I have no wish to repeat) are stark exhibitions of what racism is at root—a devaluing of the worth of another human being based on the color of his/her skin. Sadly, racist attitudes applied to the abortion of unborn blacks are expressed in Presbyterian churches too. One gentleman defended to me his belief that abortion should remain legal in cases of rape and incest by saying, "If my daughter were raped by a black man I would want her to be able to get an abortion." His comment betrays his heart. I have heard others, men and women elders, refer to black women who "have so many children on welfare" and therefore "need" abortion. And the children? They "never should have been born" or they "should have been aborted" With such ugly attitudes persisting in the church what hope is there for society?

It is time for the church to exhibit justice that begins in the womb!

Job's defense of himself before his friends (who thought evil had befallen him due to his own sin) includes his claim to have walked justly in his treatment of others. In Job 31:15 he points to the reason that motivates his integrity in acting with justice:

> "Did not he who made me in the womb make him? And did not one fashion us in the womb?"

As long as the church continues to condone abortion or is silent in the face of abortion's devastation of minorities we will not see the end of racism in our society. Justice begins in the womb (where every human life begins) and so does the end of racism. It's time for the church to speak up and take leadership in ending abortion for every child. Yes, black lives matter—born and unborn, as does every human life—every life matters to God! Every human life is a gift for the blessing of the whole human family.

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Physicians Answer Ethics Questions

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CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Bradley Mattes | **Life Issues Institutes**

The battle for life rages on many fronts these days. With serious faces, legislators debate whether babies feel pain, as if pain defines whether life should continue.

Here at Life Issues Institute, our mission has *always* been to protect human life, from fertilization through natural death. Between those two moments we humans work out who we are, what we believe and what sort of mark we'll leave on the world.

Perhaps few face those questions with more opportunities to make a mark than physicians. As the art and science of medicine advances, doctors deal with increasingly complex situations—and then they have to act. It's one thing for us to decide what we believe as pro-lifers; it's a step further to put belief into action that literally can mean life or death.

Last December, MedScape released its fascinating **Ethics Report 2014**. Altogether, 21,531 physicians from the US and Europe responded to a two-part questionnaire about ethics. Part 1 dealt with three categories: life, death and pain.

The question of assisted suicide lands hard on physicians, since current and proposed laws require a physician's involvement. MedScape asked, "Should physician-assisted suicide be allowed?" In 2014, 54 percent of US doctors said yes; 31 percent said no, with one adamantly stating, "Physicians are healers. We are not instruments of death. This is wrong." 15 percent of respondents answered, "It depends."

Doctors in Europe, where assisted suicide is already legal throughout some countries, see things differently; they were evenly divided between yes and no at 41 percent, with 18 percent opting for "it depends." One European wrote, "My job is to do no harm. How does helping someone kill

themselves make me any different from Dr Shipman (a British physician who murdered over 250 patients)?" It appears that physicians who've seen assisted suicide in action are less likely to approve of it.

Almost every question revealed that physicians often deal with "it depends." Should a treatment continue if it won't change the outcome but the family requests it? One doctor commented that he never offers treatment he believes is futile; others said they would if it helped the family believe they had done all they could.

What about life support? Is it being withdrawn too soon? Only 14 percent think so; all the rest said no. "Many factors go into this decision," MedScape reported, "but in some cases, doctors claim that pressure has been exerted in order to save costs, either by the hospital or the family paying the bills." Evidence provided by families shows a growing trend that many doctors or nurses give up on patients too soon.

The responses to a couple of questions really startled me. First, when asked if they would perform an abortion if it were against their own personal beliefs, 44 percent said yes. "It's not my right to question others' beliefs," one doctor wrote. We need to pray for those yeses and the 15 percent who said "it depends" and be thankful for the 41 percent who said no.

The second question asked about late-term abortion. The "no" percentage was exactly the same—41 percent—but the "yeses" were fewer at 23 percent. "You might as well wait for the delivery and club the child to death," wrote one doctor. (I'm guessing a resounding no.) But another wrote, "As a pediatrician, I've seen too many tragedies to not know that it would have been better for all if the child hadn't been born." How sad to think that God had no plans for these babies.

Deciding whether a child would be better off not born? That's a heavy weight for a "yes" to carry. I like this doctor's answer: "Physicians should promote the preservation of life."

One doctor beautifully summed up the duty—no, the privilege—of preserving life. The question had to do with neonatal ICU care in the face of "an objectively terrible quality of life." The doctor wrote, "What, are we playing God now? How in the world do we know who will have a terrible life? There are many physically healthy people who are miserable and many physically challenged people who lead very meaningful lives."

I couldn't have said it better myself.

For life,

Bradley Mattes
Executive Director
Life Issues Institute

PS: We've been warning about assisted suicide for many years. I invite you to watch the *Facing Life Head-On* episodes *Physician-Assisted Suicide*: ***Part 1*** and ***Part 2***.

Life Issues Institute is dedicated to changing hearts and minds of millions of people through education. For over 23 years, organizations and individuals around the world have depended upon Life Issues Institute to provide the latest information and effective tools to protect innocent human life from womb to tomb.

Marine Puts Hosea Initiative on Frontlines

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Virginia Christian Alliance Board Members Don Blake, Terry Beatley, Craig Hudgins, and Kathy Hudgins were at the March For Life Rally in Washington, DC on January 22, 2015.

The **Fairfax Free Citizen** wrote an article about The Hosea Initiative. We share that article with our supporters.

Marine Puts Hosea Initiative on Frontlines

By Terry Beatley | Fairfax Free Citizen
President, Hosea Initiative

What do you do when a Marine takes your organization's banner and jogs it up to the steps of the United States Supreme Court in front of 500,000 oncoming marchers and police brigade? You follow! That's what happened last Thursday when it was time to begin the slow march toward the Supreme Court building.

Hosea Initiative banner at the March for Life 2015 (Beatley Photo

Marine Craig Hudgins (ret.) saw the need to get the best location possible for Hosea Initiative's massive banner considering it has one of the most important messages on it that every American should read. I jogged behind him until we reached our destination. To our surprise, we would come face to face with about 30 angry, pro-choice women who were forcefully blocking the legal march.

Hosea Initiative fulfilling a promise to teach the truth (Beatley Photo)

We unfurled the banner with the large photograph of Dr. Bernard Nathanson's face on it with his quote to me, "Teach the strategy of how I deceived America."

As if he was alive again, the "Abortion King" and co-founder of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (NARAL) peered down on this hostile group of women he had deceived with a battery of lies beginning in 1969. He was there teaching a history lesson that *Roe vs Wade* is based on the false propaganda that *he told as THE preeminent doctor responsible for ushering in America's "Barbaric Age."*

Hosea Initiative fulfilling a promise to teach the truth (Beatley Photo)

Beginning Wednesday, January 28th, 2015, Hosea Initiative will host weekly FREE live webinars, entitled: **The Deadliest American Hoax: The Deceptive Strategy of Dr. Bernard Nathanson.** I will explain the history of Dr. Nathanson's 8-point strategy of deception and how he paved the way for shifting America to accept the idea of "A woman's right to choose."

He launched a war—the War on Truth—and so regretted deceiving American women and instructed me to tell his parting message and story. America is dying to learn the Truth and women deserve to know it.

It was a joy to follow this Marine with the Hosea Initiative banner slung over his shoulder. I knew then the Battle for Truth, just like every Marine's battle for liberty, was worth fighting for.

America will learn the parting message and story of Dr. Bernard Nathanson, peacefully battling to preserve the dignity of human life. The Marine responsible for carrying the banner to the perfect position for the March for Life 2015 couldn't stay, but his contribution, just like his service to his country, never seems to end. Once a Marine … always a Marine.

Donald N. Blake, President Virginia Christian Alliance and Terry Beatley, Terry Beatley President & Founder, Hosea Initiative

Terry Beatley is president of Hosea Initiative and a Board Member of the Virginia Christian Alliance.

The Most Dangerous Place to Live in Virginia

JANUARY 30, 2015
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Guests: Diana DeBoe and Craig Hudgins

This Weekend, Jan. 30 – Feb. 1, on WAZT-TV or Online HERE Anytime

With the March for Life in DC 10 days ago still fresh in our minds, our TV program this weekend focuses on what we can do to help end the horrible crimes against humanity that are taking place every day in Virginia and across America. If you're not sure what those crimes are, let's start with three simple questions.

The Questions

1. Where is the most dangerous place to live in America today?
2. Where are the victims physically located who are brutally ripped apart and killed simply because they are an "inconvenience" to their parents?
3. In what country have some 56 million of these victims been put to death in the past 42 years?

The Answers

By now, you have probably guessed the answer. A mother's womb is the most dangerous place to live because 22% of all pregnancies in America today end in abortion. To put this into perspective, the number of babies destroyed by abortion since the Roe v. Wade court decision in 1973 is more than nine times the number of Jews killed in the Holocaust.

So who is responsible for committing and defending these barbaric crimes? What are the churches, our elected officials, and our judges doing to stop them? Finally, what can we ourselves do to help protect the unborn and to rebuild a culture of life in Virginia and across America?

Our Guests : Diana Deboe and Craig Hudgins

VFIA #233 Rebuilding a Culture of Life in Virginia from **Dean Welty** on **Vimeo**.

Both of our guests are on the front lines of this battle for life. Diana DeBoe is a graduate of Regent University, the former Director of a Crisis Pregnancy Center, active with the Virginia Coalition for Life, and co-hosts a weekly pro-life radio program in Virginia Beach.

Craig Hudgins has lived and worked on every continent except Antarctica. He is a Marine Corps veteran who now flies for United Airlines, is Executive Director of the Virginia Coalition for Life, and co-hosts the weekly pro-life radio program with Diana in Virginia Beach.

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Valley Faith in Action airs five times on **WAZT-TV** beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, again at 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, and finally at Wednesday midnight. It is on Comcast Cable Channel 13 in the Harrisonburg/Rockingham area but varies in other locations. You can also access it and other recent programs by clicking HERE anytime.

For Life, Faith, Family, and Freedom,

Dean Welty serves on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Christian Alliance and is Director of the Valley Family Forum, a network of families in the Shenandoah Valley that helps build Faith, Family, and Freedom in the culture and in the public square. He also hosts a weekly television program entitled "**Valley Faith in Action**".

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Silent No More: Fighting the War on Women and on Life!

JANUARY 26, 2015
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

No Give Up and No Give In — Until We Win!

> "Make no mistake. Abortion-on-demand is not a right granted by the Constitution. (Roe v. Wade was) an act of 'raw judicial power' (and) has become a continuing prod to the conscience of the nation. … We cannot survive as a free nation when some men decide that others … should be abandoned to abortion …" President Ronald Reagan, from "Abortion and the Conscience of a Nation", 1983
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> "I hereby proclaim and declare the unalienable person-hood of every American, from conception to natural death (and have asked) the Legislative branch … to protect the life of each person before birth." President Ronald Reagan, A Presidential Proclamation, 1988

The Context: Why We Can't Stay Silent

What a difference between President Reagan and President Obama. Reagan fought to protect life. Obama fights for laws that end life by his support of ***Roe v. Wade*** , the outrageous 1973 Supreme Court decision that has led to the dismemberment and slaughter of over 56 million unborn babies. That is over 3,000 every day in abortuaries across the land that prey on confused and hurting women to destroy their babies – for bloody gain.

Therefore, because we cannot and will not stay silent in the face of this continuing American Holocaust, our Valley delegation joined hundreds of thousands of other pro-life marchers in Washington yesterday to mark the 42nd anniversary of that decision.

It was a protest against present evil but also a call for real "Hope and Change". We called on the Supreme Court to overturn ***Roe v. Wade*** and also on Congress and the President to enact and enforce new laws that would once again ban abortions and protect all innocent human life from conception until natural death.

The Rally on the Mall

Unlike former President Bush who always addressed these pre-March rallies, Obama was again glaringly but predictably absent for the sixth straight year. However, his destructive pro-abortion policies were not.

Therefore, members of Congress along with other nationally known speakers repeatedly challenged him to reverse course and to speak out for unborn babies who are being snuffed out by abortion just as he has done on numerous occasions on the death of other innocent victims such as those killed at Newtown two years ago.

The March on the Supreme Court

We then began the long March from our location near the White House, wound around the Capitol, and then paused in front of the Supreme Court for a period of reflection and prayer.

Unfortunately, a second bill entitled the ***"Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act"*** aimed at banning all abortions after 20 weeks was derailed from a floor vote at the last minute by several wobbly Republicans who backed away from their earlier support. However, it is not finished and is certain to be brought up again.

Please take a minute to thank Cong. Goodlatte and to encourage him in this ongoing battle for life. You can do so at http://goodlatte.house.gov/contacts/new.

Enduring Impressions – For Life

We returned to the Valley impressed by the unity for life that crosses lines of faith, race, age, gender, and nationality. The high-energy enthusiasm from so many young marchers who refer to themselves as "The Pro-Life Generation" renews our hope that this flame for life will continue to burn brightly.

In addition to carrying many signs that simply said "***Stop Abortion Now"***, a number of these young marchers also wore shirts with a message that underscored their determination to continue this fight, as follows:

You will not silence my message.
You will not mock my God.
You will stop killing my generation.

The Road Ahead

We know this march will not be the last, but it does take us one step closer to the day when all innocent human life will again be protected in America. We are especially grateful to our predominantly Catholic friends for their faithful commitment to and leadership of this ongoing battle for life in America.

However, it is also a reminder of the need for every church and every priest, pastor, and rabbi to help lead this cause because, as one friend put it, ***"If every church in America spoke out against abortion, it would fall like a house of cards."***

Therefore, please plan to join us next year, if necessary, because "***We won't give up, we won't give in, and we won't stop until we win!***

For Life!

We were joined there by scores of women holding black placards with white lettering that said simply ***"I Regret My Abortion."*** We listened to their tragic but courageous stories of physical, spiritual, and emotional trauma following their abortions, destroying the lie that abortions are "good" for women.

They exposed the true ***War on Women***, led by Obama and his pro-abortion allies like Planned Parenthood and NARAL, who share responsibility for the unreported ***Post-Abortion Stress Syndrome*** (PASS) of guilt and loss that plagues women after their abortions. And that is why, in their own words, they vow to be ***Silent No More***.

A Bonus! Congressman Goodlatte Hails a Victory!

The Valley delegation also met with Cong. Bob Goodlatte immediately before the March to celebrate passage of a pro-life law that had won approval on the floor of Congress just moments before our meeting. (Click on **March for Life** for the picture of that meeting.) WHSV-TV also recorded that meeting along with comments by several delegation members.

Entitled the ***"No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act"***, the legislation would permanently codify several other existing amendments that already prohibit such funding but which need to be reauthorized every year. The final vote was 242-179, with 239 Republicans and three Democrats voting for the ban while 178 Democrats and one Republican voted against it.

Cong. Goodlatte characterized the vote as a sign of "our nation's renewed commitment to protect life and encourage a society that supports life at all stages. … We must speak for those who cannot speak for themselves and allow them the fundamental human right to be born into this world. (This) is just one step towards the protection of life that I enthusiastically support.

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The Tale of Two Marches

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A brutal march from Selma. The **"Letter from a Birmingham Jail"**. A massive march on Washington, climaxed by the "**I Have a Dream**" speech from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

These are just some of the images that came to mind as we honored the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. last weekend, and mourned his tragic death. Over four decades later, we continue to be inspired by his courage and his leadership in the long series of marches that led to a dramatic expansion of civil rights in America for so many who had been so long oppressed.

While time has healed some of the pain and blurred some of the harsh realities of that difficult period, it is good for us to remember that the gains for which he and others fought did not come easily in the face of often deadly opposition from the Ku Klux Klan and lynching mobs.

Nor can we overlook the soft resistance that King faced from a silent and even critical church, some of whose leaders accused him of being "extreme". They urged him to stop the marches as being unwise, untimely, and too confrontational — charges that prompted him to write the letter from a Birmingham jail on April 16, 1963.

In that response, King cited the examples of Biblical heroes like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and American heroes like the Boston Tea Party patriots who engaged in "civil

disobedience" against unjust laws. He also referred to other "extreme" examples like Jesus, the Apostle Paul, Martin Luther, and Abraham Lincoln who spoke out against injustice and oppression.

Finally, he expressed disappointment in the outright opposition of some churches and their leaders who "have remained silent behind the anesthetizing security of stained glass windows". King said he "wept over the laxity of the church" in this struggle.

At the same time, however, he expressed appreciation for other church leaders who were able to break loose "from the paralyzing chains of conformity" and who were able to stand up "for what is best in the American dream and for the most sacred values of our Judeo-Christian heritage".

Beyond the issue of slavery, King's legacy is also a reminder of a second battle that is similar in many ways to the one that he fought. That is the battle for life which, like liberty, is based on a principle that is enshrined in our Declaration of Independence, for "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." It is a battle to which King's niece, Alveda King, lends her support and her voice today.

The parallels between the two battles are striking. They both spring from misguided Supreme Court decisions, *Dred Scott* in 1857 and *Roe v. Wade* in 1973, that refused to acknowledge the "personhood" of black people in the first instance and unborn babies in the second.

As a consequence, both decisions – either explicitly or implicitly — reduced people to property belonging either to the master in the case of the slave or to the mother in the case of the unborn baby, to dispose of as they chose.

In addition, they both face(d) the same tired arguments that "You can't legislate morality and should not impose your morality on others," and "If you don't want one (a slave or an abortion), don't have one." And in like manner, they face(d) similar attempts to silence their voices and to censor reports of the bloody atrocities taking place in both instances as being in "poor taste".

The final parallel lies in the fact that both slavery and abortion were determined to be "legal" by the Supreme Court. Moreover, in the case of abortion, the Court mandated that all states make it legal as well, despite the fact that many of them had passed laws making it illegal. This was seen to be "an exercise in raw judicial power", as dissenting Justice Byron White described it.

There is however, a major difference. In the case of slavery and civil rights, the victims had feet and voice with which to march and to speak on their own behalf. The unborn, however, have no other feet and no other voice but ours.

That brings us to the second series of marches, following in the footsteps of those led by Martin Luther King, Jr. Every year, for the past 40 years, tens of thousands of Americans gather on the Capitol Mall in Washington to mark the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, calling on the President, the Congress, and the Supreme Court to overturn this tragic decision that has led to an estimated 55 million abortions since 1973.

These marchers believe that we too must say today, as King said in his "I Have a Dream" speech, that "We have come here to dramatize a shameful condition, (and like the prophet Amos), we will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream".

That is why we march and why we raise our voices. Silence is not an option. We will not give up, we will not give in, and we will march until we win!

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Dads & Moms – The Responsibility is Yours To Keep Your Daughter Safe From The Boys

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The chances that your children can grow into a healthy, moral person in this culture are very slim. We can't blame it all on demonic forces, the ACLU, the Supreme Court, Hollywood or the Democratic Party. It is basically a failure of parents to control the environment in the home and the outside activities of their children.

Yes, we have very little control over a school system that provides condoms, takes your child to the abortion clinic without your knowledge and teaches them that homosexuality is acceptable. We have little control over the vile sexual debauchery that flows from Hollywood movies and TV programs and now the computer over the Internet. No wonder so many kids wind up sexually promiscuous.

America, great country that it still is, was not like this 60 years ago. Racism was the one great blotch on a basically decent nation. There were controls on Hollywood and people were generally circumspect in their utterances and actions. I did not even know about abortions. It all started to change in the late 50's and early 60's. Vulgar movies, hippies spewing their obscenities, pornography starting with PLAYBOY magazine, lost wars and finally a denial of the Lord Jesus that has resulted in a nation that has lost its soul.

The ultimate tragedy was the infamous 1973 Supreme Court decision, Roe v. Wade. (Please know that it was primarily the Republican Presidential Supreme Court Appointees that were responsible for this deadly assault on the unborn child.)

Former President Clinton, no friend of the babies, and his girlfriend has had one of the most devastating impacts to morality with their oral sex acts, making it popular with our teenagers. With Senators Ted Kennedy and John Kerry has led the Democrats in their fanatical support for abortion, I do not see a turn in the legislative area. There are some encouraging events, but the majority of the American people support abortion if you count those

who won't lift a hand or voice in protest. It's now 'AMERICA – MOM, APPLE PIE & ABORTION RIGHTS'. Now that we have President Obama, we are DOA in the USA.

There have been over 55 million abortions in the USA since 1973 — that many dead babies. In addition, there have been over thirty million women who have brought their child to the abortionist. Count the fathers of the babies, the grandparents and others in the family and you have a very large percentage of Americans who have been impacted by this legalized killing.

The mothers have been the ones who have suffered most with various maladies leading to post abortion stress. Many men and women have never found forgiveness from the Lord Jesus. To help them do so should be part of our ministry.

WHAT CAN WE DO TO REDUCE ABORTIONS?

FIRST, we must bring our own personal house in order. This is the prime responsibility of the Father. He, of course, must be clean in his life if he is going to instruct the family. He needs to council his daughter(s) about the nature of the male species. Let her know that boys are, maybe, a little higher level than a dog when it comes to sexual drives; that he has one thing in mind—to go as far as the girl will let him. In addition, the Fathers need to monitor the dress, or lack thereof, of their daughter(s). No short skirts, tight pants, revealing blouses, exposed midriff, Victoria Secrets, bikinis or provocative makeup. Sure there will be a lot of moaning and groaning, but kids want some discipline. Recently an article in the newspaper was discussing teenagers' dress. Some of the girls said they did not want to look like a slut. This shows there are some teenagers who are aware of what is going on. If the father is absent, then the responsibility falls on the Mother. A few years ago a Youth Minister told me when he tried to enforce a decent dress code for his kids coming to church, he received a backlash from the mothers. 'How dare you criticize my daughter's dress!' Consider the lower standard of dress in the church today – halters, t-shirts, sweats, jeans, flip-flops, etc.

SECOND, we need to have open communication and a deep love for our children. Are they able to approach you with problems without a blowup? One of the women who sidewalk counsels at the abortion clinic has had a number of abortions before coming to the Lord. When she was 13 years old, she was pregnant. Her mother took her to Dr.Fitzhugh's abortion clinic because she, the mother, would be physically beaten by her husband if he found out the girl was pregnant.

Mothers OR fathers who let their embarrassment with a pregnant daughter lead themto force her to the abortion clinic should know the blood of those babies is on their hands, not her daughter's.

Probably the biggest impediment for a child to seek help is when the parents are in combat or divorced. If they can't get together, how is the child to know if help is available from

them? Divorce is the big destroyer of the family; the children never get over it. Their sense of stability is gone.

We are in the fight for our lives. The blood of over 55 million children must be calling out to God. We Christians need to heed the Scripture that says – 'Your own body does not belong to you. For God has bought you with a great price. So use every part of your body to give glory back to God, because He owns it.'

By Greene Hollowell

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Niece Agrees: Black Lives Matter

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Dr. Alveda King and Dean Nelson | **Multiply Life**

The recent grand jury decision in Ferguson, Missouri has launched a swarm of protests across the nation, declaring with signs and social media hashtags that #BlackLivesMatter. The tragic death of Michael Brown reminds us how many young men like him die far before their time. Ironically, Planned Parenthood—the nation's largest abortion provider—was one of the many accounts that tweeted the #BlackLivesMatter hashtag, despite being responsible for the deaths of an estimated 100,000 black babies every year.

In reality, the cheapening of black lives does not begin in the teenage years. Even a century and a half after slavery and two generations after Jim Crow, black children are twice as likely as white children to be physically, emotionally or sexually abused. According to the Centers for Disease Control, black infants are more than twice as likely to die as white infants, and unborn black babies are five times as likely as white babies to be killed by abortion.

In cities like New York, black abortions now outnumber live births two to one. The catchall explanation for these shocking numbers is poverty. Black women are more likely to be unmarried and poor, and so we are told that abortion frees them from children they cannot afford to raise. This reasoning ignores the simple fact that out-of-wedlock births were far less common in the black community before Roe v. Wade made it illegal to restrict abortion at any stage of pregnancy. In short, blacks had far fewer babies out of wedlock before abortion became widely available. Why is this?

The reason is very simple. While the availability of free or heavily subsidized birth control, disease screening and abortion has increased exponentially over the past several decades, black behavior

has changed for the worse. Although we are no longer legally second class citizens, far too many journalists, sociologists and even health professionals discuss our fertility and sexual behavior as if we are incapable of healthy choices and basic self-control. Clinics like those run by Planned Parenthood do not teach young women how to protect their bodies from abuse and disease. Instead, they promise to shield them from the consequences of their decisions, no matter how unhealthy or irresponsible.

Ten thousand free clinics cannot stem the tide of STD's and abortions that inevitably accompany a deficit of self-respect. Despite making up just 12 percent of the population, according to the CDC blacks account for 47 percent of the new HIV diagnoses and nearly 70 percent of the new gonorrhea cases. The black rates of syphilis and chlamydia infection are ten times the rates among whites. All this despite hundreds of millions of federal dollars dedicated to disease screening and prevention.

And when black women seek medical care for unplanned pregnancies, they are overwhelmingly urged to abort. Whether they are teenagers, college students or young professionals, they are told that a baby will disrupt their education, spoil their career plans, and ruin their lives. Even married black women are five times as likely to abort as married white women. All this advice is based on the assumption that black babies are not worth what it costs to feed and clothe them, and that none of the millions of infertile couples would want them.

Online for Life and Priests for Life believe that babies of all races, socioeconomic backgrounds and family situations are valuable and have something special to offer our world that no one else does. We are committed to using cutting edge technology to reach and serve women facing unplanned pregnancies so that all babies will be welcomed into loving, stable homes.

Black lives DO matter, but if we are to teach our nation to value black life, we must start by valuing our own lives enough to make responsible, healthy decisions, and teaching our young people to do the same. If we want the rest of the world to value our children, we must value them first, beginning in the womb.

Martin Luther King, Jr. warned us, "The Negro cannot win if he is willing to sell the future of his children for his personal and immediate comfort and safety." Is there a more shameless way to sell the future of our children than to deny them birth? The annual March for Life will be held on January 22, just three days after our nation celebrates Dr. King's birthday. Join us as we march for black life and the future of all children in 2015.

Dr. Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Dean Nelson co-authored this article.

Virginia Excuses Troubled Brigham Abortion Mill, 6 Others from Meeting Safety Laws

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Brigham's troubled Virginia Women's Wellness abortion facility has been exempted from complying with minimum facility safety standards.

Cheryl Sullenger | **Operation Rescue**

Virginia Beach, VA – A troubled abortion facility whose owner is so disreputable that even the head of the National Abortion Federation thinks he should be shut down, has been granted a **variance** by the Virginia Health Department allowing it to avoid compliance with new minimum facility safety standards.

In fact, the owner of Virginia Women's Wellness, the notorious New Jersey abortionist **Steven Chase Brigham**, lost his last medical license last week when the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners **voted to revoke his license** due to a pattern of deception and dangerous, abusive practices that have characterized his 30-year abortion career.

Now, because New Jersey does not allow unlicensed practitioners to operate medical facilities, Brigham has 90 days to divest himself of ownership in the eight abortion facilities he operates in New Jersey or shut them down.

Brigham was previously ordered never again have anything to do with abortion facilities in Pennsylvania after he continued to operate substandard facilities long after that that state revoked his medical license. Last year, the state of Maryland shut down his four abortion offices in that state after discovering a slew of violations that endangered patients, including the death of Maria Santiago at his seedy abortion mill that was run out of a residential condo complex. Brigham's New York medical license was revoked in 1994 and Florida followed suit in 1996.

"If Brigham is unfit to operate abortion facilities in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, and Maryland, he certainly isn't fit to operate in Virginia or any other state," said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue, which has worked for over ten years to expose Brigham's abortion abuses and bring him to justice. "Yet, Virginia's current radical pro-abortion administration is not only allowing Brigham's two abortion clinics stay open in that state, but has issued one of them a variance that excuses it from complying with minimum safety standards. It's just unbelievable that state authorities could be that irresponsible with women's lives."

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All this comes as Virginia pro-life groups are expressing outrage over a letter from Attorney General Mark R. Herring to Dr. Marissa J. Levine, commissioner of the Virginia Department of Health, stating the opinion that abortion facilities need not report suspected sexual abuse to child welfare or law enforcement officials when girls as young as 13 are brought to the clinics for abortions.

In addition to undermining reporting laws that once offered a layer of safety to underage girls who are the subjects of abuse, Levine has been busy undermining safety rules put in place at abortion facilities that were meant to protect women from substandard and dangerous abortion practices.

On August 1, Levine issued the variances to Brigham's Virginia Women's Wellness and six other abortion businesses, exempting them from compliance with facility requirements that include having hallways wide enough to accommodate gurneys in the very likely event of a medical emergency. The clinics – none of which possess stellar safety records – have until April 30, 2015, to comply.

During each of the **three inspections** conducted at that facility since May, 2012, numerous health and safety violations were repeatedly discovered. In fact, during the most recent licensing inspection conducted at Virginia Women's Wellness on March 19, 2014, **33 pages of violations** were discovered – many of which were repeat offenses.

Violations found at Brigham's Virginia Women's Wellness include:

- Failure to disclose facility ownership.
- Failure to conduct criminal background checks on employees.
- Failure to provide patients with contact information where complaints may be filed.
- Improper handling and cleaning/sterilizing of dirty surgical equipment.

• Failure to change gloves between handling a “dirty” suction machine jar containing bloody aborted baby remains and handling a clean one.
• Four out of five recovery room recliners were noticeably dirty and broken.
• Tears were found in patient examination tables.
• Failure to properly maintain patient monitoring equipment.
• Failure to follow manufacturer’s instructions for administration of controlled substances.
• Failure to ensure that injectable drugs were mixed and labeled in accordance with regulations.
• Failure to develop a required quality assurance program.
• In 13 of 13 abortion records inspected, all patient records failed to note specific drugs administered in the local anesthetic.
• Shoddy record-keeping is multiple areas.
• Failure to track complaints.
• Leaky ceiling and hallway strewn with trash.
• Water damage and mold in the walls.
• Failure to provide patients with prescription pain medications.
• Improper infection control practices.
• Lack of glove-wearing.
• General dirt in the procedure rooms.
• Improper drug handling.
• No written discharge criteria.
• Tears on the procedure table.

“It makes no sense whatsoever to allow a facility whose safety deficiencies are actually endangering women to be further excused from upgrading their facility to meet minimum safety standards. But we are not talking about common sense. We are talking about abortion politics, and that accounts for the lack of concern for the lives and health of women,” said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue.

Virginia’s Gov. Terry McAlliuff, a Democrat with a radical pro-abortion agenda for whom Levine works, has vowed to repeal Virginia’s abortion clinic standards – a move that will keep the likes of Steven Brigham and other dangerous abortion providers in business despite the deplorable conditions and shoddy practices.

In fact, Virginia’s Department of Health has recently added to their website **guidelines** that encourage and assist abortion facilities in applying for variances.

“McAlliuff has created a political climate that protects abortion businesses even if they are proven to hurt women. This is the same kind of political obstructionism that was strongly denounced in a scathing Philadelphia grand jury report as having allowed now-convicted murder Kermit Gosnell to flourish at his Philadelphia ‘House of Horrors.’ These people will protect abortion businesses at any cost, including women’s lives,” said Newman.

Philadelphia District Attorney Seth Williams **recommended** that employees that ignored complaints and horrific conditions at Gosnell's abortion facility should be fired. Not having learned from tragedy in Pennsylvania, Virginia authorities are now engaged in covering up for their troubled abortionists.

But Virginia authorities cannot plead ignorance. Dangerous conditions at Virginia abortion facilities are well known. The six other clinics that have been granted variances are little better than Brigham's seedy operation.

When **A Capital Women's Health** was last inspected in July, 2012, 16 pages of violations were discovered, including workers who neglected to wash their hands.

Amethyst Health Center for Women was inspected in June and December of 2012, where a total of 30 pages of deficiencies were found, including serious infection control violations that went uncorrected for months.

The **Falls Church Center of PPMW** was last inspected in June 2012. Inspectors discovered a poorly maintained office and 10 pages of violations, including torn abortion tables that made sanitation between patients impossible.

During two inspections of the **Richmond Center for Women**, conducted in May 2012 and March 2013, a total of 39 pages of violations were recorded, including dried blood on rusty abortion tables and recovery room recliners.

Peninsula Medical Center for Women was last inspected in May, 2012, during which 31 pages of violations were discovered, including a dangerously ill-maintained suction machine used every day for abortions.

Roanoke Medical Center for Women was inspected in July 2012, and in February and March of 2013. Sixty-six total pages of deficiencies were discovered, including cross contamination violations and the inability to disinfect items between patients.

More abortion clinics have applied for variances, including Brigham's **Virginia Health Group** in Fairfax.

A **full eye-opening report on Virginia facilities that have sought variances** was published by Operation Rescue on September 16, 2014, showed a shocking lack of compliance and a disturbing unwillingness to correct violations.

"Commissioner Levine has displayed scandalously bad judgment by issuing variances to Virginia abortion facilities that all have a record of substandard and dangerous conditions and practices," said Newman. "We urge the public to speak out and demand that abortion facilities in Virginia

comply with the safety laws as written before some unfortunate woman ends up on a slab in the morgue."

TAKE ACTION!

Please contact Levine's Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification and demand that variances issued to Virginia abortion facilities be rescinded immediately in the interest of public safety.

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Operation Rescue® is one of the leading pro-life Christian activist organizations in the nation. Operation Rescue® recently made headlines when it bought and closed an abortion clinic in Wichita, Kansas and has become perhaps the most visible voice of the pro-life activist movement in America. Its activities are on the cutting edge of the abortion issue, taking direct action to restore legal personhood to the pre-born and stop abortion in obedience to biblical mandates.

When Does Life Begin

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This letter is in response to the major commentary supporting abortion that was printed in the *Free Lance Star* on Sunday November 2, 2014. That columnist should not be given any more space for their "opinion" than anyone else. They offered no facts to support their opinion, so it's worth no more than someone else's. It's common sense that life begins at conception.

The normal fetus continues to grow from that point on, so why would it not be considered alive and a baby? The "choice" of abortion after conception today is usually just for "convenience". This "choice" has resulted in over 56 million babies being killed in the womb. A person too self-centered, lazy, or uneducated to use available birth control methods, looks for a "remedy" after the fact.

"Choice" should be practiced before conception not afterwards! Conception was designed by God to take place in a marriage between a man and a woman as they "become one" and replace themselves as part of a family in His creation.

In our society today the union between a man and a woman seems mostly for enjoyment or recreation and is not always limited to marriage. As a result, when something "goes wrong" and unplanned conception occurs, it is considered very untimely and inconvenient. If a couple chooses an action that leads to pregnancy, that action is irrevocable. The woman is already a mother. The only choice remaining is, will she be the mother of a live baby or a dead one? For "problem" pregnancies we have "Crisis Pregnancy Centers" with free help for the mother through this critical time. If adoption is an option, we also have adoption agencies to help with that decision of choosing "Life".

"Choice" couples often don't consider the pregnancy result as a real person. To them, abortion is the answer and they feel better if it is not considered a baby that they are destroying, but just some "tissue" that they can dispose of by abortion.

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The Back Alley is Main Street

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Back alley abortions. These three words commonly used by pro-abortion activists bring to mind a desperate woman secretively knocking on an unmarked door, whispering the name of a friend who referred her. The phrase conjures images of dirty instruments, brutal pain, infection and death.

With abortion now widely available—legal, safe and rare, so we're told—this gruesome image is supposed to be a horror of the past.

Except it isn't.

An Internet search on the phrase botched abortion brings up 540,000 results in a split second. Here's a sampling from just the first page:

> *911 Call Warned Woman Dying from Botched Abortion* (March 2014)
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> *Planned Parenthood Settles $2 Million Case After Botched Abortion* (Feb. 2014)
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> *New lawsuit: Planned Parenthood forced, botched abortion* (Feb. 2013)
>
> *Autopsy Proves Planned Parenthood Killed Woman in Botched Abortion* (Sept. 2012)

And of course, the horror of Kermit Gosnell's legal back-alley-style butcher shop in inner-city Philadelphia made headlines around the world.

The truth is, while "legal" still plagues those who fight against abortion and "rare" has long since surrendered, even "safe" offers no guarantee at all. The back alley is now Main Street, with the blessing of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In February, the New York Times published an **article** describing the career of abortionist Steven Brigham, who's as notorious for his self-proclaimed innocence as he is for the dangerous conditions of his facilities, charges of murder, clever skirting of the law and the many times his facilities' and his own license have been revoked. Moving from town to town and state to state, his American Women's Services chain has managed to continue operating eight facilities in New Jersey, two in Virginia, four in Maryland and one in Florida. In August, a New Jersey administrative judge recommended permanent revocation of Brigham's license in that state. If the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners upholds the recommendation, Brigham will not be allowed even to own abortion facilities in the state.

Despite repeated violations, repeated charges and testimony from women damaged in his abortion mills, **Steven Brigham continues to put women at risk in his personal back alley**.

How long has Brigham been in business? Twenty years.

Brigham isn't an anomaly. This month, LifeNews.com reported that South Wind Women's Center in Wichita, Kansas, recently added two abortionists to its staff. Both come from other states and from facilities under fire for violations. Colleen McNicolas worked at Planned Parenthood in St. Louis, where abortion-related emergencies at the facility sent women to the hospital in 25 documented cases. Robin Bresette has supplied abortions for Red River Women's Clinic in Fargo, North Dakota, and Whole Woman's Health in Minneapolis. Two Whole Woman's Health facilities in Texas, where the chain is based, were together fined more than $40,000 for illegally dumping the remains of babies killed there.

It's revealing that the fines were not levied by a medical board or any other organization charged with protecting women's health. Instead, the punishment was meted out by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

In February 2013, Ayanna Byer sued Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, alleging that the abortionist continued with her abortion even after she changed her mind when anesthesia could not be administered. She ended up in the hospital two days later for emergency high-risk surgery to remove parts of her baby that were left inside her.

In April 2013, Philadelphia ABC affiliate WPVI-TV reported that Planned Parenthood of Delaware faced allegations of unsanitary conditions and methods after five women were rushed to local hospitals after their abortions. Two nurses who resigned from the abortion mill spoke to WPVI-TV, describing Planned Parenthood's work there as "a meat-market-style of assembly-line abortions."

So **when you hear people say that if legal abortion is ended, women will be forced back to the unmarked door in the alley, teach them that the alley still exists**. The only difference now is that the door is well marked.

We've compiled some resources to help you learn about this issue and share what you know with others. Visit **lifeissues.org**

For LIFE, Bradley Mattes, Executive Director
Life Issues Institute

Va. Abortion Center Violates Federal Drug Law

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In August of 2011, Jill Abbey, Administrator for the Charlottesville Medical Center for Women, told the national ABC News, "We've been providing safe, up-to-code abortions for over 30 years and these facilities have served us well." Now, fast forward three years. The Board of Health has adopted health and safety standards for abortion facilities. Licenses have been distributed and inspections have been performed. And in Jill Abbey's perspective, her facility is still safe. But Department of Health inspection reports prove otherwise.

A Department of Health **inspection report** recently obtained by The Family Foundation through the Freedom of Information Act uncovered apparent violations of federal drug laws, including the administration of Schedule II narcotics without a license, by the personnel at the Charlottesville Medical Center for Women. Schedule II narcotics include controlled substances such as OxyCotin, Cocaine, Methamphetamines, and in this case Fentanyl.

The facility at the center of this drug abuse kept no records of the amount of these narcotics they'd purchased, used, distributed or "disposed of" by other means. The report states that they have unlicensed, non-medical staff handling, drawing up, and even driving drugs from Richmond to Charlottesville with no inventory records! In case you're wondering, all of those actions are very, very illegal and not to mention, very, very unsafe.

Charlottesville Medical Center for Women

And as if this weren't enough, the report also revealed multiple violations of basic health and safety standards, including the use of IV sedation without any personnel being certified in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, which is the medical standard according to the American Heart Association guidelines. As a highly-trained medical professional I spoke with yesterday said, "Violations at this level of severity are where lives are lost."

Doctor's offices, hospitals, or pharmacies with these atrocious practices likely would be subjected to immense fines, lose their Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) license, and even possibly their ability to dispense controlled substances in the future! But not this facility. For one reason, the physician administering the narcotics can't lose his DEA license *because he doesn't even have one to lose* – his expired two years ago! Again, that's very, very illegal and very, very unsafe. And dare I ask how a physician without a DEA license even obtained narcotics in the first place? Every doctor we've spoken to about this has been shocked – and has said the doctor in question should at minimum lose his license to practice medicine in Virginia.

But you see, abortion centers don't play by the rules. They play fast and loose, relying on the fact that supporters in positions of authority will bail them out and their patients won't sue or complain because of fear of losing anonymity. Plus, abortion is a "political issue" so the media won't cover it. Just google doctors losing their licenses due to narcotics violations – you'll see how seriously the DEA and medical boards take this.

The abortion doctor at the center of this abuse is most likely Dr. William Fitzhugh as he's the only physician we can find on the Virginia Board of Medicine website that is linked to this facility. Dr. Fitzhugh's name is likely familiar to you. He is the abortion doctor who unsuccessfully fought in the judicial system to allow the practices of partial birth abortion. He's also likely tied to the Roanoke Medical Center for Women's **potential case of child abuse and neglect that we reported on to you a few months ago** – a case where 14-year-old girls were receiving abortions

without documentation of parental consent. Again, Dr. Fitzhugh is the only physician cited on the Board of Medicine website with connections to the center, so you can draw your own conclusions.

Upon learning of these new allegations, I'm forced to ask the question, when will the cover-up end? How many lives of innocent women and girls must be harmed or, worse yet, lost before action is taken? I challenge the Department of Health today – report this doctor and the facility to enforcement agencies before more vulnerable women and girls fall victim to this tragic abuse!

Victoria Cobb, President.

Cobb manages all areas of The Family Foundation and works directly with legislators and their staff to aid them in understanding legislation and sponsoring family friendly bills. She also directs the advocacy and research operations of The Family Foundation and serves as spokesperson for The Family Foundation in the media.

Gov. Terry McAuliffe's Directive Endangers Women's Health

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At Gov. Terry McAuliffe's directive, the Virginia Board of Health is reconsidering the abortion standards that they just implemented to protect women's health. The abortion industry dumped significant money into the governor's race to elect McAuliffe, and they are cashing in on his campaign promise to them.

In addition, McAuliffe stacked the 15-member health board with five pro-abortion supporters after he convinced four members to wrap up their terms on the board a month early.

The standards implemented by the Virginia Board of Health were not done on a whim or for political ideology. This was an arduous two-year process which included ample debate on both sides of the issue. Abortion centers need to be treated like outpatient surgical centers to protect women.

Visitors to these abortion centers would expect to find medicines properly administered sanitary conditions and a place where if there was a medical emergency, medical personnel could get a gurney through the door in order to save a life. Sadly, before the abortion standards were initiated, there was no way to know if abortion centers were safe because there weren't inspections and there weren't records maintained.

Initial inspections by public health officials found spilled blood and fetal remains in the bottom of a freezer in one center. In another, the solution to clean the medical instruments was not changed every time, and the sponge used to wash the instruments was cleaned only once per week. The inspections revealed over 80 violations, despite the abortion centers being notified about the inspection dates. Clearly it is imperative for the safety of women who visit these centers to maintain the current standards.

Many women who visit abortion centers are concerned with addressing the situation looming before them. They are not focused on the unsafe and unsanitary conditions at the abortion centers. We need your help to protect these unsuspecting women. McAuliffe would like to see the standards repealed or weakened. We cannot allow that to happen.

Janet Robey
Prayer releases God's power to work through the circumstances to bring about His plan & purposes.

Supreme Court Holds That Pro-Lifers Have First Amendment Rights, Too

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In 2007, Massachusetts passed a law that prohibited anyone from knowingly entering or remaining on a "public way or sidewalk adjacent to a reproductive health care facility within a radius of 35 feet of any portion of an entrance, exit, or driveway…" In case it's not obvious, this law was targeted at "sidewalk counselors" and other pro-life protestors. And Eleanor McCullen is one pro-life protestor who didn't take the law sitting down.

She and a handful of other pro-lifers who engage in sidewalk counseling by offering information about alternatives to abortion and help pursuing those options, sued in 2008 arguing that the law violated their First Amendment rights. Today, **the Supreme Court of the United States unanimously ruled in their favor in the case McCullen v. Coakley** and struck down the law.

The **First Amendment**, a bedrock in American constitutional law, prohibits the government from "abridging the freedom of speech." Yet no right is absolute, and sometimes the government can limit speech, even in public. You can't blast a bullhorn on a suburban sidewalk at 1 a.m., for example. These types of restrictions are called "time, place, and manner" restrictions, and the Massachusetts law was a time, place and manner restriction as well. It prohibited anyone from entering near abortion clinics during working hours, unless they had business there.

Yet even "time, place and manner" restrictions are constrained by the First Amendment. These types of restrictions are allowed if they are **content-neutral, narrowly tailored to serve a significant governmental interest and leave open alternative channels of communication**. Most importantly for Eleanor McCullen, the Supreme Court held today that the Massachusetts abortion buffer zone law was not "narrowly tailored."

Chief Justice John Roberts, writing for a unanimous Court, took Massachusetts at its word the law wasn't intended to discriminate against speech by pro-lifers. He took it as a given that the law truly was intended to protect the safety of people entering and exiting abortion clinics. Yet to promote "safety," Massachusetts took what the Court called "the extreme step of closing a substantial portion" of sidewalk "to all speakers." This was, in the Court's view, totally unnecessary and unconstitutional.

The case wasn't a complete victory for pro-life proponents. Justice Antonin Scalia wrote a separate concurrence, pointing out that the Massachusetts law actually was targeted at abortion protestors and thus not "content neutral," contrary to the majority holding. And Justice Samuel Alito also wrote separately to say that it wasn't even "viewpoint neutral:" "Speech in favor of the clinic and its work by employees and agents is permitted; speech criticizing the clinic and its work is a crime."

In other words, the Court gave a free pass to the Massachusetts lawyers who claimed that this was all about "safety," when common sense and the court record suggest a more politicized purpose. And the Court also failed to overturn ***Hill v. Colorado*****Hill v. Colorado**, another Supreme Court case that upheld a different abortion clinic buffer zone law.

Ultimately, though, this is a victory for pro-life advocates and for the First Amendment. And it is yet another 9-0 loss for the Obama administration, which weighed in on behalf of the State of Massachusetts.

Further, it puts other states on notice they cannot pass sweeping laws based on narrow justifications—if safety is the concern, pass a law that deals specifically with safety and only with safety. Don't pass a law that criminalizes the speech of many peaceful, innocent protestors. And in those states that seek to burden sidewalk counselors and other pro-life protesters — there's the next First Amendment lawsuit waiting to be filed.

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Supreme Court Unanimously Strikes Down Abortion Clinic Buffer Zones

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Yesterday the **Supreme Court ruled** "buffer zones" around abortion clinics are unconstitutional. The unanimous decision prohibits states and localities from banning crisis pregnancy counselors from offering help to hurting women entering an abortion clinic.

McCullen v. Coakley brought together pro-life and pro-abortion justices. Chief Justice John Roberts, Jr. wrote, "Petitioners wish to converse with their fellow citizens about an important subject on the public streets and sidewalks—sites that have hosted discussions about the issues of the day throughout history. Respondents assert undeniably significant interests in maintaining public safety on those same streets and sidewalks, as well as in preserving access to adjacent healthcare facilities. But here the Commonwealth has pursued those interests by the extreme step of closing a substantial portion of a traditional public forum to all speakers. It has done so without seriously addressing the problem through alternatives that leave the forum open for its time-honored purposes."

In Liberty Counsel's **amicus brief**, Mat Staver, Founder and Chairman, told the High Court, "The continual secularization and anti-life agenda of our government is responsible for this double standard at abortion facilities. Determined to continue the assault on women and the preborn, the state of Massachusetts will not even allow a woman in a crisis pregnancy to receive sidewalk counseling at a time in her life when such counseling is vital to her future and that of her unborn baby."

Liberty Counsel is fighting a similar case involving viewpoint discrimination. In ***Pine v. West Palm Beach*** the city has banned all "shouting" and amplified sound within 100 feet of "health care facilities" in West Palm Beach, Florida, regardless of the volume used or if the sound causes any disturbance. Today's decision makes it clear that government may not impose substantial burdens on speech on a public sidewalk that are not narrowly tailored to legitimate government interests.

This is a great day for liberty and life. Crisis pregnancy counselors are heroes. Dedicated to defending the preborn and helping women, they spend their lives standing on sidewalks offering help to women who are alone and afraid. This decision affirms the life-saving work of those counselors, and the women and children they support.

Read our **news release** for more details, and then head over to our **Facebook page** to let us know what you think.

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“Lies, Corruption, and Scandal”: New Report on Planned Parenthood

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Pro-Life Org Releases “Six Years of Exposing Planned Parenthood”

Arlington, VA – Live Action released a “damning investigative report” on Planned Parenthood Federation of America that details shocking activity within the abortion giant’s walls, including hiding the sexual abuse of children, facilitating taxpayer-funded sex-selective abortion against girls in the womb, and manipulative counseling tailored to convince women to abort their children. The report is part of a campaign to urge citizens and legislators to expose and speak out against the United States’ largest abortion corporation.

The report, spanning six years and documenting a series of undercover investigations, shows “an institutionalized pattern of dangerous and illegal behavior,” said Live Action president Lila Rose.

“Abortion is a sickening human rights abuse against both women and children,” Rose said. “When I first began to go undercover in these facilities in 2007, I thought I would find illegal and harmful activity. But even I had no idea of the huge, company-wide commitment to abortion at any cost – the fraud, the lies, the cover-ups.”

The report is titled “**Lies, Corruption, and Scandal: Six Years of Exposing Planned Parenthood.**”

Rose is calling for the immediate and complete revocation of all taxpayer funds to Planned Parenthood. “An organization that lies to women and kills nine hundred children every day for profit can have no valid claim on a single American’s paycheck,” she said. “It’s a grave injustice that our government and our president actively promote this extreme form of violence. It’s a disgrace that we are all forced to fund it.”

https://youtube.com/watch?v=EheaLupeUOk

Per its latest annual report, Planned Parenthood received $540.7 million in government (i.e., taxpayer) funds in 2011-2012. The corporation performed 327,166 abortions during that time.

"Planned Parenthood is an abortion corporation," Rose said, "no matter what its gold-plated marketing department tells you. These facilities need to be investigated, inspected, and shut down. Most if not all of these abortionists should be prosecuted – along with destroying thousands of lives, they regularly skirt or outright violate state statutes. Our report shows where the true 'war on women' is – it's front and center in America's abortion facilities. And it will never end until their doors are shut forever."

Live Action's report can be obtained at **PlannedParenthoodExposed.com**.

*Live Action is a youth-led movement dedicated to building a culture of life and ending the human rights abuse of abortion. The group uses new media to educate the public about the humanity of the unborn and investigative journalism to expose threats against the vulnerable and defenseless. More information at **LiveAction.org**.*

Religion, Darwinism, and abortion … a hot combination

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My new friend (I hope) W. Russell responded to an FAB post earlier this week. He (or she) wrote:

I think you are making a big mistake by linking the pro-life cause with religion. There are people out there like me that are prolife but want nothing to do with religion. Not to mention the fact that "Darwinism" (btw, there is no such thing) has nothing to do with abortion. I am an atheist, believe in evolution, and am pro-life. Why do you want to write me off as an enemy to your cause. You say the biggest treat to children is the belief in evolution and abortion. No, the biggest treat to children is ignorance and the lack of respect for human rights, every human's rights. One can believe that every human being, born and unborn is deserving of life without believing in a deity. The pro-life cause needs all the support possible. Don't exclude people because they don't have the same beliefs as you. If you do, you are just as ignorant as the people who support abortion.

This is my reply (with a few edits):

Thanks for your comment. I wholeheartedly agree with much of what you said. For example, you said, "One can believe that every human being, born and unborn, is deserving of life without believing in a deity." You are of course correct. Many atheists agree with us on the right to life.

Secular Pro-Life founder Kelsey Hazzard, left, carries a sign at the 2012 March for Life in Washington, DC. (photo from The Catholic World Report)

You said we should not link the pro-life cause with religion. There is some truth in that. For example, we should be able to argue against abortion without appealing to our religious beliefs. With our Pro Life Training Academy, we do exactly that. We train people to talk about spiritual matters only with people who are open to that discussion. When an atheist asks us why we oppose abortion, we don't say he must adopt a new moral code before he can become pro-life; we simply ask him to apply his current moral code to everyone equally, including the unborn. We assume that he opposes killing born people, and usually he does.

You said, "The pro-life cause needs all the support possible. Don't exclude people because they don't have the same beliefs as you." You are again correct, and I am happy to work beside you to end injustice, including the injustice of killing unborn children, no matter what else we may disagree about.

But I don't agree with you that just because we disagree on something important, I have " off as an enemy to cause." It only means that we disagree on some things and agree on other things. I have many friends in the pro-life movement, and I disagree with almost all of them about religious matters that we consider important.

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It is unrealistic to expect that Christians will quit being Christians when they take up the cause of ending injustice. We Christians fight injustice for two reasons. First and foremost, we are commanded to do so by our Creator.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (John 3:16-18).

Second, Christians believe that all of us (including you and me) are created beings, and we are endowed by our Creator with certain unalienable rights, and that among these is the right to life. If there is no Creator, then we all evolved from the earth. We are simply a cosmic fluke, mere dust that happens to be animated for a short period of time before we return to dust. And if that is true, then what is the basis for any kind of morality? How can one clump of animated dust say what is moral and what is not moral for another clump of dust?

On final note about Darwinism (the notion that all life forms evolved as a result of random, unguided, naturalistic processes). Speaking as somebody with a science background, I believe the claim that science has made a conclusive case for Darwinism, as opposed to the alternative theory that life is the result of intelligent design, is a classic example of begging the question (i.e., assuming the proposition you claim to be proving). Darwinism ***does not prove*** man evolved via naturalistic processes; it ***assumes*** man evolved via naturalistic processes. Big difference. But, that's another topic for another day.

And are all clumps of animated dust to be treated equally? What is the basis for declaring that human lumps of dust have a greater status than non-human lumps of animated dust (e.g., animals)? Or even non-animated lumps of dust (e.g., rocks).

Fletcher's Blog

If we claim greater moral significance for ourselves than for dogs or rocks, because we are more evolved, then who is to say that some of us humans aren't more evolved than others, and therefore entitled to greater rights?

That's why I believe Darwinism to be a dangerous philosophy … because it ultimately leads to the conclusion that there is no objective morality, there is no basis for equality, and there is no imperative to treat anyone with human dignity. Any moral code is only a tool to promote self-interest, and it can be discarded by those in power as soon as conditions make a different moral code more profitable.

I know that you have a different basis for your beliefs that there is a moral code we are all bound to follow, that we all have a right to live, etc. And I respect that. I just don't agree with it. I welcome you to the table of respecting the unalienable rights of all people; I just got there through a different door. That doesn't mean that I have written you off as an enemy, nor does it mean I don't welcome your support. It just means we disagree.

But before I close, it is my duty to say that I am concerned for your eternal soul. It is my hope that you will live abundantly, not only for a few years on this earth, but eternally in the world to come. I hope you won't be angry to know this.

Virginia Pro-Life Bootcamp – Planting Seeds Across the Commonwealth

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The VA Christian Alliance co-hosted the Virginia Pro-Life Bootcamp along with the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform. Don Blake and Greene Hollowell were instrumental in helping VCA Board Advisor Nicole Cooley and fellow Virginia CBR project director Maggie Egger plan and also provide logistical support for the event.

A second Pro-Life Bootcamp is planned for August 29-30 at Douthat State Park. You can support our next Bootcamp through VCA and noting "Bootcamp" in the remarks section.

"It has been an incredible experience…I learned more about the pro-life community as a whole…After you see a picture of abortion and know what it looks like, it really drives you to abolish it. That's why I'm here," said Chris from VA Tech.

VCA Board and Advisors,Bootcamp Nov 1-2 2013

Jay Watts (from the Life Training Institute) shared the best arguments and methods to handle the most difficult opponents. The apologetics sessions with Jay were the highlight of the Bootcamp, as reflected on the feedback forms. Students wanted even more time with Jay, and kept him talking for hours in the parking lot afterwards. We confirmed Jay for next year's Bootcamp as well, and will give him even more time, as the students have requested!

Dr. Johnny Hunter opened his remarks to the group with the statement, "The problem with this group is you're too white!" He encouraged students to enlist the help of others from the Black Student Union and other groups on campus to increase their impact. He told students to find new ways to reach the current culture for life. "The biggest thing you are dealing with is an uniformed public, " he said. Between sessions he also mentored students – what a blessing to have him join us!

Dr Johnny Hunter and Joey from Va Tech talk between sessions

Annie from VA Tech appreciated Rita Dunaway's talk on the background of so-called "personhood bills" in Virginia and nationwide. This session prepared students to competently respond to attacks on VA pro-life legislation. Everyone also enjoyed the chance to network with others and to hear the "Silent No More" testimonies about how abortion hurts men and women.

Beth from Liberty told us, "I've learned better how to defend our beliefs and how to promote our group and spread awareness. I'm very excited to get back to campus and put into practice everything I've learned." Beth and her fellow students did just that. Following Bootcamp, GMU, Liberty and VA Tech held "CHOICE" sign outreaches. GMU and VA Tech also hosted GAP during the next semester. At VA Tech's Genocide Awareness Project (GAP), CBR recruited a new full-time pro-life staff member who will begin after she finishes school. Wow! Praise God!

In response to the GAP at Virginia Tech, a student wrote a letter to the editor endorsing the project. In his letter he stated, "I am thankful for the sobering visual recording of the atrocities presented on our campus those two days so that current and future generations can see the horrors humanity is capable of when we forget history, and rely on radical moral rationalism." **Collegiate Times**

You can read more about the work of the Center of Bio-Ethical Reform on college campuses at **www.ProLifeOnCampus.com** and at their associated blog, **www.fletcherarmstrongblog.com**

Virginia Pro-Life Bootcamp Class of 2013
November 1-3 2013

Va Tech Drill Field

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Rachel and Beth from Liberty practice pro-life apologetics during lunch

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Family Foundation Files Suit against McAuliffe Va Dept. of Health

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Wednesday, March 19, 2014

This afternoon, The Family Foundation filed suit with the Richmond Circuit Court against Governor Terry McAuliffe's Department of Health and Interim State Health Commissioner, Dr. Marissa Levine, for their failure to respond to a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking documentation verifying that the Department of Health fulfilled its legal obligation to report a possible incident of child sexual abuse. The case surrounds a possible violation of the Commonwealth's mandatory reporting of child sexual abuse law by the Roanoke Medical Center for Women. The FOIA request to the Department of Health to determine follow up actions taken by state officials has not been answered in the time required by state law.

President Victoria Cobb files petition today at Richmond Circuit Court

The Family Foundation will not sit silently in the face of potential child sexual abuse just because it involves the $1 billion abortion industry and the McAuliffe administration; therefore we have pursued this matter in court to require the Department of Health to turn over the related documents proving whether or not they have responded to the potential sexual abuse of a 14-year-old child.

The situation began when we received state inspection records through FOIA and learned that the Roanoke Medical Center for Women had performed abortions on at least three minors without evidence of parental consent. One of the children was 14 years old at the time of the procedure. According to Virginia Code §18.2-63, carnal knowledge of a 14-year-old child is statutorily either a felony or a Class 6 misdemeanor (depending on consent and age of the offender). And sexual acts on a child is part of the definition of child abuse or neglect that must be reported by mandatory reporters to the police or Department of Social Services per Virginia Code § 63.2-100.

On January 31, 2014, The Family Foundation sent a FOIA request to the Department of Health to see if they reported this to the proper authorities as a case of potential child abuse or neglect among other things (the State Health Commissioner as a licensed doctor is a mandatory reporter as are all licensed doctors per Virginia Code § 63.2-1509). The Department responded on February 18, 2014 and said they had no responsive documents. So we waited 10 working days and sent a second FOIA request on March 4, 2013 that asked if the Department of Health had reported this to the authorities since we had notified them of the potential child abuse or neglect. We have yet to hear back and it is 5 days past the required deadline for a response.

The fact is, until we receive evidence to the contrary, not receiving a response by the required deadline means that the McAuliffe Administration's Department of Health is in violation of FOIA law and potentially is still in violation of mandatory reporting laws for child sexual abuse. Upon completion of the abortion center inspection report, Department of Health officials should have immediately recognized the possible case of abuse and reported it. Even if they somehow missed it, after the situation was brought to its attention by The Family Foundation, the Department of Health has provided no documentation that it took legally required action and now is also stonewalling transparency requests. A request to the Department of Health for documentation revealed that there's no record of any officials investigating whether or not the Roanoke Medical Center fulfilled state law by reporting at least one possible case of child sexual abuse.

We have parental consent and mandatory reporting laws to protect children from sexual abuse. It's not up to the abortion center doctor or staff to make a determination of whether or not abuse took place. That's up to law enforcement. This case involves a girl fourteen years of age. So regardless of the circumstances, state law was violated and law enforcement officials should have been notified. If there is a reasonable explanation for not fulfilling state laws regarding mandatory reporting of child abuse, the citizens of Virginia deserve to know what that reason is. If the law was followed, why not say so?

Regardless, this situation is further evidence that the abortion industry is completely incapable of policing itself and needs oversight by non-politicized government health officials. The abortion doctor should have already faced fines for not fulfilling state law regarding parental consent, which hasn't happened. Is the abortion industry so protected by the state that it is allowed to ignore mandatory reporting laws on child sexual abuse, too? The Board of Health members have

been made aware of this situation and we look forward to hearing a response from them and the Department of Health representatives at tomorrow's Board of Health meeting.

The center at the middle of this scandal, the Roanoke Medical Center for Women, is owed by W.K.G. And J., Incorporated which also owns the Richmond Medical Center for Women, the Charlottesville Medical Center for Women, and the Peninsula Medical Center for Women. According to 2012 data, these centers performed 11% of the abortions in Virginia that year, making them the third largest abortion provider in Virginia after Planned Parenthood and centers owned by the infamous Dr. Steven Brigham. Dr. William Fitzhugh is the only licensed doctor at the Roanoke facility that we can identify on the Board of Medicine website. The secretary of W.K.G. and J., Incorporated is Marianne Fitzhugh.

Abortion Unveiled: An Ironic Injustice

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The global tragedy of abortion is that, behind the thin veils of human flesh, it accomplishes an ethnic, racial, and gender purging of such efficiency and scale as to make Adolf Hitler appear inconsequential. In the United States, the most recent data indicate that 64% of abortions are obtained by black, Hispanic, and other women of color, despite the fact that they only account for 28% of the population. (Guttmacher Institute; U.S. Census Bureau).

As if that data were not disturbing enough, consider this statistic: since ultrasound technology has enabled parents to identify the gender of their unborn child, 160 MILLION *girls* have been lost to abortion in Asia alone, triggering a staggering gender imbalance that has demographers wringing their hands.

C.S. Lewis saw through the game of "choice" long ago, as he warned that "he power of Man to make himself what he pleases means, as we have seen, the power of some men to make other men what *they* please. … he man-molders of the new age will be armed with the powers of an omnicompetent state and an irresistible scientific technique: we shall get at last a race of conditioners who really can cut out all posterity in what shape they please."

If anyone were to posit a plan to systematically annihilate non-whites and females, imagine how he would be received in our enlightened society where equality and diversity are so highly prized. But as long as this same result is accomplished through the "choice" of members of the affected populations, our society doesn't mourn the slaughter, but celebrates it.

Our collective ignorance of history has made fools of us. For in fact, what we identify today as merely unfortunate statistics are really the indicia of success of the careful plans and propaganda created by those who sought to mold the human population to their liking.

The organization that is today Planned Parenthood and now trumpets women's "right to choose," gave birth to its deadly "Negro Project" in the 1930's, hoping to stunt the growth of black families. It is surely no accident that today, a whopping 80% of Planned Parenthood abortion clinics are located in minority neighborhoods.

Other American population activists collaborated to combat the "problem" of unbounded population growth, which they believed would strain world resources and exacerbate poverty in developing nations. John D. Rockefeller III organized a "Conference on Population Problems" in Williamsburg, Virginia in 1952, then went on to work with the Ford Foundation, the World Bank, the United Nations Population Fund, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and the International Planned Parenthood Federation to sell Asian nations on the concept of population control. Their message was simple: lower birth rates lead to richer people.

Of course, some "population activists" had more sinister motivations. In her book, *Unnatural Selection*, journalist Mara Hvistendahl posits that, privately, "Western donors worried less about poverty than they did about the global balance of power and specifically about what they believed to be one of poverty's effects: communism." Many American elites worried that rising birth rates in developing nations would make these regions more susceptible to communism and less likely to become American allies.

As these wealthy, Western organizations succeeded in selling developing nations on their "less is better" pitch, baby *girls* were the casualties.

So here is the great irony: on a personal level, women may believe that exercising their "right" to have an abortion is an act of liberation and power, but on a larger scale abortion is a hallmark of manipulation and subjugation.

Every abortion is equally tragic, whether its victims are white, black, red or yellow, male or female. But as a society, we are blind if we fail to see that there is no racial, ethnic or gender "equality" in the practice of abortion. Behind millions upon millions of thin veils of pregnant tummy flesh, the beautiful, natural diversity of mankind is being destroyed, one "choice" at a time. And this was always part of a plan.

We should mourn and expose this great injustice.

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No Excuses! Rebuilding a Culture of Life

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Last Sunday, Jan. 19, was Sanctity of Life Sunday to mark the 41th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the infamous Supreme Court decision in 1973 that legalized abortion and led to the deaths of some 55 million babies since that time.

But, so what? Does it matter that nearly one out of four babies in America is aborted every day? Does it matter that a disproportionate number of those abortions take place in predominately black communities at Planned Parenthood clinics, an organization with a sordid history of targeting the black community?

In addition, would it matter to you if your Democratic legislator routinely votes to kill every pro-life bill that comes up in the General Assembly or the U.S. Congress? And even though you might not like those votes, would you still support him because he and his party claim to be on your side on issues of "race"?

On top of that, if you are a white woman, how can you get past historic black/white tensions to capture the attention of black leaders, including pastors, who may not know about or be unwilling to admit any of this because of their customary support of the pro-abortion Democrat Party?

That woman is our guest on Valley Faith in Action. **Terry Beatley** is the Founder and President of "**No Excuse Ministry**", which is dedicated to mobilizing the church to defend the sanctity of human life.

We'll ask how she came to this passion for life and how she responds to the "excuses" that people – and churches — often give for being silent on the life issue.

Finally, find out how she was able to build pro-life alliances and black voter turnout in Fredericksburg where she lives.

Brad Huddleston will join our discussion as a revivalist, author of **The Dark Side of Technology: Restoring Balance in the Digital Age**, our TV program director, and a past Valley coordinator of a successful campaign to identify and support "Values" candidates for office in Virginia.

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VFIA 204: Renewing a Culture of Life in America – Part I from **Dean Welty** on **Vimeo**.

Dean Welty serves on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Christian Alliance and is Director of the Valley Family Forum, a network of families in the Shenandoah Valley that helps build Faith, Family, and Freedom in the culture and in the public square. He also hosts a weekly television program entitled "**Valley Faith in Action**".

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Valley Faith in Action airs five times on WAZT-TV beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, again at 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, and finally at Wednesday midnight. It is on Comcast Cable Channel 13 in the Harrisonburg/Rockingham area but varies in

other locations. However, if you miss this program, you can also watch it and earlier programs online HERE any time.

Dean

Pictures Can Speak Horrific Words

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Richmond Times-Dispatch, Friday, December 6, 2013

The pictures in the article, Rhetorical Crimes on the OP/Ed page, invoked the similarities of socialism under the German Nazis Nationalism, the Russian Marxist Communism and the American Democratic Party's Agenda. Not a good idea to make these comparisons says the writer Kathleen Parker. She asked- 'What is the impulse that drives our need to make such comparisons? Some things are like nothing else- and should be left to rest in peace'.

And that is just the problem, we let horrible injustices to continue and hopefully rest in peace. The majority of Americans hope that will happen with abortion, Let it alone, stop talking about it. But there are some who will not be quite because it is a horrible injustice. How do you get the attention of the majority to change their minds? One effective way is to show the pictures of the aborted babies. People do change when they see them. Yes, there are people who become more hardened and lash out in anger.

The Center for Bio-Ethical Reform visits college campuses to show the horror of abortion. Using large pictures of aborted babies and comparing them to pictures of the dead Jews in Germany and Southern slaves hanging from a tree, a comparison is made that would upset Kathleen Parker. And they upset the college students. They have been so prepped by their professors to accept abortion that they can not see straight when they see the comparisons. But here is the result- after the initial anger some students do change, not many, but some.

This is one part of the pro-life community, some involved in legislative work, conferences, sidewalk counseling & protesting and others at pregnancy centers. They all play a part in trying to keep American mothers from killing their baby in the womb.

Greene Hollowell

Virginia Christian Alliance Board Member

Supreme Court Duty: Correct Injustice on Lawless Arizona Agenda

NOVEMBER 17, 2013
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Earlier this week, VCA's Vice President for Public Policy, Rita Dunaway, filed an amicus brief with the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin, a coalition of 30 female state legislators from across the country, Concerned Women for America, and Susan B. Anthony List. The brief asks the Court to review a recent decision by the 9th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals which struck down an Arizona law that banned abortion after 20 weeks, except where the mother's life or health is in danger.

The elected representatives of Arizona passed this law after receiving credible, unrefuted scientific and medical evidence revealing two things: that babies in the womb feel pain after 20 weeks, and that abortions performed after this same point carry much higher health risks to the mother. Nevertheless, the Ninth Circuit has interpreted the Supreme Court's abortion jurisprudence to mean that states can never ban abortion before the point at which the baby can survive outside the womb (generally 23 weeks). Never mind that what we are doing is torturing a living human being; never mind that the woman faces a significantly greater chance of suffering serious complications or death when she waits this late to exercise her "right."

The Supreme Court recently acknowledged that "a fetus is a living organism while within the womb, whether or not it is viable outside the womb." Gonzales v. Carhart, 550 U.S. at 147. Science now reveals that, far from being an impersonal blob of tissue for whom the descriptor of "living" is little more than a technical, biological fact, the post-20-week human being within the womb is so fully developed as to be wholly capable of feeling pain as his or her body is literally ripped apart and removed from the womb, piece by piece. This, of course, is how abortion is most often accomplished at this stage in pregnancy.

A humane, civilized society cannot retain its identity as such if its courts preclude lawmakers from imposing reasonable limitations on such brutality. Even animals—which most people would agree are not possessed of the same degree of individual value and dignity as humans—are entitled to and receive legal protections against cruelty and barbarism.

And what of "women's health," for which those who champion abortion rights express such concern? When confronted with credible scientific data demonstrating that abortions performed beyond the 20-week point are significantly less safe for women than those performed prior to that point, it is surely appropriate for legislators to protect women's health by requiring physicians to perform the procedure at the earlier, far safer stage.

The recent tragedies of the Kermit Gosnell clinic in Philadelphia serve as a poignant reminder of how easily both individual women and the sensibilities of a humane society can become the casualty of an ideological battle.

We have become a society that worships "choice" itself; we say no one should consider what value is ultimately gained or what is lost by my choice, provided I am uninhibited and unconstrained as I choose. That, my friends, is scary stuff.

Please join us in praying that the Supreme Court will hear this case and correct this great humanitarian injustice.

Rita Dunaway, Virginia Christian Alliance Vice President for Public Policy, also writes on her blog **Fundamental Things**. Rita M. Dunaway graduated summa cum laude from West Virginia University in 1998, having earned a B.S. in Journalism and a B.A. in Political Science simultaneously.

VA Women Fight Back Against Lies about "War on Women"

NOVEMBER 4, 2013
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Rita Dunaway: "Women Have Been Duped" by Democrats' False Charges

The Background

Throughout the campaign for Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General, Democratic candidates are trying to win women's votes on Nov. 5 by charging "extremist" Republicans with waging a *"War on Women"*. It includes the claim that they are even trying to ban contraceptives. However, this is totally and indisputably false, and they know it.

In addition, they have maligned the Republicans for supporting a law that requires abortion clinics to meet normal standards of health care for their female clients and another law that allows parents to file for "wrongful death" damages if their unborn child is killed in an accident. But how can those laws be wrong? The fact is that both of them are for the benefit of women, not their harm.

The Women's Response

Fighting back, Rita Dunaway, Vice President of Public Policy for the Virginia Christian Alliance and VCA Board Members, Terry Beatley and Janet Welty joined a diverse group of Virginia women for a press conference in Richmond yesterday in which they blasted the Democrats for spreading these false charges.

In addition to their oral statements, the women also unveiled a new web site entitled "Women Sick of Stupid Lies" (**click here**) that includes Rita's statement along with those of other women.

They set the record straight about the “gender baiting” tactics the candidates are using to frighten women into voting for them.

Also attached below are edited excerpts from a separate article by Rita about the Democrats’ false charges about these issues.

For the Truth!

Dean Welty, Board Member of the Virginia Christian Alliance and Director of the Valley Family Forum

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Rita Dunaway: “Women Have Been Duped!”

“If polls are an accurate indicator, women have been duped into swallowing the lie that no-fault divorce is good for us and that any effort to regulate abortion clinics or recognize the basic humanity of unborn babies is nothing more than a sinister plot to control our bodies.

“For example, a widely-circulated political advertisement by Terry McAuliffe’s campaign attacked Ken Cuccinelli’s 2008 proposal to require a legal reason for divorce when there are children in the family. The ad deceptively made it appear that Cuccinelli’s bill would have only made it harder for *women* to leave their families.

“This, of course, was not the case. The law would actually have *helped* the countless struggling moms who have been left holding the bag when their husbands walked out on the family. No one benefits from making it ‘easy’ to abandon one’s family.

“But the fear-mongering tactic of this ad is also at work in the countless false assertions that Republican candidates have tried to outlaw birth control. Specifically, the Democratic candidates have repeatedly scoffed at the Republicans’ support of a so-called ‘personhood’ bill, claiming that it would outlaw abortion, birth control, and in vitro fertilization. But again, these statements are so verifiably false as to be beyond genuine debate.

“By virtue of the bill’s own language, it would not interfere with existing statutory law in Virginia (which specifically permits abortion) nor challenge U.S. Supreme Court precedent. In fact, what the bill would have done is recognize that parents could recover civil damages if the child were killed by the wrongful act of a third party.

“Unfortunately, rather than questioning Democrats’ characterizations of Republicans as ‘extremists’, many women seem to be falling for the falsehoods and half-truths. We have been hoodwinked by ‘pro-choice’ activists into a commitment to abortion rights that appears to far

exceed our concern for the safety and sanitation of the centers where abortions are performed. Even in the wake of the Kermit Gosnell tragedy, we have laid both women's health and the sensibilities of a humane society on the altar of a political cause.

"The female voters of Virginia should look beyond sound bites for the truth and refuse to be driven beyond rationality by fear or narrow self-interest.

Rita Dunaway, Virginia Christian Alliance Vice President for Public Policy, also writes on her blog **Fundamental Things**.

Goals for Churches to Reducing Abortions

OCTOBER 27, 2013
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Christians are the only ones who can change the abortion culture in Richmond.

Christians will only move when educated and lead by their Pastors. The next important group is Doctors. Abortions can't be performed if Doctors say 'NO' – we will not be involved in killing children.

The following are some suggestions that the Church can consider implementing.

Proclaim that human life should be protected and that abortion is the killing of human life. That we reject the Supreme Court ruling that children in the womb need not be protected, and we reject the idea that women should have the choice to kill their child.

1. To make sure the youth in our church know that excessive petting and sex outside of marriage is SIN in the eyes of God and to promote chastity and purity through such programs as "True Love Waits".
2. To stop the opportunities for abortions in our area by turning public opinion against abortion through sermons, printed literature, letters to the editor, legislative actions and by Praying.
3. Participate in the last step effort to save the children by sidewalk counseling and protesting at abortion clinics and hospitals.
4. Identify abortion doctors and encourage them to stop the killing.
5. Supporting the girls and women who are in crisis pregnancy by participating with the various ministries that counsel, supply housing, food, clothing and medical help. To help those experiencing post abortion stress to receive forgiveness.
6. To facilitate ADOPTIONS through existing agencies.
7. To help support mentally, emotionally and physically damaged children, especially those that have been abandoned.
8. To be aware of and fight the sex industryHollywood/TV/Media, pornographers, Planned Parenthood, etc.) by not spending money on them.

9. To educate our congregations that abortifacients such as the Pill, IUD's, Norplant, RU486, etc. cause chemical abortions that far exceed surgical procedures.

Proposed Resolution to be Introduced in Your Church:

Because the secular worlds' positions on sanctity of life issues are in opposition to what we, as a Christian Church, stand for, and because the secular positions are sometimes reinforced

by mainline churches, governments and judicial rulings, we want to state our position to give guidance to our members and potential members. We especially want to guide our children who are entrusted to us and who must be confused by the difference in what the world says and what God's word says.

We therefore declare that _____Church stands strong on the sanctity of life issues, and we condemn the following as sin:

- Abortion
- Euthanasia
- Infanticide
- Suicide and Assisted Suicide

Greene Hollowell

Virginia Christian Alliance Board Member

Virginia Christian Alliance Holds Media Accountable

OCTOBER 12, 2013
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

The VCA network launched into action earlier this week to demand that the Richmond Bureau of the Associated Press correct the false statements it has made about pro-life legislation—statements that could very possibly affect the November election.

In Tuesday night's debate with E.W. Jackson, Ralph Northam claimed that the recent Virginia pro-life bill referred to by some as "personhood" would criminalize oral contraception and in vitro fertilization. **This claim is utterly false**.

The Associated Press exacerbated the falsehood, asserting in Wednesday morning's "news" coverage of the debate that this legislation would "outlaw almost all forms of abortion." Again, false. While the AP reporter might have expressed this as Northam's opinion, he instead stated it as an established fact, thus misleading countless Virginia voters and undermining future opportunities for passage of this important pro-life bill.

The verifiable truth is that the bill, in and of itself, would NOT outlaw ANY form of abortion, for a number of reasons that attorney Rita Dunaway, VCA's Vice President of Public Policy, has explained numerous times. In light of the law's current existence in Missouri and a readily available U.S. Supreme Court opinion on this very matter, this is not a question that is even open to serious debate.

Rita quickly contacted the AP reporter, Bob Lewis, **blewis@ap.org**) to request a correction. While Lewis did not deny the falsity of the article's allegations, he simply responded, "The story stands." Rita then appealed that decision to Lewis' editor at the Richmond AP Bureau, but no correction has been made as of now. (**see AP story here**) (Photo: Bob Lewis **Twitter** Account)

VCA's request for a correction has been bolstered by voices from the Valley Family Forum and Dr. Alveda King. If you have not already done so, will you please take 5 minutes to add your voice to ours and insist that the media correct this distortion? Please e-mail Dena Potter at **dpotter@ap.org**, and simply ask for a correction of Bob Lewis' statements about the "personhood" bill. If you like, you can cut and paste this text into your message:

"Please issue an immediate correction to Bob Lewis' article about last night's lieutenant governor candidate debate. He stated that so-called 'personhood' bill proposed last year in Virginia would have outlawed most forms of abortion. This is not true. The very same law has been on the books in Missouri for over 25 years, and the Supreme Court refused to overturn it.

"The media has a responsibility to ensure the accuracy of the information it disseminates rather than to spread misinformation about an important, controversial issue. I am asking you to fulfill this duty to the citizens of Virginia by correcting the false statements."

Rita M. Dunaway is Vice President for Public Policy with Virginia Christian Alliance. She lives in Harrisonburg.

Is Abortion a Legitimate Choice?

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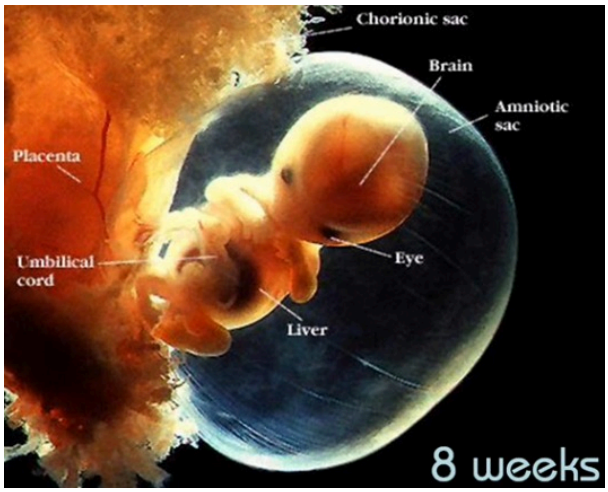
Absolutely not. Consider the following and realize it's time to take action.

RU-486 – The poison of choice to kill a young, unborn, living human. RU-486 involves two chemicals, specifically designed to kill an innocent child while still in the womb, while it is a painful and bloody experience for the mother.

Cyanide – The poison of choice to kill adult humans. (Jim Jones Cult in 1978 used cyanide to kill over 900 of its members.)



Abortion – The intentional killing of an unborn, living, human.

Murder – The intentional killing of a live human after being born.

A pregnant woman is already a mother. Her only choice is to be the mother of a live baby or a dead baby.

What is the basic difference between poisoning an unborn child and a born human? What is the difference between abortion and murder? The Supreme Court simply stated murder of an unborn is to be legal. The Court had no authority to make such a claim.

The Declaration of Independence stated that unalienable rights included "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of happiness…" The 4th Amendment to the Constitution stated "The right of the people to be secure in their persons… shall not be violated." The 5th Amendment stated "No person… can be …deprived of life…without due process of law." Life itself is the most precious right of each individual.

The Supreme Court is supreme over the lower courts, but not over the nation. That rests with the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. The Court's 1973 ruling in Roe vs. Wade assumed the status of a god when it lied and said it couldn't say when a new life started. The Court claimed the Texas law that stated a new life started at conception, was merely a theory. The Court denied a medical fact that was common knowledge for many decades before.

The Court then went on to write a new law in clear violation of the Constitution, when they divided pregnancy into tri-mesters and defined how the baby could be killed at the different stages of pregnancy.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=O2l1-kvKomg

There is presently a case before the Supreme Court where an Oklahoma law is being challenged because it puts requirements on the use of the poison, RU-486, when used to kill babies. Good

grief! Talk about ignoring the elephant in the room, which is the killing of babies, and nit picking the administrative requirements concerning the killing of the baby.

Every Christian and even every American should write to the Supreme Court and demand they state the obvious; that poisoning a child in the womb is murder pure and simple and must end. The bloody stain of over 50 million babies killed in the womb can never be erased from our history but we can put a stop to what has become an American Holocaust. If every American that is aware of this would write to the Supreme Court and tell them to return this nation to its true moral values, and declare all intentional killing of unborn babies in the womb is murder under the laws of every state.

A million letters may get their attention.

The Supreme Court's address is One First Street, Washington D.C. 20543

To do nothing is to perpetuate evil.

***William E. Nowers**, Creation & Evolution Studies Ministry, and on the Virginia Christian Alliance Board of Advisors*

VCA Calls On West Virginia to Regulate Abortion Clinics

AUGUST 20, 2013
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In response to the West Virginia Attorney General's invitation for public comment on the issue, VCA has requested that the state immediately initiate the process to enact common-sense health and safety regulations for abortion clinics. Reproduced here is the letter, in its entirety:

Dear Attorney General Morrisey,

On behalf of Virginia Christian Alliance (VCA) and the Valley Family Forum , I request that you use the powers of your office to initiate the process for enactment of common-sense health and safety regulations for West Virginia abortion clinics. It is beyond question that the state has both the authority and the duty to regulate these facilities. Abortion centers obviously affect the physical health of the women and girls who seek their services, but their operations are also a testimony to the level of our society's regard for human life and the gravity with which we imbue the practice of purposefully ending it.

In this letter, we will discuss: (1) Why state oversight and regulation of abortion clinics (including reporting requirements) are needed; (2) Why these facilities may and should be regulated more stringently than other medical centers; and (3) Why arguments against regulation are unpersuasive.

Abortion is a serious, often invasive medical procedure, but complication risks have been obscured.

Known potential complications of abortion include permanent damage to reproductive and other vital organs, dysfunction of the cardiovascular or respiratory system, internal bleeding or hemorrhaging, embolism, and allergic reactions. In addition to the more immediate complications of abortion, voluminous studies prove that abortion carries many long-term health risks.

Yet, because of the lack of standard reporting requirements within states and nationwide, it is impossible to accurately assess the frequency with which these and other serious abortion complications actually occur. For instance, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) reported that seven women died from complications of legalized abortions in 2005. Yet the CDC report explicitly recognized that its data are compromised due to a known, significant under-reporting of the number of abortions performed nationwide. The CDC report contained no information regarding abortion complications other than death, as this information is apparently not reported or collected in many states.

In a recent article that appeared in the Washington Post, reporters cited statistics from the CDC to demonstrate the alleged safety of abortion. According to CDC numbers, 10 women died from abortions in 2010, compared with 793 deaths from bicycle accidents. The comparison is misleading and irresponsible because, in the case of CDC abortion statistics, the numbers that tell the real story are the numbers that aren't there. Even states that require abortion reporting do not require reporting to the CDC. The Alan Guttmacher Institute has estimated that the voluntarily reported information excludes data on as many as 45-50% of annual abortions.

Awareness of this "missing data" problem seems to be growing. For instance, a 2011 Chicago Tribune story by Megan Twohey flagged the disparity between the number of Illinois abortion providers that reported required data to state officials (26) and the number of providers actually in business (37). The article also suggested that the state's data failed to account for as many as 17,000 abortions annually. While we know that the risks abortion poses to women's health are many and serious, it is likely that additional regulations, including certain reporting requirements, would help us to understand them better.

The nature of the abortion procedure and its inherent risks are reason enough to advocate for increased regulation of abortion clinics. Indeed, even proponents of abortion rights have historically professed a commitment to ensuring that abortion is "safe, legal, and rare." The fact is that as long as abortion remains legal, the state has a public duty to ensure that it is at least "safe" for the women who choose it. If legalized abortion is to continue, the state must see that abortion clinics do not themselves become the dreaded "back-alleys."

Abortion is inherently different than other medical procedures and warrants stringent regulation.

Women and girls who undergo abortions deserve at least the same level of regulatory oversight as that in place for patients generally in other settings where serious medical procedures are performed. But both the United States Supreme Court and lower federal courts have found that the peculiar nature of abortion justifies standards that are more stringent than those imposed on other medical facilities. The Supreme Court has noted that "abortions are inherently different from other medical procedures…" This is why federal courts have repeatedly affirmed that states have a legitimate interest in regulating abortion clinics more stringently than other medical facilities. Abortion is different, the Supreme Court has found, "because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life."

The United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has definitively rejected the argument that abortion clinics must be treated the same as other medical facilities in terms of health and safety regulations. In Greenville Women's Clinic v. Bryant, the Fourth Circuit held that regulations of abortion providers need only be rationally related to a valid governmental purpose, and went on to note that "The rationality of distinguishing between abortion services and other medical services when regulating physicians or women's healthcare has long been acknowledged by Supreme Court precedent." The court pointed to a long line of United States Supreme Court precedent, beginning with Roe v. Wade itself, recognizing that abortion is a unique act fraught with consequences for the woman undergoing the abortion and for many others. This is why, for instance, the Supreme Court has rejected the argument that states may not impose record-keeping and informed consent requirements on abortion providers that significantly differ from those imposed on providers of arguably comparable healthcare services.

Arguments opposing regulation are unpersuasive.

VCA has been actively involved in advocating for abortion clinic regulations here in the Commonwealth of Virginia, so we are familiar with the polarized nature of this issue and the arguments that will be made by the abortion industry and its supporters throughout this process. While abortion advocates invariably attempt to frame the issue before you as a civil rights issue, the United States Supreme Court has made it very clear that state regulations aimed at protecting the safety and health of women seeking abortions do not implicate civil liberties.

Here in Virginia, the abortion industry objected most strenuously to the design and construction standards that were included in the Commonwealth's new regulations. But as the Fourth Circuit pointed out when it upheld similar standards in Greenville Women's Clinic, supra, national standards promulgated by groups such as the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the National Abortion Federation, and Planned Parenthood already include standards for the centers' physical facilities, including requirements that examining rooms

contain sterilization facilities; alarm systems be in place; procedure rooms be large enough to accommodate a stretcher or gurney; post-procedure recovery rooms and dressing rooms be available; operating tables be located in rooms of adequate dimensions, illumination, and ventilation; procedure rooms have doors wide enough to accommodate a stretcher or wheelchair, etc. Thus, to the extent that existing facilities within your state are resistant to their being required to comply with regulations substantially similar or identical to these professional guidelines, state officials should be deeply concerned about the adequacy of current conditions in these facilities.

Another argument typically raised by abortion advocates is that health and safety regulations will make abortion prohibitively expensive for some women. However, the actual evidence proffered by abortion clinics that challenged the South Carolina regulations indicated that the estimated increase in cost to their patients would range from only $23-$75 per abortion. This is comparable to the cost of dinner and a movie for two. It is a small price to pay for enhancing the safety of a procedure that carries significant medical risks and is qualitatively different from any other.

Conclusion

Your office is certain to be flooded by impassioned pleas or threats of lawsuits by those who benefit financially from a lenient regulatory environment that endangers women's health and safety and desensitizes society to the tragedy of abortion. Virginia Christian Alliance and the Valley Family Forum implore you to act in the best interest of public health, safety, and morality rather than cede to the demands of those motivated by political or financial interests.

I hope this information has been helpful. If you have any questions or if I can provide further assistance, please feel free to contact me at (540) 830-1229 or **rita@vachristian.org.**

Sincerely, Rita M. Dunaway,

Vice President for Public Policy Virginia Christian Alliance

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1 VCA is a non-profit organization which seeks to impact Virginia through well-reasoned, respectful advocacy and education on public policy issues and by challenging Christians to engage the culture and serve their communities.
2 The Valley Family Forum, comprised of citizens in the Shenandoah Valley which borders West Virginia, works to inform and mobilize the Valley in support of public policies that promote faith, family and freedom.
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10 Id. at 173.
11 Id.
12 Id. (quoting Planned Parenthood of Central Missouri v. Danforth, 428 U.S. 52, 80-81 (1976)).
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An Open Letter to All Americans

AUGUST 20, 2013
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AN UNBORN CHILD IN THE WOMB IS ALIVE. If it were not alive, it couldn't grow every day. An unborn child in the womb is a human. In spite of the Darwin evolution theory, every product of a woman's womb, since the Creation, has been a human. It is almost comical to even question these facts.

In 1973 the Supreme Court ruled in the Roe v. Wade case to the contrary. Part of the Court's ruling stated, "We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins. When those trained in the respective disciplines of medicine, philosophy, and theology, are unable to arrive at any consensus, the judiciary, at this point in the development of man's knowledge, is not in a position to speculate as to the answer."

The above is an intentional lie. In the year 1973, every intelligent person on this planet knew, and every school biology book revealed, how a new life started at conception and how it continued to grow every day. It is equally absurd to question whether the new life is human. The Court's comments that, "…those trained in the respective disciplines of medicine, philosophy, and the clergy are unable to arrive at any consensus.." border on the ridiculous. When a new life starts is a medical fact and it is ridiculous for philosophers or theologians opinions to even be considered. Also the Court provided no examples or evidence to support this statement.

The Supreme Court also stated "A state by adopting one particular theory of life, may not…" This statement by the Court, that when a new human life starts is only "one particular theory of life," is beyond the pale of any reasonable person. With the medical expertise available in 1973, to refer to the start of life as a theory is a meaningless exercise in futility.

The Court introduced the term "potential life," and referred to it over and over again, with the intention of casting doubt on the life of an unborn. The term is undefined and meaningless. Potential means, "that which is not now, but may be. " A feeble ploy on undefined words in order to question the obvious life of the unborn.

The 4th Amendment states in part, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizers, shall not be violated…" It is obvious that "persons" here refers to all living humans whether man woman or child The Court also referred to the fact that the unborn is never defined as a "person, "such as listed in the 4th Amendment and other documents, but wherever it is used, it clearly refers to human life and not just those specifically named as persons.

The Declaration of Independence stated, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness – that to secure these Rights, governments are instituted among men…" All men here obviously means all living humans whether man woman or child.

To compound the series of intentional lies and misrepresentations, the Supreme Court even went so far as to violate the separation of powers clearly listed in the Constitution. Article 1, Section 1, states, "All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives." That leaves no legislative authority to the courts. Yet the Roe v Wade ruling went beyond the extreme in legalizing the killing of an entire class of living humans by stating at what stage of pregnancy a new human life could be destroyed.

That this American holocaust has continued for forty years and over 55 million deaths is a stain on this once Christian nation that can never be removed. But we can end it without further bloodshed. Every law enforcement agency, State attorney general, and County Sheriff can openly and publicly declare the Roe v Wade an illegal ruling and accept the truths in this letter. They can legally close all abortion facilities, claim that abortion is murder since it violates state laws, and from this day forward anyone performing an abortion will be charged with murder. Anyone assisting will be charged as an accessory.

The participants must deny the authority of the local courts until they are assured they will get a fair and honest hearing. This must include assurances that all evidence can be presented. Previous Supreme Court rulings such as those involving "potential life," and other questionable statements can be challenged with facts and common sense. Evidence must be permitted to challenge previous court rulings that denied evidence of life beginning at conception simply because the Supreme Court said they didn't know when life begins. The Constitution is the supreme law of the land and its plain meaning, based on the intentions of the founding fathers and the meanings of

words when it was written cannot be changed by activist judges using emanations, permutations or other attempts to evolve the clear meaning of the constitution. The Constitution can be legally changed, it cannot evolve.

This tangled web of murder and deceit has predominated for over forty years. It is time to end it.

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Why is this Hack Still in Business?

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> *"It's incredulous to see how our government entities pass the buck and allow this 'doctor' to open and operate these clinics. Absolutely incredulous! Class action suit time! Against Brigham and whatever government entity that dropped the ball."*
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> *"I think state agencies were afraid of raising eyebrows about abortion, but they just should have handled it like they do any other field of medicine."*
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> *"Why is this hack still in business? He should be closed down by the state."*

Any guesses on where these quotes came from? A radical anti-abortion zealot? A pro-life politician running for office? A pro-life group's fundraising letter?

A. These quotes are from an **RH Reality Check blog post** – the premier pro-abortion blog. Surprised? I'm not.

This is what The Family Foundation has been saying all along. The outrages committed at the hands of **Dr. Steven Brigham** (owner of many abortion centers including two in Virginia) are hard to ignore – unless you're the mainstream media. No matter what you believe about abortion, brash negligence, willfully breaking the law, numerous life-threatening complications and a woman dying at the hands of a physician because of poor training and atrocious practices is deplorable! Dr. Brigham's license has been revoked in up to 6 states, but he continues to operate in the abortion industry. It begs the question, "How long until the whole world is privy to another Lancaster Avenue house of horrors?"

> The former Board chair of the National Abortion Federation (a pro-abortion regulatory agency) and Physicians for Reproductive Health, Suzanne Poppema, said of Brigham, "We thought that just getting his license revoked would take care of it. But it turns out, it didn't do any good to revoke his license. He just goes to another state, or better yet, he figured out he doesn't need a license to open a clinic."

The story of Dr. Brigham is long and painful. He has no Virginia medical license, yet he owns two Virginia abortion centers (Virginia Health Group in Fairfax and Virginia Women's Wellness in Virginia Beach). Dr. Brigham's track record is so egregious that RH Reality Check compares him directly with the likes of Kermit Gosnell. Even Pennsylvania has banned Dr. Brigham from owning or running abortion centers in their state. Calling him an "imminent danger to the health of the people of New York," New York suspended his license. Maryland (where Brigham did NOT have a license) had to issue a cease and desist order after Brigham severely injured a patient.

And yet, even under our newly-adopted health and safety standards for abortion centers, Virginia continues to let him operate and put women at risk.

Falls Church Healthcare Center, an abortion center which by no means abides by health and safety standards – after all, their inspection found dried blood on equipment among numerous other deficiencies – wrote on their Facebook page:

> "Thank you RH Reality Check for this investigative piece about Steven Brigham and the terrible care he has provided women across 5 states."

If an abortion center like Falls Church Healthcare Center is condemning Steven Brigham, what is holding health officials back from entirely removing Dr. Brigham from the abortion industry – from practicing medicine, from owning abortion centers, from affiliation with any abortion center.

But don't be fooled by this sudden concern the abortion industry seems to have about Dr. Brigham. The fact is that every abortion center in Virginia was found to have multiple health and safety deficiencies in their centers – *every one of them*. The industry obviously wants to try to appear to distance itself from what is becoming a seemingly daily occurrence – the exposing of yet another abortion center or doctor for horrific conditions and treatment of women. But no matter how much money the industry spends on PR, it can't overcome the fact that Dr. Steven Brigham is not the exception, he's the rule.

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The Gosnell Murder Trial and the Conscience of a Nation

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Abortion is simply the issue that will not go away. Despite the desires of many to ignore this very uncomfortable topic the reality of its brutality and injustice are becoming more apparent to the public.

Evidence of this is found in the recent conviction of Mr. Kermit Gosnell (who masquerades as a physician) for the first degree murder of three babies who survived his failed abortion attempts. The gruesome details of Gosnell's abortion clinic, which he operated for years without government inspection, have shocked the conscience of a nation. Even many of those who proclaim to be pro-choice are now openly expressing doubts about the morality of abortion.

The grisly evidence presented at Gosnell's trial included details about babies born alive during the abortion procedure and subsequently killed by the snipping of their spines. Testimony from clinic workers included heartbreaking stories of babies surviving the brutal abortion assault and crying for help only to be viciously killed. Evidence included details of remains of infants aborted (and even tiny severed feet of infants) kept in refrigerators for storage. Gosnell was convicted of the first degree murder of three infants born alive, but the evidence showed that hundreds of such killings had occurred over the years at Gosnell's bloody house of horrors.

Pro-choice proponents of abortion, led by Planned Parenthood, have been quick to claim that Gosnell's practices are the exception and not the rule as to how abortion clinics operate around the nation. However, further evidence coming from around the nation indicates that such claims are not well-founded. Indeed, it is becoming more apparent that Gosnell's operations are the rule for abortion providers — not the exception.

Consider the following:

- In Alabama, an abortion clinic in Birmingham is being investigated for operating without proper licensure — this same clinic was shut down a year ago for failure to follow basic

health and safety regulations.

- The Lt. Governor in Texas is demanding an investigation into an abortionist that may be even worse than Gosnell, according to three of his former employees who have turned whistleblowers on his gruesome operations.
- Maryland officials closed down three abortion clinics recently, two for faulty equipment and poor training to deal with life-threatening complications.
- Illinois state health officials reinvigorated their clinic inspections in the wake of Gosnell, and closed two clinics, including one fined for "failure to perform CPR on a patient who died after a procedure," according to the Associated Press.

And the list goes on and on. The U.S. House of Representatives has now launched a nationwide investigation to determine what actions have been and/or are being taken at the state level to ensure that these types of horrors are not going undetected.

It certainly does appear that there are many more Gosnells operating across the nation, and, of course, the public should express outrage at such atrocities occurring under the ruse of a so-called constitutional right of privacy. However, the deeper question that must be faced by our fellow countrymen is the legitimacy of abortion on demand itself.

We must ask — what moral difference is there between snipping the spine of a baby born alive from a failed abortion procedure and killing her, and snipping the spine of a baby still in the womb and killing her? The first is now recognized as first degree murder. The second is what some refer to as "safe and legal" abortion.

Since 1973 when the U.S. Supreme Court in Roe v. Wade decriminalized the pro-life protective abortion laws of all fifty states there have been 55 million legal abortions. Abortion takes the lives of 1.3 million unborn children a year, 3,000 per day, and one every 25 seconds. Unless she turns away from these acts of brutality America seems to be bent on committing demographic suicide killing millions of its future leaders, citizens and tax-payers.

Abortion is not an issue of liberals versus conservatives; of Democrats versus Republicans; of those of religious faith versus those who do not believe. Neither is it an issue of women's rights. (Consider that at least half of the abortions have killed little girls. What become of the rights of these little women?) Rather, it is an issue of humanity versus barbarianism. It is an issue of right versus wrong. It is an issue of life versus death.

Political ideology should be irrelevant to this great issue of morality that now assaults the conscience of a nation. Clearly, the way America chooses to handle this issue in the next few years will undoubtedly determine the future of the nation.

In other contexts America is indeed a compassionate nation. It is now time for her compassion to be unleashed to provide help and support for those women who without such support will be brutalized by the Gosnells of the nation. Currently, over 3,000 pro-life pregnancy resource centers and medical clinics exist across the nation in every community providing support, medical resources and encouragement to empower mothers considering abortion to choose life.

The lessons of the Gosnell trial are many. However, one lesson appears to be louder and more convicting than the others. It is now time that our leaders — political, civic, religious, corporate, and educational — all come together and support the life-affirming work of those who provide support to mothers in crisis and alternatives to abortion. If they fail to do so then the very soul of America will be lost.

There are alternatives to abortion. There have to be.

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Victory Alert! U.S. House Passes Historic Bill for Life

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Yeas: 228 — One Big Step for Humanity — Nays: 196, Bill Passes: "Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act"

Summary | The House of Representatives on Tuesday passed a landmark "Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" (H.R. 1797) by a vote of 228 to 196 along largely party lines with only six Democrats voting "Yea". The bill, which Cong. Goodlatte and the Judiciary Committee which he chairs approved last week, would ban all abortions after the 20th week of pregnancy when unborn babies are able to experience excruciating pain. Attached below is a slightly edited report from the Family Research Council, followed by a suggestion for action at the bottom.

GOP's Life-Saving Pain Management vs. Democrats' Hypocrisy

It was anything but business as usual on the House floor Tuesday as the two parties bitterly fought over a bill to ban abortion after 20 weeks. Emotions were raw from the opening gavel, when Democrats objected to Rep. Marsha Blackburn (R-TN) managing the debate on a bill that they called "stupid", "offensive", "cowardly," "cruel," "blatantly unconstitutional," "borne of ignorance," and an "insult to the intelligence of women."

(image credit: National Right to Life)

The Left is so fiercely protective of America's culture of killing that it is unwilling, even for a second, to consider the excruciating pain abortion inflicts on these children. "Why are we here," Rep. Hakeem Jeffries argued, "wasting the time and the money of the American people on a futile and extreme legislative joyride?"

"This debate is not some waste of time," Rep. Jeff Fortenberry (R-Neb.) fired back: "This is not some exercise in extremism. The fact that we are having this debate at all demonstrates that our society is actually failing women … there are some lines that we should all agree should be drawn." At the very least, those lines should begin at 20 weeks when scientists agree that children can feel the pain of their dismemberment.

Rep. John Fleming (R-La.), a doctor who's delivered hundreds of babies, couldn't help but point out the Democrats' hypocrisy. "Our friends on the other side of the aisle, when it comes to animals they're all about the humane treatment. … When it comes to the issue of torture or even discomfort for prisoners of war, they're all about supporting that. But what happens… when there's an abortion? What happens is just absolute torture."

And some evidence would suggest that this torture starts much earlier than the five month mark. As part of her remarks, Rep. Blackburn showed slides about the milestones of pain development and explained that even at eight weeks — just two months into their development — babies begin establishing the spinal circuitry for pain.

Unfortunately, that doesn't prick the conscience of most Democrats, including President Obama, whose administration vowed Monday to veto the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act if it ever crossed his desk. Of course, that isn't a surprise given that when then Senator Obama was an Illinois legislator, he was the only one in favor of killing a born-alive abortion survivor. If he isn't worried about a newborn's pain, he certainly wouldn't be worried about a child in the womb.

Rep. Diane Black, a nurse, cut through the Left's nonsense about the GOP's war on women and explained, "There are medical reasons for this . At 21 weeks or more, a woman is 91 times more likely to die from an abortion than she was in the first trimester." Obviously, her comment was directed to the likes of Rep. Slaughter, who accused the pro-life agenda of being "driven by men in blue suits and red ties." When human lives are on the line, should it matter which gender is trying to save them? The American people don't think so, according to a poll showing that 63% of women believe that abortion shouldn't be permitted after the point babies feel pain.

Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-N.C.) closed the debate saying that even the Supreme Court recognizes Congress's right to find ways to protect life. Holding back tears, she said, "May we in humility confront this national sin."

Cong. Goodlatte's Statement on the Vote

"House passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act is a victory for the most innocent and defenseless among us, our children. The blatant disregard for human life put on display by the recent Gosnell trial was extremely disturbing and served as a reminder that the taking of innocent life is a practice all too common in this nation.

"Today the House of Representatives took a stand against such atrocities and passed legislation that protects babies by banning late term abortions. Delivered or not, babies are babies, and it has been shown that they can feel pain at least by 20 weeks. These babies deserve protection."

Suggested Action:

If you have not already done so, please thank Cong. Bob Goodlatte and his committee for leading the charge on this bill. You can do so by e-mail to **bob.goodlatte@mail.house.gov.** In addition, if you would like to receive FRC's daily "Washington Update" on key issues of Life, Faith, Family, and Freedom, go to frc.org to sign up.

Regards,

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Doctor Doesn’t Always Know Best

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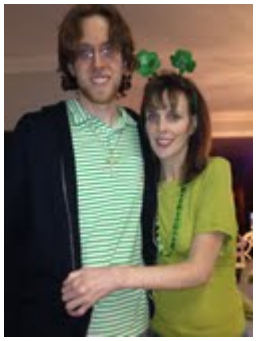
Hello my name is Bryan Patrick Lowry. I am writing this story today because someone very close to me had the courage to stand up for what is right. This person had the courage to trust in God, the God that truly exists, the God who is living and breathing as I write this story and you read it.

This person is my mother. Twenty-two years ago she conceived a child, a child that filled her with joy and excitement, joy and excitement at this precious gift and opportunity to bring life into the world. She embraced this opportunity knowing it could be her one and only. She loved and guarded this child more then she loved herself and the anticipation built every day of being able to welcome him or her into the world. A few months later though her hopes were shattered, she began to bleed and believed she had miscarried the child.

She went to her doctor hoping against hope that there was some way her nightmare was not a reality, but all the doctor could do was confirm that it was. Following this unfortunate news the doctor then advised her that she should receive a DNC to clean out the remains of the child. Though the doctor assured her it was for her own “health” (and sadly truly believed it was) my mother refused, knowing that God created her body to take care of itself. Most would call this decision foolish and irresponsible but it turns out it was the wisest and most responsible decision she has ever made. God was testing her and she was rewarded for her trust in Him.



What no one knew yet was that my mother had been carrying twins. She had indeed miscarried a child but one still remained. If you haven’t guessed already this child was myself and had she trusted the doctor’s advice rather than God I would not be here right now. A short procedure would have been carried out and my mother never would have known about the second child.

We already know the sickening number of intentional abortions that take place in our country and around the world every day, who knows how many of these incidental ones are taking place on top of this number. I am writing you as a living-breathing example of the life that comes from the refusal of abortions and all procedures like them. In the words of my mother if women would "embrace the true power God has given them of bringing life into the world (the greatest power there is) and trust that He has created their bodies for exactly that then the world would be a better place." We need to continue to walk with Christ in this effort and give women the means to understand the unbelievable power that they have and the burning desire to use it.

Christian Biola University threatens Pro-life Student with Arrest and Expulsion

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Biola University, a Christian university in southern California, has threatened a pro-life student with arrest and expulsion for simply showing abortion to her classmates. While a Resident Assistant at Biola, Diana Jimenez counseled multiple students who aborted children while at Biola. When Diana followed the advice of Biola President Barry Corey to "speak truth into us," she was punished for it!

Please watch the video **here (link)** and leave your comments in the comment section. Please let Biola University know of your concern, disappointment, and/or outrage that they would threaten a pro-life student with arrest and expulsion for simply showing a truth that Biola is covering up. Please leave your comments **here**.

Thanks so much for your support of our work. Please pray that God will keep using us to ***win hearts, change minds, and save lives***.

https://youtube.com/watch?v=3tILmCEUzio

Pastor Mosqueda: With all due respect, there isn't the slightest evidence that exposing the horror of abortion "permanently hardens hearts." Only God knows the state of anyone's heart, now or later. Our ministry is prophetic. Our responsibility is to reveal the terrible truth about contemporary child sacrifice – irrespective. The relativistic notion that problems have no solutions, only tradeoffs, is demonstrably false. Don't be binary. The morally correct tradeoffs ARE the solutions.

and other comments are on the YouTube here:

This is Abortion

MAY 28, 2013
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The recent conviction and sentencing of Kermit Gosnell, along with the national attention it ultimately commanded, marks an important chapter in the contentious debate about abortion. Many in the pro-life camp were initially outraged about the media's conspicuous decision to ignore the whole story. But the sad truth is that the silence reveals greater logical consistency than the outrage.

Gosnell's clinic existed to perform the perfectly lawful service of killing human babies inside their mothers' wombs. While that act will always be horrific in the minds of some, to many others it is–though perhaps sad and unfortunate–a necessary reality in a world of "reproductive rights."

If we are honest about it, we must admit that the lawful acts we knew Gosnell to be doing and passively accepted (the same acts that will end the lives of over 3,000 babies in the U.S. today) are only marginally distinct from the unlawful acts that have forever branded Gosnell so deviant as to be practically sub-human.

How arbitrary we are, as a society, in our moral judgments! One physician performs an intentional act that ends the life of a tiny human being, and an army of elite, educated, activists will dedicate their lives to applauding and defending his ability to legally do so. Another physician performs the same act on a tiny human being who has emerged from the woman's womb, and he is roundly deplored as the brutal criminal of the year.

How is it that a matter of spatial inches or relative anatomical positioning could ever be the dividing line between an act that is celebrated as the facilitation of civil rights–the empowerment of women–and an act that is condemned as heinous murder? How is it that if an angry boyfriend kills an unborn child he can be prosecuted for homicide, but if the mother kills the same child, it is a private, protected "choice"?

This is the absurdity of legalized abortion. Where do we go from here?

As a modest starting point, we might seek means of investigating claims that Gosnell's practices were an aberration from the allegedly clean, safe, and dignified business of abortion. Under

present circumstances, it is difficult to do so systematically.

In a recent article that appeared in the *Washington Post*, reporters cited statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to demonstrate the alleged safety of abortion. According to CDC numbers, 10 women died from abortions in 2010, compared with 793 deaths from bicycle accidents.

The comparison is misleading and irresponsible because, in the case of CDC abortion statistics, the numbers that tell the real story are the numbers that aren't there. Even states that require abortion reporting do not require reporting to the CDC. The Alan Guttmacher Institute has estimated that the voluntarily reported information excludes data on as many as 45-50% of annual abortions.

Awareness of this "missing data" problem seems to be growing. For instance, a 2011 *Chicago Tribune* story by Megan Twohey flagged the disparity between the number of Illinois abortion providers that reported required data to state officials (26) and the number of providers actually in business (37). The article also suggested that the state's data failed to account for as many as 17,000 abortions annually.

Rather than burying deadly realities in spurious statistics, let's have the intellectual honesty to admit that abortion politics have paved the way for a new kind of "back alley." Let's take what we have learned from the Gosnell tragedy and insist, at the very least, upon meaningful oversight of businesses built upon human demolition.

But let's not stop there. Let's be "enlightened" enough to admit that we are hypocrites when we accept legalized abortion as a paragon of civil rights but we cringe in horror at the mention of snipped baby spinal cords. We have strained out a gnat and swallowed a camel.

Yes, our judiciary has hijacked our ability to maintain morally consistent, life-honoring laws. But we, the people, must never rest in our efforts to reassert our authority and restore our collective integrity.

Rita Dunaway, Virginia Christian Alliance Vice President for Public Policy, also writes on her blog **Fundamental Things**.

The Untold Story of House Bill 1 – The Unalienable Right to Life Act

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Upon eagerly opening The Family Foundation's latest "Report Card," I was surprised to find no record of the votes on Delegate Bob Marshall's House Bill 1, which figured so prominently into the highly-publicized weeping and gnashing of teeth by Virginia abortion lobbyists in 2012. This legislation would clarify that, for purposes of construing Virginia law, every human being is considered a person with fundamental rights, from the time of conception until natural death.

One of the practical effects of the legislation would have been the automatic creation of a civil cause of action for the wrongful death of an unborn child—allowing either parent of an unborn baby to bring a lawsuit against a person whose wrongful act killed the baby. While this was important, and a laudable pro-life goal in and of itself, the implications and effects of House Bill 1 are much broader, deeper, and more significant.

The goal with HB1 was never limited to the creation of a lawsuit, but was more fundamental: the recognition of the *humanity* of pre-born babies for all legal purposes. Such recognition makes a loud, clear pro-life statement, of course. The statement is that abortion is the killing of a human baby—the killing of a person endowed with inalienable rights rather than the dignified disposal of impersonal, meaningless "products of conception."

But there is more to HB1 than even that bold proclamation of truth. By acting on the Commonwealth's prerogative to decide for itself which "persons" are possessed of fundamental rights under the Virginia Constitution and Code, the legislature can significantly impact judicial decisions on legal challenges to future pro-life legislation. In essence, while HB1 does nothing to directly erode the "reproductive rights" created by the United States Supreme Court, it would introduce a new category of "rights" to be considered by the courts: the bundle of fundamental rights the bill explicitly acknowledges as belonging to every human being from conception until natural death.

I don't know why HB1 wasn't mentioned in the Report Card. Maybe it was because the story was too big to be reduced to a few lines of print and evaluated with simple plus and minus symbols. Maybe it was because The Family Foundation was content that a separate bill, Senate Bill 674, created the wrongful death cause of action that would also have resulted from passage of HB1–even though it omitted that critical recognition of the humanity and basic rights of the unborn child. I don't know the reason, but here is the untold story:

HB1 passed the House of Delegates easily, for the second consecutive year. Then it headed to the Senate to be heard by the highly unpredictable Education and Health Committee. When we arrived at the Committee room at around 7:30 a.m., lines were already forming. It was Planned Parenthood's Lobby Day, and abortion activists turned out in droves.

Our hopes were not particularly high that HB1 would survive this Committee. In fact, we were convinced that it would be quite the miracle for that to happen after The Family Foundation had given its support to SB674, which many viewed (incorrectly) as an acceptable alternative.

The hearing was long and heated. The spiritual battle in that room was almost palpable. A number of times, opponents of the bill (who, again, packed the sizeable room) were threatened with removal for their inappropriate comments and interruptions. At one point, someone was removed.

But when the vote was taken, it was 8-7 to report the bill to the full Senate (a win!). That was incredible!

In the lobby, opponents chanted and waved their arms menacingly. At one point, one woman took a swing at Delegate Marshall and had to be restrained by the police. I was verbally accosted by two different women, separately. After several minutes, police gave the order to "clear the lobby." Opponents proceeded outside, where they lined the street with their signs, chanting, "My body–my choice!"

Just a few hours later, in a rare procedural move, the Senate leadership had expedited the bill to the Senate floor (where it was not expected until Monday). Senator Dick Saslaw, a Democrat from the Education and Health Committee, moved to send the bill BACK to the same Committee that had just passed it, for reconsideration in 2013. His motion was seconded by the Republican Majority Leader, Senator Tommy Norment.

Senator Mark Obenshain courageously spoke against the motion and insisted that a recorded vote be taken on it. However, five Republicans voted with the Democrats to send the bill back to Committee. These five were Tommy Norment, Frank Ruff, Frank Wagner, John Watkins and Harry Blevins, who had voted to report the bill from Committee only hours before! (Ponder the motivations of these five. Are they not pro-life? Do they believe life begins sometime after conception?)

This effectively killed the bill for the year. While Senator Steve Martin could have convened a special session of the Committee last fall to revive the bill, he declined to do so.

The rest of the story remains to be written.

The pro-life community should thank Delegate Marshall for doing the hard, unpopular work of carrying strong, meaningful legislation that holds real potential to change the game in abortion law. I am unspeakably sad about the fact that his valiant efforts appear to have been ignored by those who should be providing the strongest support.

We should also thank Senator Mark Obenshain for taking a courageous stand on the Senate floor, resisting the efforts of some politicians (including Republican leaders) to pervert the normal legislative process by avoiding a full, recorded floor vote on the legislation itself.

These legislators deserve to have this story told.

I am hopeful that all those who care deeply about the sanctity of human life will coalesce around the few champions we have in the General Assembly, and that House Bill 1–broadly recognizing the unique, inherent value of every human life–will yet become the law of Virginia.

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Ending The Unhip Injustice

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The past few days, social media has (rightfully) been outraged by the failure of our culture's major media outlets to report on the horrific trial of Dr. Kermit Gosnell. I agree. It certainly does reveal that contemporary media is compelled by opinions and agendas. Surprised? You shouldn't be.

The vastly more important question we should be wrestling with is this: Are we really asking media outlets of our world to fulfill the risky, arduous, cross bearing, obligations of biblical justice? The responsibility to shed light and bring an end to this evil in our land does not belong to NBC, CBS, and ABC. It belongs to me, and it belongs to you, Christian.

I am continually amazed by the vibrant zeal for justice that has captured the rising generation of Christians. Something special is stirring within this group, and I can't wait to see where it will take Christ's Church in the coming decades. I am well aware of the critiques, and I'm sure I have offered them myself. Concern for justice has been reduced down to changing your Facebook moniker, sharing youtube videos, and re-tweeting pithy quotes. I get the failures. But at the same time I do believe all these tweets are symptomatic of a restless passion to see a better world. Perhaps it's reactionary, perhaps it's being taken too far, but the exclusively vertical Christianity that has marked the evangelical Church for a while now is being reoriented to consider again the horizontal implications of our gospel.

Simply walking an aisle, saying a prayer, and embarking on a personal relationship with Jesus, is now being recognized for what it is—a woefully shallow view of what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Youthful Christians are just not impressed by their parent's Bible studies; they actually want to do something for Jesus, particularly in a cool urban setting (I couldn't resist). They have reminded the Church again that our Lord has inextricably bound together love of God and love of neighbor. And we have much to learn from them.

A recent example of this zeal was a conference held in Atlanta, aptly named Passion (pictured above). At this conference, 60,000 college students gathered together to worship God and lament over the injustice of human trafficking. They raised three million dollars at this conference, and even more importantly unleashed the "End It" movement that is truly making a difference. Happenings like this are amazing and should be celebrated!

But here is my subtle challenge in the form of a question…where is the concern over injustices that aren't cool to be concerned with?

I'm so thankful for the outcry against racism, slavery, orphans, and poverty—these are real problems that God deeply cares about, and it's glorious to see young Christians rise up against them. But it's also really hip to stand against these things. You know what's not hip to stand against?

Abortion.

Being passionately opposed to abortion can at times have the feel of angry, old, fundamentalism, and the hipster Christian fears nothing more than that label. On MLK day, social media was in a frenzy of excitement about racial equality—as it should be! And then immediately following was the 40th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, and the outcry was glaringly more silent. I hate to use my twitter feed as a barometer of cultural trends, but I wonder if this has anything to do with the fact that it's very cool to tweet against racism and controversially uncool to tweet against abortion.

Biblical justice bears with it a cost—a social cost. Not just time, money, and effort, but reputation, status, and esteem. The MLK led civil right's movement was so powerful because it was so unpopular. Wilberforce is a hero of justice because slavery was culturally acceptable when he stood against it. No champion of justice is ever cool when they are alive; they become cool long after they're dead.

Things like racism and human trafficking are certainly still gross evils that should be a deep concern of God's people. But outside of crazy people on the fringes of society, does anyone in our culture actually support institutionalized racism and slavery? The question of biblical justice forces the Christian into those cultural areas of deep divide.

Where is the hidden darkness of society? Where is the wretched evil that the world around us has the audacity to call good? Where is it that God's people, underneath the weight of social pressure, will be tempted to cower, turn a blind eye, and protect their esteem? Where is it that you have to believe the gospel in order to have the courage to stand? It is there where the fight for justice is found.

Studies show that the word "abortion" is the second most controversial word in our culture right now. If you talk about it, you will not be relevant and cool. If you protest it, you will be maligned.

If you creatively strategize and channel that youthful zeal to actually bring an end to it, you will be persecuted. So be it. These are the costs of justice.

Abortion is evil, and it has to be stopped. But it won't be easy. The silence of the media has revealed what we already know. This injustice has the unwavering support of the current cultural narrative and likewise the support of bedrock institutions infused with that same narrative. It seems impossible to overcome.

But I truly do believe that the rising generation of Christians could be God's answer. All that creativity, passion, and perhaps even naïve idealism, if channeled rightly, could be the answer to so many prayers for this atrocity to finally come to an end. So my challenge and plea to this zealous young generation of Christians is for you to lead us in this. Lead and the Church will follow.

It won't be cool, but it will be just.

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VCA Pushes for Common Sense Abortion Clinic Safety Standards

APRIL 12, 2013
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Rita Dunaway, Virginia Christian Alliance Vice President for Public Policy, writes to the Virginia State Health Commission to encourage the Board to adopt Regulations that require design and commonsense safety and sanitary procedures for abortion clinics.

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VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE

"Defending America's Christian Heritage"

April 11, 2013 **Via Electronic Mail to healthcommissioner@vdh.virginia.gov**

Dr. Cynthia Romero, State Health Commissioner
Virginia Department of Health
P.O. Box 2448
Richmond, VA 23218-2448

Re: *Abortion Clinic Regulations*

Dear Dr. Romero and Members of the Board:

I am writing to express the support of Virginia Christian Alliance (VCA) for the abortion clinic safety regulations that the Board is currently considering. VCA is a non-profit organization which seeks to impact Virginia through well-reasoned, respectful advocacy and education on public policy issues and by challenging Christians to engage the culture and serve their communities.

We are aware that opponents of these regulations have made emotional pleas to the Board to reject the regulations because their passage could cause some existing facilities to close their doors. This is an argument which would never even be raised but for the political, moral, and legal controversy surrounding the issue of abortion. A Board whose focus is public health and safety would never accept, for instance, that a hospital should be exempt from infection control standards because it has an infection control problem and therefore must invest in improvements in order to meet the standards. Rather, if the standards themselves are reasonable and appropriate, we would consider the request for exemption on this basis to actually *reinforce* the need for implementation of the standards. In short, health and safety regulations should be no less stringent than reasonably necessary simply because abortion is a sensitive issue and some abortion providers will be impacted financially.

It is telling that national standards promulgated by groups such as the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the National Abortion Federation, and Planned Parenthood already include standards for the design and construction of abortion clinics, including requirements that examining rooms contain sterilization facilities; alarm systems be in place; procedure rooms be large enough to accommodate a stretcher or gurney; post-procedure recovery rooms and dressing rooms be available; operating tables be located in rooms of adequate dimensions, illumination, and ventilation; procedure rooms have doors wide enough to accommodate a stretcher or wheelchair, etc. Many of the proposed construction standards simply address these same concerns. If it is the case that any existing facilities in Virginia have failed to comply with the standards imposed by these non-partisan professional associations, then both the Board and the public ought to be gravely concerned about the safety of current facilities. This would be even more reason for the Board to require swift compliance with the regulations.

While there is no logical reason to be lenient in regulating abortion facilities' safety simply because of the controversy surrounding the procedure, the Supreme Court and lower federal courts have found that the peculiar nature of abortion justifies standards that are more stringent than those imposed on other medical facilities. The Supreme Court has noted that "abortions are inherently different from other medical procedures…"[2] This is why federal courts have repeatedly affirmed that states have a legitimate interest in regulating abortion clinics more stringently than other medical facilities. Abortion is different, the Supreme Court has found, "because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life."[3]

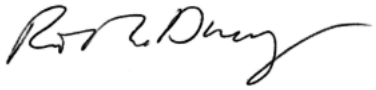
Moreover, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, whose decisions are binding on all federal courts in Virginia, has specifically upheld a set of South Carolina regulations that required existing abortion clinics to come into compliance with construction standards within two years of licensure.[4] In doing so, the Fourth Circuit pointed out that the Supreme Court has decided, in other contexts, that abortion providers may be treated differently from providers of other healthcare services because, again, abortion is *inherently* different. For instance, the Supreme Court has allowed states to impose distinct record-keeping and informed consent

requirements on abortion providers that significantly differ from those imposed on providers of arguably comparable healthcare services.[5]

Finally, it is important to bear in mind that the enabling statutes mandating the Board to regulate clinics specifically allow the Board to classify hospitals by type of service and to create licensure requirements on that basis.[6] The Code thus clearly contemplates a system whereby the regulations applicable to different facilities may be different.

The law leaves no doubt that the Board has the authority to require existing abortion clinics to comply with minimum construction standards. Therefore, on behalf of VCA, I ask that you make your decision tomorrow on the basis of the important public health and safety interests at stake rather than the impassioned pleas or threats of lawsuits by those who benefit financially from lenient regulations that may endanger women's health and safety.

Sincerely yours,



Rita M. Dunaway, Esq.

Vice President for Public Policy

cc: Governor Bob McDonnell

Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli

See, e.g., Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey, 505 U.S. 833, 878 (1992) ("As with any medical procedure, the State may enact regulations to further the health or safety of a woman seeking an abortion."); *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113, 150 (1973) (recognizing legitimate state interest in seeing that abortion is performed under circumstances that maximize patient safety); *Greenville Women's Clinic v. Bryant*, 222 F.3d 157 (4th Cir. 2000) (reversing lower court's holding that clinic safety regulations were unconstitutional), *cert. denied* 531 U.S. 1131 (2001).

222 F.3d at 168.

[2] *Harris v. McRae*, 448 U.S. 297, 325 (1980).

[3] *Id.*

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[5] *Id.* (*quoting Planned Parenthood of Central Missouri v. Danforth*, 428 U.S. 52, 80-81 (1976)).

[6] Va. Code § 31.1-127(B)(3).

Physician-assisted Suicide: The Wrong Approach to End of Life Care

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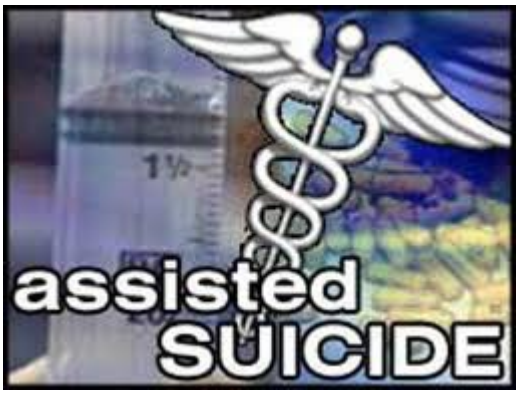
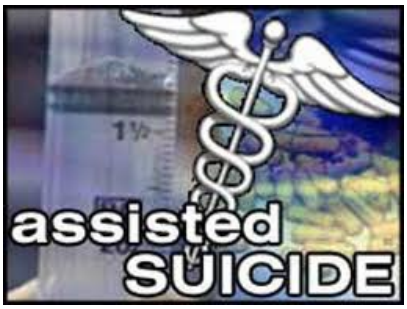


The nation's largest and most influential medical organizations, the American Medical Association and the American College of Physicians, as well as many smaller physicians' groups, are on record as opposing physician-assisted suicide. Yet, despite the strong and widespread opposition of the medical community, last year physicians in Oregon wrote prescriptions to help kill 38 of their patients kill themselves.



The 38 deaths represent a disturbing reversal in the decline in physician-assisted suicides in Oregon seen in the prior year: from 27 in 2000 to 21 in 2001. One must ask how Oregon came to accept a practice so strongly opposed by organized medicine.

The answer is in large part due to clever media campaigns waged by advocates of physician-assisted suicide, and the willingness of these groups to distort medical facts and disseminate myths with the help of an uninformed or biased media. In today's society, image and public perception are often more persuasive than facts and logic. Advocates of physician-assisted suicide try to obscure its real nature by avoiding references to euthanasia and homicide. Suicide is not advocated, except where it is cloaked as a medical procedure with the qualifier "physician-assisted." Yet, the arguments supporting physician-assisted suicide apply equally to suicide without a physician's assistance, as well as to euthanasia and homicide. Adding the term "physician-assisted" makes it no less suicide, and no less murder — although admittedly it sounds more benign.

The confusion engendered by the lack of clear and accurate media reporting is not the only reason, of course. Many today measure the value of life in strictly utilitarian terms. Seeing diminished value in lives that are no longer robust, they conclude that physician-assisted suicide is a rational choice.

The goal of this article is to provide information on physician-assisted suicide drawn from clinical and public policy experience. Arguments on both sides of the public debate are presented, and it will be shown that as a matter of morality, medicine and public policy, physician-assisted suicide is the wrong approach to end of life care. Current public policy efforts to improve the care given to terminally ill patients will also be examined.

What is physician-assisted suicide?

Physician-assisted suicide occurs when a physician facilitates a patient's death by providing the necessary means and information to enable the patient to perform a life-ending act — for example the physician provides a potentially lethal medication and information about the lethal dose and how to administer it, aware that the patient may commit suicide. Most laws against physician-assisted suicide require evidence that the physician intervened to assist suicide. Under Maryland's law for example, physicians who provide medication to relieve pain are not prosecuted even if the dosage could increase the risk of death — unless they acted with an intent to assist a suicide. Physician-assisted suicide is distinct from active euthanasia where the physician himself directly acts to cause death — but the intent of helping to cause that death is the same.

How do states other than Oregon treat physician-assisted suicide?

Oregon stands as an anomaly. Physician-assisted suicide is a crime in forty-five states, by statute in 39 states and by common law in the remaining six. Hawaii, Nevada, Utah, and Wyoming have no controlling law on physician-assisted suicide.

In addition to Oregon, four states — Michigan, Washington, California, and Maine — have put the issue of physician-assisted suicide to a referendum. In all but Oregon, the practice was rejected by voters. In the Spring of 2002, an effort to authorize the practice in Hawaii was defeated.

Arguments favoring physician-assisted suicide

The arguments for physician-assisted suicide are generally similar to those supporting euthanasia. Most commonly it is argued that death offers the only means of attaining comfort or dignity for patients in extreme duress, such as those suffering from a terminal, painful, debilitating illness. Advocates of euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide buttress this argument with data showing that inadequate pain control is given to patients who are dying with painful conditions. The assistance of a physician is supposed to provide expertise to increase the likelihood of a successful suicide attempt and make the act "cleaner" — both literally and politically.

Arguments concerning loss of autonomy and impaired quality of life are also offered to justify physician-assisted suicide. Advocates of assisted suicide add that systemic changes to medical

care, such as improved palliative care, won't benefit the individual currently dying in discomfort. They argue from the premise that immediate death is preferable to suffering with pain or "lack of dignity" in the last days, weeks or months of life.

Another argument in favor of assisted suicide is the prevention of "botched" suicide. Most terminally ill patients who wish to commit suicide want it accomplished by medical means, nonviolently — suicide by self-administered drugs is not always easy to accomplish. Failed attempts can cause greater trauma for the patient and caregivers than the natural course of the disease itself. In such circumstances, patients may beg caregivers to complete their failed attempt to die. This scenario is meant to bolster the argument for physician-assisted suicide, on the theory that such assistance prevents a greater harm than it causes.

Reasons to oppose physician-assisted suicide

Catholic teaching condemns physician-assisted suicide because it, like murder, involves taking an innocent human life:

> *Suicide is always as morally objectionable as murder. The Church's tradition has always rejected it as a gravely evil choice: To concur with the intention of another person to commit suicide and to help in carrying it out through so-called "assisted suicide" means to cooperate in, and at times to be the actual perpetrator of, an injustice which can never be excused, even if it is requested. In a remarkably relevant passage Saint Augustine writes that "it is never licit to kill another: even if he should wish it, indeed if he request it because, hanging between life and death, he begs for help in freeing the soul struggling against the bonds of the body and longing to be released; nor is it licit even when a sick person is no longer able to live"* (*The Gospel of Life*, no. 66).

Policy makers and the public are not always receptive to appeals to Catholic moral teaching. Fortunately, well-established principles of medicine and bioethics provide sound and abundant grounds for opposing physician-assisted suicide.

In fact, the chief argument — that assisted suicide is needed to avoid the excruciating pain and suffering that may accompany a terminal illness — is based on a fallacy. Advances in pain management now make it possible to control pain effectively in dying patients; only rarely is it necessary to induce sleep to relieve pain or distress in the final stage of dying. But it is true that many physicians don't provide adequate pain relief. It is also true that changes in health care are required to better train and prepare physicians for pain control, and to better understand and provide end of life care. However, health care providers who specialize in pain relief and those involved with hospice are much more knowledgeable than the average physician about providing

comfort and dignity at the end of life. In 2002 the American Geriatrics Society released guidelines emphasizing the availability of treatment for pain in older adults.

Although untreated pain is an argument that sways many in the general public to support physician-assisted suicide, it is not among the top reasons why patients request it, as Lois Snyder, Esq., Director of the Center for Ethics and Professionalism for the American College of Physicians, has noted:

> The more compelling arguments for physician-assisted suicide — about avoiding great pain and suffering — do not seem to be motivating requests for physician-assisted suicide in Oregon. Based on current evidence, people seeking physician-assisted suicide there are more often concerned about loss of autonomy and control. We question whether it is medicine's role to give patients control over the timing and manner of death.

This finding is supported by a report from the Oregon Health Division's *Fifth Annual Report on Oregon's Death with Dignity Act*, indicating that the dominant reasons for requesting physician-assisted suicide were loss of autonomy (84%), decreasing ability to participate in activities that make life enjoyable (84%), and losing control of bodily functions (47%).

Federal Law

The federal government has also tried to address this issue. The Pain Relief Promotion Act passed the House of Representatives in 2000, but was not brought to a vote in the Senate. The bill promoted pain management and palliative care through the education and training of health care providers. It also banned dispensing federally-controlled drugs with the intent to assist in a patient's suicide. It provided a safe haven for physicians who dispense pain control medications in accordance with the federal Controlled Substance Act.

Paradoxically, some physicians and even some health-related organizations opposed the legislation, despite its specific language protecting providers who prescribe medications for pain relief. The strategy for convincing legislators that a bill promoting pain relief would actually do the opposite and impede pain relief is laid out in some detail in a book entitled Handbook of Pain Relief in Older Adults, to be released by Humana Press later this year. Advocates of physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia knew that support for their agenda was thin, both in the medical community and in the general public. Seniors, a rapidly growing political force, are particularly leery of measures that may appear to be incremental steps toward arbitrarily limiting life. There is, of course, overwhelming support for providing pain relief for those who are suffering. Therefore opposition to the legislation, could not be based on opposition to pain control or support for

assisted suicide, instead, doubts had to be raised about the effectiveness of the bill in advancing pain control.

Opponents therefore broadcast their "fears" that physicians would misunderstand the bill, that this would have a "chilling effect" on physicians prescribing medication for pain, and, thus, that pain relief efforts would be impeded. Ultimately the strategy was effective and even persuaded some well-recognized experts in palliative care to oppose the Pain Relief Promotion Act.

When a bill bans physician-assisted suicide but affirms and protects physicians using controlled drugs for pain management, does that have a chilling effect on patient care? Experience with state legislation shows the opposite is true. Maryland, for example, banned physician-assisted suicide in 1999. Now that the law has been in effect for a few years it is clear that such legislation has not had a "chilling effect" on pharmaceutical prescribing. To the contrary, Drug Enforcement Administration records from 1992-2000 show that in Maryland, as in every state that passed a similar law in that time period, there has been an increase in the per capita use of opioids, like morphine, used for pain control (see figure 1). When physicians attending lectures I've given on pain management throughout the country learn about these protections for prescribers, they react with a mixture of relief and elation that such legislation exists.

Opponents of a ban on physician-assisted suicide continue to raise the issue of its supposed "chilling effect" on pain management, but they carefully avoid reference to the accumulating evidence against this argument in state after state. Their other arguments — for example, that physicians fear government intervention and oversight, or that assisted suicide is a "states' rights" issue — are specious. The real agenda of many groups organized against bans on physician-assisted suicide is to promote legalized euthanasia. They fear that banning assisted suicide will hurt their cause, whereas allowing it will be an incremental step toward their goal of permitting active euthanasia.

The Federal Courts

In 1997, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that state laws that criminalize physician-assisted suicide are not unconstitutional. That ruling did not make physician-assisted suicide a crime. It simply declared that criminalizing physician-assisted suicide is a matter that each state may decide for itself.

But the court will likely consider the issue again. In November 2001, U. S. Attorney General John Ashcroft issued a directive entitled "Dispensing of Controlled Substances to Assist Suicide" (the "Ashcroft Directive"). The directive concludes that assisted suicide is not "a legitimate medical purpose" for drugs controlled by the federal government under the Controlled Substances Act. Under the directive, doctors who use these drugs to assist suicide are subject to having their federal narcotics prescribing licenses suspended or revoked.

Opponents of the directive have again raised the unfounded fear of a “chilling effect” on pain relief. They claim the directive will undo years of work spent in overcoming apprehension about addiction and securing adequate pain relief for patients. In April 2002, U.S. District Judge Robert Jones permanently restrained the Ashcroft Directive, stating that the U.S. Attorney General had “overstepped the authority of the federal Controlled Substances Act when he declared that physician-assisted suicide was not a ‘legitimate medical purpose.'” The Attorney General has appealed Judge Jones’ decision and the case is pending before the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals as of this writing.

The role of physicians

The nation’s largest medical specialty organization and second-largest physician group, the American College of Physicians, has officially announced its opposition to physician-assisted suicide as a matter of principle. It has also expressed concerns about effectively regulating the practice and protecting vulnerable populations, as well as the potential for abuse. The College continues to be concerned about research showing that physicians and other clinicians are often not well trained in end of life care. If physician-assisted suicide were to be accepted as standard practice, the College believes it would undermine the physician-patient relationship as well as improvements in end of life care.

The nation’s largest medical group, the American Medical Association (AMA), has taken a similar stance, stating that allowing physicians to participate in assisted suicide would cause more harm than good. The AMA maintains that physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would pose serious societal risks. The American Medical Association’s 156-year-old *Code of Medical Ethics* prohibits physician-assisted suicide in the same strong language it uses to prohibit physician involvement in euthanasia.

Legalizing physician-assisted suicide would bring subtle and not-so-subtle pressure to bear on terminally ill patients who fear their illness is physically, emotionally, or financially burdensome to families or caretakers. The legal option to commit suicide with a physician’s help would be perceived as an obligation by many terminally ill patients concerned about being a burden to loved ones — patients who might not otherwise have considered suicide at all.

Instead of participating in assisted suicide, physicians should respond aggressively to the needs of patients at the end of life. The American Medical Association affirms that patients should not be abandoned simply because a cure may be impossible, as now happens too often. Multidisciplinary interventions should be sought, including specialty consultation, hospice care, spiritual support, family counseling and other assistance. Patients near the end of life deserve to receive emotional support, comfort care, adequate pain control, respect for patient autonomy, and good communication.

For physicians, the issue transcends state legislation. Doctors must not be forced to participate in physician-assisted suicide, abortion, capital punishment or other practices that run counter to professional ethics or personal beliefs. And physician-assisted suicide raises other medical dilemmas as well. My own research and many other studies demonstrate that accurate diagnosis and prognosis cannot always be assured. For some patients who died from physician-assisted suicide, subsequent autopsies revealed that they did not have a terminal illness! The impact such an error has on survivors (not to mention the patient) can only be imagined.

Distinguishing between actively ending a life and allowing the natural progression of events is an integral part of discussions of physician-assisted suicide. Honoring a person's wishes regarding burdensome interventions, such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or ventilatory support neither hastens death nor prolongs life. In such situations, the public often has a misconception of the impact of some medical interventions. Our inability to extend life or even to predict our ability to do so is far different from the impression one might get from watching prime-time television. Oftentimes medical interventions may actually cause more suffering and even unintentionally hasten death. Reviews of the evidence on the use of feeding tubes and CPR in frail older adults have made this abundantly clear. What is important in providing care at the end of life is that physicians maintain the patient-physician relationship no matter what course the patient finally chooses, short of participating in suicide. Withdrawing or withholding treatments, e.g. respirators, CPR, and even hydration or nutrition at the request of a terminally ill patient or the patient's surrogate can be consistent with professional principles and are supported by the American Medical Association's *Code of Medical Ethics*.

There is, of course, a final reason to advocate for physician-assisted suicide. It is cheaper to kill a person than to provide care. Yet a physician's first obligation is to "Do No Harm." Until that is replaced with "Save more money," it will be difficult to support physician-assisted suicide.

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Stunning Research Reveals which is more Dangerous: Abortion or Childbirth

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Pro-abortion activists fight for abortion-on-demand throughout pregnancy for any reason—no exceptions. Their fundamental argument centers on women's health. But stunning new research shows this concern is all smoke and mirrors. Pro-abortion activists have long tried to claim abortion is safer than childbirth.

For years they've touted manipulated numbers trying in vain to bolster this myth. We've always known those statistics were bogus, but now a study by Dr. Priscilla Coleman and Dr. David Reardon released this month reveals abortion is much more dangerous to women than giving birth. And the results are sadly even more devastating to women's health than even I had anticipated.

First, let me vouch for the authors of this research. I know them both to be solid individuals with a reputation for thoroughness. Last year I met Dr. Coleman in Santiago, Chile where we lectured at the main university. Coincidentally, we'll again share an academic podium in Quito, Ecuador in less than two weeks.

Second, let me explain why this study is so important. It's compelling because of its unmatched scope:

- The study includes a large number of women—nearly one-half-million—experiencing first-time pregnancies.
- The medical records are profoundly reliable because the data was compiled from Danish government sources including fertility records of births and stillbirths, the national abortion registry and cause of death registry.
- The study covers an extensive ten-year time period, providing comprehensive long-term data.
- It analyzes both early and late-term abortion compared to childbirth.

In other words, this isn't a biased study with a relatively small sample size produced to cater to pro-abortion activists—or any side for that matter. This research was conducted at the national level, over the course of a decade, providing substantial credibility, a comprehensive level of detail, as well as earning publication in respected medical journals. The reliability has been substantiated, which is why the results are even more troubling.

When it comes to which is safer—abortion or childbirth—the results speak loudly and clearly:

- During the first six months after an early abortion (12 weeks or less), **a woman has double the risk of death compared to giving birth.**
- During the first year following a late abortion (after 12 weeks) **a woman has over three times the risk of death compared to giving birth.**

Here's a link to the entire study if you'd like to read it:
http://www.lifeissues.org/breakingnews/2012/danish_medical_study_9_12.pdf

Pro-abortion activists prey on the fear of Americans by perpetuating the myth that if *Roe v. Wade* is reversed, women will suffer horrific back-alley abortions and tragic deaths. The reality is that under *legalized* abortion, women are being killed on a much larger scale. Just this week, we heard the news that **Planned Parenthood is responsible for 24-year-old Tonya Reaves' death following a botched abortion** . Reports show that a devastating five-and-a-half hours passed between the time of her abortion and her transport to a local hospital. There's no record that a 911 call was placed by Planned Parenthood. The autopsy report indicates that her injuries were survivable if she had received proper emergency care in a timely manner. The only difference between her death and a back-alley abortion death is that Ms. Reaves' abortion was sanctioned by the US Supreme Court, giving her a false sense of security that the procedure was safe. Now Tonya's one-year-old son will grow up without a mother.

Planned Parenthood and other abortion facilities continue to lure young women under the false premise that they perform "women's health services." In fact, they are an industry of death—killing unborn babies and exposing their mothers to a staggering increased risk of death. Let's not let this grave injustice continue. **Share this** with those you know and take a stand. You now have compelling proof that abortion is not safer than childbirth. Help us warn unsuspecting women.

Protecting the lives of mothers and babies,

Bradley Mattes
Executive Director
Life Issues Institute

The Miracle of Birth

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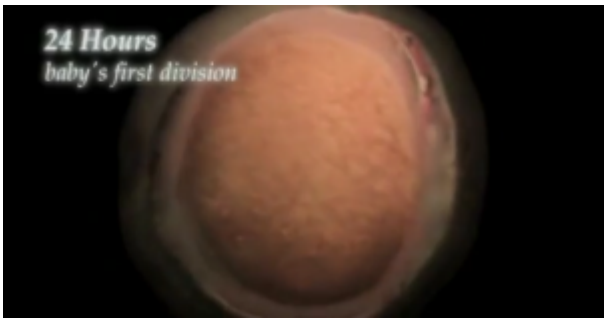
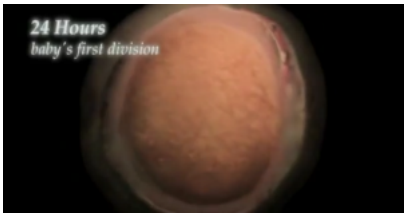


One thing I really enjoy about searching on the web are those wonderful things you come across that just blows you away causing you to praise God for the wonders of His handiwork.

H/T Live Action Alexander Tsiaras has made a career of using advances in visualization technology to offer vivid tours of the human body. His books have taken readers inside the human heart, the kidneys and vascular system, and also human reproduction. Back in 2002, Tsiaras published ***From Conception to Birth: A Life Unfolds***, a book that offers a "visual diary of fetal development." Now, nearly a decade later, he brings that visual diary to video at a conference affiliated with TED.



What's more amazing is how he describes what he's *learned* from doing these complex visualizations. Twice he talks about the "divinity" of the process of human development, and about how, even as a mathematician, the extraordinary complexity of human development is many orders of magnitude more than he can comprehend. The video is amazing and is certainly worth sharing with friends and on Facebook/Twitter. Below the video are related links and wonders.

Conception to birth -- visualized | Alexander Tsiaras
TED

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Anatomical Travelogue uses pioneering visualization technology to create awe-inspiring images from deep inside the human body.

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Virginia Stands for Life 2013 Recap

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Virginia Stands for Life 2013, a joint effort of the **Virginia Catholic Conference,** and the Family Foundation and numerous pro-life organizations, including the Virginia Christian Alliance.The event attracted hundreds of women and men from around Virginia who came to defend life from conception to natural death, and to thank legislators who supported pro-life legislation in last year's General Assembly.

The event was held on Wednesday, January 9th, 2013 and began with the Commonwealth Prayer breakfast followed by the Prayer Walk around the Capitol, and finished with the rally at the Capitol Bell Tower.

Some of the speakers included

Ryan Bomberger – **TooManyAborted.com** Olivia Gans Turner – **Virginia Society for Human Life**, National Director of American Victims of Abortion
Burke Balch, JD – Director of the Robert Powell Center for Medical Ethics
Ryan Bomberger, chief creative officer of **The Radiance Foundation**, and
Victoria Cobb, president of **The Family Foundation**.

Virginia Stands For Life - Prayer Walk a
David Alan Carmichael

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Special thanks to David Alan Carmichael of **Freedom Ministries** for the video.

BEATLEY: Newtown Tragedy Reminds Us Life Is Precious

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The murder of innocent children in Newtown, Conn., reminds us of how precious human life is. The late **Dr. Bernard Nathanson**, the abortionist and 1969 founder of the **National Abortion Rights Action League**, knew all about the sanctity of human life, and about death. In fact, he felt personally responsible for the deaths of 75,000 children. On a cold day in December 2009, I listened as he pondered the love, anticipation, joy and hope of the **Christmas** season.

Jesus won the heart of this old doctor who had been a staunch activist for abortion in America. Contrasting his life lessons to what Jesus teaches us is appropriate for such a time as this, with the loss of children at **Sandy Hook Elementary School**, the celebration of the birth of Christ and the **new year** now upon us.

Nathanson wanted the message of Christ's love to resonate across America: "Love one another; abortion is not love. Stop the killing." In fact, he was "all about love" and believed that if America could realize how he had deceived her with his pro-abortion propaganda during the 1970s, the country could return to respecting the gift of life.

Of course, a change in our nation's conscience will not start in the political realm because politics only reflect the culture. **Nathanson** had already methodically worked to change our culture. Later in his life, he hoped that Christ's love would serve as the catalyst for an American revival.

Nathanson, himself a former abortionist, agreed with Mother Teresa that the "greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child." America cannot have it both ways. Killing is not loving or peaceful. Preserving someone's life is an act of love and restores the peace.

This is why we celebrate heroes, like the teachers in Connecticut, who saved the lives of their students. They recognized life is valuable. Mother **Teresa**, always profoundly logical, once said, "If

we accept that the mother can kill her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?" What have we been teaching our children since Roe v. Wade?

Nathanson believed that the images provided by the post-Roe v. Wade ultrasound technology offered a window on the womb and a new source of joy. This is the feeling parents experience when viewing their child for the first time, leaping, yawning or stretching. These clear images drastically altered **Nathanson**'s thinking. As he grew in his appreciation for life, **Nathanson** radiated joy, recognizing that life begins at the moment of conception.

Mary, mother of the Christ child, experienced tremendous joy when the Lord revealed her role as the virgin mother. She had every emotional reason to abort her child, including possible stoning, infuriating her fiance and abandonment, yet her joy in her pre-born son overflowed into words of praise. This same joy can be there for every mother looking at her ultrasound picture for the first time. Adoptive parents, too, experience Mary's kind of joy. Children are a joyful blessing, even if they are not your own.

As we continue to mourn the murders of innocent children in Newtown, we must ask ourselves: What happens to a nation and its people when its laws are in direct disobedience to the Word of God? Can we confidently sing "God Bless America" and expect with joyful hearts His favored hand to be upon us? The Bible provides the answers for any reader interested. So far, the author has been very accurate.

Nathanson personally aborted his own baby many years ago. This violent act of self-centeredness left a big hole in his heart. Like King Herod, selfish and insecure, who sent out the order to kill babies in Bethlehem, many find themselves ensnared by the culture of death. Later in life, **Nathanson** was hopeful that Americans' hardened hearts would be re-sensitized, their illogical thinking would be transformed into reasonable discourse, and they would finally be able to hear the cries of so many pre-born children.

Jesus, as he prepared to die for our sins, said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." He conquered death and rose again to give us hope and abundant life. Isn't it time to love the gift of life? Let's make this **new year** a year to celebrate life once again.

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African American Pastors Take Courageous Stand

NOVEMBER 10, 2012
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

I am writing in response to the October 18 article regarding the pastors who were supporting the Romney Ryan ticket. I can't remember the last time I stood up against 95% of of any group. If I disagreed with them, I probably didn't have the courage to let it be known. For Bishop Glen, Reverend Ellison, and Bishop Parson to have the courage to take public stances which are in opposition to their African American brothers and sisters is bold, courageous and inspiring. But what is most inspiring is that they do it because they are more committed to following Scripture than to following men.

Their positions are those that have been taken by the Church for centuries: Proverbs 6:17 says that God hates the shedding of innocent blood. If that doesn't describe abortion, I don't know what does.

Homosexual behavior was never condoned in Scripture but always condemned. Those who look only at Old Testament scriptures and use them to dismiss the condemnation of homosexuality, conveniently ignore Romans 1:18-27 and 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 which says that homosexuals will not inherit the kingdom of God unless they repent.

These are unpopular positions in the age in which we live. But then we are told, "For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear…But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry." !! Timothy 3:3,5. Than you Pastors Glen, Ellison and Parson for enduring the hardship and discharging your duties in a way that is faithful to Scripture.

Elaine Hanger

Chesterfield, VA

Victory for Both Pro-Life and Pro-Abortion in Virginia

SEPTEMBER 23, 2012
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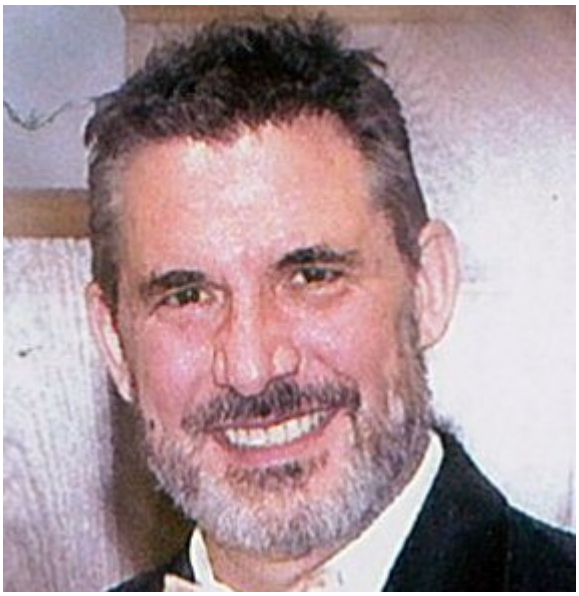


A Victory For Pro-Life: Hopefully Some Clinics Will Be Closed And Victory For Pro-Abortion: Safer, Cleaner Abortion Clinics For Women

VICTORY IN VIRGINIA! – Virginia Board of Health Votes to Approve New Abortion Clinic Regulations

When I attended the Board of Health meeting in Richmond last Friday I was shocked at what I saw and heard.

Sitting in the Board room and hearing the report from The Virginia Department of Health Commissioner Karen Remley to the Board of Health that nine of 20 abortion centers applying for licensing had been inspected by the Department of Health and none had been "deficiency free."

Most disturbing was the shocking news of those inspections that revealed that these Murder Mills were in multiple safety violations. One such abortion clinic, the Roanoke Planned Parenthood Health Systems center was found to have an examination table, "splattered with blood", while another had the remains of the murdered babies bodies frozen to the bottom of a freezer!

As I interceded in prayer these scriptures came to mind.

Isaiah 59:3, "For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness." And in verse 7 , "Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths."

Thank God for the overwhelming vote that now assures that these murder mills will not be able to continue with the business of murdering innocent babies as usual.

In spite of all of the negatively slanted media, we have prevailed and this is a great victory for all Life loving people in Virginia!

I hope that more Pastors will step up and use their voice to not only preach and pray but to also stand up and partner with others who are saying what needs to be said and show up at these events where our voice needs to be heard.

When I arrived at 7:25 AM I was delighted to see so many representatives from Virginia Christian Alliance and many other pro-life organizations already gathered and engaged.

Besides the vote another high point of the day was when the opposition began chanting there death cries we were able to "sing them down" with rounds of Amazing Grace!

In closing let me say that God's word is always true, having heard the confession of a post abortive mother suffering with the mental anguish of realizing that she had murdered her own child in a filthy abortion clinic, I can resonate with God's word, Isaiah 59:7-8, " Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace."

Here is that passage of scripture for your reflection and to use as prayer points.

Isa 59:3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.

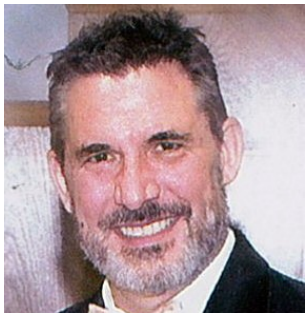
Isa 59:4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.

Isa 59:5 They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper.

Isa 59:6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.

Isa 59:7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths.

Isa 59:8 The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.



Rev. Michael Hirsch

Advisory Board Member of the Virginia Christian Alliance and **Virginia Christian Alliance Truth Project Team.**

Virginia Christian Alliance Award's Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli

AUGUST 11, 2012
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

HENRICO – The Virginia Christian Alliance held an award ceremony at the Bragg Hill Family Life Center in Fredericksburg announcing its 2012 General Assembly awards which were voted on at its June Board meeting. The event received press coverage by **the Washington Post**, and **Henrico Citizen**.

The"Founders" Leadership Award was presented to Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli for his outspoken stand on pro-family, pro-life issues and especially for his efforts to support House Bill 1 (HB-1)—The Right to Life Bill—in the 2012 session.(Award was given in Ken Cuccinelli's office on July 25, 2012.)

VCA Chairman Don Blake and Attorney General of VA Ken Cuccinelli

The "Courageous" Leadership Awards for the 2012 Virginia General Assembly session for members of the House were presented to Delegates Bob Marshall (R 13th) and Kathy Byron (R-22nd) for their steadfast courage in supporting their pro-family, pro-life legislation.

In the face of much public pressure and personal attacks, they both stood strong on their positions.

The "Courageous" Leadership Award for the 2012 Virginia General Assembly session for members of the Senate was presented to Senators Phillip P. Puckett (D-38th) and Charles J. Colgan (D-29th).

Charles J Colgan D-29th VCA Chairman Don Blake

Both of these long-serving members of the Virginia Senate, under much duress, broke rank with their party and voted for positive pro-family, pro-life legislation.

They both deserve special recognition for their steadfastness in standing for their beliefs and standing for life.

Bishop Henderson and VCA Chairman Don Blake

The Pastor's Leadership Award was awarded to Bishop Dr. Joseph D. Henderson, Sr. and the Bragg Hill Family Life Center in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Bishop Henderson's leadership contributed greatly to the "changing of the old guard" in the Virginia Senate. The "changing of the old guard" in the Senate allowed for passage of long delayed pro-family, pro-life, "pro-Virginia" legislation. (more photos below)

Bishop Henderson, Sen Bryce Reeves (R-17) VCA Chairman Don Blake, Charles J. Colgan (D-29th) and Founder of No Excuse Ministries, Mrs.Terry Beatley

The Freshman Legislator of the Virginia General Assembly 2012 Session Award was presented to Senator Bryce E. Reeves of Fredericksburg, Virginia (R-17th). Bryce Reeves played an active and important role in his leadership of pro-family, pro-life legislation in his first session.

VCA Chairman Don Blake, VCA Board Member Greene Hollowell Pastor Joe Ellison, Bishop Henderson, Mrs Colgan and Del. Colgan, Sen Bryce Reeves, Reverend Hashmill Turner, and Mrs. Terry Beatley

The Virginia Christian Alliance's Affiliate of the Year Award was presented to No Excuse Ministries and its founder, Mrs. Terry Beatley. Terry Beatley and her ministries were the force behind the election in Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County that brought back pro-family, pro-life leadership to the Virginia Senate.

Bishop Henderson, VCA Chairman Don Blake, Mrs. Terry_Beately and Pastor_Joe_Ellisonn

The Virginia Christian Alliance is very pleased to present these awards and very grateful for the efforts of each of these ladies and gentlemen for their efforts to promote and protect the families of our Commonwealth.

Cuccinelli, 5 legislators honored by Christian Alliance

Laura Vozzella of the Washington Post:

> The Virginia Christian Alliance has honored Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli II (R) and five legislators who it said stood firmly for "pro-family, pro-life" legislation during this year's **General Assembly** session.
>
> Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli gestures as he talks about the Supreme Court decision on the Health Care law during a press conference June 28, in Richmond. (Steve Helber – AP) ***It was the first time that the four-year-old organization, which has carved out a niche to the right of the conservative Family Foundation of Virginia, has given awards to elected leaders. And it was another indication that the firebrand attorney general has the support of staunch conservatives over Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling, his low-key rival for the Republican nomination in the 2013 governor's race.****.....***Read More**

Va. Christian Alliance honors Cuccinelli

Citizen Staff Reports

The Virginia Christian Alliance has presented Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli with the "Founders" Leadership Award for his outspoken stand on pro-family, pro-life issues. He was also honored for his efforts to support House Bill 1, the so-called Right to Life Bill, in the 2012 session. Don Blake (left), VCA chairman, presented Cuccinelli with his award July 25.

And from the desk of Senator Reeves…

Dear Friends,

Today I was very honored to be presented with the Virginia Christian Alliance -Freshman Legislator of the year award. I was recognized by Mr. Greene Hollowell the founder, and Mr. Don Blake, Chairman of the Board, for standing for conservative Christian principles on key legislation in the General Assembly this year. I was also honored to be standing with a dear friend and fellow Senator, Chuck Colgan who received an award as well for standing up for the right to life. Senator Puckett and Delegate Byron also received awards but were unable to attend. It was also a great honor to be there with Bishop Henderson and Terry Beatley as they received their awards.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve as your senator. It is an honor and a privledge.

Yours in service,

VCA Congratulates Dr. John Seeds Appointment to the Virginia Board of Health

AUGUST 11, 2012
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Governor Bob McDonnell recently appointed Dr. Seeds to the Virginia Board of Health. The Richmond Times-Dispatch covered the appointment on the front page along with Ken Cuccinelli's opinion on the abortion clinic regulations.

John and his wife Marie have been a part of the VCA family since our beginning. As the article indicates, John is the **Vice Chairman of VCA's OBGYNs for Life**. For years, John and Marie have championed the cause of unborn children. John has spoken at many venues about the pro-life cause and testified before many state committees on medical issues regarding abortion. This past January, John was part of the VCA group that met with Governor McDonnell's Secretary of Public Policy, Jason Eige.

To many of us, John and Marie are our local "pro-life Saints."

Congratulations to John for this very important appointment. And our thanks go to Governor McDonnell for making the appointment.

This appointment was covered by major news wires, feminist groups and from both sides of the sanctify of life issue
NBC: **Morning Read: McDonnell Appoints Outspoken Pro-Life Advocate to Virginia Board Of Health**
Richmond Times-Dispatch:**McDonnell appoints anti-abortion doctor to Board of Health**
Ms Magazine: A feminist wire:**VA Governor Appoints Anti-Choice Doctor to Board of Health**

RICHMOND, Va. — July 17, 2012

The Richmond-Times reported:

Gov. Bob McDonnell has appointed an outspoken opponent of abortion to sit on the Virginia Board of Health.

The appointment of Dr. John W. Seeds, an obstetrician at VCU Medical Center and vice chairman of the anti-abortion group OBGYNS for Life, comes just one month after the board voted 7-4 to grandfather the state's existing abortion clinics from stringent new regulations that would require the facilities to meet building standards for new hospital construction.

The clinic regulations were passed by the General Assembly in 2011 as part of a last-second amendment by anti-abortion Republicans to an emergency preparedness bill that went undetected by Democrats and abortion rights advocates.

Anti-abortion groups and religious organizations supporting the legislation said the new rules were necessary to ensure women's health and safety at the clinics, which are licensed to perform first-trimester abortions. Medical specialties where similarly invasive outpatient surgical procedures are performed were not included in the new regulations.

But abortion rights advocates and women's groups contend that the new regulations are a veiled attempt to restrict a woman's access to a legal abortion in the commonwealth because the cost of retrofitting the facilities could force many of the 21 clinics out of business.

The regulations are currently under executive review by the governor and attorney general's office. Both McDonnell and Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli oppose abortion.

Seeds was among six physicians appointed in 2011 to help draft the regulations for the Virginia Department of Health. Following the process, a number of the physicians complained that a number of the regulations that were produced, including the additional building and infrastructure requirements, were "not medically necessary" and were driven by the politics of the executive branch.

On Monday, the Coalition to Protect Women's Health said the appointment of Seeds is a threat to the moderation of the regulations.

"For Governor McDonnell to appoint Dr. James Seeds, a prominent member of an ideological anti-choice organization, to a public health body charged with acting objectively on the side of patient safety, is a clear and shocking conflict of interest," said Tarina Keene of the Virginia Coalition to Protect Women's Health.

"With this appointment, this activist governor continues to display a disdain for women's

Dr. John Seeds practices fetal medicine & maternal medicine and obstetrics & gynecology in Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Seeds graduated with an MD 38 years ago. He is Senior Associate Dean of the Professional Education Program at VCU. He is Professor of OBGYN and Radiology. Dr. Seeds is one of the Founding Advisory Board Members for the Virginia Christian Alliance and Vice Chairman of **Virginia OBGYNS for Life**.

> health, playing politics with lives instead of acting in the public interest."
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> On Monday, McDonnell defended the appointment of Seeds and signaled that he may not support the revised regulations passed last month by the board, which Seeds is now joining as a voting member.
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> "Dr. Seeds is a great doctor — he's a very well-respected obstetrician," the governor told reporters Monday.
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> McDonnell said he believes the initial guidelines passed by the legislature "were correct. I think that they were loyal to the statute that passed."
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> "In due course, I'll get those and make a comment on them and we'll see what happens …

The Center for Bio-Ethical Reform Partners with Virginia Christian Alliance Bringing the Truth to College Campuses

JUNE 24, 2012
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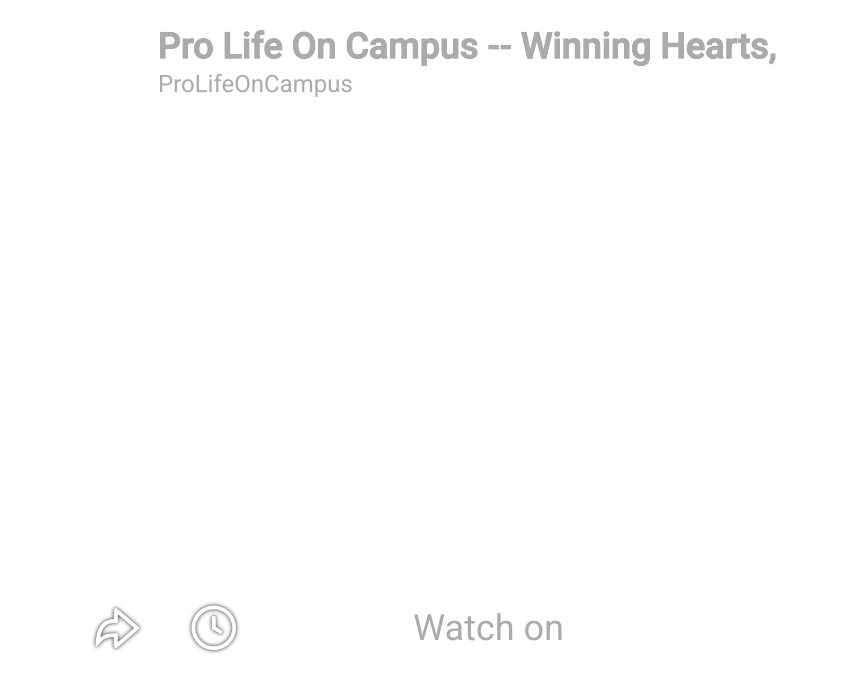
The Center for Bio-Ethical Reform is partnering with VCA to bring the truth about abortion to college campuses in Virginia.
Abortion is always an important issue for voters, especially in tightly-contested races as are usually waged in Virginia. We must educate voters in Virginia, so that more of them will know abortion is an act of violence that kills a baby. So often, the media defines pro-life candidates as "ultra-conservative" and "extreme" candidates on the "far-right," whereas they describe pro-abortion candidates as "moderate" on abortion. We must show voters what abortion is and does, so that they will understand that killing a baby is an act of extremism, not moderation.

CBR's fundamental operating principle comes from the King family. Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "America will not reject racism until America sees racism." His niece Dr. Alveda King now says, "America will not reject abortion until America sees abortion." Successful reformers like those in the King family knew pictures change hearts and minds. William Wilberforce and Thomas Clarkson used drawings to end slavery in England. Lewis Hine's traveling photographic display helped to end child labor. CBR now uses abortion images to win hearts, change minds and save lives on college campuses.

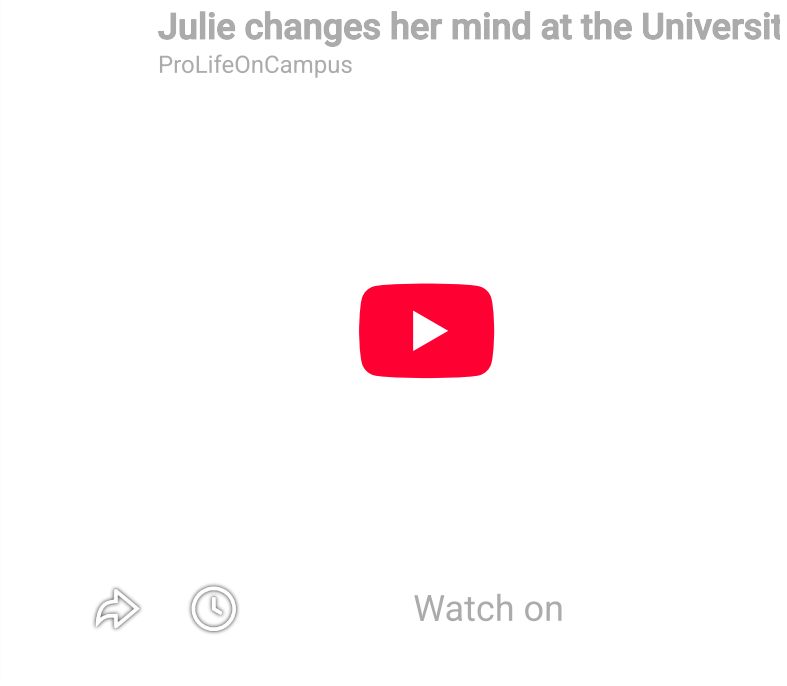
Download Their Brochure Here

The Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) shows college students the humanity of the pre-born child and the shocking violence of abortion. Using a large visual display, GAP compares abortion to other forms of historical genocide, including the Holocaust, slavery, and Cambodia. In addition, "CHOICE" signs refute pro-abortion rhetoric by visually defining what the words really mean. In front of the display, our talented pro-life apologists dialogue with students as they process the enormity of the crime. GAP wins hearts, changes minds and saves lives. Every time.

Here are two videos and their links to illustrate our campus project:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8Rk44gn824 (Video explains the history of social reform and why using pictures is crucial to change hearts and minds about abortion.)



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNmCtv-fCfM Julie's testimony from our recent GAP at University of North Florida this past Spring.

The Center for Bio-Ethical Reform (CBR) is working to establish prenatal justice and the right to life for the unborn, the disabled, the infirm, the aged and all vulnerable peoples through education and the development of cutting edge educational resources.

CBR's projects include the **Reproductive "Choice" Campaign**, the **Genocide Awareness Project**, **Matthew 28:20**, and **AbortionNO**.

CBR also publishes educational **resources** and conducts **seminars** to establish the humanity of the unborn and the inhumanity of abortion.

CBR was founded in July of 1990 as a privately-funded, non-profit educational corporation.

CBR operates on the principle that abortion represents an evil so inexpressible that words fail us when attempting to describe its horror. Until abortion is seen, it will never be understood.

CBR is strictly non-violent. We oppose violence against babies and against the abortionists who kill them. We do not engage in civil disobedience. All activities fall within the legal bounds of the First Amendment. Just as Dr. King sought to create a "creative tension" to awaken the nation to the horrible injustice of segregation, we too are creating a "creative tension" to awaken the nation to the horrible injustice of abortion.

Thomas More Law Center Victory – Abortion Clinics' Attempt to Squash Pro-Life Speech Fails

JUNE 24, 2012
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ANN ARBOR, MI – The video produced by an abortion mill, Northland Family Planning Clinics, "Every Day, Good Women Choose Abortion" sought to persuade young women facing unwanted pregnancies that abortion is a "good" and "normal" decision. However, when two pro-life organizations, Center for Bio-Ethical Reform ("CBR") and The Apologetics Group produced parodies of their video, the outraged abortionists filed a federal lawsuit in a California Federal District Court claiming violations of the Copyright Act.

The entire purpose of crafting the parodies was to use clips of the Northland Video to transform the work and expose its deadly lies.

The Thomas More Law Center, a national public interest law firm based in Ann Arbor, Michigan, came to the defense of CBR and The Apologetics Group. And on Friday, June 15, 2012, Federal District Court Judge James V. Selna of the Central District of California dismissed the abortionist's case.

> Richard Thompson, President and Chief Counsel of the Thomas More Law Center commented, "This is a tremendous victory for the Pro-Life movement and their constitutional rights to free speech. Abortionists don't want the public to know the truth, that abortion is the taking of innocent human life. So they do everything they can to squash that truth, including using the courts. In this case they utterly failed."

Some versions of the pro-life videos included quotations from the Bible and George Orwell, and original musical scores. The judge referenced CBR and The Apologetics Group's "abundantly clear message is that deciding to have an abortion is anything but a 'normal decision' made by 'good

women,'" and stated that their videos exposed "the gruesome and seemingly savage 'reality' of an abortion procedure."

Judge Selna noted in his opinion that "before this lawsuit was filed, communication between the Defendants shows that the purpose of the Videos was to dispel the 'falsities' of the Northland Video, and to create a 'parody' contrasting the 'soothing lies of the narrator . . .and the terrible truths of abortion.'"

In his opinion, Judge Selna discussed the character of videos created by the Thomas More Law Center's clients, "The narrative from the Northland Video continues while the screen shows graphic, up-close images of the surgical procedure of dismembering and removing fetuses, many of which have discernible limbs or appear to be nearly viable. . . ideo closes with Northland's name, telephone number, and the words 'Your Dead baby at 10 to 12 weeks,' superimposed over a bloody, dismembered fetus" because the most common time for women to undergo abortion is during 10 to 12 weeks into the development of the baby.

Northland Family Planning Clinics complained that CBR and The Apologetics Group's videos killed the demand of their "Every Day, Good Women Choose Abortion" video and ruined their potential sale and licensing pursuits. The Court, in adopting the Thomas More Law Center's position, responded by quoting the United States Supreme Court, "when a lethal parody, like a scathing theater review, kills the demand for the original, it does not produce a harm cognizable under the Copyright Act."

> An attorney on the case, Erin Mersino, commented, "Our clients' videos were clearly transformative. The court made the right decision by throwing out this baseless lawsuit filled with wrongful accusations."

Click here to read Judge Selna's decision.

The Thomas More Law Center is a national nonprofit public interest law firm based in Ann Arbor, Michigan, dedicated to the restoration and defense of the religious freedom of Christians, time-honored family values, and the sanctity of human life. It also supports a strong national defense and an independent and sovereign United States of America.

A History of the Pro-Life Movement with the "Rescues"

MAY 18, 2012
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TAGS: CHRISTIAN PERSECUTION

Though it seems to be simple request, the tapestry of God's work with the pro-life rescue movement would take a book to lay the foundation for the just a corner like "The Spring of Life!" Nevertheless, here is a small piece of the cloth.

The year was 1992. I served as the chairman of the Western New York Clergy Council in Buffalo, NY. By that time, I had also become a pro-life leader and participated in pro-life rescues across the country. At a rescue, Christians are willing to go to jail to save the life of a child by practicing non-violent civil Christian obedience and block the doors or driveway to prevent abortions at a given place on a given day.

The people were everyday Christians who answered the call to lay down their lives for the least of these. In the early days of rescue, before 1990, a small GROUP of about 25 folks could shut down an abortion for a day. Jail was seen as a small price to pay to save the lives of the babies. It was noted that if mothers did not get an abortion on that day, some would decide to keep their babies.

As time went by and more people joined the rescue movement which included prayer warriors, side walk counselors and rescuers, the price of the sacrifice increased. Prayer warriors were people who did not risk arrest but were there to pray across the street for those who did; sometimes they were arrested, too. Side walk counselors were the few women who were authorized to offer legitimate physical as well as spiritual help to women considering an abortion. Those who rescued were Christians from all walks of life. However, as the rescue movement rapidly became more effective and began to occur in larger cities like Atlanta, Washington, DC and New York City, the police response with the help of Janet Reno intensified and hundreds would be arrested on a given day to save the babies.

To give you and idea of the government's and federal courts determination to crush the rescue movement, I was threatened by a federal judge with a huge civil fine the first night I was

scheduled to speak at New Covenant Church in Buffalo. He had ruled that a certain scripture could not be read or quoted from the pulpit. The judge sent word to me via an attorney before I went into the pulpit that I could not quote the verses of scripture found in Proverbs 24:11-12. If I mentioned them once, the fine would be $10,000.00 and if I mentioned them again the fine would double the previous fine and be added to it making it $30,000.00 (and so on). I thought it was so odd because that was the very verse for the sermon that The Holy Spirit had given me (I wondered that night how many PREACHERS would preach a sermon that could cost them a hundred thousand dollars). When I let the attorney know that I would be preaching from that scripture, the attorney was joyful and agreed to represent me pro bono. It was a very interesting night. As the pastor, Rev. Paul Schenck, a Christian activist, introduced me, he let the large crowd in attendance know about the judges ruling. To make sure I understood what scripture the judge was referring to, he read it several times as the people rejoiced. As I walked upon the pulpit, a certain gubernatorial candidate jumped on stage and read the scripture, too. Needless to say, I quoted the scripture so often that night that I have no idea of how high the fine would be. This scripture states:

Proverbs 24:11,12

[11]If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain;

[12]If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?

Needless to say the judge had overstepped his bound. Without going into detail, the judge working WITH the abortionists and Janet Reno, became even more aggressive in their prosecutions of pro-lifers who even thought of participating in a rescue.

As a leader the pro-life movement in Western New York, there was one grave responsibility that I carried. We only had a few sidewalk counselors who saved a child every where they stood. However, we had so many abortion sites that they could not all be covered. It was my call to select the abortion site where they would go. And no matter my decision, afterwards I would cry. Because I knew that where ever they went, a child would be saved that day and where they were not, all children would die. After much prayer with like minded pastors, The Lord placed an event on my heart called “The Spring of Life.” Our enemies knew it was coming but they did not know when, yet they got court INJUNCTIONS against certain leaders but not me. When it was time, we put out the call for “The Spring of Life” with the goal to shut down a certain abortion site for two weeks. Because the two week EVENT was held during the Easter break (spring break for leftist colleges), not only did pro-lifers around the nation respond to support it, so did the abortion radicals and homosexuals groups to oppose it.

Over 2,000 people risked arrests. About half were jailed. WITHIN the first few days, men and women were held in an armory which had been secretly converted into a prison with cages prior to the event. Every person arrested has a personal testimony much more powerful and personal than mine. At the time, the tests were trials (literally); today, they are testimonies and a blessing of what God can do when you are being held a prisoner as a follower of Jesus Christ. Of the thousand who came from out of town, none had to stay in a hotel. Other Christians opened their homes to strangers and families became friends for life. Churches of various denominations worked together to feed everyone who was participating in The Spring of Life. Pat was in charge of daycare and teachers volunteered to teach and keep the children. Churches provided a large meal for the multitude everyday. Doctors offered free pre-natal care and follow-ups for every mother who decided to keep their child which gave the side-walk counselors more to offer. Lawyers organized into a group called "Lawyers for Life" and represented each and every individual pro bono. Legal scholars from other parts of the country, like the cause attorney John Broderick even stepped in to help as well as the American Center for Law and Justice.

However in my case, I was held for nine days without being charged. An attempt to bail me out was UNSUCCESSFUL because (technically), I had not been charged. It took Amnesty International to step in and get me released.

The court injunctions failed because they specifically named Operation Rescue (OR) as the defendant. The federal judge did not know that OR would not be there. Pastor Keith Tucci had become the national leader of the Operation Rescue National which provided experienced leadership for the event. After the event was OVER, some pastors and even Nancy Walker, the head of the side walk counselor WERE sent to prison for quite a while. One pastor was sent to prison as co-conspirator and he had no involvement in the planning. By putting up no defense, he took the legal hit so that another pastor could offer leadership to other rescues across the nation.

As I stated before, everyone who participated has a testimony and their lives were transformed. Lawrence (Larry) Behr, a devout Catholic was the founder of The Western New York Lawyers for Life is now the head of Life Legal Defense Foundation. Attorney Dwight Sanders, an evangelical who defended the reading of scripture in Buffalo is now Pastor Sanders in Virginia. In 1990, he and the pastor Rev. Paul Schenck also challenged the federal judge who imposed a "floating buffer zone" which got Paul arrested for handing out Bibles to mothers in front of an abortion site. In 1997, the case went all the way to the U. S. Supreme Court, No. 95-1065, PAUL SCHENCK and DWIGHT SAUNDERS, PETITIONERS v. PRO CHOICE NETWORK OF WESTERN NEW YORK et al and Rev. Schenck and Sanders prevailed.

When The Spring of Life was announced, the abortion industry linked up with the Clinton Justice Department with Jane Reno at the helm and Eric Holder as the Deputy Attorney General. Yet, the late Mayor of Buffalo, Jimmy Griffith, in a public press conference, welcomed the rescuers to the city. He stated in a press conference that if they broke the law, they would be arrested, but if one

life was saved, it would worth it. Of the hundreds that were arrested, not one was arrested for a violent act (THE OTHER SIDE CANNOT SAY THAT). The report from the crisis pregnancy centers indicated that several hundred babies were saved. We later learned from court records and the abortion operators that in that 2 week event over 700 babies were saved. The abortion mills never recovered from that lost and most had to shut down permanently.

At a pro-life Christmas celebration that year, I made a special presentation to Mayor Griffith. In front the TV news reporters, I reminded the mayor of what he had said. On behalf of the local pro-life movement, I thanked him. Instead of giving him an award, I called a young mother named "Rose" to come forward. She placed her baby, a baby that WAS saved during the Spring of Life, into the arms of the mayor. And tears rolled down his cheeks, Mayor Griffith embraced that moment as the best Christmas present ever.

The rescuers have aged now and some are asleep. Many have done hard time in jails and prison across this nation. They never risked arrest for the sake of being arrested. However, those who are still alive are still active in ministries across the world and always willing to encourage others to put self aside and follow Christ. No matter where you live there is always one nearby you — such as the pro-life missionary, Dennis Green, Life & Liberty Ministries in Powhatan, Virginia.

Cal Zastrow who wrote the piece on "The Spring of Life" is the type of missionary who brings the gospel of Jesus Christ TO countries where his life is in danger. For those who know him, his body is on earth but his mind, his heart, his whole being yearns FOR the heavenly home and that IS where he resides most of his waking moments. Like you, Brother Greene, they have no problem going TO the killing site and standing at the gates of hell to save the least of these.

You and the Virginia Christian Alliance have done a great job in getting more Christians actively involved to save this nation and many souls. Please continue to work to make things spiritually better. Just know, that if Christianity in America is ever outlawed, the prisons will once again have those like Paul and Silas. A dose of persecution will not quench the flames of revival; it will fuel it.

God blesses you!

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A ‘war on women’? Yes! By Planned Parenthood

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TAGS: EUGENICS, PLANNED PARENTHOOD ABORTION

LOTTSBURG–Planned Parenthood has revealed its true colors again, and they are not pink and white.

Last week, Planned Parenthood leaders lost their senses in response to the 40 Days for Life peaceful prayer vigils held in front of hundreds of abortion facilities all across America and the world. The abortion giant launched a “prayer” campaign for abortion and glamorized their work as “sacred.”

We believe this tax-funded killing machine should change its armor colors from baby-girl pink and white to red and black. Why? Because those better reflect its War on Women purpose.

Since 2007, 40 Days For Life has coordinated nine peaceful prayer vigils to end the shedding of innocent blood, with tremendous results. Some 5,928 unborn children have been saved from death by abortion. There have been 1,633 individual campaigns in 422 cities, with more than 500,000 people participating through 24-hour-a-day prayer for 40 days straight. Because over 5,000 pregnant mothers have responded to the prayers and chosen life over death by dismemberment, Planned Parenthood launched its latest charade of “praying,” mimicking the Christian prayer vigil.

For five years, Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers have witnessed the amazing results of 40 Days For Life prayers. A quick recap:

The abortion kingpin lost about $2.5 million in revenue because mothers and/or fathers of 5,928 babies choose life.

61 abortion workers quit their jobs.

21 abortion facilities closed.

1,800 news stories about the prayer vigils and lives spared were written or broadcast.

So last week Planned Parenthood launched its own "prayer" campaign. To what or to whom its leaders were "praying" is a mystery, because the God of the Bible will never respond to their thirst for the shedding of innocent blood.

In fact, the Lord tells us in Proverbs 24:11 to "Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter." Planned Parenthood is desperate because of the outstanding results of those who follow this mandate.

Examining its "prayers" and its history builds the case for changing its colors. Its Day 18 prayer is for the staff at abortion facilities to be "daily confirmed in the sacred care they offer women." But since when is dismembering and killing a little child considered a holy act? We thought we were to love one another.

On the 40th day, Planned Parenthood rendered thanks that abortion is "safe and legal." Well, it's not safe. Women are dying every year from abortion, and many others develop health complications linked to abortion, including breast cancer, miscarriages, damaged uteruses and intestines, and psychological trauma. Legal? It is better described as temporarily decriminalized. Like slavery, Roe v. Wade will be overturned.

All in all, the color red, not pink, better reflects what's going on inside Planned Parenthood facilities.

The other recommended color, black, represents black Americans–the first target market of Planned Parenthood's founder, Margaret Sanger. She started the "Negro Project" in 1939 to implement her eugenics plan–i.e., elimination of the "unfit."

If one was poor, uneducated, or sickly, eugenicists desired to limit his or her reproduction ability. In the early 1900s, most blacks were very poor and uneducated, and since its inception, Planned Parenthood has had amazing success in controlling the black birth rate by planting the vast majority of its facilities in minority communities and marketing birth control and abortions to minorities.

Considering that Sanger was an atheist who adhered to the Darwinian philosophy of "survival of the fittest," black population control was a logical plank in reaching her goal of racial purification. The favored race, according to Planned Parenthood's founder (who often featured articles by one of Hitler's minions in her Birth Control Review publication), was white. Thus, we think that Planned Parenthood's other color should be black.

Planned Parenthood is waging a true "war on women" because it kills thousands of baby girls every year, many of whom are African-American girls who would have grown up to be women had they been given the chance.

Since its War on Women battlefield is covered with death, deception, and destruction–often at taxpayer expense–we think red and black are much more suitable for Planned Parenthood's armor colors.

Apostle John Bibbens, an African-American, is senior pastor at Zion Church in Northumberland County. Terry Beatley, of Lancaster County, is president of the No Excuse Ministry PAC. She helped organize a meeting tomorrow of over 100 pro-life pastors at the Bragg Hill Family Life Center.

Apostle John Bibbens is an African-American Pastor of Zion Church in North Cumberland county and Terry Beatley of Lancaster County is President of No Excuse Ministry and serves on the Board of Directors at the Virginia Christian Alliance.

Who are the Abortionists in Virginia?

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Abortionist Steven Brigham

Steven Chase Brigham | Owns **American Women's Services** in four states – New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia, – Ordered to stop performing abortions in Maryland (not licensed in MD) by Maryland Board of Physicians, botched abortion on 18 yr. old

– **Elkton, MD police found 35 frozen late-term babies (20-35 weeks) killed by abortion**
Sep 4, 2010 – **AP News**
Sep 3, 2010 –**Four-state abortion business under investigation**
Sep 4, 2010 – **Abortionist suspended after woman suffers injury**
Oct 1, 2010 –**New Illegal Abortion Cases Surface**
Nov 4, 2010 – **Haven for rapists, other criminals**
Numerous past suspensions: see **www.peopleforlife.org/brigham.html**

Abortionist – Craig Cropp

Craig Cropp | Fairfax and Virginia Beach

American Women's Services

224 Groveland Road
2nd Floor
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
1-800-478-9065

American Women's Services website and locations are **HERE**

A TIDEWATER WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINIC (Ingleside)
891 Norfolk Square, Norfolk, VA 23502
Dr. David Peters·

HILLCREST CLINIC

1600 Little Creek Road, Norfolk, VA 23518
Dr. Joe Match·

PENINSULAR MEDICAL CENTER FOR WOMEN
10758-A Jefferson Ave. Newport News, VA 23601
Dr. Jim Baker

PLANNED PARENTHOOD-Virginia Beach
515 Newtown Road, Virginia Beach, VA
Dr. Willard

Other Abortionists in Virginia:

- Joel W. Match
- Thomas H. Gresinger
- Linwood Russsell Turner
- Mi Yong Kim
- Markyia Shanell Nichols
- Harmen Van der Woude
- Jan Fruiteman
- Solos-Kountouris
- Leigh Ellen Watlington
- Reffat Kamel Abofreka
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Aborted Babies Are Being Chopped Up And Sold To Researchers All Over America

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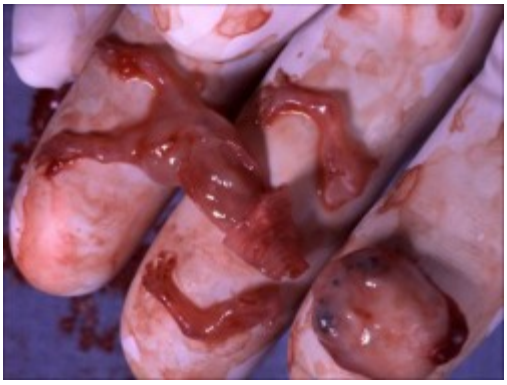
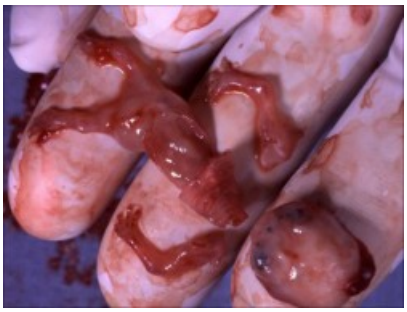


Did you know that aborted babies are being chopped up and sold to medical researchers all over America? There is a federal law which is supposed to ban this practice, but it contains a gigantic loophole that abortion clinics are using to sell huge amounts of aborted baby parts to the scientific community.



The loophole in the federal law allows "reasonable payments associated with the transportation, implantation, processing, preservation, quality control, or storage of human fetal tissue." But there are no guidelines as to what those "reasonablepayments" should be and the Obama administration is not about to start prosecuting abortion clinics. So aborted baby parts from American babies will continue to be very quietly sold for profit to medical researchers and most Americans will never hear anything about it. But future generations will look back in horror at what we allowed to be done right under our noses. With the full approval of the Obama administration, one company in the United States has plans to inject aborted baby brain cells into the eyes of patients to see if that will help improve their vision. The following is from a recent article on **LifeNews.com**....

> *Scott Fischbach, the director of Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life uncovered the information showing a clinical trial approved by the Food and Drug Administration uses brain tissue from aborted unborn babies to treat macular degeneration. StemCells Inc. will inject fetal brain stem cells into the eyes of up to 16 patients to study the cells' effect on vision.*

As Fischbach correctly notes, a fetus must be at a certain stage of development before brain tissue can be harvested for this kind of research....

> *"StemCells Inc. is not using embryonic stem cells. A five-day-old human being at the embryonic stage does not have a brain, but a fetus at 10 or 20 weeks of development with visible fingers, toes and ears has a functioning brain," said Fischbach. "Developing human beings in the womb are treated simply as raw material for laboratory experimentation by StemCells Inc. and other companies seeking to monetize aborted unborn children."*

But the harvesting of tissue and organs from aborted babies is definitely not new. It has been going on for a long time.

For example, a recent article posted **on worldmag.com** describes the very big business that the Birth Defects Research Laboratory at the University of Washington in Seattle does in aborted baby parts....

> *It's known within the research community as a top government distributor of fetal tissue. Last year the Puget Sound Business Journal stated the lab "in 2009 filled more than 4,400 requests for fetal tissue and cell lines."*
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> *The lab's grant records indicate it received $579,091 from the NIH last year. To date, it has retrieved the products of 22,000 pregnancies. According to a description the lab provided in its most recent grant applications, an increase in nonsurgical abortion methods has "created new obstacles to obtaining sufficient amounts of high quality tissue. To overcome these problems and meet increasing demand, the Laboratory has developed new relationships with both local and distant clinics."*

Once again, it is supposed to be against federal law to buy aborted baby parts from abortion clinics. But this "problem" is avoided by taking advantage of the loophole that allows for "reasonable payments associated with the transportation, implantation, processing, preservation, quality control, or storage of human fetal tissue."

An article posted **on LifeDynamics.com** describes how this system works....

1) A baby parts "wholesaler" enters into a financial agreement with an abortion clinic in which the wholesaler pays a monthly "site fee" to the clinic. For this payment, the wholesaler is allowed to place a retrieval agent inside the clinic where he or she is given access to the corpses of children killed there and a workspace to harvest their parts. In most cases, this retrieval agent is an employee of the wholesaler. In other instances, the retrieval agent is a clinic employee who was trained by the wholesaler.

2) The buyer – usually a researcher working for a medical school, pharmaceutical company, bio-tech company or government agency – supplies the wholesaler with a list of the baby parts wanted.

3) When such orders are received by the wholesaler, they are faxed to the retrieval agent at the clinic who harvests the requested parts and ships them to the buyer via FedEx, Airborne or a similar common carrier.

4) These parts are "donated" by the clinic to the wholesaler who turns around and "donates" them to the buyer. The buyer then "reimburses" the wholesaler for the cost of retrieving the parts.

In the end, nobody is technically "buying or selling" anything but they all get what they want and a lot of money changes hands.

A number of years ago an abortion industry insider came forward with shocking details of how this organ harvesting operation actually functions. The following is from a very eye-opening **InvestigateDaily article**....

It was an interview that shocked America. An Insider, spilling the beans on massive malpractice to a reporter on ABC's 20/20. Only this time, it wasn't Big Tobacco in the gunsights, it was the US abortion industry, exposed as harvesting the organs from aborted babies. According to former abortion clinic technician Dean Alberty, clinics were harvesting eyes, brains, hearts, limbs, torsos and other body parts for sale to the scientific market: laboratories wanting to test new drugs or procedures, or researchers trying to find the causes of genetic disorders or discover new ways of treating disorders like Parkinsons.

Sometimes babies actually survive the initial abortion procedure and workers actually have to kill the babies themselves **before harvesting the organs**....

Alberty worked for a Maryland agency called the Anatomic Gift Foundation, which essentially acted as a brokerage between universities and researchers seeking body parts, and the abortion clinics providing the raw material. Alerted by the clinics about the races and gestations of babies due to be aborted each day, AGF technicians would match the offerings with parts orders on their client lists. Alberty and his colleagues would turn up at the abortions that offered the best donor prospects to begin dissecting and extracting what they needed before decay set in.

"We would have a contract with an abortion clinic that would allow us to go in... procure fetal tissue for research. We would get a generated list each day to tell us what tissue researchers, pharmaceuticals and universities were looking for. Then we would go and look at the particular patient charts—we had to screen out anyone who had STDs or fetal anomalies. These had to be the most perfect specimens we could give these researchers for the best value that we could sell for.

"We were taking eyes, livers, brains, thymuses, and especially cardiac blood...even blood from the limbs that we would get from the veins" he said.

Alberty told of seeing babies wounded but alive after abortion procedures, and in one case a set of twins "still moving on the table" when clinicians from AGF began dissecting the children to harvest their organs. The children, he said, were "cuddling each other" and "gasping for breath" when medics moved in for the kill.

*SOURCE: **American Dream***

‘Personhood’ Bill was Nothing New

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The Roanoke Times

The nation watched as H.B. 1 — dubbed by some the “personhood” bill — made its way through Virginia’s General Assembly. After the bill passed the House of Delegates for the second consecutive year, the stage was set for an intense debate in the Senate Education and Health Committee. No one could be certain of the outcome, where a one-vote Republican majority was no guarantee of success for abortion-related legislation.

The story has all the makings of an American political classic. On one side of the debate: an ardent pro-life movement determined to pass laws reflecting the fact that life begins at conception. On the other: abortion supporters deriding the idea that a fertilized egg could be considered a person. Hidden from plain sight, however, was the steady diet of spurious arguments against the bill, fed to legislators and unwitting citizens by fear-mongering abortion activists.

However ridiculous to any seeker of truth, these phantoms created by Planned Parenthood and company were undeniably effective in spreading an all-out, sky-is-falling panic. Virginians were told again and again — and many appear to have believed — that H.B.1 would effectively criminalize abortion, contraception and in vitro fertilization treatment.

Opponents incorrectly, but again effectively, identified the Virginia bill with failed personhood initiatives in states like Colorado and Mississippi. One widely circulated story by Virginia Capital News Service went so far as to state plainly, “No state has passed such a law.”

But the fact is that Del. Bob Marshall chose the language of H.B.1 specifically because it was identical to a decades-old Missouri law that has withstood both the test of time and the scrutiny of the U.S.Supreme Court.

In a 1989 decision, the court rejected a challenge to the Missouri law, reversing lower courts’ decisions and returning the law to full force and effect. Tellingly, the court found that the constitutional challenge to the statute was not even properly raised because the law, by its own terms, did not regulate abortion or any other medical practice. Rather, the law expresses a policy

judgment favoring childbirth over abortion, and recognizing the basic humanity of unborn children.

Naturally, groups like Planned Parenthood did not want the public to know that identical provisions have been law in Missouri since 1986. This element of truth would have thrown a considerable wrench into their fear-mongering tactic. For instance, citizens and legislators might have wondered why news of the criminalization of contraception and IVF had not reached us in the 26 years since the language was enacted in Missouri. And how would the anti-H.B.1 groups explain the fact that the only difference between Marshall's bill and the Missouri law was that H.B.1 included a section providing an additional layer of protection for assisted-conception practices?

Rather than confronting these inconvenient truths, frenzied abortion lobbyists continued to twist facts to suit their cause. While anyone with legal training could quickly identify abortion activists' arguments against H.B.1 as phantoms, most of the public had no easy way to evaluate the persistent and frightening predictions that many medical practices would be affected by the bill.

The truth is, the bill would not have become a criminal law, nor would it have regulated any medical practices. Conduct that is legal on Monday cannot, by virtue of the due process clause of the 14th Amendment, become criminal on Tuesday absent a very specific criminal statute providing clear notice as to precisely what is prohibited.

This foundational legal concept immediately dissolves the specter of IVF patients being hauled off to jail, doctors struggling to understand legal obligations or women losing access to contraception.

Moreover, many Virginians don't realize that Virginia statutes specifically permit abortion during early pregnancy pursuant to Roe v. Wade. H.B.1, a general rule of construction bill, does nothing to interfere with these specific, existing laws.

In light of those laws' continued existence, claims that H.B.1 would criminalize abortion or contraception — or in any way interfere with medical treatments — are ludicrous.

In the end, H.B.1 survived a brutal debate before the Senate Education and Health Committee, where the truth took center stage. Every question raised about unintended consequences was answered. But mere hours after the committee reported the bill, senators who apparently fell for the fear mongering re-committed it back to the same committee for further consideration in 2013.

In preparation for this further consideration, I challenge every legislator and citizen to look beyond the phantoms to the truth. The questions have answers, and the answers are real.

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‘Love one another’: Every Life is Precious

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Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star

IN RESPONSE to the letter to the editor with the title “Think you have control over your own body, ladies?” , I would like to share a counterpoint from Dr. Bernard Nathanson, co-founder of NARAL, America’s largest abortion lobby group.

On Dec. 1, 2009, I flew to New York to interview Dr. Nathanson, who felt personally responsible for killing 75,000 children while he advanced unfettered abortion in the 1970s, and gave me a message to carry to America. I promised him I would carry his message and never stop.

The author of the letter, asked: “How is forcing to carry a baby to term with a serious deformity going to help anyone?” and “Do you think you have autonomy over your own body?” She voiced her complaint that Del. Mark Cole was patron of a bill that would repeal taxpayer funding of the state’s Medicaid program for women who choose to kill their babies in the womb due to physical deformity or mental deficiency. The author saw nothing positive or good in bringing a baby like this to full-term.

Dr. Nathanson had answers to these questions; if I could share them with the author over a cup of coffee, this is what I would say.

As I entered Dr. Nathanson’s apartment that December day, I observed a feeble man in his 80s. Too shaky to stand to his feet, he welcomed me to sit beside him while I asked my questions. I listened intently, sometimes with tears in my eyes, as his story unfolded. His decisions affected the course of American history and the lives of millions of Americans.

In 1969, with the help of a public relations firm, Dr. Nathanson and a few other people caught the nation by surprise and framed the debate over legalizing–or, rather, decriminalizing–abortion. The co-founders of NARAL invented the slogans of “freedom of choice” and “women must have control over their own bodies.” Framing the debate away from the morality–or immorality–of killing another person, he and his team set out on a course to change public opinion and lay the groundwork for Roe v. Wade.

To gain the public's acceptance of decriminalized abortion, he and his colleagues fabricated poll results, making it appear that the majority of Americans wanted legalized abortion, and disseminated this information to the media. In addition, they lied about the number of illegal abortions performed annually in the U.S., consistently citing 1 million abortions a year when only about 100,000 were being performed.

The co-founder of NARAL also explained how they marketed the idea that legalizing abortion would not increase the overall number of abortions–a claim that is now preposterous considering that a million people a year lose their lives to abortion. Reflecting on the sinister nature of the death industry, it was obvious he was remorseful for partaking in this national deception.

A Change of Heart

Four years after co-founding the nation's largest pro-abortion lobby group, Dr. Nathanson saw the error of his ways and became pro-life. With the help of the new and improved ultrasound and electronic fetal heart monitoring, a second patient was revealed: a baby, a baby with a beating heart, puckering his lips, stretching his little arms.

Shattering his pro-abortion world, founded on lies and deception, Dr. Nathanson turned from being pro-abortion and began to tell the truth. He even made an in-utero film called "Silent Scream," which shows an abortion taking place. Revealing a baby squirming away from the suction tube, a little mouth open in an inaudible cry, "Silent Scream" was seen and "heard" around the country.

Dr. Nathanson knew what we all really know in our hearts: The baby is not the woman's body. Therein is the lie that the co-founder of NARAL started. Once we recognize the humanity of the baby, who temporarily lives inside his mother, the argument, not the baby, is dead. Regardless of how deformed or ugly, he or she has the gift of life, and every life is precious. No child's life should be taken. A woman can do what she wants with her body, but the baby living inside her is a separate and genetically distinct human being with every right to live.

When a nation and a government violate this principle of life, everyone's rights are abrogated. The same lie supported slavery; the same lie undergirded the Holocaust the notion that someone is less than human.

I asked Dr. Nathanson what message he wanted me to carry throughout our nation, and he softly said to me:
"Tell them to love one another. Abortion is not love."

As his hands trembled while reaching for a cup of water, I was thankful that since 1973 his life had been put to good use, proclaiming a message of life and love, not death and deception. He died on

Feb. 21, 2011, but his message will never stop. Loving babies and protecting the gift of life, no matter how short or difficult, are the right things to do.

When America can do that again, everyone's right to life is protected and the "worth" of someone's life will never be measured by somebody else's scale. This protects the individual's right to life and benefits society as a whole.

The Culture of Death Will Only Grow Larger

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Letter to the Editor, March 17, 2012

Richmond Times-Dispatch

In his article about the PERSONHOOD BILL, HB1, Dr. Joseph Glanfortoni stated:

"This law is flawed religiously, historically, scientifically and medically. The legalities and problems that this law could impose on the medical community and, for that matter, on the public as a whole could be catastrophic."

This statement happens to be a perfect description of the notorious Roe vs Wade decision by the Supreme Court that unleashed a culture of death on the United States. There would be no need for HB1 and others had not Americans embraced the mass murder of their unwanted babies. After 39 years over 50,000,000 lives lost, far exceeding the numbers killed in the Holocaust. Americans were outraged at the killing by the Germans of 6,000,000 Jews but with the babies it's "what's the big deal, its legal".

The sad fact is that the American Medical Association and the American College of OB/GYNs have long ago officially embraced this killing by abortionist as a 'standard of care for unwanted pregnancies'.

As the medical profession now is working its way through the 'ethical' ramifications of euthanasia and its acceptance by the public, the elderly and the handicap need to know they are next. We will soon see the medical schools awarding a new specialty, MDD- Medical Doctor of Death.

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Pepsi: Aborted Fetus Cells in Flavor-enhancing Research

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Obama agency rules Pepsi use of cells derived from aborted fetus 'ordinary business'

LARGO, FL, March 5, 2012 (**LifeSiteNews.com**) – The Pepsi Company, which is set to release the new product Pepsi Next in the coming weeks, is facing a more robust boycott as pro-life activists protest the company use of cells derived from an aborted fetus in flavor-enhancing research. But Pepsi has succeeded, with help from the Obama Administration, in keeping its controversial operations from consideration by its shareholders.

In a decision delivered Feb 28th, President Obama's Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) ruled that PepsiCo's use of cells derived from aborted fetal remains in their research and development agreement with Senomyx to produce flavor enhancers falls under "ordinary business operations."

The letter signed by Attorney Brian Pitko of the SEC Office of Chief Counsel was sent in response to a 36-page document submitted by PepsiCo attorneys in January, 2012. In that filing, PepsiCo pleaded with the SEC to reject the Shareholder's Resolution filed in October 2011 that the company "adopt a corporate policy that recognizes human rights and employs ethical standards which do not involve using the remains of aborted human beings in both private and collaborative research and development agreements."

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Texas Defunds Planned Parenthood Despite Obama Admin Attacks

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The state of Texas is defying attacks form the Obama administration in the form of threats to revoke federal funding if the state cuts of its funding for the Planned Parenthood abortion business. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and state lawmakers have directed the Texas Health and Human Services commissioner to sign a rule yesterday that officially bans Planned Parenthood and other abortion businesses from participating in the Texas' Women's Health Program.

In December, **the Obama Administration refused** to renew funding for Texas' Women's Health Program (WHP) because of new state rules that disqualify abortion business affiliates from participation in the program. The WHP encompasses Medicaid family planning services for low income women. The program started through authorizing legislation in 2005 and was renewed in the recent 82nd Legislative Session with new pro-life rules.

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Rally Held at Capital in Favor of Personhood bill

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On the measure's first day in the Senate after it cleared the House on Tuesday, abortion opponents rallied at the state Capitol to support House Bill 1, which would define life as beginning at conception.

Nearly 100 people gathered Wednesday at Capitol Square's Bell Tower to advocate for the measure, wearing yellow scarves and carrying yellow balloons, along with "Support HB1" posters that depicted a baby.

The bill would impart the rights of "personhood" to a human embryo at the moment of conception, creating a civil cause of action for the wrongful death of an unborn child killed by the negligent or criminal act of a third party.

The bill's patron, Del. Robert G. Marshall, R-Prince William, called on Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling, who breaks ties in the evenly split Senate, to take a position on the measure.

“If it comes to a tie vote, lieutenant governor, we need to know how you’re going to vote,” he said.

Asked Tuesday if he had a position on the bill yet, Bolling replied: “I do not.”

Marshall and the bill’s architect, Rita Dunaway, an attorney with the Rutherford Institute, also called on Gov. Bob McDonnell to make his position clear.

Response to Schapiro’s article “One Party, Many Opinions”

In a news article in Sunday’s Times Dispatch by Jeff Schapiro, Governor McDonnell’s spokesperson, Tucker Martin, stated that the Governor has “significant constitutional concerns” about Delegate Bob Marshall’s House Bill 1, a bill that recognizes human life as beginning at conception. Schapiro also points out, however, that an identical Missouri law withstood United States Supreme Court scrutiny back in 1989.

Either the Governor is being untruthful about his reasons for failing to publicly support this pro-life legislation, or he has identified “constitutional concerns” that 5 Supreme Court Justices and their clerks were unable to detect. Whatever the case, Governor McDonnell’s position is an extreme disappointment to the pro-life movement in Virginia. How can a “pro-life” Governor be so unable to muster even the elementary level of support for the unborn that has been demonstrated by the institution (Supreme Court) that gave us Roe v. Wade?

Senator Stanley’s claim that the pro-life movement’s expectations in this are somehow unrealistic is similarly preposterous. Virginia elected a majority of pro-life representatives to both chambers of the General Assembly last November. Under those circumstances, there is surely nothing unrealistic about expecting our legislature to pass the same, tried and true “life-at-conception” law that has been in effect in another state for over 25 years. Why should less be expected in Virginia, a state being lead by a pro-life Governor, a pro-life Lieutenant Governor, and a pro-life Attorney General?

It is time for those entrusted with representing our interests to show some leadership, moral courage, and integrity. Great leaders demonstrate more concern for their constituents’ desires – and for doing what is right – than for grooming themselves for the next political office they hope to achieve. We know Cuccinelli supports HB 1, but where do McDonnell and Bolling stand?

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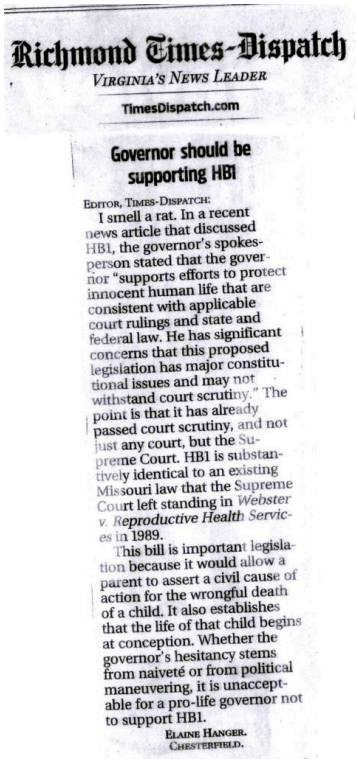

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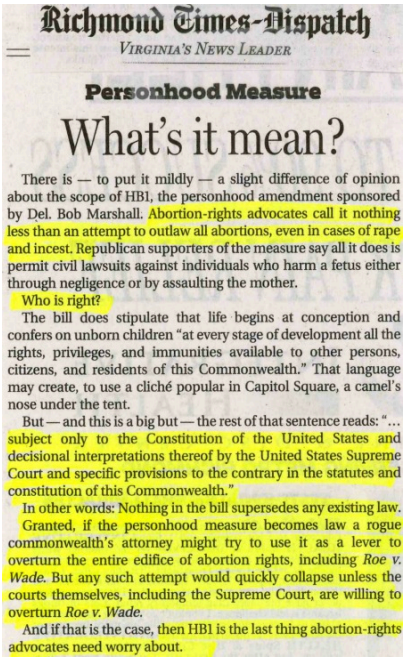

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"Personhood" : HB 1 – "Right to Life"

by Don Blake, Chairman, Virginia Christian Alliance

There has been a lot of "chatter" in the news and on the internet about Virginia Delegate Bob Marshall's House Bill 1 (HB 1).· The bill passed the Virginia House of Delegates (under the leadership of Speaker Bill Howell) two to one, for the second year in a row.

One would think that the HB 1 would pass the Virginia Senate by a vote or two, but certainly with a 20-20 vote and Lieutenant Governor Bolling voting the tie breaker.· Not so fast.

First, back to the "chatter".· Newspaper, TV news and internet "news" is full of outright lies about what HB 1 "may" or "will" do.· Some would say "lies" is "too strong" – no the "chatter" and "news"against HB 1 are all lies.· It is like the old song "Who are you going to believe " ME ? or your lying eyes"?

House Bill 1 is almost verbatim of the Missouri Law of 1986, that was tested by the U. S. Supreme Court in 1989.· Since 1986, none of the "issues" has been an "issue".· So who are some of the liars? · Democratic Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn of Fairfax indicated (T.V. 8) the bill would restrict access to birth control.· Other Democratic General Assembly members have made false "issue" statements.· See Delegate Jennifer McClellan on T.V. CBS 6 News, February 15th.

T.V.· WTOP stated the "bill would cloud when abortion would be legal and possibly outlaw some forms of birth control."· Where do they get this stuff?· WTOP also quoted Democratic Senator Barbara Favola of Arlington, "Why we want to repeal the 20th Century, I don't know."· Favola calls the bill a "very extreme agenda" that a group of people are trying to force on an entire state.

A group called "Progress VA" says "this war on women has got to stop".· The "pro-abortion" movement does not want to be confused by the facts. ·The facts are that none of the suspected "issues" have been found to be valid since 1986.

Has anyone noticed that the Oklahoma Senate has passed a similar bill also modeled after the Missouri statute?· The bill passed 34 to 8 and is expected to easily pass the House and be signed by Governor Mary Fallin.· On February 17, 2012, the Alabama Supreme Court issued a landmark wrongful death opinion.· It was a unanimous decision.· The opinion is 46 pages long and can be downloaded through Liberty Council.

Will HB 1 pass the Virginia Senate?· Perhaps only Governor McDonnell and Lt. Governor Bolling know, or maybe Senator Steve Martin of Chesterfield knows, since he chairs the Senate Committee that will hear the bill.· Maybe Senator Bill Stanley knows.· Who knows?· None of these men are championing HB 1.· Will it pass the committee?· Is a Republican going to be in the "restroom" at voting time?· If it comes out of Committee, will all 20 Republicans vote for HB 1?· Will one of the 20 be in the "restroom"?· If it passes 20 – 20, will Lt. Gov. Bolling vote for the bill?· If HB 1 makes it to the Governor's desk, will he sign it?

Who knows?· Maybe the Family Foundation knows and that's why they are not "pushing" this HB 1 bill and declined an invitation to be a part of the HB 1 Rally at the Capitol on February 15, 2012.

Who knows?· Perhaps the Governor knows and that's why he declined to meet with HB 1 supporters and attend the Rally.

Who knows?· Perhaps the Lt. Governor knows, and that's why he declined to commit when meeting with three HB 1 supporters only a few weeks ago.· Perhaps that's why he did not attend the HB 1 rally on the 15th.· Who knows?· Somebody knows!

It's interesting that of our "major" Republican leaders, only Speaker Bill Howell and Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli "know" where they stand on HB 1.· The speaker lead the overwhelming vote in the House and the Attorney General made a strong statement of support for HB 1 at the HB 1 Rally.· Ken Cuccinelli boldly stated the bill was lawful and approved by the highest court in the land.· He encouraged Rally attendees to push their senators to vote for HB 1.

It's also interesting to note that the Attorney General contradicted the Governor's comments on HB 1 in front of 100 plus people at the Family Foundation meeting the same night of the Rally (which the Family Foundation did not support).· Governor McDonnell stated that he had not paid too much attention to HB 1 when asked if he would sign the bill if it "did" get to him.· The Governor said that if the bill came to him, he would "have his lawyers look at the bill".· Literally moments after the governor left the meeting, Ken Cuccinelli spoke directly to the lawfulness of HB 1.· The Attorney General could not have been more clear in his support of HB 1 and the legality of the bill.· Does the Governor have a legal authority higher than the Attorney General?· Who knows?

What's going to happen to HB 1?
Will it pass committee?
Will it pass the Senate?
Will Gov. McDonnell sign it?
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Don Blake, Chairman

Virginia Christian Alliance

February 20, 2012

Call To Action!

Pro-life Virginians need to take action immediately to assure that the opportunity is not missed to codify that life begins at conception and that unborn children are endowed with fundamental rights. This is a key component of HB1 which allows parents to assert a civil cause of action for the wrongful death of an unborn child. This legislation has passed the House of Delegates and will soon be before the Senate Education and Health Committee.

This committee is composed of eight Republicans and seven Democrats. All eight Republicans must vote yes in order for this bill to make it to the floor of the Senate. Please contact these eight senators and urge them to support HB1.

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Senator Richard Black **district13@senate.virginia.gov**

Senator Harry Blevins **district14@senate.virginia.gov**

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The governor needs to hear from us, the supporters of **HB1**
Please call his office to let his staff know that you want the governor to sign HB1 when it gets to his desk.

Governor McDonnell 804-786-2211

Or click **here** to contact his office via e-mail.

Are Va Gov. McDonnell's VP Hopes Clouding His Judgement on Pro-Life HB1?

FEBRUARY 20, 2012
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Does Governor McDonnell have his eyes on the V.P spot in November and is maneuvering to appease pro-choice advocates? ***See out cry from Virginia Christians.***

Tom White: VARight: We hope not, but given the fact that Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell is often named on everyone's short list for Vice President, and his strong support for Virginia's anointed Republican candidate Mitt Romney, it is a question that is being raised often in Pro-life circles.

And we all know about the abortion flip-flops that Mitt Romney has made. He was for abortion before he was against it.

When it suited him politically, he was pro-abortion.

He has also been "personally" against abortion, yet supported a woman's "right" to choose.

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And now that he wants the Republican nomination for President, Romney is pro-life.

Of course, people's opinions evolve. But it seems a bit disingenuous when such an evolution coincides with political ambitions. At the very least it gives the impression that one will say anything to get elected. And as this is just one of many areas where

Romney's position has "evolved" to align with the most politically advantageous position befitting the office and the times.

And it is this troubling aspect of Mitt Romney's "evolution" that is the underlying reason he has been unable to close the deal on the Republican nomination.

And Governor McDonnell seems to be "evolving" in the mold of Romney.

No one doubts that the Governor is pro-life.

But HB1, introduced by Delegate Bob Marshall, defines "person-hood" as beginning at conception. And the lack of support on this bill on the part of McDonnell has pro-life tongues wagging and those who value the sanctity of life questioning the degree of commitment of Virginia's Governor to the pro-life movement.

The Governor's Spokesman Tucker Martin has said that the Governor "has significant concerns that this proposed legislation has major constitutional issues and may not withstand court scrutiny".

However, the bill uses the exact same language as a Missouri Law that has already withstood a challenge in the US Supreme Court.

And Virginia's Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli has urged passage of the bill.

Most see the argument of "Constitutional Concerns" as spurious. *The language has already passed scrutiny*.

The talk "on the streets" has turned to questioning why the Governor, who ran as a pro-life Conservative, wouldn't be working as hard as he possible could to see that this bill, which has already passed the House, is not on a fast track in the Senate.

The reason many object to abortion is that it takes an innocent human life.

And the only reason *not* to support a bill that states life begins at conception is if you believe the pro-abortion argument that a fetus is not human. That until a baby is born, he or she is not deserving of human rights.

So, the bottom line is, if you don't support HB1, given that it has already been vetted as Constitutional, you are either not pro-life, or posturing for political position.

Bob McDonnell has been one of the best Governors Virginia has had. He is the most popular Governor in the nation and has a bright and promising political future, if he wants it, based on his record.

But if he is following in the footsteps of Mitt Romney and allowing political ambition to guide his moral compass, that is a shame. Romney allowed himself to slide down that slippery slope and his inability to put away the Republican nomination is a direct result of allowing his ambition to guide his decisions. And it is difficult to walk that back.

Bob McDonnell is at a crossroad. So far, he has been served well by staying on message and keeping his focus on what is right and just. And the politics has taken care of itself.

HB1 is right, just and a necessary step in defining the moment when God's miracle of life begins. I would urge Governor McDonnell to look beyond what may seem the path to greater personal achievement and take the path of life.

Following the path of self-ambition is a dead end.

What's Really at Stake – Leviathan's Appetite

FEBRUARY 12, 2012
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Make no mistake. The raging controversy over the Obama Administration's refusal to exempt religious organizations from onerous health care mandates is a big deal. A very big deal.

But why? What's really at issue here?

Despite what the media and the Obama Administration are telling you, it's not just a battle between the so-called "archaic beliefs" of the Catholic Church on the one hand and advocates of women's health on the other. It's not just about access to abortion-inducing drugs, contraception, and sterilization, bad as that is.

And it's even more than a battle over religious freedom. I have to say, the Obama Administration's move boggles the mind. What part of "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof . . ." does the administration not understand?

There is no way this outrage would survive if it has to get to the courts. And I'm grateful to see lawmakers in Congress on both sides working together to reverse the decision. Let's hope they can succeed.

I'm even more gratified to see people of faith rallying against this violation of religious liberty. I've heard from ministers, rabbis, even Muslims, outraged at this threat.

That's a point that Cardinal Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, D.C., Rabbi Dr. Meir Soloveichik of Yeshiva University, and I make together in today's *Wall Street Journal*. As we say in our opinion piece, a Catholic, a Protestant, and a Jew can all agree that "under no circumstances should people of faith violate their consciences and discard their most cherished religious beliefs in order to comply with a gravely unjust law." Come to BreakPoint.org, and we'll link you to our *Wall Street Journal*article.

So why in the world would the Administration brushoff at the Bill of Rights and antagonize people of faith — maybe 80 percent of the U.S. population?

Because what's really at stake here is whether or not there is any limit to government power.

That's the point made by Daniel Henninger in his excellent piece yesterday, also in the *Wall Street Journal*. "The American Catholic Church," he writes, "is now being handed a lesson in the hierarchy of raw political authority."

But the question for all of us, Henninger writes, "is whether anyone can remain free of a U.S. government determined to do what it wants to do, at whatever cost."

Friends, the answer to that question depends on whether we the people, and especially we Christians and people of all faiths will rise up and say, "Enough! You may not intrude on our religious beliefs, you may not prohibit us from living out our faith."

So today, as I have earlier this week, I am asking you to take action. Go to **ManhattanDeclration.org**, sign our petition to the President to reverse the HHS decision. Thousands of people have already done so. And then sign the Manhattan Declaration itself and get your friends to do the same thing.

I have said before, now is the time to speak out—and to remain vigilant in the face of the government's enormous appetite for power over the lives and liberties of its citizens.

What's really at stake is whether we will continue to be a free country.

Chuck Colson

Colson founded Prison Fellowship®, which, together with churches of all confessions and denominations, has become the world's largest outreach to prisoners, ex-prisoners, and their families, with ministry taking place in 113 countries around the globe.

Catholic and Pro-life Leaders Slam White House 'compromise' on Birth Control Mandate

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WASHINGTON, February 10, 2012 (LifeSiteNews.com) – The White House announced today that, instead of forcing religious employers to pay for birth control, it will force insurance companies to offer the drugs free of charge to all women, no matter where they work.

The plan, put forward as a concession to freedom of religion, was immediately denounced by Catholic Rep. Chris Smith as fundamentally the exact same mandate.

"The so-called new policy is the discredited old policy, dressed up to look like something else," said Smith. "It remains a serious violation of religious freedom. Only the most naive or gullible would accept this as a change in policy."

"The White House Fact Sheet is riddled with doublespeak and contradiction," Smith continued. "It states, for example, that religious employers 'will not' have to pay for abortion pills, sterilization and contraception, but their 'insurance companies' will. Who pays for the insurance policy? The religious employer."

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A CALL TO ACTION FOR VIRGINIA: Where there is a Heartbeat, There is a Life and it's Worth Protecting

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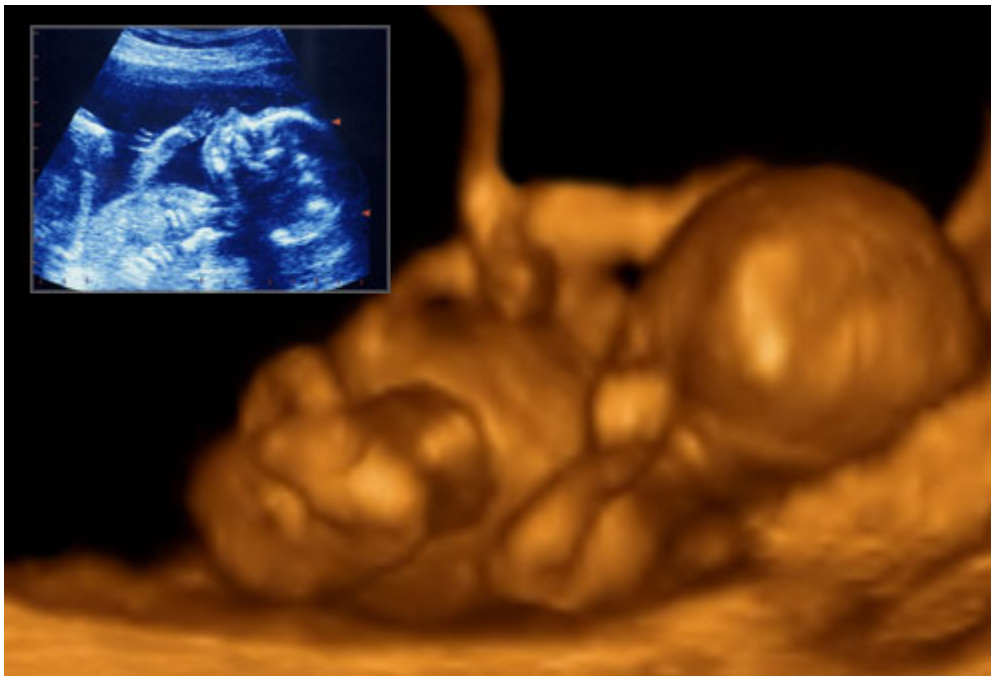


It was 19 years after the infamous Roe v. Wade decision, which was based on a lie, that the Planned Parenthood of Southeastern PA. v. Casey decision in 1992 was issued. The "joint opinion" representing the views of the Court was written by Justices O'Connor, Souter, and Kennedy. It contained a section that perked the interests of some legal scholars. One of them was Joe Tucker, a black law professor who said to me, "It's a shame that at least one state had not outlawed abortion prior to this ruling."

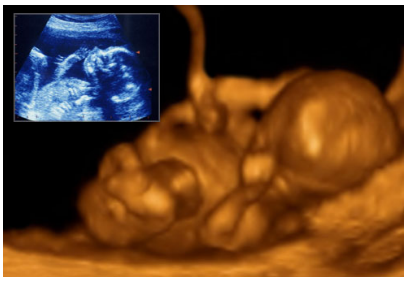
In the Casey decision, the U. S. Supreme ruled that states have a larger say than people had previously believed. Excerpts from that decision contains the following statements:

"Roe's rigid trimester framework is rejected. To promote the State's interest in potential life throughout pregnancy, the State may take measures to ensure that the woman's choice is informed. Measures designed to advance this interest should not be invalidated if their purpose is to persuade the woman to choose childbirth over abortion."·

"As we have made clear, we depart from the holdings of Akron I and Thornburgh to the extent that we permit a State to further its legitimate goal of protecting the life of the unborn by enacting legislation aimed at ensuring a decision that is mature and informed, even when, in so doing, the State expresses a preference for childbirth over abortion."·

Professor Tucker explained to me that if a state that had banned abortion had a case in the works, based on Casey, that state's attorney would have been in a strong position for the court to have ruled in their favor. After talking at length with Professor Tucker, I was meditating on the report Joshua and Caleb gave to Moses. I realized that the fearful mindset of some groups who call themselves pro-life have throughout the years hindered the passage of a state law to challenge Roe v. Wade. It has happened in Mississippi, South Dakota and Colorado. Now they are here in Ohio. These groups have come up with many excuses. "The time is not right." "The bill is not quite right." Whatever their excuse, in reality, they are too fearful to believe that they can win now. To not even try is a lost by default

From that tragic decision in 1973 to the present, it has been 39 years. Since we are going into the 40th year, I say that it's time to start marching out of this wilderness. And if we are to win in the legal arena, at least one state will need to be strong and courageous enough to confront the decision which was based on a lie and realize that if there is a heartbeat, there is life and that life is worth protecting.



I say to all state legislators who are hesitant about passing the Heartbeat Bill, the serpent is whispering in your ear "Has God said…?" In the beginning, God gave mankind a garden to keep and the enemy of the man and the woman lured them to compromise on the life issue and they were seduced into choosing death. I say to the Ohio legislators, the Ohio churches, the Ohio people, do not be suckered into maintaining the status quo – be strong and courageous.
It's time.·

In the late sixties and early seventies, Black college students participate in various forms of nonviolent civil disobedience on campus, including taking over their respective administration. Our chant was "What do we want – FREEDOM! When do we want it – NOW!" Impatient Blacks had waited long enough. The lie of Roe v. Wade has run its course and left truth crushed down, women wounded for life and some dead, babies ripped apart and a nation facing the consequences of killing the innocent.

On the 25th of March, in 1965, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr spoke in Montgomery, Alabama:

"I come to say to you this afternoon, however difficult the moment, however frustrating the hour, it will not be long, because 'truth crushed to earth will rise again.' How long? Not long, because 'no lie can live forever.'"

Pass the Heartbeat Bill. Let the baby live and let the lie be put to rest.

Press Statement of Dr. Johnny Hunter, DD National Director of LEARN, Inc.

Dr. Johnny M. Hunter is an Advisor for the Virginia Christian Alliance and the President of Global Life & Family Mission, a ministrydedicated to promoting traditional family values, racial harmony, and the survival ofchildren around the world. He is also the National Director of Life Education AndResource Network (LEARN, Inc.), a consortium of life affirming pro-family advocates,which is a prominent African-American evangelical pro-life ministry in the United States.

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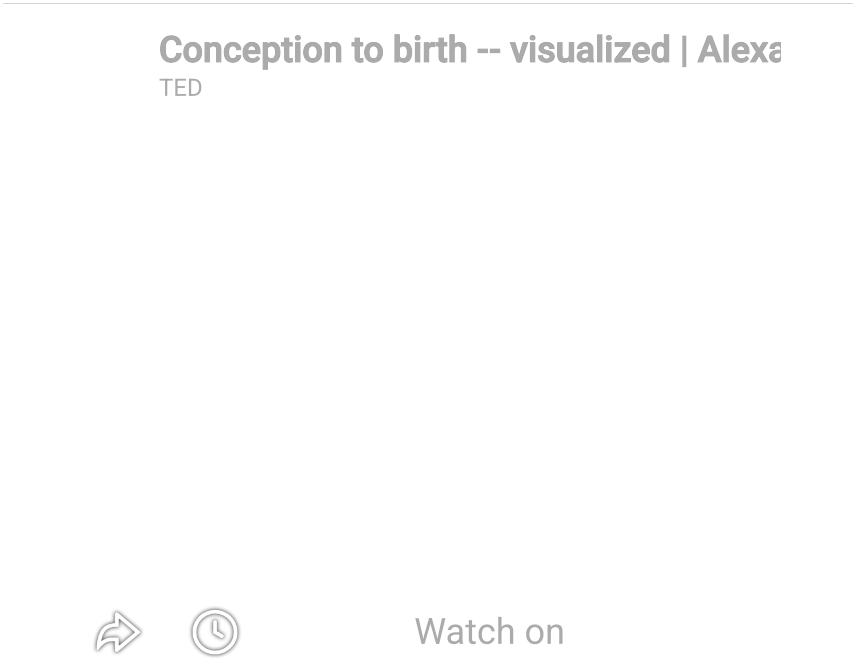

Administration Expects Religious Groups to Fund Abortion Drugs

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The Christian Legal Society is deeply troubled by the Administration's **refusal to reconsider its policy** to coerce faith-based institutions to pay for abortion-inducing drugs. Quite simply, the Administration's deliberate indifference to Americans' religious liberty is staggering.

Under the new health care law, the federal government mandates that all employers' insurance plans include coverage of "preventive services." On August 3, 2011, the Department of Health and Human Services **explicitly broadened "preventive services"** to include mandated coverage of contraceptives, including abortion-inducing drugs.

The Administration's regulation includes a curious "religious exemption" – curious because it protects almost no religious institution. Faith-based institutions are covered *only* if they inculcate religious values, hire only members of their faith, *and serve only members of their faith*. Obviously, no hospitals, homeless shelters, or international aid groups need apply. Religious colleges may claim the exemption only if they restrict enrollment to students of one faith.

On **August 26** and, again on **December 21**, in alliance with numerous Jewish and Protestant organizations, CLS petitioned the President to re-think such a potent restriction on a long recognized religious liberty. This Alice-in-Wonderland initiative may serve as the template for future *de facto* gutting of federal and state exemptions in other areas as well.

Rebuffing the religious community's requests, the Administration instead repeated that religious groups must fall in line or suffer the consequences. To add insult to injury, the Administration delayed the compliance deadline a year – until after the election – as if a year of soul-searching will persuade religious groups to recant.

Unless it is intentionally seeking to deceive the public, why does the Administration bother to offer any religious exemption at all? Either no religious conscience issue exists, and everyone must march in lockstep, or a religious conscience issue exists, and the government must provide a good-faith exemption. But the Administration takes the worst path imaginable: it recognizes a significant conscience issue exists, but then effectively precludes any religious organization that seeks to serve others from preserving fundamental rights of conscience even among its own staff.

This is not a Catholic issue, or a women's issue, or even a political issue. The issue is whether American pluralism will survive. The Administration seeks to broaden control over the health

care of every American worker and redefine “religion” so narrowly that, in the end, there is no exemption at all. In a country founded and constantly replenished by immigrants seeking religious freedom, religious conscience must be respected.

Thank you for your support that makes it possible for CLS to be a responsible voice to the executive branch on behalf of religious liberty and life.

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Virginia Senate Passes Ultrasound Requirement for Abortions

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Virginia women seeking an abortion may soon be required to undergo an ultrasound first.

The Virginia Senate approved the requirement Wednesday on a 21-18 vote mainly along party lines. It is the first significant anti-abortion measure to pass the Senate since Republicans took effective control of the chamber following the fall elections; more are pending.

Two Democratic senators, Charles Colgan of Prince William County and Phillip Puckett of Russell County, voted in favor of it, while Republican Sen. John Watkins of Powhatan County opposed it.

The bill from Sen. Jill Holtzman Vogel would make women seeking abortions get an ultrasound, give them a chance to view the image, and require providers to keep a copy of it on file.

Read Rest of Virginia-Pilot's report

Outrageous Choice

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Religious Freedom or Healthcare?

The Obama Administration's has shown its cards. It is using ideology to trump religious freedom.

I've told you that the Obama Administration is intentionally restricting religious freedom. I've told you we are in danger of losing the right to exercise our faith in public.

Well, maybe I've been too understated. The attack is relentless.

Just recently, the Obama Administration announced that the Affordable Healthcare Act, otherwise known as ObamaCare, requires that employers pay for contraception, including abortifacients, and that Catholic institutions are not exempt from this requirement.

Well, Catholic Bishop David Zubik of Pittsburgh and other bishops are blowing the trumpets on the ramparts. And my hat's off to them. They see the Administration's actions for what they truly are.

In an open letter released last week, Zubik said that, "Kathleen Sebelius and through her, the Obama administration, have said 'To with You' to the Catholic faithful of the United States. To with your religious beliefs, to with your religious liberty, to with your freedom of conscience." I'll leave it to your imagination what the H- stands for.

In the administration's twisted way of thinking, contraception is "preventive care" that helps prevent illness in the same way that cholesterol, high blood pressure and diabetes screening do — even though pregnancy is the means by which life is perpetuated and the species' existence continued.

Even worse is the willful refusal to accommodate the beliefs of the nation's largest religious body.

Sibelius defended the decision as "striking the appropriate balance between respecting religious freedom and increasing access to important preventive services." This is the same Kathleen Sibelius who told the crowd of abortion supporters at a NARAL fund-raiser, "we are at war" over the "pregnancy prevention" issue.

This the same Kathleen Sibelius whose department has issued hundreds of waivers for plans that fail to meet other Health and Human Service standards, including those offered by McDonalds. "Appropriate balance," my foot!

Every Christian, not just Catholics, should be outraged by the Obama Administration's decision. The regulations represent a move to define religious liberty in the narrowest possible terms. As one wag put it, the exemptions in these regulations are so narrow Jesus would not have been able to get through them.

Given the Catholic presence in areas such as health care, education and other social services, this is folly. Think of the public services that won't be delivered to people in need. And, Catholics are being asked to make a choice no Christian should ever be forced to make: heeding your conscience or serving your neighbor.

Folks, we've got to stand with all Christians and protest the Administration's outrageous assault on religious liberty. Our religious freedom is in grave peril. Today, now, I want you to go to BreakPoint.org. We will link you to Bishop Zubik's letter. I want you to read it and then send it to everyone you know.

And then today, as well, go sign the **Manhattan Declaration**. Again, we'll link you to it. In the coming months, you will be hearing much more from us on efforts to defend life, marriage, and religious liberty, for we have no time to lose.

SOURCE: **Break Point**

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The 2012 Session of Virginia's General Assembly will begin, quite literally, with controversy. Del. Bob Marshall's House Bill 1 has already created a heated ideological debate by recognizing that life begins at conception and declaring that unborn children and their parents have protectable legal interests.

The philosophical impetus for the bill is obvious to anyone familiar with Marshall's record as a champion of the pro-life movement in Virginia, but many critics are way off base with their allegations that the law would dramatically change abortion law in the commonwealth. In fact, the only practical, immediate effect of the law would be to create a civil cause of action for the wrongful death of an unborn child. In other words, it would enable the natural parents of an unborn child to sue a third party for damages if he or she wrongfully causes the death of their unborn baby.

This cause of action already exists in the majority of states, and it is a natural complement to Virginia's fetal-homicide law. As our laws stand now, while the commonwealth can prosecute a person for homicide for wrongfully taking the life of an unborn child, the baby's parents have no civil legal recourse if the baby is not "born alive." Marshall's bill would correct this statutory incongruence.

Predictably, those who support abortion rights have taken aim at the measure, employing a tried-and-true fear-mongering tactic. By raising a host of allegedly unanswerable questions, they suggest that the bill's passage would result in a parade of horribles. Would the law mean that abortionists and their patients are prosecuted for murder? Would miscarriages be treated as involuntary manslaughter? Would oral contraception become illegal? But these "unanswerable questions" all have an answer, and the answer is: of course not.

Exhibit A: An identical law has been on the books in Missouri for more than 25 years, and none of these "sky-is-falling" predictions have come true there. The law was left standing by the U.S. Supreme Court in a 1989 decision, *Webster v. Reproductive Health Services* . Marshall purposefully

chose the language of HB1 to avoid any question of its challenging*Roe v. Wade* and because the identical law in Missouri had the desired effect of creating the wrongful-death cause of action for pre-born babies.

Exhibit B: This isn't a criminal law. It will have *no* effect on the practice of abortion, which is currently governed by specific statutes describing how and when abortion is legal in the commonwealth. In any situation where a pregnant woman chooses to end the life of her child, these statutes will continue to govern that decision.

Opponents of HB1 have jumped to the conclusion that the bill represents an attempt by Marshall to achieve by legislative fiat the same goals of the "personhood" movement in states such as Colorado and Mississippi. But Marshall's bill enjoys a legal history and Supreme Court-reviewed pedigree that make these accusations absurd. While the pro-life movement in Virginia may certainly hope to see an end to abortion in the commonwealth someday, that will have to be effected, if ever, by clear, specific legislative action to revise and/or replace existing statutes concerning abortion. It is simply not the goal of HB1.

Moreover, many pro-lifers understand that it is preferable for any desired abortion ban to be in the form of legislation that can address the very issues being raised as alleged "unintended consequences" of HB1 — issues such as how to treat oral contraception, in vitro fertilization, and situations where the mother faces medical complications.

But this bill does not affect abortion, and thus it necessarily reserves those important, difficult questions for another day.

What the law *would* do is to provide a legal remedy for parents whose beloved unborn baby is killed by the negligent or criminal act of a third party. Does anyone out there really think that is a bad idea?

Admittedly, many *will* think it is a bad idea to codify, for purposes of Virginia law, the fact that unborn children are human beings. But the only genuine objections to this must be argued on the basis of moral principles. Undoubtedly, critics of the measure recognize that when we call unborn children what they are — human beings — we must then face the ultimate question of how and why our laws can justly sanction their destruction.

This is an uncomfortable question, and it isn't surprising that those who favor abortion rights would prefer to avoid it. But let's focus on that, the real issue, rather than being sidetracked by fear-mongering hyperbole.

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Marking 39 Years of Roe v. Wade

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Even though there's a long way to go, 2011 was a great year for the pro-life movement. I'll explain why.

This month marks the 39th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court's hideous decision to legalize abortion on demand in the United States. Since then, some 50 million unborn children have lost their lives. The constant killing, with the blessing of both the government and the media, has coarsened our national life, and deadened the consciences of many.

And for those of us who believe in the sanctity of human life, and the *Imago Dei* being implanted in every human being, these 39 years have been full of frustration and anguish in our so-far unsuccessful efforts to overturn *Roe*.

Adding insult to injury, the Obama administration is seeking to increase access to abortion through the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act — otherwise known as ObamaCare. According to CitizenLink, "Under ObamaCare regulations, insurance policies would be required to cover free to women all contraceptive methods, sterilization procedures, and reproductive counseling methods that the Food and Drug Administration has approved."

Knowing all this, it would be easy to get discouraged. But I'm not, and you shouldn't be, either. First of all, as Christians we believe in the sovereignty of God. So despair is a sin! Never despair!

Secondly, the pro-lifer cause is gaining tremendous ground in the states. Let me list just some of the signs of progress. According to Americans United for Life (AUL) five states have reacted to ObamaCare by restricting insurance coverage of abortion: Florida, Idaho, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Virginia. Good start.

In addition, more than 30 states have either introduced or are laying the groundwork to introduce an opt-out bill as soon as their legislative calendars allow. Many have already passed such

legislation like Arizona, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Utah, Mississippi.

Meanwhile, AUL sees "an unprecedented level of pro-life activity in the states," with 70 pro-life bills passed in 2011. In all, pro-lifers in 47 states got their legislators to consider 460 bills, and they're keeping the pressure on daily.

In Kansas, pro-life lawmakers are seeking to bolster legal protections for doctors, pharmacists, and other health-care providers opposed to abortions or abortion-inducing drugs. These legislators hope to block even indirect taxpayer support for abortion.

In Ohio, Gov. John Kasich signed four bills into law last year that either put additional restrictions on abortion or benefited the pro-life movement. Says Mike Gonidakis, president of Ohio Right to Life, "Never in the history of the pro-life movement have we had so many legislative measures enacted in one year."

These Ohio laws prohibit public hospitals from performing abortions and ban abortion coverage in the insurance plans of local public employees. Pro-life college groups now cannot be denied use of school funds or facilities. Kasich also signed a law that makes it harder for minors to get abortions without parental consent. And the polls continue to show us gaining in public support.

Okay folks, 2011 was a good year for the pro-life cause. And no, we haven't overturned *Roe v. Wade* — yet. And we face entrenched interests that will fight us tooth and nail. But that's because the tide is turning!

So even as we mark 39 years of abortion on demand, hang in there! And keep fighting the good fight.

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Virginia Abortion Center Owner Arrested for Murder

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Information Alert: Abortion Arrests Make Case for Regulations

Last week, **Governor Bob McDonnell signed off on regulations for Virginia's abortion centers**, causing the abortion industry in Virginia to go into hysterics. Ironically, the day before the regulations went into effect, **a Virginia abortion center owner was arrested for multiple counts of murder in Maryland** – a state with lenient abortion laws.

Last year, The Family Foundation discovered that Dr. Steven Brigham, who had been under investigation by authorities in New Jersey for starting late term abortions in that state and transporting the patients to his Maryland centers to complete the procedures, owned and operated two abortion centers in Virginia, one in Fairfax and one in Virginia Beach. His websites advertised abortions "between 14-24 weeks" where the procedure is started in Virginia clinics and then patients are asked to "travel to…one of our other locations…for the *completion* of their procedure." Our research generated **a news story in *The Virginian-Pilot***, and the fact that abortion centers in Virginia were operated by someone like Brigham was one of the reasons the General Assembly passed the requirement for emergency regulations.

The abortion industry has maintained throughout the debate over abortion center standards that abortion is "safe" and that there is no need for oversight. We have argued that there is no way to know if the centers are safe because they have never been inspected. Essentially, we have to take the word of the abortion industry that their facilities are safe.

Enter Dr. Brigham. While to this point he has not been charged with any crimes in Virginia, his history of allegedly putting women at risk in multiple states combined with last week's reports that he has been "charged with five counts of first-degree murder, five counts of second-degree murder and one count of conspiracy," indicates someone who is not above running an abortion center that does not put women's health and safety first. Frankly, there is absolutely no way to know at this point if he didn't do some of the same things in Virginia that he did in NJ and

Maryland because before last week, abortion centers in Virginia operated outside the medical mainstream.

The abortion industry in Virginia, led by Planned Parenthood and NARAL, has yet to respond to the charges against Brigham.

The Family Foundation is thankful to Governor Bob McDonnell, Lt. Governor Bill Bolling, Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli, and the General Assembly, each of whom played a role in passing the new regulations. It is because of the Dr. Brighams of the world that these reasonable and common sense standards are necessary.

Like you, I don't believe we can take the word of an industry, which includes Dr. Steven Brigham, that their facilities are safe. **Governor McDonnell included in his budget proposal funding for additional health facility inspectors** at the Department of Health. While we know abortion center inspections will not be the only sites reviewed by these new inspectors, it is our hope that one of the first facilities they visit are those owned and operated by Dr. Brigham

As President of The Family Foundation of Virginia, Mrs. Victoria Cobb is responsible for the leadership and direction of the Commonwealth's largest and oldest pro-family organization. In her role she maintains the vision and mission of the organization while managing all areas of operations. Victoria also serves as the organization's spokesperson and is regularly in demand as a speaker and commentator on family issues in the media. She has been with the pro-family organization since 2000. **Read more**

God is Love

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My faith teaches that God created us in love, His Inspired Word guides us with love, and the free will he gave us was given in love. He loves us so much He did not create us to be robots to follow His law thoughtlessly. He wanted us to choose to love Him and recognize His Truth in our hearts. To be Christian, it is said, is to aspire to be Christ-like. Christ endured torture and death because of His love for us. I struggle every day wondering if I could die a martyr's death for my faith. The love in this context is not passive or lustful, it is a completely selfless devotion to the welfare of others. For me, at least, complete selfless love is a goal I aspire toward but fail to live far too often.

Abortion is the voluntary killing of a human life that requires, in my opinion, turning away from God and His love. No intelligent believer can seriously consider that God gave us free will because He accepts abortion as a reasonable problem solving choice. Whether abortion is legal or illegal, it is immoral.

When I was young, and early in my medical training, my understanding of God and my faith was not strong. I accepted the teaching of my professors as reasonable and rational. Abortion was, of course, undesirable, but unwanted pregnancies were tragic and might ruin lives. Abortion was the difficult decision of a woman in crisis and a private decision between her and her physician. It was not a public affair. The law should not intrude. Was it not obvious to the great thinkers of thirty years ago that abortion ruined lives? The aborted baby's life was surely ruined and he *or she* had no effective advocate in the decision. Did anyone consider the emotional and *spiritual* health of the expectant mother? What did she believe? What did she believe she was doing? Did she have dreams? Did she ever imagine her unborn child as a living child? What were the short and long term consequences? Was she being coerced by circumstances, by her boyfriend, or by her parents? Was her "Informed Consent" truly informed and truly consensual?

As is the case in so many life conflicts, the short term solution creates worse long term consequences. Abortion is a clear example. There is an enormous body of evidence that the risk of emotional distress following abortion is significantly increased, that the risk of suicide and even violent death is substantially increased, and, importantly, that the risk of premature labor

and premature birth in subsequent pregnancies is significantly increased. The mainstream media and the mainstream medical literature have largely ignored this evidence for decades but there is now some recognition of these consequences appearing in major journals. The early deceptions that abortion would reduce unwanted pregnancies and reduce child abuse and reduce the stress on families have clearly not proven true. Child abuse has increased 7 fold since 1973, half of all pregnancies in the U.S. are "unwanted" (by who?), and divorce has topped 50% in recent published data (lower in Christian households).

But, most importantly, abortion is not only a foolish and false shortcut to happiness, it is the death of a human person. If all the falsehoods of the pro-choice movement proved to be true (remember they are not true), abortion would still be the **deliberate killing of a human person**. When is it ever ok to kill someone? Maybe if they are clearly trying to kill you, but remember Jesus did not take that track, and remember that the unborn child is an innocent.

Whether or not abortion is ever again outlawed, our mission to inform and change hearts is not over. Our mission to inspire faith and our mission to teach the love of God are not over. Abortions were performed when abortion was illegal. Those hearts were broken. Murders occur today and they are illegal. Our job to spread the Word of God and share His Love with anyone and everyone who will listen will not end with a reversal of Roe v. Wade. Our job is to change hearts through the inspiration of souls to see the perfection that God calls us to and the sanctity of human life from conception to death from natural causes. Our job is to truly teach that the unborn child is more important than our convenience or our comfort or our plans. The Pharisees taught the Law of Moses quite well, but fell short in their hearts. We cannot imitate their failure.

Pray with me that we never fail to share the joy of God's love with anyone who has or is contemplating abortion.

God is love.

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Planned Parenthood Hosts Christmas Party at Mega Abortion Center

DECEMBER 4, 2011
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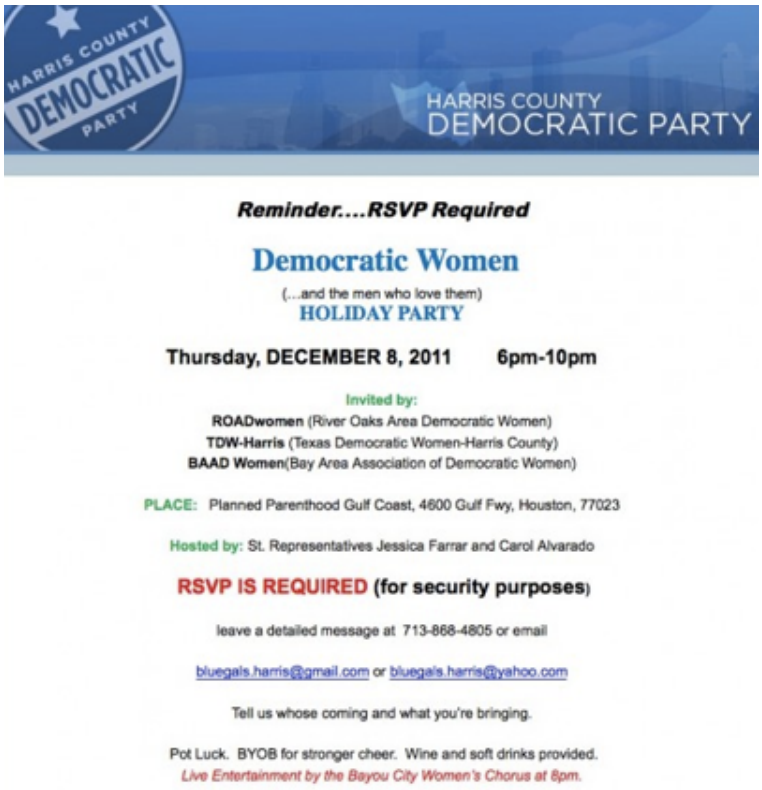
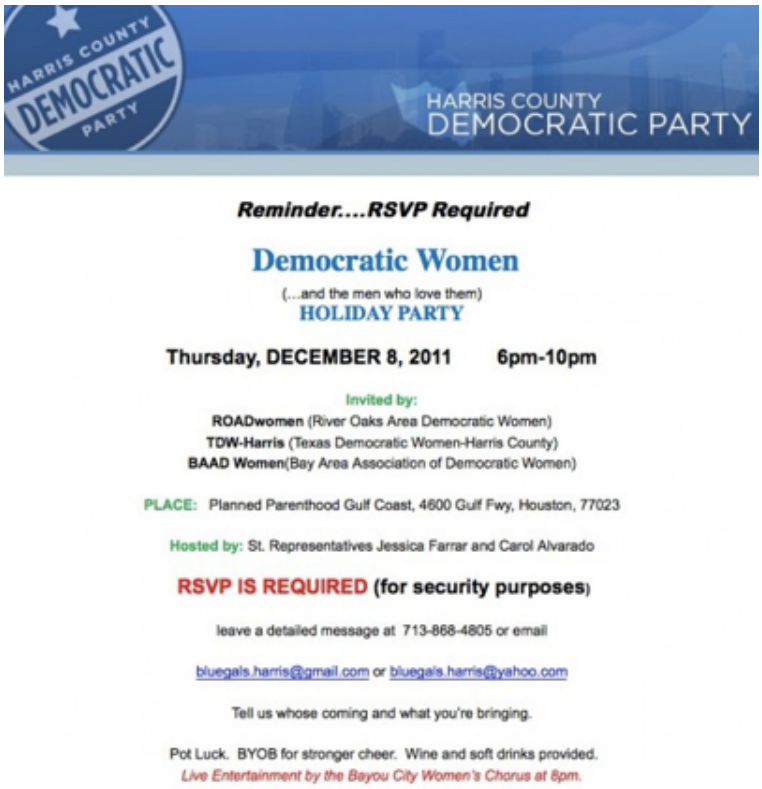


Planned Parenthood Hosts Christmas Party For Democratic Women at Abortion Performing Center

Where else can you have an abortion and a Christmas Party but Planned Parenthoods Mega Center

Planned Parenthood has a special knack for making the Christmas Season creepy and disturbing.

Whether it's selling **"Celebrate Choice on Earth" Christmas Cards** or offering **gift certificates for free Christmas abortions**, Planned Parenthood sure seems to have a special talent for sucking all the joy out of the holidays.



HARRIS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Reminder....RSVP Required

Democratic Women

(...and the men who love them)

HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, DECEMBER 8, 2011 6pm-10pm

Invited by:

ROADwomen (River Oaks Area Democratic Women)
TDW-Harris (Texas Democratic Women-Harris County)
BAAD Women(Bay Area Association of Democratic Women)

PLACE: Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast, 4600 Gulf Fwy, Houston, 77023

Hosted by: St. Representatives Jessica Farrar and Carol Alvarado

RSVP IS REQUIRED (for security purposes)

leave a detailed message at 713-868-4805 or email

bluegals.harris@gmail.com or bluegals.harris@yahoo.com

Tell us whose coming and what you're bringing.

Pot Luck. BYOB for stronger cheer. Wine and soft drinks provided.
Live Entertainment by the Bayou City Women's Chorus at 8pm.

A blogger at ***BigGovernment*** noticed that this year various organizations comprised of democrat women are throwing a "Holiday Party" at Planned Parenthood's *massive*78,000 square foot abortion mega-plex in Houston, Texas.

The irony of celebrating Christmas (a holiday that for most Americans recalls the birth of Jesus Christ) at a location that regularly kills the unborn is too tragic to ignore. Plus it's just creepy and disturbing.

The event provides "wine and soft drinks" and suggests that attendees bring their own drinks "for stronger cheer." The idea of throwing a party at an abortion clinic is simply revolting to me. Maybe drinking a lot is how the attendees plan on surviving the evening.

Steven Ertelt **points out** the close relationships between Planned Parenthood's Houston executives and the local mayor and Democratic party. So while it is no surprise that the groups decided to team up for the holidays, it does make one wonder about Planned Parenthood's commitment to being a the "non-partisan" organization that they claim to be.

This event should serve as a reminder and inspiration for us to redouble our pro-life advocacy and, yes, prayer for an end to abortion in this Christmas season. Let's pledge to create a world where every little baby is welcomed with joy.

That, after all, is the best Christmas anyone could want.

SOURCE: Live Action

1st Embryonic Stem Cell Trial Voluntarily Halted…For Lack Of Success?

NOVEMBER 20, 2011
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

The Family Foundation November 18, 2011

In shocking news this past Monday, Geron Corporation announced that it is voluntarily shutting down its embryonic stem cell therapy clinical trial citing "uncertain economic conditions."

In January 2009, the California-based biotech firm (Geron Corporation) became the first to receive FDA approval for a phase I clinical trial using embryonic stem cells. Researchers working on this clinical trial planned to select 8 to 10 people who had become paraplegics within two weeks of the start of the trial.

During the trial, embryonic stem cells (requiring the destruction of unique human embryos) would be injected into the newly formed scar tissue with hopes that this would restore partial mobility. However, one month after the FDA approval was granted, the FDA placed a hold on the trial due to concern over cysts found in some of the rats from an earlier related experiment. Geron conducted another study on mice and in July 2010, the FDA hold was listed. In October 2010, the first patient enrolled in Geron's clinical trial. To this date, only 4 patients have been enrolled.

Continue Reading on the Family Foundation website

The Wonder of Conception to Birth | A Visualization

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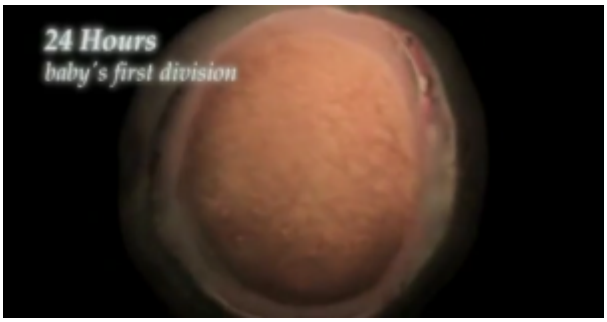
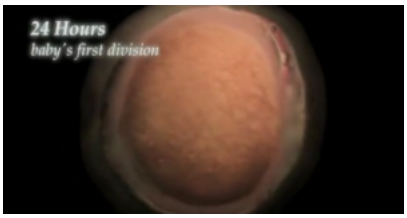


One thing I really enjoy about searching on the web are those wonderful things you come across that just blows you away causing you to praise God for the wonders of His handiwork.

H/T Live Action Alexander Tsiaras has made a career of using advances in visualization technology to offer vivid tours of the human body. His books have taken readers inside the human heart, the kidneys and vascular system, and also human reproduction. Back in 2002, Tsiaras published ***From Conception to Birth: A Life Unfolds***, a book that offers a "visual diary of fetal development." Now, nearly a decade later, he brings that visual diary to video at a conference affiliated with TED.



What's more amazing is how he describes what he's *learned* from doing these complex visualizations. Twice he talks about the "divinity" of the process of human development, and about how, even as a mathematician, the extraordinary complexity of human development is many orders of magnitude more than he can comprehend. The video is amazing and is certainly worth sharing with friends and on Facebook/Twitter. Below the video are related links and wonders.

Conception to birth -- visualized | Alexander Tsiaras
TED

Watch on

Related Links: **More on Mother and Baby**

Anatomical Travelogue uses pioneering visualization technology to create awe-inspiring images from deep inside the human body.

VisualMD: A link from the above source and you can explore

Introduction to Cells: More wonders

Wonder Channel

Nonprofit Group Opening Chesterfield Pregnancy Center

NOVEMBER 13, 2011
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The Chesterfiled Observer

A church-supported organization opposed to abortion is opening a Chesterfield County pregnancy center that will provide free testing and other services to pregnant women.

The center's goal is to help parents "make good life choices," said Elizabeth Thornton, who is on the board of the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield, located on Osborne Road. "We don't tell them what choices to make. We don't tell them what to do. We're excited to provide a service to the community."

In response to a question about whether the center would refer women to abortion clinics, Thornton said no.

Elsewhere in Virginia and the nation, pregnancy centers opened by anti-abortion groups have drawn harsh criticism from abortion rights advocates. They say that an investigation of such centers has demonstrated that they misinform and pressure women to keep them from ending their pregnancies.

The new Chesterfield pregnancy center was not part of that study.

The facility, which has planned its official opening for Dec. 1, will offer various services to pregnant women, including parenting classes and pregnancy testing, according to Thornton.

The tests will be provided free of charge, and Thornton says the facility hopes to offer free ultrasounds to its clients by this time next year.

But the center is not a medical facility, Thornton said. “We’re not going to be a doctor’s office,” she said.

In 2010, State Sen. Ralph Northam, D-Norfolk, sponsored a bill that would require “limited service pregnancy centers” to post signs on their doors, acknowledging that they are not health care facilities and do not perform or refer women for abortions or contraception.

The bill also would have required centers to point out that they are not required to maintain medical confidentiality in accordance with The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

Rejected on a 14-0 vote, the bill never got out of the Education and Health Committee.

“It’s just a tactic by the industry to keep women from going to these places,” said Chris Freund, vice-president of the Virginia anti-abortion lobby Family Foundation. He said that the reaction to the bill shows how powerful public reaction is against regulating pregnancy centers.

He said most are “started by people that are pro-life. I know that don’t refer for abortions. Their goal is to help the woman through the full term of the pregnancy.”

For example, he said, the centers often ask clients to consider adoption or other alternatives to abortion.

“It’s a different option for women to be able to choose,” Freund said. “The people that are critics of are people in the abortion business.”

Abortion rights advocates say that pregnancy centers elsewhere in Virginia and the nation are focused on preventing abortions.

“Sometimes they call themselves crisis pregnancy centers, or pregnancy resource centers,” said Tarina Keene, the Alexandria-based executive director of NARAL Pro-Choice Virginia.

“They really are there to make sure they keep their baby. … They mislead young women with information that’s blatantly false.”

Keene, whose organization in 2009 undertook a study of what it describes as anti-abortion pregnancy centers, said there are 56 such facilities in Virginia and more than 4,000 in the country.

Keene said that the centers misinformed pregnant women, telling them that abortions cause depression, and breast and cervical cancer. She said that the centers try to discourage women from choosing abortions by telling them that they are further along in their pregnancies than they are.

“We found that 67 percent of them gave out false or misleading information,” Keene said. She added that centers offering minor medical procedures are not bound by HIPAA, which helps ensure the privacy of health records.

According to David Roman, spokesperson for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, facilities are only required to comply with HIPAA if they “conduct certain financial and administrative transactions electronically.”

Examples would include emailing a health plan or former doctor for patient information, or electronically billing or receiving payment reimbursement from a source.

In September the abortion issue made state headlines when the Board of Health voted on new abortion clinic regulations, effectively regulating them as hospital surgical centers. The new regulations, which will take effect on Jan. 1, 2012, will require many facilities to expand the width of their hallways and operating rooms. They will also be required to allow unannounced inspections of their facilities.

Funded by churches and individual donors, the Chesterfield center is currently all volunteer, though Thornton says they are working toward having a paid staff.

“We just exist to help Moms have different options,” Thornton said. “We believe in arming patients with factual knowledge.”

Letter to the Editor of The Chesterfield Observer by Elaine Hanger

Editor:

Women who find themselves in a crisis pregnancy will be glad to have the resources that will soon be available with the opening of the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. Last week's article listed a litany of bogus charges by a pro-abortion advocate representing the National Abortion Action League. To address these charges, I think it is most revealing to note the differences in pregnancy resource centers and pro-abortion organizations such as NARAL and Planned Parenthood.

Elaine Hanger

Chairman-Legislative Committee, Virginia Christian Action,
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Personhood Amendment with Powerful Testimony Regarding Rape and Incest

NOVEMBER 6, 2011
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Personhood Amendment 26

Even though Amendment 26 is very clear and simple in what it says – some still have questions as to why? Why this approach? Why now? Why did Personhood Mississippi start this?

We have a Frequently Asked Questions page that will answer questions more fully. It will be updated regularly as more questions come. However, this page is meant to answer the most simple, basic questions of "Why"?

First, while the content of Amendment 26 and what it does in law is quite simple, its effects could be profound:

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26, all human beings would be ensured equal rights in our state & protection under law – regardless of their size, location or developmental stage.

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26 – Abortion will be outlawed. Unborn children will no longer be killed "legally". Mothers in crisis will be protected from a harmful medical procedure.

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26 – human cloning, embryo stem cell research, and other forms of medical cannibalism would be effectively stopped – which would focus the attention of medical researchers on approaches that have been proven to actually work (like adult stem cells) and do not require the killing of an innocent Person

https://youtube.com/watch?v=yTTGJzTpE9g

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26 – a legal challenge will be set up to the unconstitutional court ruling “Roe-v-Wade” that allegedly “legalized” abortion. Court decisions do not make law because courts are not given the authority to make law. However, when court rulings are treated like law they have the effect of law. When a court makes a horribly unjust, immoral, and unconstitutional ruling, it should not be allowed to stand in perpetuity – if so, we would still be treating some African Americans as property because of Dred Scott. No, wrong court decisions should be challenged until they are overturned.

The Personhood Amendment does just that – challenge Roe-v-Wade at it’s very core.

Therefore:

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26, the rule of law and obedience to the Constitution will be restored in our state in this area of law and the path towards restoring the Constitution across the nation will be advanced

Finally, and most importantly:

If Mississippians vote Yes on Amendment 26 we will be honoring God and loving our neighbors in our law system.

Fighting U.N. Abortion Culture

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TAGS: GLOBALIST, UN, UNITED NATIONS, WEF, WHO

Pointing the Way from San José

Colombia has a rich Catholic heritage, so it's no surprise that Colombians are prolife. Their laws once reflected that, but thanks to the U.N. and others, abortion is now legal.

In 2002, Columbia was sued for violating international treaties that supposedly demand legalized abortion. Columbia's high court responded by overturning the country's abortion laws.

More recently, the U.N. Special Rapporteur on Health reported that abortion is an international human right, and the highest officials at the U.N. including the Secretary, General agree.

But they're wrong. Dead wrong. As a newly released international declaration puts it, "There exists no right to abortion under international law, either by way of treaty obligation or under customary international law. No United Nations treaty can accurately be cited as establishing or recognizing a right to abortion."

There is, as we can see, a culture of death at work in the U.N. and other groups. Their representatives use false claims about abortion to push developing nations into changing their pro-life laws. And they're not above blackmail, demanding that countries comply or lose development aid. Currently nearly one hundred pro-life countries have been told that treaties demand that they permit abortion.

In order to give these nations the ability to fight back, an international group of "human rights lawyers and advocates, scholars, elected officials, diplomats, and medical and international policy experts" released the San José Articles. Among the signers is my colleague and Manhattan Declaration co-author Robert George.

The Articles begin, "As a matter scientific fact a new human life begins at conception." It then follows, "From conception each unborn child is by nature a human being."

And international treaties and agreements do, in fact, protect the lives and dignity of all human beings. It's there in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. And it's grounded well in natural law traditions.

So, "Assertions by international agencies or non-governmental actors that abortion is a human right are false and should be rejected." Instead of giving in to pressure to legalize abortion, the Articles assert that nations should use international treaty obligations that protect human life to justify their laws banning abortion.

Grover Joseph Reese, former U.S. ambassador to East Timor said, "When I was in Timor I witnessed first-hand a sustained effort by some international civil servants and representatives of foreign NGOs to bully a small developing country into repealing its pro-life laws. The problem is that people on the ground, even government officials, have little with which to refute the extravagant claim that abortion is an internationally recognized human right. The San José Articles are intended to help them fight back."

As the Articles' website says, "Those who make the false assertion that there is a new international right to abortion have had the microphone too long. The San José Articles take that microphone away." And all I can say is, "It's about time."

Come to BreakPoint.org, and we'll link you to the **San José Articles.** You'll find out how you can help use the articles to fight the U.N.'s insidious pro-death agenda.

SOURCE: **Break Point**

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Sebelius Admin Destroyed Records in Case Against Planned Parenthood

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"Only guilty people destroy evidence; not even we anticipated Sebelius and her administration could stoop this low to protect abortion industry criminality, but this proves they did."

Another layer to the depth of the Sebelius abortion corruption has been revealed with today's AP report that Kansas health department (KDHE) in 2005 destroyed the state late-term abortion reports at the heart of the **felony charges against Planned Parenthood**.

The pre-trial hearing for felony "false-writing" charges had been scheduled for Monday Oct. 24, Since the original reports have now been discovered as destroyed, the Johnson County District attorney's office had asked for a delay so they could engage other witnesses to verify the authenticity of copies of the state reports. **CONTINUE READING ON LIFENEWS.COM**

Planned Parenthood Misleads Women About Chemical Abortions

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Live Action: The following is from the horribly shallow explanation of how a chemical abortion procedure occurs found on Planned Parenthood's website.

Pathetic partial-truths like these keep women in the dark about what really happens during an abortion.

What other motives does Planned Parenthood have in hiding the details from women except monetary incentives?

Denying women information is no different than from lying to them.

STEP ONE — THE ABORTION PILL

The abortion pill works by blocking the hormone progesterone. Without progesterone, the lining of the uterus breaks down, and pregnancy cannot continue.

This cursory description of the initial phase of a medical abortion is the equivalent of telling a heart surgery patient, "Well, you have a heart problem. Without a heart you can't live. So we'll fix it," and leaving it at that.

This is an intentional vagueness of what actually happens after a pregnant woman ingests Mifepristone (also known as Mifeprex). The abortion pill can be used up to 49 days after conception— that's seven weeks. By seven weeks, the unborn child has a **heart that beats up** to 170 times per minute, **brainwaves** that are detectable with an EEG, and he or she **reacts to physical stimuli**. It's not just that the "pregnancy cannot continue" when a woman takes Mifepristone. It's that her body is artificially made halt the production of progesterone which fructifies the uterus so her unborn child can obtain nutrients from it when he or she implants there. In other words, step one of a medical abortion is to render the uterus uninhabitable by cutting off nutrients to the unborn child so he or she starves to death and thus detaches from the uterine wall.

STEP TWO — MISOPROSTOL

You will take a second medicine — misoprostol. It causes the uterus to empty.

Here is another insouciant explanation of the medication abortion. "It causes the uterus to empty." This sounds as simple as getting your teeth cleaned. A more accurate account would be something along the lines of "The powerful Misoprostol drug completes your abortion by forcing you to expel your dead child from your body."

The second medicine — misoprostol — will cause you to have cramps and bleed heavily. Some women may begin bleeding before taking the second medicine. But for most, the bleeding and cramping begin after taking it. It usually lasts a few hours. You may see large blood clots or tissue at the time of the abortion.

It's not just "blood clots or tissue" that many women see after her abortion has taken place. Some women even see the fully intact bodies of their children after they've been expelled from their own bodies.

More than half of women abort within four or five hours after taking the second medicine. For others, it takes longer. But most women abort within a few days.

Have We Become Comfortable with Genocide?

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For most women, medication abortion is like an early miscarriage. It is normal for you to have bleeding and cramping. You might also

- feel dizzy
- feel strong cramps
- feel nauseous or vomit
- have diarrhea
- feel temporary abdominal pai
- have temporary mild fever or

Women may also experience **uterin** **l infections, vaginitis, septic shock, and could even die**. Why a h any other drug that could have severe side effects, it is a requirement to list what could possibly happen to subsequently taking it. Why is Planned Parenthood neglecting to list all potential side effects?

Abortion is the proverbial elephant in the living room in American politics.

When I recently began participating in this year's 40 Days of Prayer for Life to end abortion, I had an epiphany of sorts. I have always been opposed to abortion. I've prayed personally and in church for its end, voted for pro-life candidates, sometimes aided pro-life groups, and occasionally attended prayer rallies.

But for the most part, like many Christians, I've been busy with my own life: with work, family, friends, and various diversions. Now I'm seeing the abortion issue with greater clarity and urgency.

Related: See 180movie.com

The 20th century was an era of mass murder. Tens of millions of innocent people were killed in the name of some version of state socialism. The worst perpetrators in terms of the numbers killed–Adolf Hitler, Joseph Stalin and Mao Zedong–are long dead.

The only major state-sanctioned genocide that began in the 20th century and continues to thrive in the 21st is abortion. The National Right Life Committee states that more than 53 million abortions have occurred in the United States since legalization in 1973 through 2009-10, based on information from the Guttmacher Institute, once a research arm of Planned Parenthood, an abortion provider.

What I find scarier than the sheer magnitude of the killing is the lack of any significant public outcry against it. We've grown comfortable with genocide as long as it doesn't affect us, our families or friends directly. One quotation, of uncertain origin, may help explain this: "The death of one man is a tragedy, the death of millions is a statistic."

Often we don't get upset because we don't feel the pain or loss suffered by women and families. Helping us overlook the pain are many media outlets, religious groups, politicians, and educational institutions, which focus on the plight of women with unplanned pregnancies rather than the well-documented emotional and physical toll abortion can take on women.

Organizations such as Rachel's Vineyard that aid emotionally traumatized women after abortion are well aware of this. "My abortion has left me empty, alone and in despair," says Lori in one of many women's statements on its website.

"It has taken me to a place I almost couldn't come back from. The self-hatred I see every time I look in the mirror has been my constant companion for the last ten years."

Somehow abortion forces have made the developing baby the culprit here, a kind of parasite, as if no consenting adults were involved with its conception. The idea of solving problems by getting rid of people is quintessentially Stalinesque. The Soviet dictator was once quoted as saying, "Death solves all problems—no man, no problem."

The abortion advocates' dehumanization of the unborn baby as "a blob of tissue" or "the product of conception" is aimed at helping to salve our consciences. The indictment of slavery by the 18th-century French philosopher Charles de Montesquieu applies equally to abortion: "It is impossible for us to suppose these creatures to be men, because, allowing them to be men, a suspicion would follow that we ourselves are not Christians."

My wife has astutely pointed out on several occasions that the moral and spiritual decline of the nation is primarily a Christian problem. Hilmar von Campe, a Protestant Christian who was a member of the Hitler Youth and served in the World War II German army, raises the issue of Christian culpability in his book Defeating the Totalitarian Lie. How could a largely Christian German nation allow the Nazis to commit such "horrendous crimes?" he asks.

His answer: "I went to church, but I was not a Christian. I didn't love God, and neither did they , no matter what they said, because the only way to express your love for God and for Jesus is by obeying our creator's Commandments, and by making them the basis for your national life."

St. John Chrysostom, in a homily on the Acts of the Apostles, may not have gone as far as labeling weak Christians as non-Christians, but he does have something strong to say: "There is nothing colder than a Christian who does not seek to save others."

Can a nation that condones genocide judge rightly on other matters and can it continue to be blessed by God? More than 620,000 men died in the Civil War before slavery was abolished. Will Mother Teresa's statement about abortion become a prophecy: "Nuclear war is the fruit of abortion."

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Photo: Virginia Beach Pro-Lifers Have Message for Planned Parenthood

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CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

LIve Action Blog

Virginia Beach pro-lifers have a message for Planned Parenthood.

In response to Planned Parenthood putting up a sign reading, “Planning for parenthood is sacred work,” local life advocates with 40 Days for Life responded with a sign reading “Planning to kill babies is not sacred work”

About 75 pro-lifers showed up outside Planned Parenthood to pray and rally for the lives of unborn children. Below is a photo of some of those involved:

If you want to find out about get involved in 40 Days for Life in your local area, **click here**. As you can see from the map below, there are locations all over the country:

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Gulf of Mexico
Cuba

Infanticide: The Deadly Logic of Abortion in Court

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In April 2005, Katrina Effert, age nineteen, secretly gave birth to a baby boy in the downstairs bathroom. She then strangled the child, wrapped him in towels, and dropped him over the backyard fence behind a neighbor's shed.

After repeatedly lying to police and trying to pin the crime on a man she hooked up with nine months earlier, Effert finally confessed to killing the child, whom she named Rodney.

In 2006 and again in 2009 juries convicted her of second-degree murder with a minimum of ten years in prison. Earlier this month the same judge who presided over Effert's trial in 2009 changed the conviction to infanticide and sentenced her to a three-year suspended sentence with probation.

In England since 1922 and in Canada since 1948, infanticide has been separated from murder. Women who killed their newborns were often domestic servants who hid their pregnancies and destroyed the evidence for fear of being fired.

Juries were unwilling to convict those women of murder since it carried the death penalty. Therefore, a new crime with a lesser penalty was created using the dubious assumption that only a mentally disturbed and, thus, morally irresponsible woman would kill her own child. Mental illness, remember, is the way that secular societies replace the judgmental "sin" word.

According to an article in Canada's *National Post,* when Justice Joanne Veit gave instructions to the jury in 2009, she told them that if they determined that Efferts was "disturbed" — a word that has no clear legal or psychological definition — they had to find her guilty of infanticide. The jury nonetheless returned a verdict of murder.

Now whether or not Veit should have overturned the jury's decision can be debated. What can't be debated was the judge's chilling rationale. Veit linked her leniency and Effert's crime to abortion.

Canada, you see, has no restrictions on abortion. If Effert had had an abortion the day before she delivered, all would be well — legally at least. Instead she gave birth.

As reported in the *Calgary Herald*, Veit wrote that the lack of a Canadian abortion law shows that "many Canadians… generally understand, accept and sympathize with" hard-pressed mothers, "especially mothers without support." So, such sympathy makes infanticide permissible?

Commentator Mark Steyn correctly states that the judge is, in essence, justifying "fourth-trimester abortion." He goes on: "So a superior court judge in a relatively civilized jurisdiction is happy to extend the principles underlying legalized abortion in order to mitigate the killing of a legal person — that's to say, someone who has managed to make it to the post-fetal stage."

As Dr. Al Mohler puts it, "The willingness to kill within the womb leads logically to a willingness to kill outside the womb." Of course it does — and don't let abortion supporters deny it. Princeton Professor Peter Singer has made that argument for years as a justification for killing infants.

At least this case in Canada exposes where the evil logic of abortion leads. It is totally morally unsustainable.

But it's clear that despite the fact that more and more Americans at least are turning pro-life, the battle is far from over. We, that is, the Church, have a lot of work to do to uphold the dignity — and the sacredness — of every human life, from conception to natural death.

SOURCE: Break Point

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Hitler and America's Abortion Holocaust

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When I came across this from Live Action I was extremely impressed. They put the essence of the sanctity of life from both the evils of abortion to the killing of a race. The loss of our nation's morality is based upon their people. This is an example of why our country is going to fall and the judgment of God will result in his Hand being removed from our protection. We are at the edge of the cliff.....please stand up for Jesus and fight back! Every Christian that does not act allows the action of evil towards victory.

From **LIVE ACTION**:

When was the last time you watched a 30 minute video on YouTube? For me, I can't even remember. So when I hit "play" on this video I thought I would give it a few minutes and move on. I didn't. I watched it until the end in one sitting. link here

Now, it's not perfect, but it reveals some things stunningly well: first, that many people's views on the question of abortion are not deeply set. They've simply never been presented with a different way of seeing things, led by someone who can use logic, history and empathy to persuade.

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In the moral vacuum which dominates so much of American culture, evil flourishes. Inject even a small amount of the truth and, well, you'll see.180MOVIE

The video makes another critical point — though it doesn't explicitly mention it: abortion, the presence of evil in the world, the history of genocide, morality, ethics, history, the afterlife, faith, all of these things are related. Too often we focus on abortion without realizing that people's acceptance of abortion is wrapped up with other, even deeper, issues.

Anyway, watch the video and see what you think: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7y2KsU_dhwI

Courage is What Counts in Battle for Life

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For years, Christians and other people of conscience have worked to undo the great damage done (53 million unborn lives lost, and countless women deeply scarred) by the 1973 Supreme Court ruling known as *Roe v. Wade*.

Thus far, we have been unsuccessful in correcting *Roe*, which is why, after nearly four decades, there are those who say we should evacuate the public square, abandon political activism, support our local pregnancy care centers, and admit legislative and jurisprudential defeat. Focus on personal and ecclesial acts of charity, they say, but let politics alone.

Such an attitude betrays a weak understanding of the nature of political change. Such change is almost always incremental, involving two steps forward and one step back, over and over again. This process is tedious and sometimes discouraging. It is also necessary and intrinsic to any system of representative self-government.

At some point in the future, a Supreme Court that honors life might end *Roe's* legacy of death. Until then, however, conservatives and champions of life will have continued opportunities to hem-in unrestricted access to abortion on demand.

For example, under President Bush, we were successful in enacting the Born-Alive Infant Protection Act, a ban on partial-birth abortion, and the Unborn Victims of Violence Act. We ended U.S. funding for organizations that perform abortions in the developing world and prevented federal funding of embryo-destructive stem cell research. Mr. Bush appointed a series of pro-life judges to the federal courts and actively fought efforts to clone human beings. This is only a partial list.

Under President Obama, some of these have been reversed: Our country now funds groups that perform abortion abroad and subsidizes abortion at home. The President's most recent Supreme Court nominee was a leading advocate for the legalization of partial-birth abortion. Yet some of the progress under the previous President has not been, nor likely will be, reversed.

Since the first of the year, more than 400 pro-life measures have been introduced at the state level, with many becoming law (see page 3, FRC Action's "**State Pro-Life Legislative Report for 2011**"). For example:

- In Arizona, Gov. Jan Brewer signed legislation ending tax credits for Planned Parenthood.
- Florida Gov. Rick Scott "**has signed into law** four pro-life bills, including an ultrasound mandate and a ban on abortion coverage in the insurance exchanges mandated by President

Obama's health care law."

- In Nebraska, there is now a law mandating parental consent for under-age abortion.
- Ohio Gov. John Kasich signed a measure preventing late-term abortions in his state.
- South Dakota now has a law requiring a three-day waiting period before a woman can have an abortion.
- In Kansas, pro-life champion Gov. Sam Brownback has led his legislature in enacting key pro-life provisions (as detailed **here**).

Now in Virginia, pro-life Gov. Bob McDonnell and Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli have won approval for new regulations on abortion clinics which require hospital-quality standards for first-trimester abortions. **Insisting upon sound sanitation, adequate ventilation, and sufficient physical space in facilities** where a woman has one of the most invasive procedures known to medicine strikes **most Virginians – and most people generally – as quite reasonable**.

As University of Alabama scholar Michael New **has documented**, these state laws play a significant role in reducing the number of abortions.

In other words, the pro-life movement has not won a single, comprehensive victory, but rather we have advanced a series of measures that increasingly have constrained abortion at both national and state levels. We have made great strides in convincing our fellow citizens that the unborn child has value independent of his or her mother, that this child is a person from conception onward and enjoys a God-endowed right to life that should be protected in law.

When some professing conservatives call for their compatriots to relinquish the battlefield for good public policy to those who oppose it, they do so out of a misapprehension as to the nature of political achievement and also an immature weariness that vitiates productive, and needed, action.

"Defeat is never fatal," Winston Churchill is reported to have said. "Victory is never final. It's courage that counts."

In the wake of the many welcome successes of recent years, let's keep up the battle with the courage of which Sir Winston spoke and with the "grace and truth" Christ alone can give. After all, we know Who wins in the end.

Family Research Council Blog

Virginia Board of Health Adopts Abortion Center Regulations

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The Family Foundation

Late this afternoon the Virginia Board of Health adopted regulations for Virginia's abortion centers. After over an hour of public comment this morning and nearly three hours of attempted amendments and debate by the Board itself this afternoon, the Board passed the regulations 12-1.

The regulations now go to the Attorney General, Secretary of Health and Human Resources, Department of Planning and Budget and Governor for final review. Once that is complete, the regulations are scheduled to go into effect January 1, 2012. The regulations will be effective for one year, with the Governor having the option to extend them an additional six months. The process of creating permanent regulations will begin when these emergency regulations go into effect.

The regulations include licensing and unannounced inspections of abortion centers. They also require standards regarding medical personnel like requiring that the doctor remain on premises until a woman is actually ready to be discharged, improved sanitary conditions, and emergency equipment for cardiac arrest, seizure, respiratory distress and other critical medical situations. Abortion centers would also have to be built, or improved within two years, to standards similar to ambulatory surgical facilities.

During the meeting, one member of the Board attempted nearly two dozen amendments to the regulations, many of which would have significantly weakened the proposal. Some minor

technical amendments passed, but none of the significant changes were accepted, most not receiving a second to original motions for the amendments.

The public comment period was at times heated. Each person was given two minutes to make their point, and most held to that time. One opponent to the regulations, someone who regularly testifies against any and all pro-life legislation when the General Assembly is in session, refused to stop when her time was up, going to the point where the chairman of the Board even pounded his table with a gavel in an attempt to get her to follow the rules.

I testified about the lack of oversight that allowed Dr. Steven Brigham to own clinics in Virginia when he doesn't have a license to practice medicine in Virginia and is under investigation in multiple states for putting women's lives at risk. As I left the podium a woman in the audience stood and began shouting at me. Later, she shouted at a representative of the Attorney General's office who was giving advice to the Board, and was threatened with being removed from the meeting. When the vote concluded, another individual who had testified against the regulations began cursing at the Board and had to be escorted from the room by law enforcement.

Pro-abortion advocates stuck to questioning the motives of those who support the regulations, at times questioning the integrity of the Board itself, and using their typical misleading arguments about abortion being safe. Some testified that clinics would no longer be able to offer other medical services if the regulations passed. I pointed out in my testimony that abortion industry can continue offering any other medical service they claim to do regardless of today's vote, they just have to decide whether or not they will spend their profits on the health and safety standards now required to also do abortions.

During the proceedings, a representative of the Board said that they had received over 1100 emails concerning the regulations, 646 in favor. Thank you to all of you who took a few moments to email the Board in the past two weeks! Your voice was heard! Many of you also emailed members of the General Assembly during session when the legislation requiring the Board promulgate regulations passed. Thank you to everyone who has had a part in this significant pro-life victory – including the many members of the General Assembly who voted in favor of the bill, the Lt. Governor who cast the tie breaking vote in the Senate, the Governor and the Attorney General.

After over two decades of avoiding oversight, Virginia's abortion centers now face the choice of either spending their profits on meeting standards or no longer doing abortions at their facilities. They have suggested that most of their clinics will close instead of meeting the standards passed today.

The mission of **The Family Foundation** is to strengthen families in Virginia by applying founding principles and faith to policy and culture. The organization seeks to establish through citizen advocacy and enactment of Virginia law a safe, prosperous and wholesome climate for

families. All of its public policy decisions are based on the principles of life, marriage, parental authority, constitutional government and religious liberty.

Abortion Providers Dismiss Safety Concerns

SEPTEMBER 15, 2011
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

The Roanoke Times

Today, Virginia's Board of Health will vote on whether to adopt abortion clinic safety regulations. While to most of us it seems obvious that abortion clinics should be subject to the same basic standards that govern other medical centers, the lobbying groups that favor abortion have mounted a full-force attack on these common-sense safety measures. The question everyone should be asking is why?

For years now, clinics that provide services in addition to abortion have escaped safety regulations that are applicable to other outpatient surgical centers through a technical loophole in the current Virginia law. Despite the fact these centers provide abortions, which are undeniably serious medical procedures, many are able to classify themselves as physicians' offices, escaping the most basic regulations that apply to other outpatient surgical centers.

The regulations now before Virginia's Board of Health are not, in any way, restrictive of a woman's choice to have an abortion. Rather, their obvious focus is on protecting the women who make that choice. For instance, the regulations require abortion facilities to implement an infection prevention plan; to have arrangements in place with a local hospital in the event that an emergency requires patient hospitalization; to ensure that abortions are performed only by Virginia-licensed physicians; and to obtain the patient's informed written consent prior to performing abortions.

Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest provider of abortion services, advertises its mission as "fight for common-sense policies that promote women's health" and providing "safe, reliable health care." And yet, Planned Parenthood, National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League and others – organizations that claim to be concerned about the welfare of women – have engaged in a full-frontal assault on the passage of these regulations.

While inexplicably incongruent with their professed mission, the battle these groups wage against clinic safety regulations comes as no surprise. It has played out again and again over the past

several years in the hearing room of the Virginia Senate Education and Health Committee, as legislators who truly care about women's health have repeatedly tried to pass similar regulations. So far, with an assist from the pro-abortion majority of this committee, the self-proclaimed protectors of women's health have consistently defeated the regulations that protect everyone else's health in other medical settings.

I am aware of two stated justifications for these pro-abortion groups' opposition to clinic safety regulations. First, they claim that a large percentage of abortion centers will be forced to close their doors if they are subjected to safety requirements. Second, they claim that abortion will be made prohibitively expensive if centers must comply with the regulations. These excuses are unsatisfactory. The first claim only highlights the necessity for the regulations: It is, in effect, an admission that current conditions at abortion clinics are inadequate.

With regard to the second claim, a little dose of real numbers exposes it to be a fear-mongering exaggeration. In a legal challenge to remarkably similar regulations in South Carolina (a challenge that the abortion clinics lost), the evidence showed that the estimated increase in patient cost would range from only $23 to $75 per abortion. The cost of enhancing patient safety amounts to no more than the approximate cost of dinner and a movie for two.

The abortion lobby's alleged desire for abortion to be "safe, legal and rare" is thus called into serious question. If these groups are to be judged by their actions in real life, one can only conclude that their overriding goal is to make this serious, dangerous, life-changing procedure as quick, easy and unregulated as we, the electorate, will allow.

Planned Parenthood claims to be America's "most trusted provider of reproductive health care." In light of the obvious incongruity between the abortion industry's proclaimed mission of promoting women's health and safety on the one hand, and its battle against basic safety requirements for abortion centers on the other hand, one is forced to wonder whether any of this alleged trust is warranted.

Please consider contacting the board of health to give your opinion on this issue.

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Personhood Wins Supreme Court Battle in Mississippi

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Personhood Mississippi achieved a major court victory over the ACLU and Planned Parenthood this week, ensuring Mississippi voters will have an opportunity to affirm the personhood of unborn children this November.

Mississippi's "Yes on 26" campaign exceeded the number of signatures required to put the personhood amendment on the ballot in February, but the initiative was immediately challenged in court by ACLU and Planned Parenthood attorneys seeking to deny voters an opportunity to vote on the pro-life measure.

After losing in lower court, the two organizations appealed to the state supreme court where the rights of voters were again upheld in a resounding 7-2 decision. The justices write in their decision, "Just as this Court cannot prohibit legislators from offering proposals in the House or Senate, this Court cannot impede voters from submitting proposals through the voter initiative process."

Amendment 26 would amend the state constitution with a simple, one-sentence affirmation of personhood for the unborn:

"The term 'person' or 'persons' shall include every human being from the moment of fertilization, cloning or the functional equivalent thereof."

Liberty Counsel and PersonhoodMS explained that the amendment would not modify the state Bill of Rights as the ACLU and Planned Parenthood claimed. Rather, it would give a definition for an otherwise undefined term in the state constitution.

Acknowledging the unborn as legal persons with basic human rights through personhood amendments and legislation has the promise of filling the "Blackmun Hole," a shocking admission by the Supreme Court justice who wrote the majority decision for *Roe v. Wade* that if personhood was recognized, the arguments for abortion would be invalid. Justice Harry Blackmun writes in his 1973 decision that, *"If personhood is established, the case collapses, for the fetus' right to life would be guaranteed."*

To celebrate the court victory, Governor Mike Huckabee, state Lieutenant Governor Phil Bryant, author Deanna Favre, musician Mark Schultz, and American Family Association founder Don Wildmon joined Personhood Mississippi for the official kick-off of the "Yes on 26" campaign.

To learn more about Personhood in your state, please visit ***http://www.personhoodusa.com***

SOURCE: ***LIVE ACTION***

Roe v. Wade. No. 410 U.S. 113, Section IX. Supreme Court Majority Decision, Justice Blackmun. 22 Jan. 1973.

Post-Abortive Women More Likely to Suffer Mental Health Problems

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We recently posted a **story** on the UK looking to enact a law that would provide independent counseling for women seeking abortion. Based on this **article** featured in the *Daily Mail* today on the mental health risks associated with abortion, we'd say that the idea of pre-abortion counseling is extremely valuable, and necessary.

The new connection between mental health issues and abortion comes from a study led by American professor Priscilla Coleman and endorsed by the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

> Professor Coleman's study was based on an analysis of 22 separate projects which together analysed the experiences of 877,000 women, of whom 163,831 had had an abortion. It said: 'Results indicate quite consistently that abortion is associated with moderate to highly increased risks of psychological problems subsequent to the procedure.
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> 'Overall, the results revealed that women who had undergone an abortion experienced an 81 percent increased risk of mental health problems, and nearly 10 percent of the incidence of mental health problems were shown to be directly attributable to abortion.'
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> The study said that abortion was linked with a 34 percent greater chance of anxiety disorders, and 37 percent higher possibility of depression, a more than double risk of alcohol abuse – 110 percent – a three times greater risk of cannabis use – at 220 percent – and 155 percent greater risk of trying to commit suicide.

As should be expected, Professor Coleman has come under attack by abortion advocates, who have gone after not only the results of this extensive study but also her personal academic reputation.

Source: **Live Action**

The Susan G. Komen/Planned Parenthood Connection

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TAGS: PLANNED PARENTHOOD

New figures from 2010 show 18 Komen for the Cure affiliates giving over a half million dollars to the abortion giant Planned Parenthood. While this number is down from 2009 – when a whopping $731,303 was donated to fund abortions – it is still an extraordinarily large sum of money and shows a clear connection between the two organizations.

The real question is:

Why would an organization so dedicated to stopping breast cancer continue to pour money into Planned Parenthood: a group that profits off of pushing abortions and contraceptives (both proven to be directly linked BACK to breast cancer). Doesn't seem to make much sense…

LifeNews **reports**:

Komen's support of Planned Parenthood is defeating its own mission of fighting breast cancer," Rita Diller, the director of ALL's STOP Planned Parenthood International program, told LifeNews.com in

exclusive comments. Diller added that Planned Parenthood — beyond the issue of abortion — is not the best place for Komen to send hundreds of thousands of dollars of donations if it truly wants to help women prevent or combat breast cancer.

US Government Suing 79-Year-Old Grandfather Who Has Saved 350 Babies for $25,000 in Damages!

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I wish I was making this up:

> The Department of Justice is now prosecuting a 79-year-old grandfather. The reason: Richard Retta walks alongside women on the sidewalk outside a Planned Parenthood abortion facility and offers women hope that they can carry their babies to term.
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> Obama's DOJ claims that Retta's sidewalk counseling violates the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act, enacted by Congress in 1994. In a July 2011 **complaint**, the DOJ's Civil Rights Division says that Retta violated federal law because he "walks very closely beside patients" as they enter the clinic. It also claims that Retta follows them when they leave.

But actually, the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act allows people to walk besides patients who are coming and going, as long as they are on a public sidewalk (which was the case here, Retta's lawyers claim). More than that, the Act actually *protects* what Retta was doing, because it specifically rules out "prohibiting any expressive conduct (including peaceful picketing or other peaceful demonstrations)".

What is even more absurd is the fact that the US Department of Justice is suing Retta for $10,000 *plus* $15,000 in fines to his "victim". Where is a 79-year-old grandfather supposed to come up with that sort of money?! The lawsuit also wants to prohibit all other pro-lifers who work with him to be prohibited from standing within 20 feet of the Planned Parenthood gate — even if they are on a public sidewalk.

Hans A. Von Spakovsky tells us more about Retta's life-saving record:

> Nearly 350 women have kept their children because of conversations Retta personally had with them. He deserves thanks for saving hundreds of lives and making abortion rarer. Proponents of abortion claim that one of their goals is to reduce the number of abortions, yet Retta is being attacked by the Obama Justice Department because of his very success in persuading women to make life-giving choices.

I've walked by this Planned Parenthood location in Washington, DC. The White House is right down the street from it. This sort of injustice against Retta should not be tolerated within sight of the President of a free country. Free Speech is the greatest threat to abortion and abortion advocates know it: because they will do anything to silence the truth.

Including going after an elderly man like Mr. Retta.

Tough Abortion Question Rick Santorum Answered Perfectly

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Video: Rick Santorum's Beautiful Answer to a Tough Abortion Question in Last Night's GOP Debate

Candidates for the Republican presidential nomination squared-off in Iowa. Watch former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum's answer to a tough question on abortion in cases of rape … and listen to the positive reaction from the audience to his comments:

Here's a transcript I jotted down:

> Question: You would allow no exceptions for cases of rape and incest. Polls have long shown that large majorities of Americans support at least some exceptions for abortion. Are your views too much even for many conservatives to support?
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> Rick Santorum: You know the Supreme Court of the United States on a recent case said that a man who committed rape could not be killed, could not be subject to the death penalty, yet the child conceived as a result of that rape could be. That to me sounds like a country that doesn't have its morals correct. That child did nothing wrong. That child is an innocent victim. To be victimized twice would be a horrible thing. It is an innocent human life. It is genetically human from the moment of conception, and it is a human life, and we in America should be big enough to try to surround ourselves and help women in those terrible situations who have been traumatized already, put them through another trauma of abortion? I think it's too much to ask and so I would absolutely stand and say that one violence is enough.

I have nothing to add.

Physicians' Role is Not to Assist with Suicides

AUGUST 8, 2011
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Richmond Times Dispatch

With the recent death of Dr. Jack Kevorkian, it's a good time to review why physician-assisted suicide is an idea that should be laid to rest as well.

Here's the scenario: Mrs. Johnson is back in exam room 3. She has fibromyalgia and is miserable, but it's hard to say if she's any more miserable than Dr. Richards.

Dr. Richards has tried everything — exercise therapy, counseling, antidepressants, acupuncture. Nothing's working. Dr. Richards is a good doctor and a decent human being, but the last thing he wants to do today is hear Mrs. Johnson's litany of pain, fatigue and depression, and he certainly does not want to review her recent Internet research on new fibromyalgia cures, some of which involve Tibetan yak extract.

Despite all of Dr. Richards' best intentions, he would like Mrs. Johnson to go somewhere else, to maybe just disappear, maybe not die, exactly, but then it strikes him — a dead Mrs. Johnson would be a whole lot easier to take care of than a live Mrs. Johnson.

And so Dr. Richards slips a brochure into his pocket, a brochure that details the full breadth of services offered by his practice. Chronic disease management, stress testing, mole removal and, by the way, physician-assisted suicide. Later in the week, he might bring a brochure to the nursing home, to the cancer ward. He finds it strangely liberating.

Going to see a physician who practices physician-assisted suicide is like stabling your horse in a glue factory. When two opposing disciplines are brought together under one roof, there is great potential for sticky situations.

These are two opposing disciplines, after all — traditional medicine has nothing to do with physician-assisted suicide, other than a confused and misplaced notion of providing compassion and preserving dignity.

Compassion is not necessarily bringing an end to suffering by bringing an end to life. Compassion involves good palliative care, psychological care, hospice care, spiritual care. Compassion is hard work and involves something a lot more complicated than a handful of sleeping pills or a bottle of helium.

Ending life is easy; sustaining life and providing comfort is the hard work in which we should expect our doctors to be totally and single-mindedly invested.

Here's another good reason: Physicians are in the business of treating illnesses, not enabling them. The urge to end one's life often stems from a delusional view of human nature, a view that is manifested in the appeal to "human dignity." This dignity, in turn, is tied to one's independence.

As a rule, we should be very cautious about linking dignity to independence, for where does that leave those who are born dependent, or most of us who will inevitably become dependent? To buy the concept that a dignified human life is to be found only in freedom from dependence is to live a life less human, less filled with that which makes us most human — the connection to and yes, reliance upon, other humans. For to be human is to be capable of great beauty and great ugliness, of great deeds and great needs.

To imagine that we can divorce one from the other is simply delusional. For many of us, after all, it is only in the depths of need that we become who we really are, that our facades crumble, that important words are spoken, pardon is sought and love takes root. When a physician helps people die out of their fear of dependence, this feeds into a view of humanity that is out of touch with the reality, beauty and dignity of being human.

There is no doubt that the concept of physician-assisted suicide will outlive Jack Kevorkian, but physicians should refuse to engage in this practice that is no less enabling than writing narcotic prescriptions for a junkie or buying cigarettes for a smoker.

Physicians have no business in the physician-assisted suicide business. May it — and you — rest in peace, Dr. Kevorkian.

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Pro-Abortion Minister: Abortion Is Our "Scriptural Commitment"

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The Huffington Post is once again displaying its support for a pro-abortion agenda with pride. Live Action bloggers have called attention to the site's agenda on multiple occasions and their bias towards abortion has been clearly exposed. Like my fellow blogger, Lisa Graas, **reported on four days ago**, the Huffington Post was using a Christian religious leader to defend the very anti-Christian practice of abortion. Well they are doing it again. The Huffington Post posted an article, on August 3rd, by Rev. Debra Haffner, an ordained Unitarian Universalist minister. In this article, Haffner takes a few interesting positions. She states that:

> "The Christian and Hebrew scriptures neither condemn nor prohibit abortion; in fact, abortion is not mentioned in the Hebrew Bible or New Testament, despite it being present in biblical times. Scripture calls us to act compassionately and justly when facing difficult moral decisions. The scriptural commitment to the most marginalized means that pregnancy, childbearing, and abortion should be safe for all women."

Haffner is not only trying to say that abortion is not addressed in the Bible, but she is stating that abortion is a part of a Christian's "scriptural commitment". This is an offense to the true teachings of scripture. In Genesis 1:27, the Bible states that "So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them.." And a part of being created in God's image meant that man had an eternal soul. It is because man and woman are created in God's image that the human life is so sacred. The Bible clearly reiterates this concept of the human life being sacred in the 10 commandments when Exodus 20:13 states that "You shall not murder."

The question that remains is whether or not the Bible would define an unborn child as human life made in God's image. This question can be answered by examining scripture texts that concern the child still in the mother's womb. Multiple scripture passages, including Job 10:8-11, Psalm 139:13-16, and Isaiah 49: 1-5, all describe how the Lord is actively involved in the development of the baby in the womb. Psalm 139;13-14 states, "For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;..." If this is God's literal handiwork is this something we have any right to be destroying?

The Bible delves further into the matter, however, and gives more clues that would lead one to believe that an unborn child is living. In Jeremiah 1:5 it states, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you as a prophet to the nations." This verse is clearly stating that God has a relationship with the unborn; even to an extent He knows them on a personal level before they are even conceived in the womb. He has a plan for these unborn babies before they are born or even conceived. Who are we to interrupt God's plans?

And if those passages are not enough to believe that the Bible has something to say about the humanity of the unborn child, then these next verses are nearly explicit in their meaning. Judges 13:7 states that Samson was a devoted servant to God "from the womb to the day of his death". A fetus that is not living cannot be much of servant, but a human child can. And lastly, Luke 1:15 states, in reference to John the Baptist as a baby that, "He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb." This verse clearly shows that the unborn child is a living human. If an unborn child can be filled with the Holy Spirit it has a soul and if it has a soul it is a living human made in God's image. It is a sacred life not a lifeless fetus. And the Bible is very clear about taking a life.

Haffner only has one biblical passage to back up her stance and that is Exodus 21:22-23 which supports the idea that an unborn child is a lesser being than the mother because of the passage which reads,

> "When men fight and one of them pushes a pregnant woman and a miscarriage results, but no other damage ensues, the one responsible shall be fined according as the woman's husband may exact from him, the payment to be based on reckoning. But if other damage ensues, the penalty shall be life for life ..."

It is from this that she draws the conclusion that the unborn child is the lesser person, or perhaps not a person. But sadly, Haffner is really misunderstanding the scripture. Most translations including the New International version and the New King James version have the words "premature birth" instead of miscarriage and older translations such as the King James version have the words "fruit come out". These all refer to the child being born because of an action

caused by the man in the fight. If the child is fine, then it is just monetary punishment, if the child is not fine however, then the penalty is death. The bible understood the sanctity of life in all forms, and it is time the Haffner understood the bible.

The scriptures clearly seem to state that a baby is a living human, and that killing a living human is wrong. Abortion would be killing a living human then and clearly condemned by the Bible. And as Haffner pointed out, it is our scriptural commandment to protect the most marginalized. I would say the helpless unborn child is by far the most marginalized of us all.

SOURCE: **Live Action**

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT: Planned Parenthood's Medicaid Misinformation In Indiana

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Planned Parenthood's legal team has been extremely busy these days trying to stop various states from defunding their group. Texas, Wisconsin and New Hampshire joined Indiana, Kansas and North Carolina this week as they decided that taxpayer dollars should not fund the mega abortion chain.

But Indiana is Ground Zero in the fight to strip Planned Parenthood of its taxpayer dollars. After Indiana defunded the abortion group in May, President Obama has threatened to withhold billions of dollars in Medicaid funds from the state of Indiana if the state does not continue to funding Planned Parenthood.

To make matters worse, an Obama-appointed judge ruled late last week that Indiana had to reinstate funding to Planned Parenthood because it would not be in the public interest if President Obama withheld billions of dollars from the state of Indiana and consequently hurt over a million patients on Medicaid. Forget the merits of *that* case!

Planned Parenthood emphatically defends its public funding by arguing that women **have no other place to go** for their healthcare needs. According to an official Planned Parenthood press release, the legislation would *"take away health care from thousands of women in Indiana, leaving them at greater risk for undetected cancers, untreated infections and unintended pregnancies."*

Oh really? Planned Parenthood in Indiana **serves** 9,300 Medicaid patients, which only accounts for **less than 1%** of the total Medicaid patients in the state. And in the counties with Planned Parenthood clinics alone, women can choose from over **800 other qualified** Medicaid providers.

Live Action is releasing an undercover video today showing that Planned Parenthood's claims of Medicaid women losing their healthcare if they are defunded are bogus and unfounded. View here:

Do women need Planned Parenthood?
Live Action

Watch on

Our undercover investigators called 16 of the 28 Indiana Planned Parenthood clinics posing as women on Medicaid concerned about where they could receive services if Planned Parenthood's funding was not restored.

In direct contrast to what Planned Parenthood has claimed, every single one of its own employees were quick to refer women to an abundance of other providers, admitting they could easily access Medicaid benefits elsewhere.

Dr. Geoffry Cly, a practicing OB/GYN in Ft. Wayne, Indiana told Live Action that his clinic and many others can handle the influx of the small amount of Medicaid patients that went to Planned Parenthood and that the abortion group "exists only to perform abortions and the rest of the healthcare that they provide is healthcare that's already available in town."

The outcome of this case in Indiana could very well dictate what happens to other states that attempt to defund Planned Parenthood. President Obama is holding low-income patients' health hostage, threatening to block all Medicaid funds for vulnerable patients, all in an effort to force Indiana into funding the largest abortion provider in the country.

Do you support Indiana's decision to defund Planned Parenthood? Then stand with Indiana and sign Live Action's **petition**, which demands that President Obama and his administration:

1) Withdraw its brief filed in the District Court of Southern Indiana in support of Planned Parenthood's private civil suit against the State of Indiana;

2) Direct CMS to approve Indiana's new Medicaid provider standards;

3) Issue a public clarification that Medicaid is a state-run program under which states may determine provider eligibility standards and your administration will not interfere with this state authority.

Go to **www.IStandWithIndiana.com** and sign the petition. Post the **video** to your Facebook and Twitter pages and email it to your friends. Help spread the word that taxpayer dollars should never go to fund abortions.

Huffington Post, Guttmacher Defend Abortion Through Ninth Month of Pregnancy

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As Governor John Kasich **signed into law** a bill banning late-term abortions in Ohio, fringe groups which support abortion even through the ninth month of pregnancy continue to push false claims. The progressive webzine *Huffington Post*, which provides mainstream-level exposure for some of the most radical voices in politics, offers an **article** from columnist Laura Bassett warning that the Ohio late-term abortion ban "**challenges terms of Roe v Wade**". Bassett engages in wholesale rejection of incontrovertible facts from science and law to defend both the Roe decision and the practice of abortion at all stages of gestation and for any reason. Let's look at a couple of these claims.

Should a medical license be a license to kill?

A representative of the Guttmacher Institute, which has served as a **research arm** of Planned Parenthood, **claims** that doctors should essentially have a license to kill unborn children throughout all nine months of pregnancy, even if not to save the life of the mother. The reasoning offered is that it would be a "**huge burden**" for a doctor to have to hire an attorney if there were ever a court challenge.

> "This is a big deal, in that it could have a real chilling effect on later abortions because there's a potential to be thrust into the court system for providing an abortion after viability," said Elizabeth Nash, a public policy associate at the Guttmacher Institute, a reproductive health research organization. "It would be a huge burden for a provider to go through all of that and have to hire a lawyer to prove that you provided an abortion under the law."

The phrase "thrust into the court system" refers to any legal action whatsoever. Using this reasoning, one would have to accept the idea that it is wrong for any doctor to ever be challenged in court, regardless of what harm he has inflicted on a patient. Even if we might agree that lawsuits against doctors add to healthcare costs and should be limited, isn't it rather extreme to claim that no doctor should ever be "thrust into the court system" for intentional and direct killing of another human being?

Should we base our understanding of human development on 1970s-era science?

Bassett argues that the 1970s-era science of the Roe decision should be the basis for abortion law. (Emphasis mine)

> None of the 20-week bans have been challenged in federal court so far, despite the fact that they directly violate Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that prohibits states from banning abortions before the fetus is viable. **The Roe decision states that fetal viability "is usually placed at about seven months (28 weeks) but may occur earlier, even at 24 weeks**," and it provides exceptions for both the life and health — including the mental health — of the mother.

In this, we find clear proof that the pro-abortion argument depends solely on strict adherence to a horribly flawed court ruling while dismissing the science that proves to all but the most unreasonable among us that it is, in fact, horribly flawed. The Roe decision itself denies a very basic biological fact, that a human person begins life at **fertilization**. While the principle of respect for court precedents, in and of itself, is legitimate in that it is beneficial to an orderly society, precedents based on widespread ignorance about life in the womb during the 1970s are long overdue for reconsideration. Just as the Court erred due to ignorance about human dignity when it ruled that **Dred Scott was "property"**, so, too, the Court should consider that science now shows us the **dignity of the unborn child**.

For decades, advancements in technology have not only given us a **window into the womb** which helps us to understand better the **humanity and dignity** of the child in the womb, but also the ability to save these precious children far earlier in pregnancy than was previously thought possible. Certainly, as more people have become educated about **life in the womb**, **more people understand** that those who persist in their support of Roe v.v Wade are extreme, backward and unreasonable.

This lack of reason sadly holds forth again in the implication that abortion somehow liberates women who are suffering from mental health problems. In regard to the "mental health"exception Bassett defends, the argument again fails as research shows that abortion does not alleviate

mental health issues. Instead, it does quite the opposite in **increasing a woman's risk**, particularly her risk of depression.

While the **rest of us** are living in the 21st century, extremist apologists for abortion at all stages of gestation, for any reason, and without any consequences whatsoever for those doctors who continue in this very lucrative business, insist that we all continue to operate under a 1970s-era mentality. We think women deserve better than anything that this out-dated, extremist and backward-thinking movement offers for public consumption.

In the 21st century, we will **love them both** – woman and child. We will some day leave the pro-abortion movement and Roe v Wade on the **ash heap of history** where it belongs. **Ohio's ban** on late-term abortions is one of many steps being taken now to help bring about that day. Thanks, Ohio, for loving them both!

Source: **Live Action**, sign up for their Alerts

Abortion: It's A Hitler Thing

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I happened today upon a charming little piece of work entitled **"Why Defunding Planned Parenthood Will Bankrupt America."** The gist of the article, which the author helpfully puts in **bold letters**, is that abortion will save us all money. Yes, folks, you heard it here: it's much cheaper to kill human beings than to let them grow up and be a drain on society.

This is an argument I hear pretty often when talking to people about abortion. After I school them in basic biology so they have no choice but to stop telling me the embryo is not a separate human being, they fall back on utilitarian arguments, or what I like to call the Hitler Thing. "Crime has gone down since Roe v. Wade," they'll say. Or, "What would we do with all those babies?"

I usually reply with, "Well, you know, I don't really have all the answers to crime or 'overpopulation' (by now it's late and I don't feel like getting into the fact that **overpopulation is a myth**). I don't know that I can give you a simple prescription for how to make life better for human beings, but I know what the answer *isn't*: killing the weakest and smallest human beings."

I encourage you to read the **article** I mentioned so you can see the Hitler Thing at work. It sounds just as elegant and reasonable as Der Fuhrer's "final solution" to the Jewish problem must have seemed to Germans in the 1930s. As a pro-life activist, don't be tripped up by the utilitarian argument. Learn how to argue against it. Remind any anti-lifer who attempts to use the Hitler Thing on you that society exists for people, and not the other way around. Recommending we kill humans because there's too much crime or not enough food is like burning down your house because you have termites, or sawing a few inches off your legs because your pants don't fit.

Our president, the man we elected to the highest office in the nation, opposed the **Partial Birth Abortion Ban** of 2003. He didn't vote against it because he wasn't in Congress at the time, but in **a speech to Planned Parenthood in 2007** he said:

> *Some people argue that the federal ban on abortion was just an isolated effort aimed at one medical procedure—that it's not part of a concerted effort to roll back the hard-won rights of American women. That presumption is also wrong.*

That's it, you guys. I admit it. I oppose Partial Birth Abortion not because I have a problem with half-born babies being stabbed in the back of the neck with scissors so their brains can be sucked out with a vacuum, but because I can't stand the idea of women having equal rights. You got me!

This is the kind of moral upside-downness that pervades our culture. In whatever passes for morality in Obama's mind, denying women equal rights with men is a far worse than stabbing babies in the back of the neck with scissors, never mind that it is beyond me what "equal rights for women" has to do with abortion. Men don't get pregnant, but if they did, I'd have a problem with them aborting their babies, too.

Until we as a culture recognize that abortion is inherently evil and must be prohibited, we have unfailing proof that our moral compass is pointed in the wrong direction. Many of the same people who sob their eyes out because gay couples can't register at Macy's have no problem with women killing their unborn children for any reason at all. This tells us there is something terribly wrong with our morals: namely, that as a nation we no longer have any

About Live Action

WHO WE ARE: We are a youth led movement dedicated to building a culture of life and ending abortion, the greatest human rights injustice of our time. We use new media to educate the public about the humanity of the unborn and investigative journalism to expose threats against the vulnerable and defenseless.

NON-VIOLENCE: Live Action is strictly non-violent and only endorses or allies with groups that are also non-violent.

AUL Drops Bombshell on Planned Parenthood

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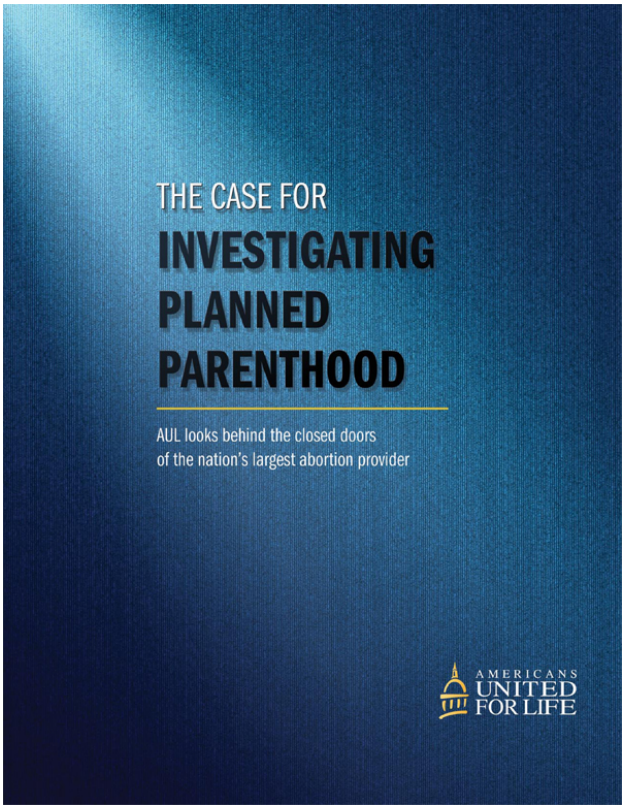


Live Action reports:

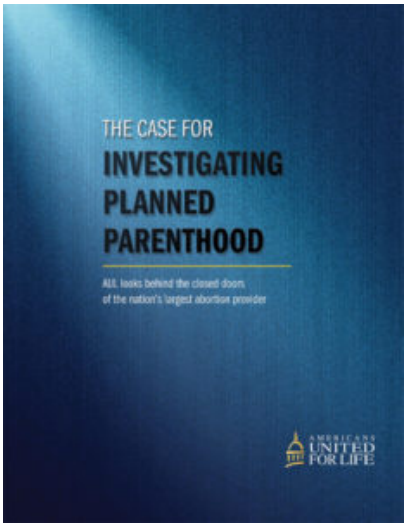
Americans United for Life just dropped a bombshell on Planned Parenthood with their new 37-page report that summarizes the abortion giant's scandals and illicit activity over the past few decades. Find the full report **here**.

The report calls for an extensive Congressional investigation to determine whether Planned Parenthood deserves over $363 million a year in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood and friends seem so **apoplectic** at this report that their quotes to media are almost funny. Do you hear that? It sounds like the wheels falling off:

> In response to request by The Washington Times for comment, Planned Parenthood said the AUL's "so-called report is a politically driven attack by an organization opposed to **common forms of birth control** and **expanded access to birth control**."

As far as I know, Americans United for Life is a pro-life organization dedicated, as it's **mission** says, to ending "he social experiment in abortion on demand." So really, AUL is "an organization

opposed to common forms of *abortion* and expanded access to *abortion*." Of course, in Planned Parenthood's eyes, abortion is really just BirthControl *ULTRA*(TM). Maybe that's what that quote is tacitly admitting?



> Terry O'**Neill**, president of the **National Organization for Women**, praised Planned Parenthood for its "honorable and noble" endeavors.
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> "Planned Parenthood saves lives of teenage girls and women every day," said Ms. O'Neill. "And that's not something that t**his Americans United For Life, whoever they are**, can say about themselves."

Unless NOW has a new medical arm that nobody knows about, they don't save the lives of teenage girls and women every day, either. And "this Americans United For Life, whoever they are" has been dueling with NOW in *amicus curiae* briefs before the Supreme Court for decades.

The AUL report is a treasure-trove of primary source documentation against Planned Parenthood. It will be an invaluable tool to start preparations for a Congressional investigation of Planned Parenthood and provides helpful questions in each section for lawmakers to consider. Look for us to highlight selections from the report on this blog in the coming days.

The Executive Summary of the Report:

Executive Summary

July 6, 2011
Although the Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA or Planned Parenthood) advertises itself as an organization promoting health for women and families, it is the nation's largest abortion provider and has been plagued by scandal and abuse.

Furthermore, PPFA and its affiliates receive hundreds of millions of dollars in taxpayers' funds every year – a significant portion of which comes from the federal government.

PPFA often tries to underplay the significance of abortion to its business model. However, as this report details, abortion has a tremendous impact on Planned Parenthood's bottom-line. This is true to a greater degree each year, and Planned Parenthood has plans to expand its abortion business.

In this report, Americans United for Life documents the known and alleged abuses by Planned Parenthood, including:

Misuse of federal health care and family planning funds. State audit reports and admissions by former employees detail a pattern of misuse by some Planned Parenthood affiliates.

Failure to report criminal child sexual abuse. Substantial and still-developing evidence indicates that many Planned Parenthood clinics fail to report all instances of suspected abuse, and instead advise minors and their abusers on how to circumvent the mandatory reporting laws.

Failure to comply with parental involvement laws. Some Planned Parenthood affiliates exhibit a pattern and practice of violating and circumventing parental involvement laws.

Assisting those engaged in prostitution and/or sex trafficking. Some Planned Parenthood clinics have demonstrated a willingness to partner with pimps or sex traffickers to exploit young women instead of safeguarding their health and safety.

Dangerous misuse of the abortion drug RU-486. Planned Parenthood's admitted disregard for the FDA's approved protocol puts profits above women's lives and safety.

Misinformation about so-called "emergency contraception," including ella. Planned Parenthood boasts of its role in the approval of a new drug ella, yet provides considerable misinformation about the drug.

Willingness to provide women with inaccurate and misleading information. Some Planned Parenthood affiliates continually demonstrate a disregard for women's health and safety through their willingness to provide inaccurate and misleading information regarding fetal development and about abortion's inherent health risks.

Willingness to refer to substandard clinics. Some Planned Parenthood affiliates put the lives and safety of women
and girls at risk by associating with substandard abortion providers.

In addition, this report documents the efforts of Planned Parenthood and its affiliates to defeat legislation intended to protect women and families, and to overturn common-sense federal and state laws, further enriching their "bottom-line" with attorney fee awards. In order to assess the extent of the scandal and abuse at PPFA and its affiliates, a full-scale, thorough Congressional

investigation is necessary. In this report, Americans United for Life poses potential questions aimed at uncovering the depth of the problems within Planned Parenthood.

http://www.aul.org/executive-summary-2/

Kansas To Shut Down All 3 Child-Murder Mills

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The awesome news out of Kansas today is that it looks like all 3 of the state's remaining abortion clinics are being shut down. Even Planned Parenthood's **infamous** Overland Park abortion clinic has failed its Department of Health inspection required to get an operating license under the state's new abortion regulations.

> The Kansas Department of Health and Environment released a statement detailing the results of the ongoing licensing process, which was created by a new law passed by the Legislature.
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> "KDHE continues to review applications, and **no applicant inspected thus far by KDHE has passed the inspection**," said the statement from the agency.
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> The agency refused to identify the clinics.
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> However, **the state has already notified Aid for Women in Kansas City, Kan., that it would not be licensed** under the new law. That clinic has not been inspected, but the decision was based on its written application. **Planned Parenthood of Overland Park was inspected last week**.
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> "Those applicants to date that have undergone a full initial review have failed to meet the minimum health and safety standards…," KDHE Secretary Robert Moser said in a statement.

The third clinic, Women's Health Center in Overland Park, is run by the father-daughter abortionist team of Drs. Herbert Hodes and Traci Nauser. Hodes is the one who **claims** to do abortions in "2 minutes or less" and that an abortion is easier than pulling a tooth. He said of the investigation that was scheduled for his clinic tomorrow, "We're doomed." So of course, he canceled the investigation and filed a lawsuit:

> Hodes and Nauser run the Center for Women's Health, which was scheduled to be inspected Wednesday. **The clinic canceled the inspection thinking it wouldn't be approved for a license anyway**.
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> Contending that the rules in the new law are overly burdensome and impose a "number of ambiguous and unclear requirements," the physicians are asking a judge to issue a preliminary injunction barring the state from moving ahead.

So it looks like at the end of this week, Kansas will be abortion-free.

VIDEO: Do Women Need Planned Parenthood?

JULY 2, 2011
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Medicaid Misinformation: Planned Parenthood Caught on Tape Lying About Indiana Healthcare

Live Action Launches "Standing with Indiana" Petition

June 29, 2011 – Undercover phone calls released today show Planned Parenthood of Indiana clinics admitting that they are not the only source of women's health care for women on Medicaid. Planned Parenthood and its supporters have recently argued in support of restoring their Medicaid funding in Indiana that poor women will lose access to vital health care services if they cannot go to Planned Parenthood. Live Action, the group that recorded the calls, says its footage shows the reality is quite the opposite.

Do women need Planned Parenthood?
Live Action

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"Indiana has become Ground Zero in the national battle to defund Planned Parenthood, the biggest abortion business in America," states Live Action President Lila Rose. "As more and more states, most recently Wisconsin and Texas, continue to defund the abortion giant of millions of dollars, Planned Parenthood wants us to believe they are the only game in town when it comes to providing care for Medicaid patients. In reality, their own staff admit that they aren't the only option for women in need."

In **an official press release**, Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards claimed that Indiana's defunding of Planned Parenthood would "take away health care from thousands of women in Indiana." Last week, Live Action's undercover investigators called 16 of the 28 Indiana Planned Parenthood clinics posing as women on Medicaid concerned about where they could receive services if Planned Parenthood's funding was not restored.

Planned Parenthood staffers at all 16 locations admitted that Medicaid women would still have access to medical care after the defunding. Staffers suggested local health clinics or state-assigned primary care physicians for Medicaid patients: "Your primary care doctor should be able to do I mean, that's what they're there for," said a Planned Parenthood in Michigan City, while the Merrillville Planned Parenthood said of a local community health center, "They have the same services we have."

"According to Planned Parenthood's own statistics, their 28 clinics serve less than 1% of Indiana Medicaid patients, yet they do more than 50% of Indiana abortions," notes Rose. There are over 800 other Medicaid providers available to these women in the counties with Planned Parenthood clinics alone."

Even Indiana doctors agree that defunding Planned Parenthood in Indiana would have little to no effect on the care and services provided to Medicaid patients.

"If Planned Parenthood only sees 1% of Medicaid patients in the state, and that's their statistic, it doesn't seem like they are making a big imprint in the first place," said Dr. Geoff Cly, at the Northeast Ob/GYN Women's Health Group in Fort Wayne, IN. "I know in our group, we currently have capacity to see more patients and I'm sure many other groups could easily take care of the 1% that's left if Planned Parenthood no longer took care of those patients."

However, President Obama has come to Planned Parenthood's aid by threatening to deny billions in low-income healthcare funds unless Indiana starts contracting with them.

"The Obama administration is holding patients' health hostage in return for funding the largest abortion provider in the country," asserted Lila Rose. "This abuse of power is a threat to every other state – that no matter the cost or consequences, this Administration will sacrifice healthcare for the needy to continue pouring tax dollars into Planned Parenthood."

"Today we launch a 'Stand with Indiana' petition exposing Planned Parenthood's deception and demanding that President Obama revoke his intervention on their behalf," continues Rose. "Planned Parenthood has lied in covering up sex trafficking and statutory rape, lied about abusing taxpayer dollars, lied about mammograms, and now lies about Medicaid–all in the interest of protecting the taxpayer subsidies of their abortion business. States and their citizens no longer want to fund this corrupt organization."

- Access the “I Stand with Indiana” petition at: www.IStandWithIndiana.com
- Fact Sheet with statistics, sources and figures available at: www.liveaction.org

To speak with Lila Rose, please contact either Colleen O’Boyle or Kristina Hernandez at 703-683-5004 or email at **media@liveaction.org.**

Planned Parenthood Defunding Round-Up June 24, 2011

JUNE 25, 2011
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Indiana, Kansas, and North Carolina have already defunded Planned Parenthood. Now Tennessee, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Texas are making up the second wave. (***see the video balow or click here and you will see why Planned Parenthood is being defunded***)

In Tennessee, two counties, Davidson (Nashville) and Shelby (Memphis), each had health departments funding local Planned Parenthood affiliates with a little over $300,000 and $700,000 respectively. The Governor has instructed both county health departments to take over all publicly-funded "family planning services." Davidson County complied weeks ago, and Shelby County has **struck a compromise** that will hopefully phase-out Planned Parenthood funding:

> Shelby County officials expect Planned Parenthood of Memphis to continue delivering nonabortion family planning and health services on a month-by-month basis until the county Health Department can take over the services or find new providers.
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> Reversing an earlier position, Shelby County Health Department Director Yvonne Madlock has notified the state that the county will accept the full $1.345 million in federal family planning funding allocated to it for the fiscal year that starts July 1, but only if allowed to subcontract some of the work to other providers if needed, including Planned Parenthood.
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> For several years, Planned Parenthood has received more than half of that funding, about $748,000 this year, while the county Health Department receives the rest.

Tennessee Right to Life is disappointed the defunding is not complete, but is confident the state will be able to fully and finally defund Planned Parenthood in the near future.

Wisconsin is on the verge of another partial-defunding. The new state budget that Gov. Scott Walker is expected to sign **cuts $1 million** from Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin. However, PPWI receives about **half** of its **$23 million budget** from Medicaid reimbursements and **$4.4 million** in government grants.

On Wednesday, New Hampshire's Executive Council **voted 3-2 to deny a $1.8 million contract** with Planned Parenthood of Northern New England "fter a lengthy discussion about condoms, family planning and abortion."

And perhaps most exciting, a **Texas health bill** whose provisions will defund Planned Parenthood of up to $17 million each year should be passed by the Texas House and Senate on Monday.

If everything goes well, by the end of this month, the year will be half over and Planned Parenthood will have lost around $25 million nationally. Let's work to defund even more than that in the second half of 2011!

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Does Mitt Romney Support Planned Parenthood?

JUNE 18, 2011
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It's a provocative headline, but it seems like the Romney camp issued a, well, provocative statement today. According to **Politico**, Romney has refused to sign **Susan B. Anthony List's 2012 Pro-Life Presidential Leadership Pledge**. Trying to explain this blunder, Romney spokeswoman Andrea Saul said this:

> Governor Romney pledged in the last campaign that he would be a pro-life president and of course he pledges it today **However, this well-intentioned effort has some potentially unforeseen consequences and he does not feel he could in good conscience sign it.** Gov. Romney has been a strong supporter of the SBA List in the past and he looks forward to continue working with them to promote a culture of life.

Most disturbingly, according to Politico:

> Saul said that **Romney, who publicly supported abortion rights in his 1994 Senate and 2002 gubernatorial campaigns, was concerned that the pledge would "strip taxpayer funding from thousands of health care facilities"** and that it "strictly limits the choices" in appointing federal officials.

Would any of those "thousands of health care facilities," by any chance, be Planned Parenthood clinics? Because Saul is doing a good job of paraphrasing the Planned Parenthood-supporter argument against defunding the biggest abortion business in America: "But look how many good preventative services they provide!" **Look up any pro-PP op-ed. I guarantee you, the main argument will be one of "unintended consequences."**

Romney was the **last** of several potential presidential candidates to come out in support of Planned Parenthood defunding when the issue was live in Congress. Said one commenter: "about time. He would make an awesome economic adviser, but the man isn't a leader." As I have said before, we need a president who will ***lead* on abortion**.

Even more shocking is the stated "concern" that the pledge "strictly limits choices" in appointing officials to the federal bureaucracy. Here's the text of the pledge:

> FIRST, to nominate to the U.S. federal bench judges who are committed to restraint and applying the original meaning of the Constitution, not legislating from the bench;
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> SECOND, **to select only pro-life appointees for *relevant* Cabinet and Executive Branch positions**, in particular the head of **National Institutes of Health, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Health & Human Services**;
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> THIRD, to advance pro-life legislation to permanently end all taxpayer funding of abortion in all domestic and international spending programs, and defund Planned Parenthood and all other contractors and recipients of federal funds with affiliates that perform or fund abortions;
>
> FOURTH, advance and sign into law a Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act to protect unborn children who are capable of feeling pain from abortion.

If SBA List is asking for pro-life appointees for all *relevant* federal positions, and Romney insists that would too "strictly limit" his choices, I guess that means that Romney doesn't intend to appoint pro-life officials to positions that deal with abortion?

NIH has control over stem cell and fetal tissue research, the Department of Justice would be involved in investigating Planned Parenthood, and HHS under PP go-to-gal Kathleen Sebelius is a pie the abortionists are just waiting to slice into more deeply (because they're very good at slicing things, you know). Not to mention the audacity of refusing to appoint originalist justices. Not to mention the cowardice of shrinking from a Roe-challenging, federal Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

Republicans Pass Amendment to Close Abortion Loopholes in Obamacare

MAY 29, 2011
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Thu, May. 26, 2011
Determined to keep federal money from being used to support abortion, House Republicans passed a new amendment ensuring that tax dollars cannot be used to train medical professionals to perform abortions.

On Wednesday, lawmakers in the U.S. House voted 234-182 in favor of a pro-life amendment to block money provided though a government grant program from going to abortion doctors.

The grant program, established by Barack Obama's health care reform bill, provides funding to teaching health centers to establish or expand residency programs. However, the wording enacting the program presented ambiguities that could be used to fund the abortion industry, asserts the amendment's sponsor, Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-N.C.).

Foxx's spokesman, Aaron Groen, said there are many ambiguities in the Obamacare law that can possibly be manipulated to give funds to abortion and abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood. **READ MORE…**

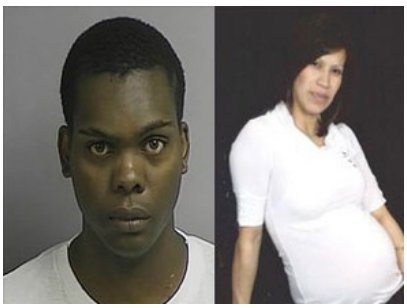
“What Exactly is a Fetus?”

MAY 25, 2011
CATEGORIES: SANCTITY OF LIFE

Letter to the Editor/Richmond Times Dispatch:

Does the average person in Richmond understand what a fetus is? In yesterday’s article about the murder of Susana Cisneros and her unborn baby it was reported that “**authorities said the Cisneros fetus did not suffer any wounds that appeared to be physically directed at the fetus**.”

Should that matter? The murderer knew he was killing a woman and her unborn baby. Oxford defines a fetus as “an unborn human baby more than eight weeks after conception.” After reading some of the **comments posted on that story** I greatly fear that many folks are blinded by their ideology and therefore unwilling to accept the fact that a fetus is in reality a living baby.



Credit: Police photo Gregory L. Nelson, 27, charged with first-degree murder in the killing of Susana Cisneros.

Two living human beings were murdered that night. Anyone who kills a fetus is killing a baby and destroying the future of a human being who has endless potential by denying his/her opportunity to live. How can a civilized society allow this injustice?

Pat Fiordelise

Pastor, Kingsland Baptist Church

Chairman, Pastors for Life (Virginia Christian Alliance)

Planned Parenthood Defunding Round-Up

MAY 25, 2011
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Live Action

It's been an exciting 10 days or so for defunding Planned Parenthood on the state level. Indiana **made history** last week as the first state to end taxpayer subsidies of Planned Parenthood (to the tune of $3 million). Planned Parenthood sued for an injunction to block the law from taking effect–as if they were entitled to Hoosiers' money–**which a federal judge promptly rejected**, allowing the defunding to commence immediately.

On Wednesday, we learned that **Kansas is joining Indiana** to become the second state defunding Planned Parenthood–in this case, stripping a little over $300,000 the abortion chain had been receiving from Title X.

Also on Wednesday, Wisconsin's Joint Finance Committee voted to **end family planning grants** to any organization referring for or performing abortions, and today, the news just broke that the **Tennessee legislature is barring Title X funds** from Planned Parenthood as well.

It may take a little longer to defund Planned Parenthood on the federal level, but meanwhile, state governments across the country are rising to the occasion. The dominoes are beginning to fall one by one, but with what seems like an accelerated pace. **Planned Parenthood is running scared and is watching** Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas to see where the next blow will come from–looks like Wisconsin was out of their radar initially.

If you live in one of those states, contact your local pro-life group to get involved in helping end taxpayer subsidies of the biggest abortion business in America. If your state doesn't have an effort to defund Planned Parenthood yet, start one! Planned Parenthood is the smiling mask that shields the entire bloody abortion industry from public scrutiny–as they fall, the peculiar institution of abortion will fall with them.

Source: **Live Action**

Cancer and Idolatry in the Supreme Court

MAY 25, 2011
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GLEN COVE, NY—Bad Supreme Court decisions spread like cancer and are based on a form of idolatry.

Consider *Roe v. Wade*, for example. Fifty years ago, Sweden was the only nation in the civilized world that did not have criminal penalties for most abortions. Today, the dominant culture of the Western world regards abortion as acceptable. Many people irrationally decided that if the Supreme Court said abortion was all right, it must be all right. Many other people decided that if America practiced abortion, it must be the right thing for their country as well. Just like cancer, abortion spread throughout the West, and indeed most of the world.

This metastasis did not start with *Roe v. Wade*, however; it was a logical extension of a truly absurd 1965 case, *Griswold v. Connecticut*.

The Griswold case involved the constitutionality of the last two state laws against distributing contraceptives. At the time, the dominant Protestant elite in America believed in contraception and probably over half the country agreed. No rational person could argue that the Constitution actually prohibited laws against contraception. The Supreme Court, however, held that emanations from penumbras of the Constitution did so. In order to understand how the Supreme Court could adopt a wicked logical extension of an absurdity, one must understand the theoretical basis underlying such an action. The classical view of the power of government, derived largely from Aquinas and Blackstone, is

that neither custom nor government may legitimately override the laws of God. Government may override custom but may not override God. While custom may have the force of law as long as it conforms to nature, government may override it. The earliest challenge to the classical view was positivism, which began in the nineteenth century. This philosophy essentially denied natural law and defined law as whatever the "sovereign" or government said the law was. A number of American modifications of positivism have been taught in law schools over the last century. These include such ideas as the following:

• The law is whatever people expect judges to say.

• The law is what the judges say, but the judges should try to achieve good results.

• The words in the law books are objective facts, but law is a science of deciding what they mean.

• The law is simply an exercise in raw power. All of these depart radically from the classical view. These jurisprudential theories were a form of relativism, that is, they deny the existence of objective truth.

In the 1938 case of *Erie R. R. v. Thompkins*, the Supreme Court decided to abandon the practice it had followed of attributing an objective meaning to propositions of English law that pre-dated 1775. The Court instead held that such propositions could mean one thing in one state and another thing in another state. It endowed every state supreme court with the power to invent its own truth. It banished truth from American law, something leading scholars had been seeking for a generation.

The law rightly does not like courts to change their minds too much. Once the objective existence of truth is denied, it becomes much easier for bad decisions to generate more bad decisions like cancers.

Once the existence of truth is denied, every judge, congressman, president, and administrator has the right to make his own truth. Truth is, however, created by God. Men have certain power to define it, but even this power is limited. Humans can infallibly declare that Christian dogma has an unchangeable meaning, that Jesus Christ is true God and true Man, and that the Blessed Virgin was bodily assumed into Heaven, but they cannot infallibly declare that the earth is the center of the universe.

God is all powerful and could have created a universe without truth, but he did not. He created a universe of many trillions of objective truths. For example, it is a simple truth that the sum of two sums is equal to the sum of the parts of the two sums. It is the way God made the universe. It is

also a simple truth that deliberately and directly killing innocent human babies is wrong. This is also the way God made the universe.

When the Supreme Court says that governments have no right to prohibit the killing of innocent babies, it sets itself up as an idol in opposition to God. When people say that the Supreme Court has approved abortion and that is the end of the story, they are as guilty of idolatry as those who bow down before golden calves.A court not bound by the chains of truth will hand out falsehoods that will spread like cancer. If those infected believe that truth should not bind the court, they too become idolaters.

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Tony Perkins and Katie Couric Discuss Pro-life Legislation

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Virginia Christian Alliance follows the Family Reseach Council and efforts to roll back the pro-abortion agenda.

CBS Evening News – FRC President Tony Perkins appeared on CBS Evening News with Katie Couric to discuss recent pro-life advances in state governments and this report follows accompanied by a reflective article form Cathy Ruse

(**Source: FRC**)

Reflections on a Recent Abortion Debate

By Cathy Ruse

I listened to my colleague, Family Research Council's Jeanne Monahan, defend the pro-life position with great wit, poise, and charity on National Public Radio this week. The myriad new pro-life state laws were the occasion for the debate, and Nancy Northup of the Center for Reproductive Rights was among the guests.

Two arguments made by the sloganeering Ms. Northup are worth noting, as they had the ring of favorite new sound-bites that I suspect we'll hear again.

The first is the "sneaky pro-lifers who get abortions" claim. Early in the debate, Ms. Northup made the claim, with a tone suggesting she had a real zinger, that "many of our clients who are abortion providers will have protestors outside their clinics who will come to them one day and ask for abortion services." Gotcha! It's meant to shut down the debate. I have heard this one before. Of course no names are ever given, no public demonstrations of women holding signs that read: "I used to be pro-life until I had an abortion!" If it were true that "many" abortionists have witnessed pro-life protestors who later come in for abortions then certainly they'd be able to cough up a couple for the cameras. But no, it's just a silly debate gimmick, and they should be called out on it whenever they try it.

On our side, we have real flesh-and-blood converts, women who give their names and their stories to anyone who will listen, about how abortion was not an act of empowerment but the result of abandonment, betrayal, and desperation, and how it has negatively affected their lives. We have Norma McCorvey, the original Jane Roe, who began her conversion to the pro-life side while working inside an abortion clinic and trying to avoid the freezer in the back where they stored the baby body parts. We have Abby Johnson, who ran a Planned Parenthood clinic for many years and who is bravely taking on America's abortion giant.

Next was Northup's new canned answer to the great "problem" of the growing pro-life sentiment in America, what Gallup calls the "new normal." This "new normal" was first noted in Gallup's May 2009 poll when the number of people identifying as "pro-life" outpaced "pro-choice" by a striking margin of 51 percent to 42 percent. It's no outlier. The "old normal" was a 20-point advantage for "pro-choice," the typical spread being about 56 percent to 33 percent in Gallup's annual polls in the mid-90s, and the gap has been steadily closing ever since. Its most recent poll still shows "pro-life" up by a two-point margin. Other national opinion surveys have also noted the trending "pro-life" views of Americans.

When the discussion turned to public opinion, Northup had her answer: "The opinion that matters is one that women make when they're facing an unintended pregnancy . . . and one in three American women make the decision that for them termination of pregnancy is the right decision. And so that's the opinion that matters." The host asked for her source, and Northup cited Guttmacher, the research institute started by Planned Parenthood.

That statistic is exceedingly suspect, given that nearly half of all abortions in the United States are done on women who have already had at least one, a far less-referenced Guttmacher finding. One

in five women walking through abortion providers' doors will be aborting a baby for the third time. So the "one in three" I do not buy.

Nor does the logic hold. One in three have abortions, therefore . . . what? That makes abortion good? Necessary? That's false induction. All we can really say about the staggering number of abortions in America (1.2 million annually, again Guttmacher) is that it is staggering.

I agree with Serrin Foster of Feminists for Life who says that abortion is a reflection that society has failed to meet the needs of women. Abortions aren't done for health reasons today — 92 percent are done on healthy women to abort healthy babies, also a Guttmacher statistic (though "babies" is, of course, my term). No, women resort to abortion for other reasons that might be described as social and financial.

It's time to ask whether the U.S. approach — an "absolute right to abortion" where "any abortion can be justified" as described by David Savage of the *L.A. Times* — is truly in the best interest of women. State legislators across the country are doing just that. Abortion centers may see shrinking profit margins if women are given more information and a chance to see their babies before an abortion, but women clearly stand to gain from these measures. Whose needs are served when a young woman turns to abortion to avoid disappointing her parents or because of pressure from a boyfriend? No Planned Parenthood "counselor" will be sensitive to these concerns; they are abortion mills, and should not receive a dime of taxpayer money.

It's a tough time to be an abortion-industry defender. The state battles that Northup and her peers are fighting are just a foretaste of what will come, one day, when *Roe v. Wade* is finally corrected.

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U.S. House Passes Permanent Ban On Federal Funding Of Abortion, 251-175

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National Right to Life Slams President Obama and Other Opponents of Ban

WASHINGTON — The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the nationwide federation of right-to-life organizations, today commended the 251 members of the U.S. House of Representatives who voted to pass the landmark No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), but directed sharp criticism at President Obama and at the 175 House members (all of them Democrats) who voted against the bill.

"There are over one million Americans who are alive today because of the Hyde Amendment policy – but President Obama, although he claims to seek abortion reduction, continues to work against that policy," said NRLC Legislative Director Douglas Johnson. "The White House veto threat demonstrates yet again that President Obama is determined to expand federal subsidies for abortion on demand – despite his verbal smokescreens. The 175 House Democrats who voted against the bill will be firmly marked as supporters of federal subsidies for elective abortion."

The bill was supported by 235 Republicans and 16 Democrats. It was opposed by 175 Democrats.

In a candid opinion piece titled "Time to Stand Up for Abortion Funding," published today on a blog operated by The Hill, a Capitol Hill newspaper, Jessica Arons – who is director of the Women's Health and Rights Program at the Center for American Progress (a nonprofit organization with very close ties to the Obama White House) – called on pro-abortion members of Congress to drop the pretext that they do not seek to establish federal funding of abortion. "First, stop referring to the

Hyde Amendment as an 'historic compromise' or 'settled law'," Arons advised. "Such language only reinforces the misconception that abortion funding restrictions are necessary and proper. They are not. . . . . Finally, mount a full-throated defense of public funding for abortion – or rather of comprehensive health care that includes abortion coverage, regardless of the funding source." (**The Hill**)

For many years, federal funding of abortion has been limited by a patchwork of laws – many of which expire annually, because they are incorporated into annual appropriations bills. The best known is the Hyde Amendment, but this law applies only to funds that flow through the annual Health and Human Services appropriations bill, and it expires annually. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) ("Obamacare"), enacted in 2010, opened new pipelines for federal funding of abortion, which are not governed by the Hyde Amendment or any other statutory restriction (see **Protect Life Douglas Johnson Testimony**). H.R. 3 would codify the principles of the Hyde Amendment on a permanent, government-wide basis, applicable to both longstanding federal health programs and to the new programs created by the PPACA.

Further details on specific components of H.R. 3, including conscience protections for pro-life health care providers and a provision applying to the District of Columbia, are found in NRLC's May 3 letter to the House of Representatives (**http://www.nrlc.org/AHC/NRLCLetterToHouseOnHR3.pdf**), and in a Q&A factsheet issued by the office of Congressman Chris Smith (R-NJ), the prime sponsor of H.R. 3 (**http://chrissmith.house.gov/UploadedFiles/2011_Q_and_A.pdf**).

The National Right to Life Committee is the nation's largest pro-life group with affiliates in all 50 states and over 3,000 local chapters nationwide. National Right to Life works through legislation and education to protect those threatened by abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Planned Parenthood on the Ropes

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As part of the debate over the final Fiscal Year 2011 continuing resolution, members of Congress faced a choice — whether to eliminate federal funding for Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, or to continue sending taxpayer dollars to this group. The question was simple. Should American families be required to provide millions of dollars in funding to an organization responsible for over 300,000 abortions in 2009?

The organization's funding survived by a thread.

Though the House voted overwhelmingly to defund Planned Parenthood, in the Senate, every single Democrat voted to maintain taxpayer funding. According to credible reports, maintaining this funding was a line in the sand for President Obama.

Yet the pro-family organizations that promoted this issue must not be discouraged by the outcome. The pro-life citizens who elevated the issue of taxpayer funding for Planned Parenthood can hold their heads high. In exposing Planned Parenthood for what it is, we have set the stage for a victory that might not come tomorrow, but eventually will come. Due to the dogged work of pro-life citizens committed to defunding Planned Parenthood's pro-abortion agenda, the days of Planned Parenthood feasting on taxpayer dollars are numbered.

Putting Planned Parenthood on its heels was a victory for ordinary citizens over the pro-abortion lobby. It was a victory of common sense over elite opinion. And it was a victory of facts over misleading statistics.

Those facts are pretty grim.

First, while Planned Parenthood touts all of the non-abortion services it provides for women, there is no denying that they are in the abortion business. For the year ending in June 2009, Planned Parenthood performed 332,278 abortions.

Second, while their defenders were quick to assert that abortion only makes up 3% of Planned Parenthood's services, the truth is that closer to 10% of Planned Parenthood's clients receive abortions. Moreover, nearly 98% of services provided to pregnant women by Planned Parenthood involve abortions. In short, if you are a pregnant woman, and you go into a Planned Parenthood clinic, you are likely to walk out with an abortion. In 2009 a woman entering one of their clinics was 340 times more likely to have an abortion than to be referred for an adoption.

Third, its abortion business is a big money maker for Planned Parenthood. A conservative estimate is that 37% of all of Planned Parenthood clinic revenue comes from abortion.

Quite simply, Planned Parenthood has no business receiving taxpayer dollars, and it receives a lot of them. Between 2008 and 2009 Planned Parenthood received $363 million — one third of its $1 billion revenue — in grants and contracts from federal and state governments. The Government Accountability Office found that Planned Parenthood received a total of $342 million in Title X family planning funds from 2002 to 2009, and $657 million federal dollars overall. Taxpayers should not be burdened with providing this funding.

No one should have been surprised then when Democrats rushed to Planned Parenthood's defense. We have known for years that one of their few lines in the sand is the maintenance of abortion on demand. When President, Bill Clinton came to the middle on some issues, but he refused to cross the pro-abortion lobby and vetoed bans on the partial-birth abortion procedure. Then-candidate Obama made it clear that he stands with President Clinton on this point, saying in a speech before Planned Parenthood that "n this fundamental issue, I will not yield and Planned Parenthood will not yield." He then went on to pledge that the "first thing" he would do as President is sign the Freedom of Choice Act, guaranteeing a right to abortion on demand in federal law.

President Obama had Planned Parenthood pegged. For them, the fundamental issue is abortion on demand. And on this issue, Democrats virtually never compromise. The pro-abortion lobby is the one group that even moderate Democrats are loathe to cross. So it came as little surprise to us that in the Senate not one Democrat voted to defund Planned Parenthood.

Democrats protected Planned Parenthood by suggesting that Republicans wanted to defund programs that provide non-abortion health services for women. Of course, this is untrue. Defunding Planned Parenthood would not have eliminated a single dollar of the $300 million for Title X or over $1 billion in family planning under Medicaid.

With the assistance of all the Democrats in the Senate, Planned Parenthood survived to fight another day. It was a close call for them, and ultimately they only succeeded by misrepresenting the motives of the opposition and the impact of the vote on women's health.

Conservative pro-life and pro-family voters should be proud that they forced this debate. The fact that Planned Parenthood had to resort to obfuscation to win this fight does not bode well for them in future debates.

And we can assure them, there will be future debates on Planned Parenthood. This issue is not going away. There is no division between fiscal conservatives and social conservatives on this issue. Conservatives of all stripes are united in removing federal funding for this organization.

Ultimately, we will prevail.

Source: **Family Research Council**

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Life Always Launches National TV Campaign Against Planned Parenthood

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Washington DC (April 19, 2011) – Today, Life Always , launches a new national TV campaign featuring Abby Johnson, a Life Always board member and former Planned Parenthood "Employee of the Year". Johnson is the author of Unplanned, a book that chronicles both sides of the abortion issue.

Abby Johnson Television Ad
ThatsAbortion

Watch on

Transcript of Ad: I was a Planned Parenthood Director and Employee of the Year. I used to tell women that abortions removed a mass of tissue, but that's not true. I had to account for the body parts of aborted babies. Yes, Planned Parenthood prevents pregnancies, but they also provide over 320,000 abortions each year. They won't protect your child, there's no money in doing that. Abortion ends in death. Can you live with that? I couldn't.

Johnson says one of the reasons to launch the commercial was to expose that fact that "while Planned Parenthood is quick to claim that only 3% of what they provide are abortion services, that equated to taking the lives of 332,278 unborn children in 2009."

"Planned Parenthood reduces the child before birth to an object, a 'choice', a thing of less-than-human status. Their support of women's rights tramples on the rights of the child." Johnson continued.

As a former Planned Parenthood Director, and Employee of the Year, Ms. Johnson has an insider's perspective on Planned Parenthood's practices as well as the heartfelt but, in her opinion, misguided efforts of some radical antiabortion activists.

In her new commercial, Johnson says, "I used to tell women that abortion removed a mass of tissue, but that's not true. I had to account for the body parts of aborted babies."

Johnson points out that Planned Parenthood's business model relies on income from abortions. "They won't protect your child," she says, "because there's no money in doing that."

Life Always board member Rev. Derek McCoy states “this campaign continues our efforts to bring awareness to the respect for life issue and accentuates the gross inaccuracies that Planned Parenthood portrays to the public.” He adds “from sexual abuse cover up, to racism, to untruths made by Planned Parenthood executives it provides a clear picture on what Planned Parenthood is really about…..ABORTION!”

“All Children deserve an opportunity and a chance to live, as well as mothers receiving appropriate care and counsel.”

Life Always board chairman Pastor Stephen Broden adds, “Planned Parenthood is in a multi-billion dollar business and through slick advertising and sophisticated messaging they have deceived many into believing they exist to help women. Planned Parenthood hurts women, babies and families, and abortions harm women.”

When Abby Johnson left Planned Parenthood, they filed a restraining order to keep her from talking. A judge denied the request.

“They don’t want Americans to talk about the issue because they don’t want people to learn the ugly realities behind it,” she added.

The commercial will air on MSNBC and FOX News this week.

SOURCE: **http://www.lifealways.com**

Kansas Governor Signs Two Pro-Life Bills

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Topeka – Kansas Governor Sam Brownback signed two pro-life bills today at the Statehouse in Topeka. Lt. Governor Jeff Colyler, M.D. as well as dozens of state lawmakers and supporters joined the Governor for the signings of House Bill 2218 and House Bill 2035.

"This is an historic day," Governor Brownback said. "So many determined people have worked long and hard to get these bills passed and I am happy to sign them into law today. These bills are a reflection of the culture of life that is being embraced all across Kansas. They represent a mainstream, bi-partisan, and common sense approach to a divisive issue."

HB 2218, the 'fetal pain bill,' strictly limits abortions after 22 weeks based on the fact that fetuses can feel pain beginning after the 21st week of pregnancy.

AP Photo: Governor Brownback Signs Pro-Life Bills

HB 2035, the Abortion Reporting Accuracy and Parental Rights Act, requires minors who seek abortions to obtain consent from both parents and places certain prohibitions on late-term and partial birth abortions.

"As a doctor, I am thrilled to see this important legislation that will protect vulnerable human life and the safety of pregnant women passed into law," Dr. Colyer said. "After years of hard work, the pro-

life community should be proud their efforts have protected some of the most vulnerable in our society."

HB 2218 passed the in the House by a vote of 91-30 and passed in the Senate 24-15. HB 2035 passed in the House by a vote of 96-25 and passed in the Senate 24-15.

"As part of the Road Map for Kansas, Dr. Colyer and I pledged to protect Kansas families by supporting and defending the dignity of human life," Gov. Brownback said. "It is our calling to support the dignity of every human being whether that person is unemployed, undereducated, or unborn."

Lawmakers joining the Governor today included Sen. Pat Apple (Louisburg), Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer (Grinnell), Sen. Mary Pilcher-Cook (Shawnee), Rep. Steve Brunk (Wichita), Rep. Jim Fawcett (Junction City), Rep. TerriLois Gregory (Baldwin City), Rep. Lance Kinzer (Olathe), Rep. Joe Patton (Topeka), Rep. John Rubin (Shawnee), and Rep. Jen Vickrey (Louisburg) as well as the Archbishop of the Archidiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Joseph F. Naumann, D.D. and representatives from Kansans for Life and the Kansas Catholic Conference.

What other leaders are saying about HB2218 and HB 2035:

Senator Pat Apple, Louisburg "I am very pleased to stand with Gov. Sam Brownback as he igns this significant legislation into law. These measures are intended to reduce the number of abortions in Kansas. Giving a voice to those who cannot speak and protection for those that are vulnerable remains a very high priority for me. This is the beginning of a process to rehabilitate Kansas' image from one of the most permissive states in the nation to a state with a higher standard."

Senator Garrett Love, Montezuma "I was pleased to have the opportunity to support these pieces of legislation that will help our state take a big step forward in protecting the life of the unborn child."

Senator Ralph Ostmeyer, Grinnell "What a blessing to have a pro-life Governor that protects the unborn. These prolife bills are long overdue and hope this 2011 Legislature passes Clinic Licensing bill out also."

Senator Mary Pilcher-Cook "This is an historic day for Kansas and represents significant progress towards making a Kansas a place where life is always cherished and protected in our laws. "

Representative Steve Brunk, Wichita "This is a significant advancement in the public dialogue that the child in the mother womb is a living human being. Before viability was define by our ability to keep a child alive outside the womb based on established technology but not on the development of the human being. This provides a more appropriate benchmark for late term abortions. It is

passed due and approval that this type of legislation should be passed in state legislatures across the country."

Representative Lance Kinzer, Olathe"This is a tremendous day for the cause of life in Kansas. The credit goes to the countless Kansans who have toiled for decades to tell the truth regarding the tragedy of abortion. As we rejoice in this day, we should never forget that the pro-life movement is ultimately not about what happens in legislative chambers or court rooms, but rather rest on extending a consistent message of compassion and human dignity in order to change human hearts. The need to remain focused on this core objective is more pressing than ever."

Representative Jim Fawcett, Junction City "I strongly believe in the sanctity of human life and am pleased these bills are being signed into law today."

Representative TerriLois Gregory, Baldwin City"I am pleased Governor Brownback has signed these important pieces of pro-life legislation into law. They are reasonable measures to defend the health and safety of women in Kansas and better protect the lives of the unborn. I look forward to continuing this work and applaud the Governor for his continuing leadership on these issues."

Representative John Grange, El Dorado"A majority of Kansans have always made it clear they do not approve of late-term abortions in Kansas. Today marks an important achievement as previous attempts to pass similar legislation have failed. Under Governor Brownback's leadership, Kansans can now rest assured that good, responsible pro-life legislation becomes law."

Representative John J. Rubin, Shawnee "For far too long, Kansas has regrettably been known as the late term abortion capital of America. Now, with enactment of HB 2035 and HB 2218, we have at last taken much needed steps to preserve the lives and health of late-term expectant mothers in Kansas; to protect and assist pregnant minors, especially those who are victims of statutory rape and sexual assault; and to defend the most defenseless among us and give a voice to the voiceless, by bringing the force of our law to bear to protect our pain-capable unborn children."

Representative Joe Patton, Topeka "These bills contain common sense provisions that the vast majority of Kansans agree with. Requiring parental consent for minors, restricting late term abortions and no abortions performed when the child can feel pain are all reasonable steps taken by the legislature."

Representative Jene Vickrey, Louisburg "My wife Teresa and our family are thankful for this day. Our four children Jacob, Jasmine, Joshua and Johanna are adopted. We are forever grateful for life.

Planned Parenthood and Taxpayer Funds

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Planned Parenthood Whine-itorial: Taxpayers Should Be Forced to Fund the Perverse Abortion Giant

In an editorial **entitled**, "Planned Parenthood says funding loss means closing health centers," PP of Northern New England CEO Steve Trombley snivels and whines about proposed state and federal budget cuts that would eliminate or lower Planned Parenthood taxpayer funding. (also see **related Sanctity of Life articles**)

New ad from American Life League

Planned Parenthood's Bunnies
American Life League

Watch on

Like Chicken Little, Trombley thinks the sky is falling. He believes the taxpayers who are deeply opposed to Planned Parenthood's actions, agenda, and ideology should be forced to continue to fund the abortion giant as it contracepts, aborts and sexualizes our society into oblivion via its sick culture of perversity and death.

Trombley's diatribe is a typical Planned Parenthood social engineering tactic. The intent is clearly to begin a "Chicken Little Syndrome," inferring catastrophic ramifications unless taxpayers continue to fund the morally bankrupt bully.

Through its use of fear-mongering, Planned Parenthood intends to deceive the public into believing its lies:

Lie number 1: People, particularly low-income women, will be deprived of health care services. "Thousands and thousands of women would not be getting services," Trombley claims. Yet, there are over 1200 federally qualified health centers with 7,000 delivery sites that will provide real health care to those in need, without adding abortion and perverse ideology to the mix.

Lie number 2: If Planned Parenthood funding is eliminated, abortions will increase. Yet, statistics show that Planned Parenthood is an abortion-centered business. It founded the Consortium of Abortion Providers with the goal of turning every Planned Parenthood facility into an abortion inferno. Planned Parenthood's abortion rates continue to increase dramatically, even while national abortion rates have declined or held steady.

Lie number 3: Planned Parenthood-style family planning saves money. "Even our critics can't argue that family planning doesn't save money," Trombley said. Au, contraire! To say that killing preborn children and contracepting them away saves money is myopic at best, and deadly deception at worst. Workers and consumers drive the economy, and without workers and consumers, the economy collapses. Abortion and contraception are driving us quickly to a point of no return on negative population replacement. As the population ages, there will be an inadequate number of workers to support the aging population and sustain the economy, resulting in economic collapse.

Even as he snivels about loss of taxpayer funding, Trombley defends PP's commitment to killing babies through abortion. While making the oft-repeated false claim that abortion is only a miniscule part of Planned Parenthood's business, Trombley "doesn't believe the organization would be willing to 'sell out its principles' by eliminating its abortion services to sustain funding."

Trombley falsely claims that abortion is five percent of the abortion giant's business. What businessman would sacrifice 95 percent of his business income to save five percent? Only an entity pumped full of taxpayer dollars could make such an outrageous claim. And when we examine Planned Parenthood's business closely, we see that abortion actually accounts for **40.6** percent of Planned Parenthood clinic income.

The sky is not falling, but it is definitely time for the American taxpayers to pull the rug out from under Planned Parenthood. No more tax dollars for the abortion giant!

Disturbing New Report on VCU and University of Virginia Medical Practices

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.A new study released by Students for Life shows our state institutions, the University of Virginia and VCU have been aborting the preborn, using tax payer money, for 20 years. This according to a **recent news story from Life News**. How did this happen and right under the noses the students parents and elected representatives? Life News goes on and reports from 1988-2009, UVA facilities aborted 2,480 and VCU aborted 9,120 preborn lives. Since both are state institutions, both state and federal tax dollars are going towards these on-campus abortions.

Half of college health care plans pay for abortions nationwide, and the Students for Life of America also revealed in August, 2010, the University of North Carolina, whose system mandated health care coverage required the students not only to have it, but automatically enrolled them in a plan that covered elective abortions.

A formal letter was sent Dr. Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Office of the President, Madison Hall, University of Virginia, Charlottesvile, VA 22903 and a copy of that letter is **HERE**.

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Abortion Industry Unregulated for Almost 44 Years

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Eclipse From Reason How the abortion industry has remained almost unregulated for 44 years!

A Lesson in History

Quote: *"The only thing in American culture that is considered to be both good and have rare is a steak."* Dr. Alan Keyes presidential candidate 1996.
For years you have heard it said, "Abortion needs to be kept **safe**, legal and rare," however with the recent news of murder indictments of a Philadelphia physician and his staff (multiple charges) gives more **evidence** to the fact that everything about this statement is false! The legalization of abortion **1961-73** as most lawmakers already know was **manufactured** by judicial **activism.**

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"The Reproductive Healthcare Movement" created **false data** and **false testimonies** to achieve a **new** unconstitutional legal precedent. One of the central legal arguments surrounding this act of social re-engineering has been medical safety for elective surgical abortion. (*Both **legal** and **illegal***) Once again, history has proven this to be completely false! After **1967-73** most abortionists simply moved out from the **back alley** on to Main St. and little has changed to help make surgical abortion anymore safe since Roe *vs*. **Wade**.

But aside from the medical risks from surgical abortion and the lack of regulation of its providers is the brazen hypocrisy from The Reproductive Healthcare Movement for woman's safety! In 1978 the Chicago **Sun-Times** launched an undercover investigation known as "The **Abortion Profiteers**" series after which in 1978 state legislators passed laws in Illinois to regulate abortion providers and require them to comply with the same safety regulations that every other out-patient surgical center had to provide for their patients.

By 1983 these safety regulations were finally able to be implemented. Then the A.C.L.U. (*and **others***) challenged these regulations all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court in a case known as **Turnock *vs*. Ragsdale** (1989). Unfortunately this case was never ruled on by the U.S. Supreme Court. With just days before the court was to hear this case a backroom court settlement (*Consent Decree*) was struck between the Illinois **Attorney General** and A.C.L.U. So after nearly 12 years of effort by the people of the state of Illinois and lawmakers to secure the **safety** of woman's lives most of these regulations were simply thrown out, rewritten or placed under the supervision of a self-governing medical board that seldom acts on **violations** made by physicians. Remember

Turnock *vs*. Ragsdale dealt strictly with businesses that provided surgical abortions it never brought a **legal challenge** to abortion itself.

The Ragsdale case never presented a challenge to legal abortion or to overturning Roe vs. Wade.

In reading from a legal challenge brought against the Illinois Attorney General's settlement agreement in **Ragsdale *vs*. Turnock** 7th. Dist. U.S. Appellate Court Judge Posner wrote ...*a woman who suffers a medical injury as a result of the failure of an abortion clinic to comply with the statute should be able to use the violation to establish medical malpractice*...Sec.47. Was this a probable admission by this court, that it was abandoning the law, abandoning the state constitution and abandoning their obligation to protect woman's **safety**? The results of the 7th Dist. Appt. Court ruling and settlement agreement were special exemptions for The Abortion **Profiteers** making medical **malpractice** and medical fraud more difficult to prosecute. So what good are **statutes** if our law enforcement agents chose not to **enforce the laws** that are passed? And what good do **any** medical safety regulations have if physicians are left to a self-governing **state board** of medical directors who **occasionally** look the other way when repeat offenders are **found** to be a danger to the general public? (Kermit **Gosnell** M.D.) Real reform must take place if physicians that act criminally are ever going to be held **accountable**.

When Virginia's safety regulations are challenged in the courts the Ragsdale case provides an historical roadmap for state legislators to avoid?

This must somehow come from outside the medical profession to end this **system of collusion**? In response to the Philadelphia indictments **Virginia** has become the first state in 33 years to pass out-patient surgical (safety) regulations and apply them to abortion clinics. It is amazing to note here that a national legal strategy had been implemented so that states would not pursue the same type of regulations that Illinois first passed into law in 1978 and was never ruled against by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1989. Planned Parenthood & company have placed into the media the **intentional fraud** that Kermit Gosnell's clinic was not state certified (illegal). Also they are rejecting the need for **outside** accountability since their clinics remain **self regulated** and problem free. This battle has been fought and won once before so this should be a **wakeup** call for the people of Virginia and they need to learn this lesson from **history** and not repeat the same **legal gauntlet** as the Ragsdale case was **lead** down in **1989**. The tragedy of this West Philadelphia clinic is an **old story** one that has been **repeated** dozens of times with no end in **sight**. This same

type of unregulated **clinic mayhem** revealed in the Philadelphia **indictments** was made public back in **1978** by the Chicago Sun-Times series. Nothing has changed with the business of **abortion** except for the amount of state and federal funding they receive. Had the Ragsdale case been heard in **1989** women's lives would have been spared from the many **criminal acts** of medical **malpractice** that have plagued the abortion industry for years. Abortion is not a right it's an industry, and **non-profit** organizations in reproductive healthcare that **profit** from government subsidies do so at the expense of woman's health and the many **children** that are terminated from **elective** abortion! As we consider the issues of woman's **safety**, medical malpractice, **Medicaid** fraud, **healthcare** fraud, ***entitlement*** fraud, and the **hundreds** of millions of **tax dollars** handed over to The **Reproductive** Healthcare Movement each year, perhaps we need remember that these **criminal enterprises** will never give in to true regulation and oversight !

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Is Planned Parenthood Costing Us More Than We Realize?

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Family Research Council

The combination of Live Action's undercover videos showing Planned Parenthood employees conspiring with sex traffickers and a new conservative majority in Congress adds up to trouble for Planned Parenthood.

Following the lead of veteran Congressman Mike Pence (R-Ind.), the House took a historic vote that would remove federal funding for Planned Parenthood. But Planned Parenthood and their allies on the Left, fearing an end to the federal gravy train on which they have become dependent, are fighting back.

Planned Parenthood's political arm reportedly is spending a small fortune on political ads and a PR campaign. And Planned Parenthood is not alone. Groups on the Left like the Sierra Club, MoveOn.org, Media Matters, People for the American Way, Service Employees International Union and others have closed ranks and come to the abortion giant's defense.

One of the apparent coordinated talking points is that the Republicans are pursing a fiscal policy that is penny wise and pound foolish, because the elimination of $75 million plus in taxpayer dollars in family planning to Planned Parenthood will ultimately cost taxpayers $1.2 billion for costs related to unplanned pregnancies and births.

Does Planned Parenthood's so-called family planning really save taxpayers money or does the nation's largest abortion provider actually drive up the cost to taxpayers?

Consider the connection between contraception and abortion. It might surprise some, but it would not surprise Malcolm Potts, the former Medical Director of the International Planned Parenthood Federation. Back in 1979 Potts said, "As people turn to contraception, there will be a rise, not a fall, in the abortion rate."

Earlier this year, the medical journal "Contraception" published a study, "Trends in the use of contraceptive methods and voluntary interruption of pregnancy in the Spanish population during 1997-2007." The researchers noted that from 1997 to 2007, "the overall use of contraceptive methods increased from 49.1 percent to 79.9 percent." During this same period, "The elective abortion rate increased from 5.52 to 11.49 per 1000 women."

Although the article states, "The factors responsible for the increased rate of elective abortion need further investigation," the relationship between increased contraception and increased abortion seems apparent.

But the connection between Planned Parenthood's so-called family planning and an increase in abortion is not the only manner in which the abortion giant is running up the taxpayer tab. A 2005 study from George Mason University suggests that as the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood is costing taxpayer billions of dollars a year by fueling the sexually transmitted disease pandemic.

According to researchers Jonathan Klick and Thomas Stratmann, who examined over four decades of data related to sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), there is a statistically verifiable link between legalized abortion and the rise in STDs. Klick and Stratmann make the argument that sexual behavior responds to economic incentives. In other words, as the laws and economies of

scale, along with government subsidies made abortion more economically enticing, an increase in risky sexual behavior followed and with it STDs.

How much is this increase costing us? The Centers for Disease Control estimates that 19 million new STDs occur each year, almost half of them among young people ages 15 to 24. The estimated price tag is $15 billion dollars for healthcare costs alone!

Is Planned Parenthood solely responsible for the STD pandemic? No. But as the nation's largest abortion provider, having performed more than 5.3 million abortions over the course of its history, they have led the way and are costing Americans more than we realize.

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Virginia Women Need to Wake Up from Nightmare

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Letter to the Editor, Times-Dispatch:

On March1 **Katharine Waddell** wrote an op ed entitled: *Virginia women, wake up–Your rights are being violated*. Jump into your time machine and race back in history150 years and imagine a similar article which could have been entitled: Virginia Plantation Owners, wake up–Your rights are being violated.

The similarities between the slavery issue and the abortion issue are striking. In 1857, the Supreme Court declared in The Dread Scott decision (the vote was a 7-2 decision) that Blacks were non-persons, therefore having no rights. They were the property of the owner who could legally decide the fate of his property. That fate could be to work him, to sell him, or to kill him.

In 1973 the Supreme Court decided in the infamous Roe v. Wade decision (also a 7-2 vote) that babies in the womb were also non-persons. They were the property of their owner, the mother. It was her body and she could choose to keep the baby, to put her up for adoption, or to end her life through abortion. Never mind that the baby's heart had been beating at 21 days after conception, that brain waves were present six weeks after conception, and that every organ was present and functioning at 11 weeks after conception.

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All these developments happen during the first trimester. Despite all these evidences of personhood, Ms. Waddell compares a first trimester abortion to cosmetic surgery, oral surgery, and corrective eye surgery. Does boiling that frog in the slowly heating water that she refers to also confer to the searing of our consciences?

Just as the southern plantation owners had legitimate reasons necessitating lots of field hands, many women have legitimate reasons why a baby does not fit into their life at a given time. But a civilized people must demand of ourselves that our values are

not defined by what works best for us at a particular point. Just as our 19th century brothers and sisters needed to see beyond the pigment of their brother and sister's skin, so now we must look into the womb and see the faces and beating hearts of those that we would destroy through abortion.

Thankfully, the abolitionists pleaded, wrote, and rescued. I'm sure there were some plantation owners who thought their rights were being violated as does Mrs. Waddell who states eleven times in her article that women's rights are being violated. Just as it took decades to change the thinking of that era, it is taking decades to enlighten the hearts of good Americans today, but the tide is turning.

Ms. Waddell correctly states that Virginia women need to wake up. Wake up from the nightmare that we must own, from the lie that we have believed, acknowledging that it's not my body, it is the body of my child. We've not been terminating one in four pregnancies; we've been terminating our sons and daughters..

Elaine Hanger.

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AUL Takes Media to School on “Justifiable Homicide”

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – In light of misinformation and actual error in some media reports regarding Americans United for Life model legislation, AUL released a legal primer on the “Pregnant Woman Protection Act,” which is designed to offer pregnant women protection from domestic violence, a growing national problem.

Some reporters have tried to smear the legislation as somehow allowing for third parties to harm abortion providers, an interpretation only possible if one does not read the legislation. In fact, the “*Pregnant Woman’s Protection Act*” applies only to situations in which unlawful force is being applied or imminently threatened against a pregnant woman and/or her unborn child.

Consistent with its pro-life values, AUL condemns violence against abortion providers, and the model legislation would specifically not

allow such violence. In fact, as abortion is legal in the United States and a woman must consent to an abortion before it is performed, under no reasonable reading of the "Pregnant Woman's Protection Act" can it be construed as applying to the provision of abortion (which is a legal act and not "unlawful force") or as justifying or excusing criminal violence against those who perform legal abortions.

AUL Vice President of Legal Affairs Denise Burke noted, "*The 'Pregnant Woman's Protection Act*' is not an abortion bill and attempts by some abortion proponents to subsume the '*Pregnant Woman's Protection Act*' into the 'abortion debate' does a grave disservice to battered women."

The primer reports: "The 'Pregnant Woman's Protect Act' does not contain the word 'abortion' anywhere in the text of the model legislation. There is a good reason for this: the bill is not about abortion. As detailed above, the bill is intended to ensure that a pregnant woman is able to protect herself and her unborn child from criminal violence. In doing so, it protects her individual decision to carry her child to term – her choice for life."

To read the entire primer, **click here**.

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Thinking Straight about Human Life

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August 1, 2004

Letter to the Daily Press

Don't look for Michael Moore to spoof John Kerry, the Democrats' presidential nominee, about his position on abortion. Certainly, there is nothing funny about the subject, but the seriousness of a subject hasn't inhibited the Loony Left from ridiculing President George W. Bush.

In an interview with ABC's Peter Jennings, Kerry tried to justify how he can support abortion rights even though he believes that human life begins at conception. Jennings asked: "If you believe life begins at conception, is even a first trimester abortion murder?" Kerry answered: "No, because it's not the form of life that takes personhood in the terms that we have judged it to be in the past."

And we're to believe that Bush is the only presidential candidate who mangles language and logic?

But Kerry wasn't finished. "It's the beginning of life," he said. "Does life begin? Yes, it begins. Is it at a point where I would say that you apply those penalties? The answer is no, and I believe in choice." For Kerry, "a human being is first formed and created , and that's when life begins. There's a transformation. There's an evolution. Within weeks, you look and see the development of it, but that's not a person yet…."

Another convention speaker, Ron Reagan, disagreed with Kerry and with his father, Ronald Reagan, about when life begins. An embryo, according to Ron Reagan, isn't human life because it doesn't breathe or have toes. During his presidency, Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation

declaring that life begins at conception and that the personhood of the human embryo is entitled to protection.

Ron Reagan accepted the Democrats' invitation knowing that it was extended only because he disagrees with his father on social issues, such as abortion and gay marriage. A loyal son isn't obligated to share his father's opinions, but he would have declined such an invitation.

The difference between Kerry and Ron Reagan over the meaning of human life and personhood isn't a mere semantic disagreement. This lack of moral clarity is dangerous. It undermines our foundational respect for human life.

If what Kerry acknowledges to be human life isn't entitled to protection from conception, when precisely should protection begin? When we choose to label it a person? By what standard? When it grows toes?

Kerry's circular reasoning provides an inadequate guide to protecting human life. His distinction between what is to be protected and what is not is arbitrary. He is all too willing to subordinate his own religious belief to what he thinks others consider personhood.

The treatment of human life at the Democratic convention puts us on a slippery slope. Once we accept the proposition that human life can be taken to save or improve the life of another, where do we draw the line? If we allow human life or personhood to be defined based upon compassion or any other emotion, we can draw the line anywhere we want.

History is replete with examples of how mistreatment of humans is rationalized by defining them as somehow less than human. They may be alive, but not entitled to full protection. Slavery, the extermination of Jews and the sterilization of mentally retarded persons were all justified in this way.

The debate over when life is entitled to protection will be a prominent issue in the 2004 elections. It may be just as prominent in the 2005 campaigns in Virginia.

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The Culture War Continues

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Letter to the Daily Press

Very few things are as annoying as the dismissive tone of liberal commentators when they chide legislators for wasting time and energy on trivial matters like deciding whether "In God We Trust" can be displayed in public buildings. These issues are hardly trivial.

The elitist opinionmakers insist that legislative time should be spent on more important matters like finding money to reduce class size and build additional roads. In their view, fights over symbols and values are a mere diversion.

Surely these commentators understand the power and importance of symbols. They just don't like the symbols being proposed for endorsement.

They fail to appreciate the growing concern among citizens from all walks of life that we are losing our sense of direction. There is a gnawing feeling that as we rush through our lives, we no longer have a collective appreciation of what is most important. What do we value? What binds us together as a people?

Only the willfully blind fail to see that the culture our parents and grandparents took for granted is under assault. For decades now, the Left has been steadily eroding the values and institutions that contributed far more to the strength of our Republic than the formal language of the Constitution and statutes.

Those legislators who are willing to engage the Left in this battle over our culture should be applauded. It is a fight that should be waged.

While the deconstructionists of the Left have been pursuing their strategy of trivializing religious values and undermining the institutions that buttress a culture grounded in Judeo-Christian beliefs, the rest of us have tended to do little or nothing to defend those values and institutions. In large part, this tepid response has been due to the frantic pace of modern life and the lack of organizational strength to match that of the Left. All of that may be changing.

No longer will the ACLU, People for the American Way or other leftist group be left unchallenged when they attack traditional institutions and values. The majority is offended by the changes brought about by countless lawsuits and other assaults by opponents of traditional culture. Public school students may wear satanic symbols, but not symbols of Southern heritage. They may use profanity in public assemblies, but not pray before meals.

Speaking of praying before meals, the recent ruling of a federal district judge barring VMI cadets from continuing a practice of reciting a prayer of thanksgiving at supper in the mess hall has prompted a powerful reaction. What concerns many Virginians is that a court ruling of this sort actually favors one belief over others. A prohibition against recognition of the Deity is a rule in favor of atheism.

The ACLU insists that it is seeking to preserve an American value — separation of Church and State. That is a perversion of history. Banning recognition of God at a state college is hardly what was intended by the First Amendment.

As a result of court rulings of this sort, the public square has been tilted against religion and in favor of those who are offended by any mention of God. There are several ways to reverse this. We can continue to fight in the courts. We can amend the Constitution. Or we can reduce the size of the public square, leaving more and more to private choice.

Meanwhile, let's find out where our legislators stand.

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Science Strains Ethical Framework

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The scientific and medical advances that prompted the debate over stem cell research also created a cruel irony. It is the same irony that can be seen in the improvements in medical treatment which have effectively extended life.

Human embryos are "available" for stem cell research because laboratories have produced an "oversupply" for in vitro fertilization. As science and medicine developed new ways to enable women who would otherwise have no chance to give birth to bear children of their own, the disciplines have left us with difficult ethical decisions involving "byproducts" of the new technology.

By allowing people to survive injury and illness that in years past generally meant certain death, science and medicine have left us with far too frequent ethical dilemmas about what to do with patients on life support. Even the prolonged lives that people in the West enjoy because of dramatic improvements in science and medicine are accompanied by increasing pressure to legalize euthanasia.

Our ethical framework has been strained by these developments. A people caught up in constant progress and technological advancement, as most Western societies are, will be easily tempted by the promise of medical improvements. Westerners tend not to think about the ethics of the undertaking or its potentially adverse consequences — until its too late.

But hold on! The U.S. House of Representatives voted last week to outlaw human cloning. If this statute is ultimately enacted, Americans may never have to wrestle with the ethical problem of

what to do with the embryos produced in cloning research and commercial applications of that research.

We can only imagine what one House member called the "ghoulish" consequence of cloning. It's unfortunate we didn't fully consider the consequences of in vitro fertilization before rushing to embrace it.

The ease with which we play God when we produce human embryos in a petri dish has numbed our consciences. We don't stop to question whether the embryo is human life before casually discarding the "excess."

Is the frozen human embryo a life or isn't it? If not, at what point do we give life protection? At what point do we cease to give life protection?

The ethical questions at both ends of life are not fundamentally different. Accepting the destruction of pre-born life and legalizing euthanasia are opposite sides of the same coin.

If we cheapen life at the two ends, we devalue life between them. The rationalizing that makes acceptable the destruction of an embryo or a fetus because he or she is not a fully developed person is not unlike the rationalizing that makes euthanasia acceptable. We define the subject as less than a "full" life and justify terminating it.

Once we embrace this kind of reasoning, it's not much of a leap to treat "defective" human beings as less than "full" lives warranting legal protection.

For good or ill, this question of life and when it should be protected has suddenly become a prominent issue in Virginia's gubernatorial campaign. The candidates have taken opposing positions on stem cell research and end-of-life questions. Now that voters are being asked to choose, the outcome may tell us a great deal about who we really are and what we value.

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Pro-Lifers Must Agree on Stem Cells

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Politics is sorely tested by moral issues. All of our social institutions are.

The moral issue politicians are dealing with at the moment is whether human embryonic stem cells should be used in research. Conservatives appear to be more torn by the issue than liberals. How this debate goes may have a profound effect on the conservative movement—and on politics in general.

As is so often the case, the debate involves deep, fundamental differences that need to be examined to understand what is happening at the surface. Most of us appreciate that tinkering with the basic ingredients of human life is not to be undertaken thoughtlessly, but we aren't entirely sure what ethical guidelines should apply.

The stem cell debate is perhaps more troubling than the abortion debate for conservatives, although both involve fundamental questions concerning human life. What is so sharply focused in the stem cell debate is the issue of when life begins. Some abortion opponents don't believe that life begins at conception. Even among abortion opponents who do believe that conception is life's beginning, there are some who support stem cell research on the grounds that the embryos will be destroyed in any event.

It is this last justification that exposes the deepest fault line among conservatives and arguably among Americans. The conservative movement, at least sine the 1970s, has gathered traditional conservatives, libertarians, opponents of Communism and free traders in a tenuous alliance. The

end of the Cold War greatly weakened one of the organizing themes of conservatives. This caused heightened tension between traditional conservatives and libertarians.

What traditional conservatives have in common is a belief in a transcendent moral order. They believe that a universal moral authority governs human conduct at some level. This belief animated the Founders and was given explicit expression in the Declaration of Independence.

Libertarians and most liberals either don't believe in moral absolutes or don't order their thinking as if there were. In general, they tend to be utilitarians in the tradition of English philosopher Jeremy Bentham. They believe that whatever serves the interests of the most people is good and ethical.

Most people avoid the question and would be hard-pressed to say precisely what set of ethical principles, if any, guide their decisions on stem cell research. These people would resist being put in one category or the other.

Scientists may or may not be utilitarians, but they tend to believe that the only limits of scientific research should be science itself. The combination of scientists and utilitarians is a powerful force. The split among conservatives over stem cell research and a large class of people who wish the issue would simply go away probably assures eventual governmental approval of that research.

Before that happens, the pro-life community must make its opposition to the deliberate destruction of embryos as clear, forceful and widely known as possible. Even if they lose the current debate, they need to frame the moral concern in a way that will have an effect on the next debate over human life.

There will surely be another debate over when society will justify the destruction of life. Several have taken center stage in recent years. In addition to abortion, we have anguished over euthanasia and the death penalty.

Because these issues go squarely to what and who we are as human beings, Americans cannot afford to treat them superficially and dismissively. Next week, this column will take a deeper look at these ethical issues.

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If Pimps Can Make It There, They'll Make It Anywhere…

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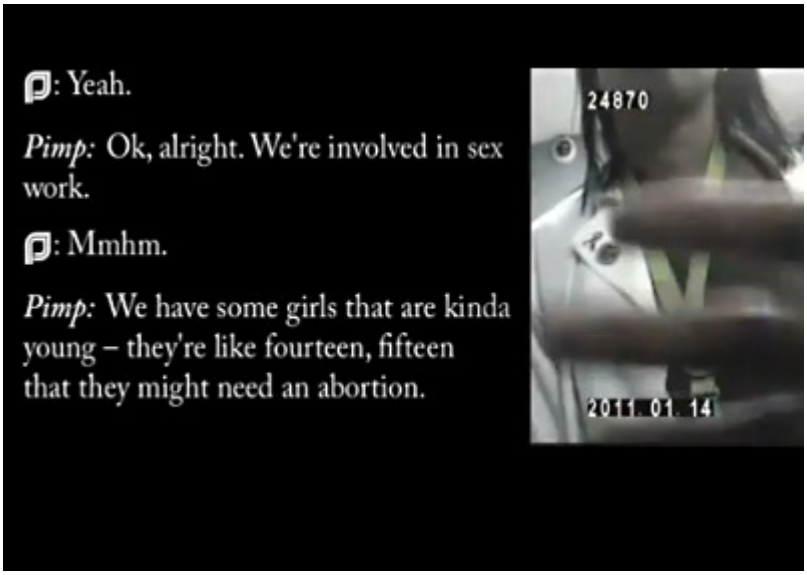
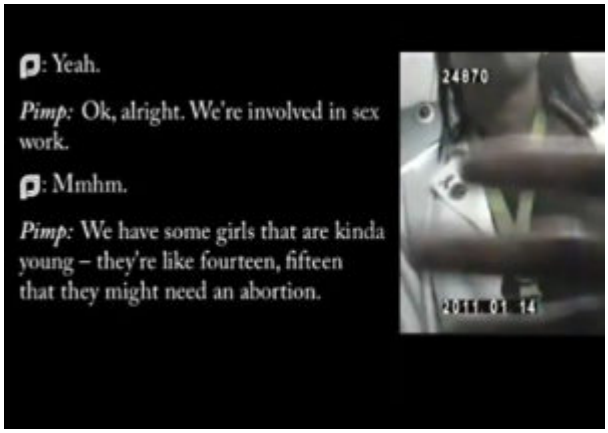


Family Research Council..

As members gear up for the first of two hearings on taxpayer-funded abortion, Lila Rose is doing her part to supply them with all the evidence they need to shut down Congress's side business with Planned Parenthood. Today, Live Action released *another* installment in its clinics-gone-wild video series. (For those of you keeping score at home, this is the sixth video in seven days.)

This time, the team **took their cameras inside the walls of a Bronx, New York** clinic, where not one, but *two* employees coach a pimp to beat the system and get taxpayer-funded services for his 14-year-old prostitutes, who–oh by the way–may also be illegal immigrants.



When the actor explains that he runs a sex ring with eighth graders, the staffer can barely stifle a yawn. "Mmm hmm," she says, indifferently. "How do they go about, you know, being able to get the access even in spite of what they do, you know?" the pimp asks. "Yeah, like, like I said, everything's confidential," the staffer replies. "They don't have to tell anybody what it is that they do when they make the appointment." Later, the man admits that some of the girls aren't U.S. residents. "That's fine. Like for our benefit program," the staffer

explains, “we do require they bring us some documents…” Then, the prostitute pipes up. “You wouldn’t need to know that they work at night? … hat they do sex work at night?” “None of that,” Planned Parenthood promises. “We don’t need to know anything. Everything is totally confidential.” She goes on to describe how they could fake a letter, pretending to be the girls’ guardian.

Moments later, the Live Action crew approaches one of the clinic bosses at the elevator. The third sentence out of the pimp’s mouth is, “We’re involved in sex work.” The supervisor’s response to underage sex enslavement is the same as her colleague’s: “Mmm hmm.” “In terms of insurance,” she explains after hearing his concerns, “they would probably speak to one of our entitlement people,” she offers. “They don’t have to be citizens to get the insurance, and it’s confidential.”

So far, Planned Parenthood isn’t exactly bowling over Congress with its credibility. However, if there is one positive thing about Planned Parenthood’s ethical failure, it’s that these videos are at least prodding the organization to provide some much-needed education on child sex abuse. To help tamp down some of the controversy, the group’s headquarters **released a statement** this morning promising to “retrain employees” on how to report abuse of minors. “We want to be crystal clear for those millions of people who come to us and trust us that we will never put a minor at risk,” spokesman Stuart Schear said. Unfortunately for Cecile Richards and company, the organization will have a tough time distancing itself from a long, dark history of doing exactly that. In the last four years of Live Action videos, Planned Parenthood has shown itself for the cold and calculating business it is. Being pro-abortion is one thing. Being pro-abuser, pro-prostitution, and pro-profit, at taxpayer expense, is quite another. **Let’s defund them now**.

Virginia Pro-Life Groups Call on Governor McDonnell to Act after Planned Parenthood Exposed

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Virginia Pro-Life Groups Call on Governor McDonnell Again to Regulate Abortion Clinics After Planned Parenthood Sting By Live-Action

This is a joint release by **Virginia Christian Alliance**, **Virginia Rally for Life** and **Hampton Roads for Life**.

Thursday, February 4, 2011 the Commonwealth of Virginia made unwelcomed national news and negative attention. The group, California based **Live-Action**, exposed Planned Parenthood Clinics in **Richmond**, **Roanoke**, **Charlottesville** and **Falls Church** and caught them once again, as they have in 10 other Planned Parenthood Clinics across the U.S., apparently coaching an undercover couple on ways to help young girls of 14 & 15 bypass Virginia parental consent laws and loopholes in regulations.

The video submitted to the Attorney General's Office in Richmond, appears to reveal Planned Parenthood offering their services on how to bypass parental consent laws and an apparent offer to partner in covering up the illegal underage abortions.

Abridged Version of one of the videos taken in Virginia Planned Parenthood locations. Planned Parenthood is the nations leading abortion mill in the country.

Just two weeks ago Virginia Christian Alliance, Hampton Roads for Life and Virginia Rally for Life held the inaugural Virginia Rally for Life on the Capitol Grounds to encourage Governor McDonnell to impose safety regulations for abortion clinics throughout Virginia. More than 250 people, many who came in buses from around the Commonwealth – Roanoke, Harrisonburg, Hampton, Virginia Beach and The Valley, attended the Rally. Last week the Grand Jury in Philadelphia indicted an abortionist for the death of a woman from Virginia and the murder of seven babies.

Virginia is not exempt from having a tragedy like the one at the uninspected clinic in Philadelphia. Just like in Philadelphia, Virginia had a woman die from an overdose of anesthesia at the hands of an abortionist not that many years ago.

"**It is way past the time for Governor McDonnell to act**," says Virginia Christian Alliance Chairman Don Blake, "He now has even more reason to implement the regulation of Virginia's abortion clinics after the airing of the just released Planned Parenthood videos in Richmond and the other three cities."

"If Planned Parenthood is offering to cover up and coach young girls to lie about their age to have an abortion without parental consent, it is an outrage." Hampton Roads for Life member, Diana DeBoe continues, "Whose underage daughter is the next victim of Planned Parenthood? As taxpayers, we will not be co-opted or made complicit. Maybe our elected officials think the underage abortion videos shown nationwide today will go quietly away. They will not."

After learning of the videos, Dr. Johnny Hunter, Director of Life Education and Resource Network (a national pro-life organization) and Board of Advisor to Virginia Christian Alliance said, "Once again, this does not appear to be an isolated incident but more of a pattern. Governor Bob McDonnell and Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli should call for an immediate investigation to see if any parental consent laws have been broken by this organization." He went on to say, "the gatekeepers of Virginia should not allow an organization like this to continue to thrive, especially not without strong oversight." Dr. Hunter, one of the principal speakers at The Rally for Life, reiterated his statement made at The Rally that, "in Virginia, barbershops are more regulated than abortion clinics."

"We call on the Governor to regulate abortion clinics and Planned Parenthood. According to the Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli, in an opinion issued August 20, 2010, Governor McDonnell has the power to promulgate regulations for abortion facilities," says Craig Hudgins, one of the organizers for the Virginia Rally for Life. He went on to say, "This, Governor, is a wake up moment! Lives are at stake Governor, act now! Providence has afforded Governor McDonnell a rare opportunity. Either he heeds the warning offered in the exposure of Planned Parenthood's reprehensible and apparently illegal activities and immediately enacts emergency regulations to ensure Planned Parenthood will never be able to violate the innocence of Virginia's children again, OR he can bury his head in the sand and await the inevitable deaths of women and children that will result from lack of state mandated health regulations and oversight of abortion clinics."

"The Virginia Christian Alliance, Hampton Roads for Life and the Virginia Rally for Life call on Governor McDonnell to do the right thing, and do it now" concluded Don Blake.

Serial Murderer and Abortionist Kermit Gosnell's "House of Horrors"

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> *"…Governor McDonnell has been slow to act, he must now act and move to addressing medical and safety aspects of providing abortions, as well as the record keeping and administrative practices of abortion clinics so we do not suffer a Philadelphia-like tragedy in Virginia.."*

Back in August when Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli ruled that Virginia has the legal right to regulate abortion clinics in the same manner it currently regulates hospitals and surgery centers the pro abortion advocates claimed it to be merely an attempt to make abortion inaccessible.

The Attorney Generals office cited patient safety concerns. "The state has long regulated outpatient surgical facilities and personnel to ensure a certain level of protection for patients. There is no reason to hold facilities providing abortion services to any lesser standard for their patients," said Brian J. Gottstein, a spokesman for Mr. Cuccinelli.

A horrid story of bloody late-term abortions may now lead to increased regulation and oversight of these outpatient abortuaries. Dr. Kermit Gosnell, a Philadelphia doctor, his wife and eight other suspects are now under arrest in Philadelphia

Martin M. McMartin from the Disruptive Narrative Blog

There is also HB1428…….and the fate of the bill and the lives of the unborn will be in the hands of the **Democratic-led Senate**. My question to them is simple. In light of the Gosnell murders, why would you stop this bill? Are babies dying or being murdered here in Virginia, and before you answer that…….how do you know? Should this bill be defeated by the Senate, what will the Governor do about it…….or will Governor McDonnell act now?

By Joanne Kimberlin
The Virginian-Pilot
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A bill to regulate abortion clinics in a similar manner as hospitals was passed by a House committee Thursday morning, lining up the legislation for a vote by the full House.

The bill, HB1428, would place Virginia's 21 abortion clinics under the eye of the state Department of Health. Supporters of the bill want to see the clinics subject to state inspection. Opponents say there is little evidence that any problems exist.

In Virginia, abortion clinics are categorized as outpatient facilities – similar to medical and dentistry offices and centers for plastic surgery, midwifery and endoscopy. Those facilities are staffed by licensed medical professionals.

Licensing by the state Health Department is required for outpatient surgical centers and hospitals. In Virginia, abortions beyond the initial trimester of pregnancy must be performed in a hospital setting.

Similar legislation has made the rounds in years past but is usually rejected in the Senate.

*Wendy Wright from the Concerned Women for America **writes**:*

"House of Horrors" Abortionist Charged with Multiple Murders

Dr. Gosnell reveals what happens when abortionists police themselves.

The gruesome murders charged to a Philadelphia abortionist of seven babies and a 41-year-old mother is the tip of the iceberg. Philadelphia District Attorney Seth Williams said hundreds of others likely died in the filthy clinic that Kermit Gosnell ran for thirty years.

Federal and state agents found jars of aborted babies' feet lining shelves, and bags of aborted babies in a refrigerator with employees' lunches, in addition to blood on the floor, cat feces on the stairs, broken equipment, and blood-stained blankets covering semi-conscious women.

The grand jury entered the abortion mill in hazmat suits.

Gosnell delivered live babies who were six, seven, and eight months old, then stabbed their necks with scissors and cut their spinal cords. One of the murder charges is for a 30-week-old baby weighing just six pounds. The mother was 17 years old. Gosnell reportedly joked, this baby "could walk me to the bus stop."

Gosnell took advantage of minorities, immigrants, and poor women, and he made millions of dollars committing illegal and late-term abortions in squalid and barbaric conditions, prosecutors said. At least 46 lawsuits had been filed against him. A number involved Gosnell puncturing uteruses, then sewing up the women without telling them of the injury.

He also infected women with venereal diseases from unsterilized equipment.

State regulators ignored complaints about Gosnell going back to 1996, and they have failed to visit or inspect his clinic since 1993.

“The inaction of public agencies is exposed,” said DA Seth Williams. “There’s more oversight for women’s hair salons than for abortion clinics in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.”

Kermit Gosnell did not act alone as he slaughtered babies and butchered women. Eight others, including his wife, have been charged. The state authorities who turned a blind eye have yet to be held accountable.

Women faced this house of horrors because the powerful abortion lobby — and their friends in government — placed abortion above human rights.

Abortionist Douglas Laube, chairman of Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health, told AP regarding his fellow abortionists, “Practitioners are under tremendous pressure and scrutiny. … Intuitively I’d say they’re operating as squeaky clean as they can.”

“It’s hard to tell the extent of egregious offenders because the abortion industry is almost completely unregulated,” said Dr. Donna Harrison, president of the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

“If a doctor in a hospital did a hysterectomy and had a patient with a complication, he would have to go back and explain why to his colleagues,” Harrison said. “With abortion, the doctor has nobody to face — they basically just slide through the accountability process with nobody to hold their feet to the fire.”

This is a wake-up call that goes beyond Philadelphia.

How many abortionists like this may there be in your state? Are the department of health or other responsible agencies inspecting abortion mills? Are emergency room doctors reporting when numerous patients are sent from the same abortionist or mill?

Legislators need to enforce oversight of abortion mills and the government agencies tasked with patients’ safety. When was the last time each abortion mill was inspected? How often? What violations were found? How were they penalized? What laws are lacking in your state?

Abortion will never be safe. Yet abortion lobbyists argue against laws that reduce the damage to women by claiming it will burden the abortionists with increased costs. **Dr. Gosnell reveals what happens when abortionists police themselves.**

CBN Reported:

Prosecutors have described a Philadelphia, Pa., abortion clinic as a "house of horrors."

Dr. Kermit Gosnell and four members of his staff have been charged with murder after allegedly delivering hundreds of live babies and then killing them.

When authorities raided Gosnell's abortion clinic they found a stench-filled, unsanitary mess — bags of fetuses stuffed inside a refrigerator.

Should this arrest be a wake-up call for lawmakers on abortion? Wendy Wright, with ***Concerned Women for America****, talked about this and more, on CBN Newswatch, Jan. 20.* ***Click here to watch.***

Kristan Hawkins, executive director of ***Students for Life****, talks more about this arrest and it's impact on the abortion industry, on CBN News Channel Midday program, Jan. 20. Click play to watch, following this report.*

"The grand jury went to the scene wearing hazmat suits," said Philadelphia District Attorney Seth Williams. "It was filthy. Squalid. There was feces – cat feces every where.

" case after case Dr. Gosnell and his assistants induced labor, forced the live birth of viable babies in the sixth, seventh, eighth month of pregnancy and then killed those babies," he added.

Authories said Gosnell used scissors to kill the babies. He reportedly killed scores more. but destroyed the records. He was also charged with the death of a patient who died after being over-medicated.

"A doctor who knowingly and systematically mistreats women patients to the point that one of them dies in his so called care commits murder under the law," Williams said.

Women were infected with venereal diseases through Gosnell's unsterilized instruments.

"He sent woman after woman to the emergency room with punctured uteruses and intestines," Williams continued. "Untrained, unsupervised workers injected dangerous drugs into women undergoing illegal late-term abortions."

Late-term abortions are illegal in Pennsylvania. State regulators hadn't inspected Gosnell's clinic in nearly 20 years and ignored 46 lawsuits which were filed against the clinic.

"There's more oversight for women's hair salons than for abortion clinics in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," Williams said.

The Privilege of Parenting

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There is nothing in this world that compares to parenting:

Scripture reference: Psalm 127:1-5

There is nothing in this world more important than children

*Children are God's providential blessings in our lives.

Ref.- Luke 18:15-17- "they brought infants to Jesus that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked them.. But Jesus called them to him and said. 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no mans enter it.'."

*Inconvenient facts:

- Americans have aborted 1/3 of all babies conceived since the Supreme Court legalized abortion in 1973. It's ironic that Yuppies/boomers will pay the price for this w/ less social security $ being collected because of 40-50 million fewer tax payers in the system.
- More pre-born children are killed every couple years by abortion than Americans died in the Revolutionary War, Civil War, both World Wars, Korean, Vietnam, and both Gulf wars combined.

Quote (Rieta Diller, National Director of American Life League's, Stop Planned Parenthood international project said in SBC Life Magazine, January 2011): "Planned Parenthood is a business making a very clear business decision…abortion is its most lucrative 'service,' and like all businesses, P.P. is simply maximizing its profits from its primary moneymaker." Dillar went on to say, "each one of those 324,008 abortions took the life of a unique, innocent, and unrepeatable human person."

- Planned Parenthood received 350 million dollars in government grants and contracts last year with the full support of President Obama who in 2009 (SBC Life Mag., Jan. 2011) "revoked pro-life spending policies that barred federal funds for groups overseas that promote abortion."
- 27,000 abortions were performed last year in Virginia

***Question:** What are you willing to do to stop this holocaust?

Ref.– 2 Chron. 28:3 Judah's King Ahaz offered his children to be burned to idols, and suffered God's wrath. He and his people were defeated by and delivered to the hand of the Syrians

Jeremiah 32:35- God's people offered their children to Molech/Milcom, and God hands them over to the Babylonians.

Ref.- Deuteronomy 30 "live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you…I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live…"

***Application/What can you do?**.———- volunteer at the Crisis Pregnancy Resource Center, donate $, march in the rally for life, write the governor/president/senator/congressman, vote, adopt, care for a teenaged mom, inconvenience yourself…get involved!

There is nothing in this world more rewarding than rearing children

***Illus.-** children are like arrows in our hands. We as parents are to guide them, aim them, and then release them, shooting them off into a world that needs them to make an impact. Parents need to take the initiative to disciple their own children: praying together. doing devotions, disciplining, encouraging, going w/ them to church…

*Example: Susanna Wesley

There is nothing in this world that brings more joy than children

*"quiver"= case for holding arrows…
Often times we as adults are carrying around pain/heartache from past wounds:

- some may carry regret from past failures
- some want a child but God hasn't given you one

- some have experienced an abortion
- some are healing from childhood wounds (emotional)

Action item: take your heart ache to Jesus, and find a way to help a child now…

Practical Application:

5 Important choices every Christian should make for life

#1 Choose to give life a chance (personally)

#2 Choose to educate your loved ones about the value of life. (mom/dads get proactive)

#3 Choose to influence your community about the value of life

Ex.- our kids, schools, churches, politicians, young ladies/boys who find themselves in a crisis. They need to know that have options (adoption, keeping the baby).

#4 Choose to attend a church that values life

· The church needs to be a place of grace where no young lady would be so ashamed by a bad decision that she would try to conceal it by making an infinitely worse decision. The church needs to be a place where a person who has been though an abortion can come and experience love, acceptance, and forgiveness.

#5 Choose to vote for politicians that value life & support causes that defend life. Help those who need it most (pregnant

ladies and ladies who are suffering from the affects of abortion)

*Ref.- Prov. 31:8 "Open your mouth for the speechless/Speak for those who have no voice, in the cause of all who are appointed to die."

Ex.- Virginia Christian Alliance or Chesterfield Pregnancy Resource Center

Conclusion:

There is nothing in this world that compares to parenting, therefore parents, let's make our kids our priority by discilping them. Church, let's do what we can to support parents as they endeavor to bring up a generation of champions for Christ! Community, let's get involved with defending life in the womb!

Psalm 127: 1-5

Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep. Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

Rev. Pat Fiordelise is the pastor of Kingsland Baptist Church in Richmond, VA. He was born in 1973, the year Roe vs. Wade was decided by the U.S.Supreme Court. Pro-life issues are important to him and very personal because more than 40 million of his peers were never allowed the chance to be born over the past four decades.

Abortion is a national disgrace, and Pastor Pat is determined to assemble an army of pastors in Virginia called **Pastors for Life** who will openly take a stand for the pre-born.

Regarding: Law Relating To Homicide

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January 10, 2010

David Alan Carmichael
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Dear Senator Miller:

Reading Rowe v. Wade in context with the history of law regarding any homicide,the Court did acknowledge common law principles. It acknowledged that the state has a compelling interest in protecting the life of the person, even when they are in the uterus. Termination of a pregnancy after quickening, but before viability, will logically result in the natural death of the person who is removed from the womb too soon in their development to survive. Deliberately removing a "person in being" from the womb, logically resulting in the "person in being's" death, is homicide. If it is done as a matter of literal and factual self-defense, it is classified as excusable homicide according to common law. That standard was acknowledged by the Court in Rowe v. Wade. Based upon the Court's commentary, a terminated pregnancy (by delivery of course rather than in *utero* homicide) after the point of viability is not excusable after the point of viability since the pregnancy can be terminated by delivery without the death of the infant person being a natural result.

Now that we have the technology of discovering quickening by means other than merely the sensory feeling of movement, we can know of a "person in being" living (synonym of quick) much earlier. We even have the science of chemical tests that indicate a "person in being" is in the uterus. Once a woman has that chemical test, there is no excuse for an abortive remedy unless it is

truly in a mode of self-defense of the life of the mother according to principles of common law. The common law standard is loss of life or limb. The standard is not hypothetical stigma or psychological discomfort. I can't kill my neighbor because of psychological discomfort or stigma. Compensatory relief for my discomfort or psychological stress can be had by due process and lawful remedy.

Since confusion in the law was introduced by the decision in Rowe v. Wade, the General Assembly has the obligation to codify the law indeed regarding homicide of a person in being. With regard to protection of the life in the uterus, in balance with the life of the woman, enact a requirement that two or more qualified witnesses be required to declare that the woman is in actual imminent danger of life or limb. Two or more witnesses is the standard for the capital punishment of treason in the U.S. Constitution, and it is the same minimum standard found in the revealed law with which the common law is consistent. The Rowe v. Wade Court cited a law in England that required the testimony of two qualified doctors to declare that unnaturally terminating the pregnancy was indeed necessary to save the life of the mother. Such a bill ought to be proposed for the enactment of sound law after carefully scrutinizing the related standards of the common law. The revealed, natural, and common law rights reserved in the Virginia Constitution, Art. I, Sect. 17, were not merely for the in *situ* founders. Those rights are reserved for their, and our, posterity.

Do not fail to act because of the actual or perceived threat of political consequences. Fulfill the solemn duty of a legislator. The General Assembly's failure to act rightly on this matter has had tragic moral consequences. Those moral consequences affect economic consequences. Though Virginia cannot escape the consequences of the unlawful killing of our posterity throughout our generation, let us diligently fulfill our duty to protect life for the moral and economic preservation and blessing of our posterity to come.

Respectfully yours,
David Alan Carmichael
cc: Interested Assembly Members, inter alia
DAC/slf

Pro-Life Groups Rally at Va. Capitol

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Pro-life groups across Virginia have called on their state lawmakers to implement tougher restrictions on abortion facilities in the Commonwealth. They made their voices heard as the state's new legislative session began this week.

Despite the cold weather, pro-life supporters stood together on the grounds of the state capitol for the cause of life.

“There’s not a more dangerous place in Virginia or in the rest of the country than the womb so it’s really out of love that the people came here today,” said Shawn Carney, campaign director of 40 Days for Life.

In the past, Del. Bob Marshall, R-Va., has introduced legislation that hold abortion clinics to higher standards. He said now is the time to take action.

“We’ve had almost 1.1 million children lose their lives that’s like one-eighth of the present population in Virginia,” Marshall said. “If not now, when?”

If tougher regulations are put in place many abortion clinics could be forced to shut down. That’s because the regulations would force abortion facilities to adhere to hospital-like standards and truthful reporting about complications. Pro-life groups believe that would save lives. Yet, while they see new regulations as a step in the right direction, they’re adamant that their ultimate goal is to end abortion.

“I don’t think it’s the total solution, I think we need to recognize them as human beings and stop killing them altogether,” said Aaron Messier, a Haymarket, Va., resident.

“We need to close them down that’s the ultimate goal, stop abortion,” said Kathleen Messier, another Haymarket resident.

Abortion rights advocates said the proposed regulations were a naked attempt to force abortion clinics out of business.

When the rally ended that’s when the real work actually began as the pro-life supporters headed over to the capitol building to encourage their lawmakers to take a stand for life.

“We’re going into the capitol and we’re going to talk to the people there and lobby for this regulation that we all need and that we all can benefit from,” said Susan Hayes, a Clifton, Va. resident.

Gov. Bob McDonnell, R-Va., has said that he supports legislation that would increase regulations on abortion clinics and believes most Virginians want to see a reduction in the number of abortions in their state.

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RICHMOND — — The anti-abortion rally outside of the General Assembly this week had familiar themes of protecting unborn children and rolling back abortion rights.

But this week the activists’ pleas were aimed in an unusual direction — at Republican Gov. Bob McDonnell.
At issue is hospital-style regulations for Virginia’s 21 abortion clinics, a long-sought goal of the pro-life movement. Conservative lawmakers have pushed for tighter restrictions on abortion providers for years, arguing that the outpatient clinics should be treated like ambulatory centers.
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WTVR Channel 6 RICHMOND — Richard Lesko Staff reporter 1:17 p.m. EST, January 13, 2011
As lawmakers sat down for their first full day of the 2011 legislative session, groups calling for tougher restrictions on abortions rallied outside of the Capitol building in Richmond.

They're calling for pressure on Governor Bob McDonnell to lead the legislature into putting new rules and regulations on clinics that perform abortions

Delegate Bob Marshall, a republican from Prince William County, has been one of the most outspoken opponents of abortion during his term in the legislature. This year he has introduced legislation that would give specific protection to embryos and fetuses.

Delegate Marshall has introduced legislation in the past that would allow the state to regulate clinics that perform abortions. Now Del. Marshall is trying to pressure Governor Bob McDonnell to take action.

"He has the authority, I think he has the responsibility, and an opportunity to act," Delegate Marshall said.

Notably absent at the rally was The Family Foundation, a conservative advocacy group that has long been outspoken against abortion.

Spokesman Chris Freund released this statement: “The Family Foundation has fought for abortion center safety regulations for over a decade and we continue to do so until the health of women in Virginia is protected. We appreciate the passion that so many Virginians have on this issue, which should be evidence enough for elected officials to support the legislation that is before the General Assembly. There are many different approaches in policy making and we are fully committed to working with the the Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General and legislature to pass an abortion center safety law that protects women’s health.”

His troops don’t like the governor’s orders

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Letter to the Editor, Richmond Times-Dispatch:
Having a military background has perhaps prompted Gov. Bob McDonnell to call the marching command: “Column, left!” While it is a proper marching command that orders a formation of soldiers to execute a 90-degree left turn, it is not a proper order from the governor when he expects conservative voters to support non-conservative actions.

As a pro-life, pro-family conservative, I joined countless like-minded Virginians in celebrating McDonnell’s gubernatorial victory. Our disappointment has exceeded our hopeful expectations as we’ve witnessed what can only be considered political posturing by our candidate.

How can a pro-life governor fail to act on behalf of the unborn? Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli has concluded that Virginia can regulate abortion facilities. Significantly, pro-choice forces in Virginia have indicated that such regulations could lead to closure of a majority of abortion clinics in the state. By not acting to initiate implementation of standards to protect the most vulnerable, those in the womb, McDonnell makes an ally of those who would profit from the abortion mills.

We who elected McDonnell are not looking for a 100 percent guarantee of success in promoting pro-life, pro-family causes. We do expect a 100 percent effort on his part to accomplish conservative goals.

Bill Goode.

Surry.

Give A Voice To The Unborn

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Letter to the Editor: The Daily News-Record

While we all know that human life begins at conception, there are those who would like us to stand silently by as the number of these humans being legally aborted races toward 50 million. The situation is so bleak that it would be easy for us to despair, throwing up our hands in the face of judgments handed down from the Supreme Court that seem immovable.

But those of us who are concerned about abortion *can* help achieve a legal code that is in step with scientific reality and recognizes the "unalienable rights" of every human being. One bill that will be brought before our legislators in the General Assembly this session does this very thing. If you care about this issue, the time for action is NOW!

Those who oppose such laws presumably believe either that the new life present at conception is something less than a human being or that the mother has justifiable reasons for ending the life of the unborn human being in her womb. Then there are some who believe that abortion is the killing of a fully-human person and that it is morally wrong, but it is none of his or her business.

But is this third position a legitimate one, or do those who believe that human life begins at conception have a moral *duty* to oppose laws permitting abortion? For if a new human life begins at conception, abortion is no more a victimless act than child abuse, rape or murder.

A popular, "Christian" variation of the "abortion is not my concern" perspective insists, "passing laws won't change anyone's heart, so just concentrate on spreading the Gospel." The trouble with this position is that it assumes spreading the Gospel and legislating protections for the most vulnerable members of our society to be mutually exclusive. Of course they are not. And it is a cold, unfeeling "Gospel" that passes by on one side of the road hoping to win souls even as helpless human victims lie dying on the other.

Already I can hear those who oppose abortion restrictions protesting against "imposing moral judgments on others." But the honest critic must acknowledge that this is precisely the function of laws. From civil rights laws, to taxes, to laws prohibiting larceny and assault, the metes and bounds of our conduct are marked by moral judgments imposed by the majority.

Moreover, any system of laws regarding abortion, including our current ones, "imposes" a moral regime. As author Stephen Carter has observed, "A pro-life statute enforces a moral regime on pregnant women; a pro-choice statute enforces a moral regime on fetuses." Thus, those who advocate letting each woman decide about abortion for herself are advocating classic oppression —sacrificing the rights of the weak to the interests of the strong.

Finally, I would urge readers not to be swayed by those who would object to their "religious" motivation for joining the move to protect the unalienable right to life of all Virginians. While every point of our argument may be proven by and tethered to a scientific or secular idea, some will insist that the devotion to Truth and the Creator that motivates us to agitate for change disqualifies us from participation in this critical public debate and the legislative process.

But the beauty of our republic is that no ideas are excluded from the public square—or the halls of the legislature—because of the proponent's core belief system. The debate must center on the constitutional rights at issue and how they should be interpreted and balanced—not on why the respective parties are motivated to advocate for them.

If you share my passion for the restoration of just laws in our society, take heart! The tide is turning, and you can help. On January 13th, people from across the Commonwealth will gather in Richmond for a Virginia Pro-Life Rally. Organizers will spotlight important legislation to be introduced in the General Assembly this session and let us know what we can do to ensure passage of these laws. Visit www.valleyfamilyforum.org to learn more.

Rita Dunaway,J.D

Harrisonburg, Va.

National Black Leaders Join Georgia Legislators to End Ugliest Form of Racism: Abortion

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ATLANTA, Feb. 11 /**Christian Newswire**/ — In 2008, blacks made up 30% of the population but over 57% of the abortions in Georgia. Today national black leaders gathered at the Georgia State Capitol to join a bipartisan group of black and white Georgia legislators to call for an end to the disproportionate levels of abortion in the black community in Georgia.

"Black children are aborted at three times the rate of all other populations. Georgia leads the country in the number of reported abortions performed on black women, 18,901 in 2008 alone," Catherine Davis, Director of Minority Outreach for Georgia Right to Life reported.

Dr. Johnny Hunter, President of LEARN noted, "The civil rights activists did not fight to make lynching safe, legal, and rare. They ended it. We must fight to end the ugliest form of racism: abortion."

Dr. La Verne Tolbert, former board member of Planned Parenthood stated, "Abortions increase where clinics are located and where are those clinics located? Ninety-four percent of the clinics are located in urban areas where blacks reside. In my own neighborhood which is an African American neighborhood in California, there are three abortion clinics strategically located all in the same area."

On Tuesday, Representative Barry Loudermilk introduced bipartisan legislation that targets this very issue. The Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act, HB 1155, makes it illegal to knowingly perform, solicit or accept funding for either race- or sex-selection abortions. This bill is based upon existing federal legislation in the 111th US Congress.

"In Georgia, you cannot fire or hire a person based upon their race or gender. If discrimination is wrong in the workplace and in schools, those same standards should be applied to who enters this life and who doesn't. No child should be kept from entering this world based upon their race, color, or sex," said Representative Loudermilk

Dr. Johnny Hunter stated, "All the civil rights gained in education, voting, and equal job opportunities mean nothing to a dead black child."

Catherine Davis noted, "HB 1155 will not victimize or harm women, but will hold accountable those who would perform, solicit, or coerce an abortion because of the race, color, or sex of the child."

Dr. Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King Jr. commented, “I commend Rep. Loudermilk and the other legislators for ending this last bastion of racism. Abortion is the civil rights issue of the 21st Century.”

Virginia Rally for Life: Richmond, VA January 13, 2011

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VIRGINIA RALLY FOR LIFE AT STATE CAPITOL – JANUARY 13, 2011

On January 13, 2011, the frigid early morning temperatures were obliged to yield to the dedicated and determined witness to Life of the attendees at the Virginia Rally for Life. As pro-lifers flowed into the area around the Richmond Capitol Bell Tower, they were warmed by the lilting voice of Maddy Curtis from Northern Virginia accompanied by one of Virginia Beach's top musical trios, Tim Able and his two sons, Colin and Chandler.

Their music reverberated throughout the surrounding highrise buildings, mimicking a cathedral's acoustics. Office occupants and pedestrians from five blocks away were bathed in Maddy's and Tim's sweet sounds affirming the Almighty's Amazing Grace and the patriotic strains of our National Anthem.

At 10:30 AM, the emcee for the Rally for Life, Rev. Dean Nelson, a Virginia Christian Alliance Board Member and the Director of the Frederick Douglass Foundation, addressed the crowd to introduce Pastor Joe Ellison from the Essex Village Evangelistic Church in Richmond and also a VCA Board Member, who delivered a rousing opening prayer.

Rev Dean Nelson

Rev Joe Opening Prayer

Bob and Cathy Marshall

Reverend Nelson then introduced Virginia Delegate Bob Marshall (R-13th District). Delegate Marshall is renowned as one of Virginia's true warriors in the fight for the protection of unborn children.

Delegate Marshall restated the dual reason for the Rally, that is, to encourage Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell to enact regulations governing the abortion facilities across Virginia and to lobby legislators for Delegate Marshall's bill to distinguish the unborn child as a person entitled to all the rights of any other American. Delegate Marshall, with his wife Catherine at his side, punctuated the watershed importance that the Rally represented.

Rev. Nelson then proceeded to introduce a pro-life cornucopia of speakers:

- Dr. Alveda King (by audio), African American Outreach, Priests for Life
- Dr. Johnny Hunter, President, Global Life & Family Mission, National Director, LEARN, and a VCA Advisory Board Member
- David Bereit, 40 Days for Life
- Rita Dunaway, Valley Family Forum and a VCA Advisory Board Member (affirming personhood)
- Shawn Carney, 40 Days for Life
- Dr. John Seeds, MD, Obstetrics & Gynecology at MCV-VCU and VCA Advisory Board Member
- Andrea Pearson, Silent No More
- Tom Glessner, NIFLA
- Karen Zbinden, Concerned Women for America
- Deacon Keith Fournier, ordained Catholic lay minister and founder of Catholic Online

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The crowd of about 300 was duly inspired by some of the brightest and the best of pro-life leadership in Virginia. Their wealth of talent and experience spoke convincingly to the need for immediate pro-life reforms.

With professional deftness, Rev. Nelson then drew the Rally to a close precisely at the scheduled 11:30. The precision and professionalism of the rally reflected an extraordinary degree of cooperation amongst pro-life groups across Virginia. Chief among those were Virginia Christian Alliance, Forty Days for Life, and Bob and Catherine Marshall. We also extend an enthusiastic thank-you to Mike Prunty of the American Freedom Project and Steve Waters of the Virginia Christian Alliance for their timely efforts. The pro-life warriors stand out as an example of Christian service and dedication to the fight to ensure a life for America's unborn children.

A very special word of thanks goes to those who planned, organized, promoted and delivered a well-done Virginia for Life Rally. Hampton Roads for Life, Virginia Rally for Life planners and coordinators: Frances Bouton, Louantha Kerr, Diana Deboe, Leigh Gorski, Leroy Hardy, Pete Barker, Craig Hudgins, Diane Pyle, Marcia Hurley, Deacon Bob Durel, Cheri Britt, and Drake Hoffman.

Destroying Embryos is Unacceptable

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Letter to the Daily Press
July 29, 2001
On the side of rail cars carrying Jews to certain death in concentration camps, Nazi soldiers wrote in chalk the number of human beings inside each car, followed by the German word "stücke," which means "pieces" or "inanimate objects." This served to dehumanize the Jews and make the entire exercise seem more like hauling lumps of coal to a steam plant rather than genocide.

Richard Weaver warned us fifty years ago that the corruption of a people begins with the corruption of language. In our consideration of life and death subjects such as euthanasia, abortion and the destruction of human embryos for research, we should be especially alert to the power of words and choose them carefully.

If life is precious, as our politicians feel compelled to say whenever an issue involving life and death is discussed, it must mean life in the particular — not in the abstract. Too often, our lawmakers and judges, lost in abstractions, have treated some lives as less deserving than others or even undeserving of any life at all.

Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote in a 1927 opinion upholding the validity of a Virginia statute authorizing involuntary sterilization of "mental defectives" that "three generations of idiots is enough." By labeling those who would be sterilized as "mental defectives," he made his judgment easier to accept.

Earlier this month, a French court ruled that any physician who fails to advise a pregnant woman that her unborn child has a "defect" can be sued by the woman after giving birth to any unworthy baby. This ruling will prompt French physicians, who now face heightened malpractice exposure, to urge their patients to abort unborn children perceived to have the slightest "defect."

Words matter even more in the case of human embryos slated for destruction. This is so whether the destruction is for stem cell research or because we no longer perceive any need for them. Only the hardest sociopath fails to cringe at the thought of creating human embryos for the singular purpose of destroying them for use in research. Why? If a human embryo is nothing more than a "stück" — a piece of matter — what bothers our consciences?

The fate of human embryos presents an ethical test for us that we tend to shrink from. Polls indicate a widespread desire to find a compromise. Most of us want the issue to go away. The sooner the train leaves for Auschwitz, the sooner we can forget about the "stücke."

Some hard decisions just aren't reducible to compromise. Decisions involving life and death shouldn't be subjected to the usual balancing that politicians favor.

As President Bush emerged from his meeting last week with Pope John Paul II, he spoke of the need to balance the considerations of life against the promise of future medical research in deciding whether the federal government will fund research involving the destruction of human embryos. This isn't about balancing. Government already engages in or authorizes too much cost-benefit analysis in deciding who should live, especially in questions involving euthanasia.

Destroying a human embryo is unacceptable whether the purpose is research or simply to terminate what some consider a pointless existence. Politicians that justify destruction for research because an embryo is likely to be destroyed anyway display the very callousness Nazi soldiers developed as they wrote "stücke" on those rail cars or, worse, the callousness of German physicians who experimented on Jews in concentration camps because they were going to die anyway.

Mr. McSweeney practices law in the City of Richmond where he was born in 1943. In January 2009, he convened a meeting of more than 200 Virginians, which led to the formation of **Restore the Founders' Vision**, a non-profit civic education initiative. He has four adult children. He resides with his wife, Wendy, in Powhatan County, Virginia.

Abortion Linked to Preterm Birth, But Why Aren't Women Being Told?

NOVEMBER 25, 2010
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Springfield, IL (Nov. 23, 2010) — November is Prematurity Awareness Month, dedicated by activists to highlighting the risks of and impact created by preterm birth.

According to the March of Dimes, more than half a million babies are born prematurely in the United States alone each year. Yet most people — including women at risk of abortion and their loved ones — are unaware that abortion has been linked to an increased risk of preterm birth among subsequently born babies.

In a paper published in the *British Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology* in 2009, a Canadian research team examined data from 37 studies and found that having a prior abortion increased the risk of subsequent preterm birth by 35 percent, while having more than one prior abortion increased the risk by 93 percent.[1] (Preterm birth is defined as a birth that takes place before 37 weeks gestation.)
In other words, children whose mothers had a previous abortion were more likely to be born prematurely, putting them at greater risk for problems such as low-birth weight (which has been linked to physical and developmental problems), epilepsy, autism, mental retardation[2] and cerebral palsy. A research team looking at data from 2002 estimated that prior abortions led to 1,096 cases of cerebral palsy among babies born prematurely that year.[3]

There are risks to the mother with preterm birth as well, as other studies have found that women who give birth at less than 32 weeks double their lifetime risk of breast cancer.[4]

Evidence linking abortion and preterm birth continues to pile up, researchers and advocates say. Another paper published in 2009 found that found that having a previous abortion raised a woman's relative odds of having a subsequent birth at less than 32 weeks by 64 percent.[5]

Further, as far back as 2006 the Institute of Medicine included "prior first trimester abortion" on a list of risk factors associated with premature birth.[6] However, as Brent Rooney, Director of Research for the Reduce Preterm Birth Coalition, has pointed out, abortions continue to be performed despite the strong evidence of risks—and in the absence of any evidence showing the procedure to be harmless.

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"In the 'Court of Medicine' a 'defendant' new surgery or new drug is presumed guilty of serious adverse side effects until by strong evidence it is demonstrated to be innocent," Rooney noted. Yet 50 years after the development of the suction abortion procedure, he said, there has never been a "'study of studies' or systematic review" that has proven that abortion does not cause premature birth. Instead, the evidence seems to be pointing in the opposite direction.

And even as the evidence linking abortion and preterm birth continues to pile up, women and their loved ones are not being told of the risks. The result is that women and girls will end up undergoing abortions without having the information needed to make a decision–which is a form of coercion. And it puts the mothers, their unborn children and any future children they may have at risk.

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Learn more: Access the world's most extensive online library of studies on the physical and psychological effects of abortion at **www.AbortionRisks.org**.

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Where is the Crying Need, Babies have a Crying Need

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Elaine Hanger, a resident of Chesterfield County and a member on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Christian Alliance responded to an opinion piece by **Richmond Time's Dispatch columnist Barton's Hinkle**. Barton Hinkle believes there is no need to regulate abortion clinics, where life killing medical procedures are executed and Elaine fires back.

September 10, 2010

Dear Editor:

Barton Hinkle contends that there is no compelling need to regulate abortion clinics in his recent op-ed entitled "Where's the Crying Need to Regulate Clinics?" I found his logic confusing and his title odd.

He cites incidents of recalls of a half-million drop-side cribs because three children suffered bruises; of federal regulators studying whether to mandate changes in hot dog sizes because 13 people choked to death; of the complication rate at abortion clinics as roughly comparable to the recent salmonella outbreak in the American egg supply, yet no one has died from the Salmonella outbreak.

Despite thirty seven years of legalized abortion and widespread efforts to sear the consciences of women, women innately know that abortion is the willful decision to take the life of one's own child. When a decision of that magnitude is made, even if there are complications or injuries from the procedure, few women are eager to communicate or even to report these problems. I know of a local family whose daughter died from a botched abortion at a Richmond clinic but because of the sensitivity of the situation, the family could not endure public disclosure.

Hinkle says that national figures indicate that abortion clinics tend to be quite safe. National figures are irrelevant when reporting is hardly likely to occur. But the glaring question is really, "Quite safe? For who?" The baby facing the whirring knife of the abortionist has no place to turn for safety except to those maligned in Hinkle's article as the Taliban wing of the GOP.

Where is the crying need…? Babies have a crying need.

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Elaine Hanger serves as on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Christian Alliance and you can **read more about Elaine here**.

Does pain dictate whether an Unborn Child is alive?

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How many realize a small unborn child is life, but if she/he feels no pain it would be 'OK' to abort. When does a preborn infant feel pain? In the early 17th century people felt that it had to see the light of day first. Modern gynecology has already dispelled that. Remember when 'quickening' *(feeling the baby move)*, or even breathing 'air' was the time when viability was thought to happen? The ability to survive on its own changed quickly to viability to survive various life-altering changes in the early 1900's.

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Then the ability to feel pain was a factor to postpone abortion. Even animals are rendered as painless as possible prior to slaughter, or even medical operations.

For humans, it was decided that preborn infants could feel no pain before 24 weeks.

In the 1970s, the science of **Fetology: Diagnosis & Management of the Fetal ...**patient was born—no pun intended. First, a crude ultrasound was developed. Then came 3D ultrasonograpy, fetoscopy, fetal EKG *(electrocardiogram)*, and the fetal EEG *(electroencephalogram)*. Amazingly, each one of these procedures has demonstrated the remarkable responsiveness, especially to pain, of a preborn child.

But Dr. Benjamin Nathanson did something in the 1980s that turned the science of *fetology* on its ear. Nathanson, a former abortionist himself, obtained a *Realtime* ultrasound video of a 12 week suction abortion.

The film, elucidated by Nathanson, is commercially available as the *Silent Scream*, now over 20 years old.

It factually shows the preborn continuously dodging the suction instrument used in the abortion. Heartbeat of the baby doubled. One can see its mouth opening wide while its body was being dismembered, and its appendages were torn off. No sound—since its body was encased in embryonic fluid.

For all indications available at the time, it was obvious the baby could feel incredible amounts of pain, and was scared literally to death. The baby was only 11 weeks old.

Fast forward 30 years to 2010. The science of *fetology* had leaped ahead even faster. In *National Right to Life,* Dr. Steven Zielinski, MD, JD, a teaching fellow *(Loyola Chicago Institute of Health and Law)* described extensive evidence for pain in unborn children.

Using the accepted definition of pain as *"an adverse response to a noxious stimulus"*, Dr. Zielinski described the functional structures needed, and demonstrated their existence in a preborn child. In short, he says neurotransmitters send chemical signals by 6 weeks gestation and electrical activity as early as 40 days. Actually, brain structure needed for pain detection is the thalamus, which is present by *8 weeks*.

This neuro-anatomic structure allows the pain impulse to go to the thalamus, and sends a signal to pull away from the pain *(as diagramed below)*.

In their book ***Why Can't We Love Them Both***, explain how pain can be detected when nociceptors *(pain receptors)* discharge electrical impulses to the spinal cord and brain. This fire measured impulses outward, telling the muscles and body to react.

The developing child in the womb actually feels pain three to five times more acutely than newborns or adults. Unfortunately, no one hears it.

But these fetal scientific advances have mostly occurred in the last 50 years. What will occur in the *next* 50? It seems that fetal pain may be proven all the way to conception. It's known a child has all the necessary DNA at that time for a complete person.

We know where science is headed—pain will likely be documented to occur in extremely young preborns with advanced measurements, earlier and earlier. This continues to decimate the *"abort if no pain"* argument.

Can one think *out-of-the-box*? Because you can't hear it, means it doesn't happen? Remember when ultrasound, much less "4D ultrasound", wasn't even a glimmer in the doctor's eye? How much longer must women be forced to listen to silence, and not allowed to see their ultrasound during the abortion procedure?

How long before medical science will be able to analyze the preborn's DNA days after conception, and know how they will turn out? Wait…they can do that now.

How long before an instrument is designed to detect a soul? No telling, but two hundred years ago, people scoffed at the ability to fly too…

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Black Genocide in the 21st Century

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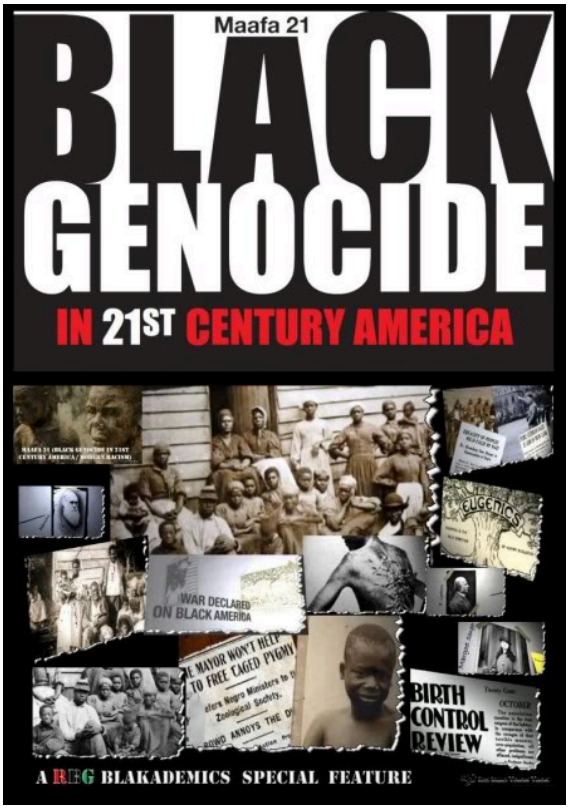

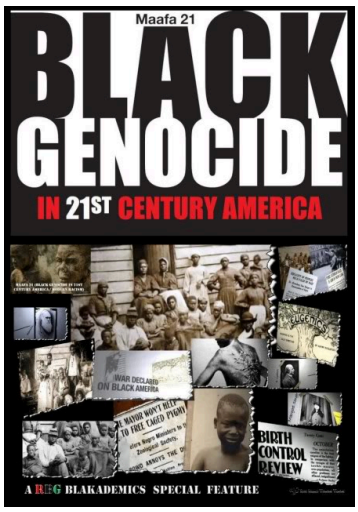

On Tuesday, November 17, 2009, Black Genocide in the 21st Century, the movie, was shown at the Mount Olivert Baptist Church.

Maafa21 was sponsored by the Virginia Christian Alliance and the Council on Biblical Principles to expose a hidden plan to eliminate the African-American population. The movie is stunning and VCA urges all Christians to view the movie and become informed.

"They were stolen from their homes, locked in chains and taken across an ocean.

And for more than 200 years, their blood and sweat would help to build the richest and most powerful nation the world has ever known.

But when slavery ended, their welcome was over. America's wealthy elite had decided it was time for them to disappear and they were not particular about how it might be done.

What you are about to see is that the plan these people set in motion 150 years ago is still being carried out today. So don't think that this is history. It is not. It is happening right here, and it's happening right now."

Dr. Alveda King and Mrs. Kim Warburton

Present at the showing were Dr. Alveda King (left), niece of Martin Luther King, Jr., Mrs. Kim Warburton (left), Director of the Richmond Pregnancy Resource Center, Mr. Donald Blake, President and Chairman of the Virginia Christian Alliance and many others.

The purpose of the showing was to inform, educate and raise awareness to this ongoing genocide today.

The Virginia Christian Alliance urges Christians to get involved in sharing this movie with their families, neighbors, co-workers and friends

Mr. Don Blake, Virginia Christian Alliance, Dr. Aleda King and Mrs. Lisa Blake

Mrs. Alice Patterson of Justice at the Gate Ministries, Dr. Alveda King and Pastor Joe Ellison

Dr. John Seeds, Director OBGyn Medical College of Virginia and Dr. Alveda King

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Resources:

Maafa 21 Website: **www.maafa21.com**

BlackGenocide.org Website: **www.blackgenocide.org**

From Maafa21:

The claim is that the abortion issue is about privacy, and women's rights, and their reproductive freedom. But that's just marketing hype.

In reality, it was EUGENICS that drove the legalization of abortion. And now, a stunning new movie lays it all out with incredible documentation.

The film is called Maafa 21 and it exposes a plan to create "racial purity" that began 150 years ago and is still being carried out right now. It's about time the ties between the Nazis, the American eugenics movement and today's "family planning" cartel.

It's about elitism, secret agendas, treachery and corruption at the highest levels of political and corporate America.

Maafa 21 will show you what the media has been hiding and what politicians don't want you to know. So if you're ready to see the real agenda behind "choice", visit the Maafa21 website, order the DVD 1-800-800-LIFE

Maafa 21 - Black Genocide in 21st Century America - full documentary
https://youtube.com/watch?v=I6XfU8KVkzI

The Problem Is They Are Killing the Solution

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Editor's note:

The article below was written in 2001. It has been rejected by major news magazines and news papers throughout America. Although the figures are not up to date, the premise of the article has certainly been vindicated by the trend during the intervening years from then to now.

When this article was written it was believed Social Security would be operating in the red by 2016. In March 2010 Social Security began to operate in the red – six years ahead of government predictions.

The figures below show Social Security, following this joint plan organizing abortion and social security would render itself healthy in 2017. The plan will still work. But if we don't start it until 2010 it will be 2027 before benefits will be realized. It will still take 17 years to refund itself.

This information has been placed in the hands of key Right-to-Life legislators who have not advanced this cause. Am I overly critical by asking: As a nation, do we really want the problem of an insolvent Social Security system fixed?

The Problem Is They Are Killing the Solution

Rev. Thomas C. Lacy

Social Security (SS) and I are about the same age. On September 8, 1934 I was born. The Social Security Act (SSA) was signed into law August 14, 1935. And unless medical science does something for me, and the Government does something for SS, we have about the same life expectancy.

Social Security is built upon working people contributing to a fund to support those who are retired or disabled. The system depends on a steady stream of workers entering the job market.

Social Security is a critical political issue. The President and other government officials are trying to find help for the beleaguered system. Some were depending on the recent wave of a good economy to overcome SS's ailments. Others thought (and some still think) contributors to the system should invest a portion of their money elsewhere to secure their futures. Privatization, some claim, is the solution.

The problem is they are killing the solution. None of those approaches will succeed in rescuing SS for the long term. To substantiate this point of view look at the figures.

According to Jeff L. Kunkel of the SSA, "About 154 million persons will work in SS covered employment or self-employment in 2000. The average income per worker in 1998 was about $27,748 and the average reported taxable amount was $23,651.

Multiplying the average taxable amount by the combined SS employee/employer tax rate of 12.4% gives $2,932.72 as the average tax."

The U. S. Census Bureau, on 10/12/00, reported the population was 274,942,494. Statistically we see that 56% of the population is working and contributing to the SS plan.

A visit to **http://www.lifecorner.org/facts.html** revealed, "The following statistics state the numbers provided by the Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI), a special research affiliate of Planned Parenthood Federation of America – the nation's largest provider and promoter of abortions. AGI has estimated a possible 3-6% rate of underreporting. The following uses the lower figure. Much less than one percent of the abortions were because of rape, incest, or because the mother's life was in danger."

Since Roe V. Wade the total aborted reported by AGI from 1973 to 2000 is 38,266,820. Applying the rate of 56% of the population contributing to SS, 21,429,419 would have worked had they not been aborted.

For calculation simplification, current SSA figures will be used as average. The time span is from 1974 to 2000, corresponding with the abortion report; and 1992 to 2018, corresponding to the time those aborted would have started working. No figures were posted by AGI for 1973.

In this illustration the wage earner receives no raises in pay during the focus period. This will lower the amount of loss to SS, but the totals are still astounding. Those aborted in 1974 would have entered the job market in 1992, assuming they started working at age eighteen, and would have contributed 27 years during the focus period from 1992 to 2018. Those aborted in 1975 would have entered the job market in 1993 and would have contributed 26 years during the focus period. The calculations would continue in that sequence of digression.

These 21,429,419 workers would have paid into SS $847,606,223,640.00. Their combined incomes would have been $8,019,646,435,300.00. The net results are billions lost in SS and trillions lost in spend able wages.

Abortion, however, is not the only enemy of the SS system. Medications like RU486 and organizations like Zero Population Growth (ZPG) are steadily working to reduce or prevent population increases.

RU486 was approved for the American market by the Food and Drug Administration September 28, 2000. It will take years to determine RU486's affect on the birth rate. NBC Today Show, September 29th, reported, "There did not appear to be an increase in the abortion rate in Europe during the 10 years RU486 has been marketed." It is certain, however, it will probably not reduce abortions.

Zero population growth is a mind set and a national movement. And the name implies the goal. Using AOL's Net Find, 368 ZPG-type organizations were listed with many advocating zero growth in population around the world with the U. S. of A. setting the example according to information found on the web site: **http://www.ZPG.org**. Upon reading this, my first question was, "Where would these people be if their parents had gotten the idea first?"

Life to some is incidental; to some it was accidental. But many believe life has a Divine Origin. "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (Genesis 2:27 KJV).

Life is real. Life itself is its own life line. And the human life cycle is the life breath of the SS system. Zero population growth would eventually be the demise of the system – not to mention life itself. No matter how good the economy, without new people paying into the system, SS cannot survive.

Good economy doesn't produce people, but people can produce a good economy.

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New Study Affirms Link Between Abortion and Subsequent Mental Health Problems

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Increase in Suicidal Thoughts, Substance Use and Other Problems After Abortion

SOURCE: The Elliot Institute

Springfield, IL (May 10, 2010) – A new study has found that women are more likely to experience substance abuse, suicidal thoughts and other problems after abortion, affirming the results of previous studies finding a link between abortion and mental health problems.

The study, published in the *Canadian Journal of Psychiatry*, examined a nationally representative sample of more than 3,000 women in the United States.

The researchers found that, after controlling for age, marital status, race, education, household income and any violence, women in the study who underwent an abortion had a 98 percent increased risk for any mental health disorders compared to women who did not have an abortion.

Women who had abortions also had:

- 59 percent increased risk for suicidal thoughts
- 61 percent increased risk for mood disorders
- 61 percent increased risk for social anxiety disorders
- 261 percent increased risk for alcohol abuse
- 280 percent increased risk for any substance use disorder

Approximately 6 percent of suicidal ideation cases among women nationwide and 25 percent of cases of drug use could be related to abortion, the researchers found.[1]

The study affirms findings from earlier studies showing that women are more likely to suffer emotional injury after undergoing abortion. For example, a 2005 New Zealand study found that, even after controlling for existing mental health problems, women who aborted were more likely to later experience depression, anxiety disorders, substance abuse and suicidal thoughts.[2]

And a **study published** in the *Journal of Psychiatric Research* in 2008 found that mental disorders among women who had abortions were 17 percent higher than among women who did not have abortions. When researchers looked at specific disorders, the increased rate among women who had abortions ranged from 44 percent higher for panic attacks and 167 percent higher for bipolar disorder.[3]

Abortion and Violence

The new study affirms that mental health problems associated with abortion cannot be solely explained by an exposure to other forms of violence. The earlier **2008 study** also found that abortion was more likely to cause mental health problems among women than was a history of other traumas such as childhood sexual abuse, rape, physical violence or neglect.

Elliot Institute director Dr. David Reardon, who has worked on more than a dozen studies on mental health issues after abortion, said that further research is also needed to look at the other side of the equation: whether having an abortion is likely to *increase* a women's risk of suffering violence or abuse.

He expressed concern that the study published in the *Canadian Journal of Psychiatry* made no distinction between exposure to violence that occurred before the abortion and exposure which occurred after the abortion, noting that violence may actually be an aftereffect of abortion.

"I believe this is a very important distinction which should be investigated, as we have evidence from surveys and interviews with women which indicate that abortion may increase a woman's risk of experiencing violence in numerous ways," Reardon said. "In short, controlling for exposure to violence which occurs after an abortion may be taking out one of the effects of abortion rather than an independent factor."

O**ther studies** have found an increase in suicide, depression, substance abuse, anxiety, sleep disorders, symptoms of post-traumatic stress and other problems. This latest study adds more evidence to the need for meaningful help and alternatives to abortion, as well as measures, such as that **recently passed in Nebraska**, that would hold abortion businesses liable for failing to screen for coercion and other known factors that put women and teens at risk for mental health disorders after abortion.

Educate others: Download and share our **Recent Research Fact Sheet** highlighting studies on abortion's impact on women.

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AUL's Kagan File: The "Marshall Dissents" Memo, Part II

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Also **see Part 1**

On Wednesday we looked at Thurgood Marshall's dissent in *Beal v. Doe* and *Maher v. Roe*. In those cases, Justice Marshall wanted to mandate taxpayer funded abortions. Studying the jurisprudence of Justice Marshall is important because he was one of Elena Kagan's mentors and she described his constitutional interpretation as "a thing of glory" because he thought the role of the court was to "show a special solicitude for the despised and disadvantaged." While that may be admirable in the abstract, the reality of Justice Marshall's decisions concerning abortion bears further scrutiny.

Today, we look at Justice Marshall's dissent in a case concerning a Utah parental notification statute, *H.L. v. Matheson*. In *Matheson*, the Court upheld the requirement that a physician "otify, if possible, the parents or guardian of the woman upon whom the abortion is performed, if she is a minor." The Court held, "a statute setting out 'mere requirement of parental notice' does not violate the constitutional rights of an immature, dependent minor."

Justice Marshall, however, dissented on the grounds that the parental notification requirement "unquestionably burdens the minor's privacy right," and was not "closely tailored" to serve any significant legislative purpose. Marshall made the following rather extreme arguments against the Utah notification law:

– The parental notification requirement is an "obstacle…so onerous as to bar the desired abortions," and it "effectively cancels her right to avoid disclosure of her personal choice."

– The parental notification requirement is unfair to minors whom "oppose parental notice and seek instead to preserve the fundamental, personal right to privacy."

– The parental notification law would not give doctors more information about their patient because "t seems doubtful that a minor mature enough to become pregnant and to seek medical advice on her own initiative would be unable or unwilling to provide her physician with information crucial to the abortion decision."

– Marshall would have struck down the Utah law despite acknowledging that the parental notification requirement might improve consultation between parent and child.

– Finally, Marshall dismissed the state's claim that the law would help in "protecting parental authority and family integrity" by stating that "parental authority deserves *de minimus* legal reinforcement where the minor's exercise of a fundamental right is burdened."

Conclusion

Abortion regulations like parental notification have been shown to reduce abortions. The Utah law was a reasonable abortion restriction that did not affect the ability of a minor to procure an abortion. Yet, Justice Marshall was firmly against it and all parental notification laws. He was disdainful of parental oversight of underage minor children in the context of abortion.

If President Obama was sincere about finding "common ground" with those in the pro-life movement, then reasonable restrictions on abortion should be something a Supreme Court justice would uphold. Elena Kagan must answer questions about whether she agrees with her mentor's opposition to parental notification requirements.

SOURCE: Americans United for Life

Americans United for Life Blog

Robust Resources on this and other Kagan insight is available on the Americans United for Life website. Sign up for their newsletter to keep up with this fast moving issue.

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Christian Leaders Rally to De-Fund Abortion Provider

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A group of Christian leaders from across Virginia is fighting to keep taxpayer dollars out of the hands of Planned Parenthood, the nation's leading abortion provider.

"Today, this African American pastor is declaring war against Planned Parenthood," said Rev. Joe Ellison, vice president of the Council on Biblical Principles. "We're asking pastors to shut them down in their communities. We're asking pastors to pray them out and we're asking Planned Parenthood to leave our children alone."

"We believe that the sanctity of life covers all of human life from conception to death. And we believe that God is the giver and sustainer of that life, and so any funding that would go toward any group that would abort pale male — we do not agree with that funding," said Pastor Jerome Hancock of Southside Church of the Nazarene in Chesterfield, Va.

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In the last 10 years, Virginia has given close to half a million dollars to Planned Parenthood.

The Virginia Christian Alliance sponsored a gathering in Richmond, Va. It represents more than 50 churches. They say the decision to de-fund a non-profit organization that has shown itself to

be very profitable should be a no-brainer.

“We’re asking the governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general to use the full force of their elected office to help us de-fund once and for all Planned Parenthood,” said Don Blake, chairman of the Virginia Christian Alliance. “Taxpayer funds do not belong in the hands of Planned Parenthood.”

The alliance presented a petition to the governor’s office signed by influential leaders such as Tony Perkins and Pat Robertson to block any taxpayer funding to the abortion provider. Several pro-life politicians say the action is long overdue.

“I think a lot of people are starting to see that this philosophy and the practice of this group. It should be called ‘Planned Barrenhood’ because it’s nothing to do with children and everything to do with aborting children,” said Del. Robert Marshall, R-Manassas, Va.

The organizers of the Virginia de-funding Planned Parenthood rally are confident it will become a reality, especially with a pro-life governor in office. They are also hopeful that their actions will send a strong message to other states to do the same.

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What Does an Abortionist Hate Most?

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I'd like to ask you one simple question: What does an Abortionist hate most? The answer might surprise you.

You might guess that what an abortionist hates most is watching the pro-life movement rise up to fight radical pro-abortion legislation- like the battle we're all fighting right now to keep the federal government from funneling our tax dollars to the abortionist.

Yes, abortionist hates to see pro-life political activism. But that's not what they hate most.

You might guess that what an abortionist hates most is when a pro-life pregnancy center opens up nearby and begins helping desperate women- and their money- slip from his bloody grasp.

And it's true: pregnancy centers make the abortionist see red. But that is not what they hate most.

You might guess that what an abortionist hates most is being exposed by pro-lifers like you and me when we hold graphic abortion pictures out on the street, exposing the truth about what goes on in the 713 abortion mills that blacken the landscape of this country.

The pictures of aborted babies pose one of their greatest obstacles, and abortionists are desperate to keep the graphic horror of their brutal trade hidden. They cringe when they see our signs out in public. But even that is not what an abortionist hates most.

WHAT AN ABORTIONIST HATES THE MOST IS DRIVING UP TO HIS ABORTUARY ON KILLING DAY AND SEEING A GROUP OF PRO-LIFERS PRAYING OUTSIDE.

It's not that the abortionist believes in the power of prayer. Far from it: they ridicule our prayers.

An abortionist in Rockford, Illinois has even gone so far as to put up a rubber chicken stapled to a cross in his window, in mockery of the Crucifixion.

But the abortionist can see the effect of our prayers. When pro-lifers are outside praying, appointments are cancelled, clients don't show up and some even change their minds only moments before they're supposed to walk into the operating room and hand over the wad of cash the abortionist lust after.

We've got the testimony of former abortion providers. They talk about how different it is inside the abortion mill when pro-lifers are out side praying. There's a palpable tension. Nerves are frayed. Women get up and walk out. Staffers quit.

By Joe Scheidler, National Director, Pro-Life Action League

PS. There are three abortion clinics in Richmond. (See 'Who are the Abortionists in Richmond') We need prayer warriors.

-By Greene Hollowell

What Happens when Christians “Sidewalk Counsel” at the Abortion Clinic

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All praises to God, as He had already prepared the table before us. All we needed to do was sense the anointing present and flow with the Holy Spirit. First off, it was a busy day. Nothing at first, and then they started to roll in. One right after another. They tried not to notice us or hear what we were saying as they hurried in to continue along the path of the “grave” decision “they” had chosen. Here comes a couple down the sidewalk, the mother pushing a baby girl in a carriage and the father holding the hand of 3 or 4 year old little boy. They met all the criteria of the “perfect little family”. Surely, they were one of the parrishners at the church across the street. Surely, they couldn’t or wouldn’t (especially with the precious little ones innocently following the “parents” lead) be coming to this place of destruction.

However, as they drew closer our thoughts of unbelief were emerging into truth; they were indeed bringing their “precious little ones” to this place to witness the destruction of their unborn brother or sister. We asked them if they were going into the clinic and if they would just allow us to pray with them. We tried to have them see that they were taking the life of not just their child but their children’s brother or sister. We tried to speak to the very heart of the Spirit within them. However, they chose to not accept our offer of prayer and ministry and to proceed into the clinic, them and the children.

As we continue to pray and try to minister to others as they come in, I begin to pray and direction my hand at the check-in window at the back. Knowing that as they continue to go in, it may touch their heart to see us continue to pray for them as they go in and pay for their unborn to be placed on “death row”. The unborns sensing that something is going on as they directly experience the anxieties of their mothers. The heartbeats growing faster as the list narrows to the calling of their mothers name.

I am required to move away from my stance of prayer for a moment as another vehicle speeds into the parking lot. Rushing in as to not miss their grievous appointment. However, this time God has intervened on the baby’s behalf and the mother and young girl (a rising Senior in HS) saw me praying as they drove in. They had asked God for a sign concerning their decision and felt this was an answer to their prayers. As we asked them to come over to speak with us, they came over however, not without slight hesitation or reluctancy. We began to minister to both the mother and the young lady. The mother indicated that the decision was the daughter’s. The daughter indicated that she was terminating the pregnancy because of a boyfriend and her wanting to finish her last year of school. As we continued to minister, tears began to roll, first from the

daughter and then from the mother. We could see that God was truly working on their hearts. As we continue to minister, others are still rolling in and going into the clinic; however, we know that God is truly moving through this present situation and don't want to step away from what He is doing. God continues to work on both the mother and the daughter and finally the daughter makes that "life changing" decision; "Yes, I want to keep my baby!" We could literally begin to feel and sense the Angels rejoicing in Heaven. We obtain their contact information for follow up and counsel and pray with them before they go.

As we begin to concentrate on the clinic as those going in once more, we noticed a well dressed young lady and what seemed to be a college student coming down the walkway. She didn't look the part, she had on her Sunday dress and every hair on her head was ever so neatly combed into place. She didn't look the part. However, as we met them on the sidewalk and asked if they were going to the clinic, they both nodded in agreement, and answered a cold stirring "yes". She was also a rising HS student and that was her boyfriend, a college student. I ministered to the young lady as Elder Thompson ministered to the young man. Once again, the Lord touched her heart and tears began to flow as she began to break. She said that she wanted to keep her baby and that she was only doing it because of the boyfriend. She indicated that they had not told the parents. I asked her how she thought the parents would feel if they knew the two of them were coming down to take the life of their grandchild that morning. As always, God knows the end from the beginning and both received the prayer of salvation and made the decision to keep their baby. We prayed with them before they departed that the parents would be supportive and receptive to their decision to keep the baby.

After we finished ministering with this couple, we saw the "perfect little family" come out of the clinic and all praises to God, we are believing that they did not take the life of their unborn.

God showed up in an "AWESOME" and "MIRACULOUS" way!!! As only He can, and as He always does!!!

Well, that's not the end of the story. I know that we indeed scored points for the Kingdom of God and made satan made on that day as my car would not move when I went to leave the clinic that day. I had to have my car towed. However, even in that He used me to minister to those that came out to check on me as I was waiting for the tow truck. And, He even used me to minister to the tow truck driver as we were driving the car to the shop. But, GOD!!!

Nope, God was still not finished. As I went into Johnston-Willis hospital to visit with Mother Massenberg in ICU. Who would God have on that floor, in the hallway versus hidden in a room, at that specific time I was getting off the elevator and on that specific day? No other than the mother of the HS student that we had ministered to only a few weeks earlier (she works maintenance for the hospital). I called her name when I saw her and she turned around and began to smile. I had followed up with her and the other young lady. However, she indicated that she

had misplaced my phone number. She said that all was well and began to share her testimony of how God had continued to move after that day at the clinic. She said that the boyfriend had obtained a job and would be assisting in taking care of the baby. She also indicated that before that day her daughter was rebellious, going out to the club and drinking. However, after that day of ministry at the clinic, she was a "new person" (how well we know about becoming a new creature in Christ and old things being passed away) and that she was no longer rebellious, clubbing or drinking. YOU GO, GOD!!! She asked me if I would pray for her ex-husband who did not know about the baby and was giving her a hard time. I said that I would have one of our men to contact him as she gave me his contact information. How about his name is "Saul". God is always working things out, in His timing!!!

by Elder Sundra M. Johnson from the Mt. Gilead Church Abortion Ministry and Elder Eric Thompson

Where Do The Church Denominations Stand On Abortion?

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God created us, we human beings, in His Image. You would think we would not want to kill an innocent baby in his mother's womb, that life is sacred. Yes, that baby will be born with a sinful nature, but he has not done any evil deed deserving death as would one who murderers another.

It is especially disturbing that 'born again' Christians are involved in abortions. You would think that the pastors would have made it clear that the child in the womb is fully human and should be protected.

But that is not the case. A great number pastors, maybe a majority, support abortion in varying degrees. And, their denominations have passed resolutions taking a stand in support of abortion.

Pro-Abortion Denominations:

- American Baptist Church
- Christian Church (Disciple Of Christ)
- Episcopal Church
- Evangelical Lutheran Church In America
- Jewish Reconstructionist Federation
- Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Union For Reform Judaism
- Unitarian Universalist Association
- United Church Of Christ
- The United Methodist Church
- United Synagogue For Conservative Judaism

The Religious Institute on Sexual Morality, Justice and Healing, the Religious Coalition on Reproductive Choice, Catholics for Choice, and Planned Parenthood Federation of America Clergy

Network claim they represent more than 10,000 religious leaders who believe in abortion.

Pro-Life Denominations:

- Southern Baptist Convention*
- Presbyterian Church Of America
- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
- The Roman Catholic Church
- Assembly Of God
- The Orthodox Church In America
- Independent Bible/Evangelical Churches
- Church of the Nazarene

*Not all Southern Baptist are pro-life. In two of the most liberal States, the Virginia and Texas Conventions are pro-abortion and identify primarily with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, a breakaway convention from the Southern Baptist.

Conservative Baptist from Virginia and Texas has formed breakaway groups from the official state conventions and are pro-life.

– Greene Hollowell

Who Are The Abortionists In Metro Richmond?

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Richmond Medical Center for Women, 118 N. Boulevard, Richmond, VA

WILLIAM GARTH FITZHUGH, MD

Does 1st and 2nd Trimester Abortions. Also has Clinics in Roanoke, Charlottesville and Newport News. Graduated MCV 1966.

According to newspaper, health department and court records accounts:

Started doing abortions 34 years ago. Went in partnership with Robert Bluford, Jr., a Presbyterian Minister in 1975 to acquire clinics in Richmond, Roanoke and Newport News. He is by far the largest provider of abortions in Virginia. In the early 1990's, he was doing over 6,600 per year at the Richmond Medical Center for Women, over 2,000 each in Roanoke and Newport News and over 1,000 in hospitals; a total of over 12,000. It is estimated he and employees have killed over 200,000 children in the womb during his years of practice. He reported complications to the mother run about 1 for every 200 abortions.

Quotes By Dr. Fitzhugh:

Second Trimester Abortions – 'Aesthetically it's a tougher thing; it's more unpleasant.' 'I'm not gonna kid myself. I see the tissue, and it will grow into a normal baby. But we all make our decisions about whether or not to have children, and not many people have sex with children in their minds'.

JOHN HARRISON BAKER, MD

Graduated UNC Medical School, 1974. Was owner of Norge Women's Center, Williamsburg. Aborts babies on weekends at Fitzhugh's clinics.

DAVID REED PETERS, MD

The Virginia League for Planned Parenthood, 201 North Hamilton Street PP is the nations leading provider and promoter of abortions. Advertises that abortions in Richmond range between $275 and $425 depending on the age of the child. Promotes non-surgical abortions using RU486.

Warns if you have this type it can cause serious fetal anomalies and if the baby is still in place, it will be necessary to have a surgical abortion to complete the death.

Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc. has 'religious' information on their web site. An article entitled 'The Bible is Silent on Abortion' written by Rabbi Dennis S. Ross. He writes 'Scripture does not consider the fetus to be a human being.' They also have a Clergy Advisory Board, a Chaplain and have had a PP Prayer Breakfast. V. Gene Robinson, the homosexual Episcopal Bishop, made an appearance at the breakfast..

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A Capital Women's Health Clinic, 1511 Starling Drive, Henrico County Owned by North Carolina Doctors.

They advertise they do abortions up to 20 weeks, but if patients are 14-week gestation and greater they can be helped at either of their two NC locations. They are very forthright in warnings; their literature does note the following risks. (1) Perforation—a tearing of the uterus, (2) Excessive Bleeding from the uterus or cervix, (3) Infection, (4) Incomplete or Missed Abortion.

Dr. Mahlon Douglas Cannon, was director of family planning at 10 Health Departments, has done abortions at this clinic, as has Dr. Cenon Capucano Abesa of Virginia Beach and Dr. Rodger A. Fraser.

Richmond Medical Community: There are a number of Richmond doctors who do abortions in their offices, but maintain a low profile. Some doctors will not do abortions but will refer the patients to ones who do. Back in the mid-1990's, a survey of doctors revealed that about 30 would do abortions or would make referrals.

In Vitro Fertilization Doctors who implant more embryos than will be allowed to be born do 'selective reductions' to abort the unwanted babies. While some are immediately destroyed, others are put in frozen storage, eventually to be destroyed or used for research. They can be unfrozen, birthed and adopted The Christian Medical and Dental Association recommend implanting only the embryos that will be allowed to be born, i.e. no extra embryos to be subject to 'selective reduction'.

– Greene Hollowell