CBR Communiqué

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Passion for Preborn Babies

A team from the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform urged young adults to get "passionate" about ending abortion. On January 1-2, 2020, we returned to the Passion Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Our team of 16 CBR staff and volunteers was primarily stationed near the CNN Center, close to the Mercedes-Benz Stadium. Our large abortion photo signs include Scripture, and thousands of conference-goers were confronted with the reality that abortion is child sacrifice, as depicted by our Revival Project signs.

This conference is geared towards people who are 18 to 25 years of age, and the Passion movement declares its mission to be "calling students from campuses across the nation and around the world to live for what matters most. For us, what matters most is the name and renown of Jesus." The Passion movement is "rooted in the confession of Isaiah 26:8," Scripture which proclaims:

Imagine how we could advance the pro-life movement if groups would raise large amounts of funds to end abortion. To our knowledge, Passion has not publicly addressed the sin of abortion and called young adults to action that would help end abortion.

Top: CBR had a team doing outreach at the Passion Conference in Atlanta, Georgia on January 1-2, 2020. Volunteer Abigail is pictured offering our brochure for Christian audiences entitled "Why This? Why Here?" Tragically, few of the 18 to 25-year-old attendees expressed interest in learning how they might help us stop abortion.

Left: Some attendees of the Passion Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, stopped to contemplate our photos signs.

Below: Our sign outside the Passion Conference asks the question we often hear from Christians who disapprove of our methods: "Would Jesus use bloody images to make his point? He already did."

"Yes, LORD, walking in the way of your laws, we wait for you; your name and renown are the desire of our hearts." The leadership believes God will use attendees to change "the climate of faith around the globe." https://passionconferences.com/ Leaders call students to worship that includes action. Students who attend are urged to donate money and to post on social media about the "End it Movement" and "Shine a Light on Slavery." Fox News reports that "Since 2013, the Passion Conference has raised more than $8 million to combat modern-day slavery." http://bit.ly/38KnGA8

At Passion 2020, the focus was to raise money to translate Scripture for the 3000 people groups who still do not have a Bible in their heart language. The 65,000 attendees gave over $1.2 million to this worthy effort. http://bit.ly/3aJKK3U

We heartily agree with the Christian need to address these important matters, and we applaud these cheerful givers, but we must ask: why the silence on abortion? This is due to the reality that most of these 18 to 25-year-olds have no personal connection with the

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CBR Director of Church Outreach Dr. Bob Seemuth is conducting monthly CBR photo displays at Clark College in Vancouver, WA. This photo is from the January 9 display. Pictured above is Savanna, the President of the school's pro-life club.

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horror of modern-day slavery, but many have personal experiences with the horror of abortion.

Accordingly, without spiritual leadership demonstrating the importance of Christian engagement against the evil of abortion, our team faced much apathy from attendees.

On the positive side, we set up two meetings with people who expressed interest in joining our CBR staff. One man took a brochure, spoke with us briefly, and then said as he was walking away, "God sees you guys. He knows what you're doing. It doesn't go unnoticed. He will reward you."

A pastor from Africa initially criticized us for "shocking people," but then he agreed that people need to repent of abortion and acknowledged he has to address abortion as he pastors in his country. At the end of the discussion, he prayed for us and commended us for doing a good job. We know God wants us to "speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves" (Proverbs 31:8-9) and we've witnessed the pictures saving babies' lives. In 2014, our outreach at Passion helped save a baby, and we trust God that many children were rescued from abortion this year.

GAP Has Impact at East Carolina University

Far too many students are deceived by pro-abortion professors. During our Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) at East Carolina University (ECU) a nursing student told volunteer Laurice Baddour that he had been trained to believe abortion was a good thing -- that it was simply the removal of a clump of cells. Our GAP photos made him realize he had been deceived, and he was appalled. When he told Ms. Baddour he is a Christian, she suggested that he do more research, study the Scriptures and begin to ask the Lord what he must do with this new information. He thanked her, and then slowly walked away while still staring at our pictures.

During our October 14-15, 2019 GAP, a group of girls approached our opinion board and signed "Yes, abortion should stay legal." One student stated that the baby is not human until the heartbeat. When staff member Joanna Keilson told her the heart beats at 22 days, the student changed the baby's human status to begin at birth. The students became quite flustered and all but two left. Those who remained listened to more facts about the humanity of the preborn. Eventually, they thanked Miss Keilson and departed. It was clear we'd made an impact on them.

The East Carolinian, the student newspaper, ran two articles that discussed GAP. The first article reported that senior anthropology student Rosalinda Kowalczewski was so offended by GAP that she created an online petition seeking to ban us from campus. It only generated 98 signatures.

Ms. Kowalczewski made the claim that "many young girls have to have abortions" and shouldn't be reminded of what they've done when they see GAP. The reality is that most women frequently think of their aborted children, and many are in deep pain. God uses GAP to bring some people to repentance and subsequent healing. This student further tried to discredit us by stating: "This organization has caused disturbances which resulted in the arrests of two people at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill." Yet, pro-aborts are the ones who act out in response to GAP; our trained team is always respectful and peaceful, so the blame does not rest on us. http://bit.ly/2U1nEzW

An op-ed piece opined: "A woman's choice to decide whether or not she is ready to be a mother is not the same as genocide." http://bit.ly/2Rxtibu. It is euphemistic to say a woman who aborts is simply deciding that she is not "ready to be a mother." She is already the mother of a preborn child, and we must speak the truth to help her reject abortion and prevent her from becoming the mother of a baby killed by abortion.

As an illustration of how quickly some people can be turned around regarding abortion, a campus staff member told volunteer Tony that if a woman is raped, it should be her choice to abort or not. He replied that abortion is a euphemism, and posed the question, "What does it really mean? It means killing your child." She responded, "I never looked at it that way. Look at that baby!" as she pointed to one of our abortion photos.

Your continued support enables us to educate hundreds of thousands of students each year about the humanity of the preborn child and the inhumanity of abortion. We are deeply grateful and we ask for your prayers in the midst of the daily spiritual battle.

Serve as a CBR Summer Intern

Consider joining CBR for a summer that could change the course of your life. Until we have more people joining us, our progress is limited in ending abortion. Consider that God may be leading you (or someone you know) to do full-time professional pro-life work with CBR. This internship program runs from May 18, 2020 to August 7, 2020 and is held in Knoxville, TN. The application deadline is March 2.

For information, email jkeilson@cbrinfo.org .

Apply at www.AbortionNo.org/Intern .

"Reverence for Life"

God gave missionary doctor Albert Schweitzer this simple, yet profound, phrase in response to his "struggling to find the elementary and universal concept of the ethical that I had not discovered in any philosophy." This term came into his mind as Dr. Schweitzer was traveling upriver in Gabon, Africa, making his way through a herd of hippopotamuses. The Lord sometimes speaks to us in mysterious ways and places. Praise God that he used Dr. Schweitzer to bring a reverence for life to marginalized peoples such as the pygmies.

Source: http://AmericanMinute.com.
Sign up for Bill Federer's enlightening e-newsletter.

Thank you for believing that together we can help people believe in reverence for life.

"God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."
Genesis 1:27

Prayer Requests

- Pastors who will preach boldly against abortion and champion life
- Pray that young adults will get passionate about saving preborn babies
- Planning for 2020 Key States Campaign which begins this summer

Events

Urban Outreach

Jan. 18 March for Life, Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 24 March for Life, Washington, D.C.
See our display live on Facebook: http://bit.ly/2RSH8nK

ALL Black Lives Matter Project
Feb. 18-21 NMAAHC, Washington, D.C.

Joint Outreach with Canadian CBR / Abortion Awareness Project
Feb. 10-11 University of North Florida, Jacksonville
Feb. 12 University of Central Florida, Orlando
Feb. 13 Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton
Feb. 17-18 Florida International University, Miami
Feb. 19-20 University of Central Florida, Orlando

Revival Project
Jan. 1-2 Passion Conference, Atlanta, GA

Pro-Life Training Academy/Apologetics Training
Feb. 8 Jacksonville, FL
Feb. 15 Miami, FL

CBR-Spain displayed our new prenatal photo signs in Logroño, Spain, on January 26, 2020. On this link http://www.abortono.org/node/112 , you can listen to CBR-Spain President, Jorge Benito, speak about the project (in Spanish). His group ends the video clip with the phrase, "No to abortion, yes to life!"

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Look at that baby!

Woman pointing to CBR abortion photo as she realized the reality of abortion

CBR held a photo sign display at the Arizona for Life March and Rally in Phoenix on January 18. CBR-Southwest Director Abra Singleton was joined by CBR Director of Operations Kevin Olivier and nine volunteers. Additionally, two women who came for the March approached us and asked to join us by holding a CBR sign. Many of the 10,000 plus marchers took pictures and videos of our signs, and many people thanked us for being present. It is apparent that more pro-life people are seeing the need to educate the public using abortion photos, particularly as we commemorate 47 years of legalized abortion and 61 million preborn lives destroyed by abortion in the U.S.

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