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# Gratitude for GAP at West Virginia's Marshall University

**T**he pro-abortion student group at Marshall University thought they knew us, but they discovered they were all wrong when we arrived April 17-18, 2023. The campus newspaper interviewed Kryss Smith, a member of the Women's and Gender Center and Appalachian Liberation Collective. Among her wrongheaded claims were: We conduct our Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) to gain a profit, we sue people "as soon as someone touches their [our] things," and "they know they won't change our minds." <https://bit.ly/3W18gwe> If Ms. Smith would speak to us, we would tell her that GAP costs us a lot of money and there is no financial profit. We also only sue government institutions that deny us our free speech rights, and GAP changes people's minds about abortion every time we show the photos.

We always alert the college administrators that we are bringing GAP on campus so we can better coordinate with them. This generally creates good will with the campus police. Marshall University issued a statement to WOWK 13 News which included this statement about CBR: "The group followed all university guidelines for peaceful protest and provided the university with a letter outlining its activities." <https://bit.ly/3MGP6Nd>

On the campus of West Virginia University in Huntington, there are 11,023 students. They have thoughtful faculty members as evidenced by the fact that several of them thanked us for being there and for taking a stand for life. Our huge photo mural displays compare abortion with other



*Students at Marshall University in West Virginia gathered around the GAP display to ask questions. Our team is trained and ready to answer.*

more widely recognized forms of genocide, and it prompts thinking people to reconsider their positions on abortion.

Volunteer Diane observed CBR staff member Jacinta Robin dialoguing with a pro-abortion student. This verse came into Diane's mind: "For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men." (1 Peter 2:15) The student asked many questions and she listened to Miss Robin's answers. As she left, she thanked Miss Robin for participating in a real dialogue. It was apparent her heart had softened.

Another student who desperately needed truth was "Bobby," who told us that since the age of 11, she believed she was a man born into a woman's body. Bobby angrily stated: "I would have been so much better off if I could have transitioned at age 12! But did my parents care about my needs? No!" Volunteer Brad spoke with Bobby at length on the first day, and Bobby returned on day two. Bobby liked Brad and Brad took the opportunity to give Bobby a short gospel presentation to which she listened respectfully.

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# Being Blessed by Enduring Insults at West Virginia University

**H**ow many Christians would volunteer to be blasted for one to two days with bullhorns, insults, ranting monologues, screaming, people jumping into your conversations with others plus other boorish behavior?

The reality is that many CBR volunteers who stand with our staff on college campuses face just such behavior. Our Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) is so powerful and effective that the opposition often literally goes nuts!

This ill behavior was on full display during our team's April 19-20, 2023, GAP visit to West Virginia University (WVU). We initially had WVU Students For Life sponsorship but then they backed out under peer pressure and missed being blessed by persecution for righteousness' sake. Our Lord said in Matthew 5:11-12: "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

A Starbucks is located inside a Barnes & Noble (B&N) bookstore on the campus, and it was close to our GAP display. One of our volunteers (a black female named Taheiya) went into Starbucks to make a purchase, and was refused service by the white transgender student-aged supervisor. A second Starbucks employee (student-aged black female) also refused to serve Taheiya. At this point, Taheiya went to the information desk and asked for the

B&N general manager. He informed Taheiya that all B&N employees would be denying service to her because our abortion photo display was upsetting his staff and he didn't want staff walking off the job.

When Taheiya notified CBR staff member Lincoln Brandenburg of this mistreatment, we sent in a CBR staff member, and she also was refused service by the same trans employee. Taheiya then tried again to place an order while a GAP student volunteer captured the shocking behavior of the Starbucks employees on camera. The transgender supervisor confronted Taheiya and restated that they were refusing her service and she needed to leave the establishment. At that point, the general manager told the hostile supervisor to "give her what she wants," but he himself curtly asked what Taheiya wanted and filled her order. He concluded the transaction with: "After this, ma'am... please don't come back into my store," and he demanded that Taheiya leave.

Our photographic, audio, and video evidence documenting this employee misconduct is assisting us in preparing a report for our lawyers. This will help us proceed against Starbucks and its employees, and possibly Barnes & Noble and the university. More colleges are centers of indoctrination which promote intolerance of anyone who does not buy into their ideologies. They often respond with hatred when we come on campus to oppose abortion, yet we are models for pro-life students who often live in fear.



*CBR staff member Jane Bullington (wearing a cap, at left) calmly speaks with a student while a crowd of protestors gather on the other side of the GAP display at West Virginia University.*

In contrast to the Starbucks and B&N employees, and the college students who behaved badly, a high school senior drove by GAP, but then stopped and parked so he could see the cause of the hubbub. His mature comment to CBR staff member Jane Bullington was: "It's plain – abortion is wrong."

Some pro-abortion students thought they were clever and they made huge tarp flags and stood on the side of the road to block passing cars from seeing our signs. Yet their tarps did not work, and at least some of our signs were always visible. Additionally, scores of students on foot were able to see our display unobstructed. The campus police did their job well and they kept the pro-aborts from getting out of hand.

A number of conservative students spoke with our team and then engaged their peers. One student





*High winds can be dangerous during GAP, so our staff decided to reconfigure the display into three pods during one day of GAP at Marshall University.*

### *Enduring Insults (continued from page 2)*

volunteered to help take down the display at the end of the day and she came back the next day to debate. This takes courage. Pray for Christian and pro-life students to stand strong in the midst of great evil and confusion.

Media coverage demonstrated some of this confusion. 12WBOY interviewed student protester Kayla Castor, who claimed abortion is “a medical procedure that is lifesaving in most situations.” <https://bit.ly/429dgpj> We know the reality is both lives are destroyed. WDTV interviewed Jewish student Zach Zeaman, who stated: “I believe that one [abortion] is a choice, a medical procedure that you can choose to go through or you can choose not to go through ... the other [Holocaust] nobody had a choice, there was no choice for my people.” He does not see preborn children as human beings deserving of the right to “choose.” <https://bit.ly/41Vqxl8> W Public Broadcasting spoke with student Adrienne Dering who claimed, “The vast majority of them are medical abortions where women have a safe, medically monitored miscarriage in the comfort of their own home and the blood clot is the size of an olive.” <https://bit.ly/45h4VIU> This is a lie, as there is no comfort in a bloody medical (chemical) abortion, and the “blood clot” is a baby and his/her umbilical cord and placenta.

CBR staff member Jacinta Robin summed up why we need to be on campuses: “If our audience could prove to us that abortion and decapitating and dismembering children were good things, we would pack up and leave.” <https://bit.ly/3pRhdkJ> But, of course, genocide is never a good thing.

## CBR Summer Intern Program Promotional Video

**L**earning - Doing - Teaching is the motto for our CBR Summer Intern Program. We are looking forward to a new set of interns who arrive in Knoxville, Tennessee, on May 21, 2023. This promotional video gives a good overview of the program. <https://bit.ly/3MKiiE5>

**Thank you for your prayers and donations which help us not only stay in the fight, but also love our enemies.**

*“Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.”*  
ROMANS 12:14

### Prayer Requests

- Join us in praying for our enemies
- 2023 CBR Summer Intern Program
- Pastors to courageously lead their flocks to stand for the sanctity of human life

### Events

*CBR Summer Intern Program begins May 21*

#### Sign Displays at Abortion Mills

May 18      Planned Parenthood  
Mission Viejo, CA

### *Gratitude for GAP (continued from page 1)*

A graduating senior stayed at the GAP display for a lengthy time. The student was grateful we were on campus and were willing to talk with her and answer her many questions. She spoke with numerous CBR staff and volunteers, and interestingly, although she was unsure of her beliefs, many of her questions led to God being the solution. Her spiritual hunger was apparent.

A female student told volunteer Cynthia that she was born prematurely at 23 weeks, and she is thankful that her mother fought the doctors to keep her alive. We pray that students who become pregnant after seeing GAP will also fight for their babies' lives, being strong in the face of pressure to abort.



*Now I realize the dire need to show pictures of what abortion is*

**Visitor to AbortionNO.org**



*The CBR photo truck is seen driving by our display during GAP at West Virginia University.*

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