CBR Communiqué

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CBR E-News Bulletin Provides News Commentary You Won't Hear Anywhere Else

In February, CBR began a new form of communication with our supporters. The CBR E-News Bulletin is now emailed bi-monthly to everyone on our email list. The bulletins contain brief, thought-provoking video commentary from CBR Executive Director Gregg Cunningham, as well as reports about current CBR events. The following are topics Mr. Cunningham has presented thus far:

- New scientific knowledge about fetal pain.
- The "black box" warning on the outside of morning-after pill packaging has been removed by pharmaceutical companies as pro-aborts do not want women to know that the pill can prevent an embryo from implanting in the uterine wall.
- When pro-life people make mistakes or worse, the media gives the Pro-life Movement bad press, and the force of government can be used against us. By God's grace, we know how to avoid these mistakes and work effectively.
- The top priority for pro-lifers: CBR understands the number one problem we face.
- How the "I am a man" signs carried in the Civil Rights Movement have application to our movement.

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Rejoice in Knowing that Babies are Being Saved!

Over the years, CBR has worked with a number of Pregnancy Resource/Help Centers and Clinics as we recognize that they are vital to the integrity of the pro-life movement. We have produced video resources that they can use in educating the women and men they serve. One center that is close to our heart is Gateway Pregnancy Center in New Jersey. We want to share two recent testimonies.

"Jaime," a 24-year-old with only an 8th grade education, came to Gateway intent on having an abortion. Volunteer Kenia showed her the *Harder Truth* video (produced by CBR), and the Lord used this abortion video to change her

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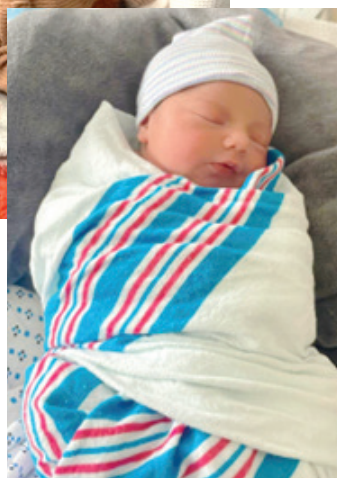

Gateway babies Gabriel and Eliams

Do Students at Christian Schools Know the Truth About Abortion?

The University of San Diego, a Catholic university, offers 100% coverage for abortions in their campus health care plan in-network coverage (Catholic university still choosing to cover abortions in campus health plan (liveaction.org).

Baylor University, a Baptist-affiliated university in Texas, was listing Planned Parenthood (PP) as a resource in the health center until Bears for Life, the campus pro-life club, convinced the university to stop. Additionally, the 2021 club president David Folks reported that a textbook being used on campus repeated the lie that abortion is safer than childbirth (Standing against abortion at Baylor | WORLD (wng.org).

Southern Methodist University lists Planned Parenthood under student resources (Student Resources - Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences SMU).

Rhodes College, a Presbyterian-affiliated school in Memphis, Tennessee, offers Planned Parenthood internships to students in the Gender and Sexuality Department (Gender and Sexuality Internships | Rhodes College).

"These things ought not to be this way," to quote the words of the Apostle James in James 3:10b. James was talking about blessing and cursing coming out of the same mouth, but this is essentially what is occurring at many schools which claim the name of Christ and yet they do not teach about protecting preborn babies vulnerable to abortion. Many Christian campuses ignore the matter of abortion, or they even link themselves with Planned Parenthood.

We are frequently asked why we take our photo signs to Christian colleges and Christian events. They may pose the question: "Aren't you preaching to the choir?!" The reason is that the schools and the Church at large is not carrying out their duty to disciple believers about the sanctity of human life. Students and those attending church are not learning that God made us in His Image (Genesis 1:26-27) and that He formed us in our mother's womb (Psalm 139:13-16). They see abortion as the lesser of two evils, or even as simply a matter of personal choice.

Respected Christian researcher George Barna disputes the claim that Millennials are highly supportive of life in the womb, even called "the pro-life generation" by a national student organization. Mr. Barna writes: "Sadly, it is not true. We are tying our hope to a myth." We also must be concerned about Gen X, the young people who are on college campuses now.

CBR is committed to fighting abortion with the truth. Mr. Barna noted in his article a key point that directly relates to CBR and like-minded organizations who show the pictures of abortion: "One of the most promising steps forward relates to the widespread efforts to expose young people to graphic videos showing the gruesome practices involved in an abortion. Research on such efforts indicates that when people get a first-hand look at what is entailed in such operations, fewer people support laws that permit the horrible and inhumane killing of the defenseless."

Exposure to abortion pictures is key. Millennials are less likely than older adults to strongly believe that human life is sacred (53% vs. 65%) and less likely to believe abortion should be illegal in most or all circumstances (25% vs. 36%). Millennials are less connected to Christianity and have been hugely influenced by steady consumption of media.

The dominant parenting group of children and teens are now Millennials, and most are not teaching their children the sanctity of human life ethic. If the Church and Christian schools also largely do not teach young people the truth, they will remain prey for the lies of pro-abortion forces.

The 2017 American Culture & Faith Institute study cited by Barna demonstrates that most Americans (54%) support abortion if the preborn baby is less than one month old. CBR has created new signs that educate about the explosive growth in the early weeks in the womb and amazing facts pertaining to those little babies. Research shows that much education is needed for the public to understand early prenatal life.

George Barna summarized more about this research:

> Most Americans do not believe that a fertilized egg becomes human upon conception. The view that an embryo is a human upon conception is held by 42% of adults. When does it become human, according to the rest of the country? Sometime during the first

month (10%), during the first trimester (9%), during the second trimester (6%), during the third trimester (4%), when the fetus is capable of independence/living outside the womb (9%), or when the baby is delivered from the womb (7%). The remaining 13% had no idea (Americans Confused About Abortion - George Barna).

It is clear that all Americans, not only students, need education through CBR's various projects. With more abortions being performed by abortion pills, it is imperative that we educate about early prenatal life to convince more people that the preborn child is "us," not "them."

CBR Student Outreach Coordinators Cody and Amanda Levi interact with students at Clemson University during our Genocide Awareness Project April 17-18, 2024. There was a great response at this school and we trust God that babies' lives were saved.

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mind (*Gateway Today* December 2023). In an April 20 email update, we learned that Gateway blessed Jaime with a baby shower, and a few days later Jaime's baby Eliams was born on April 2, 2023. He is a handsome boy.

"Maria" found Gateway via Google and had an appointment with Kenia on August 28, 2023. She was seriously contemplating having an abortion because she was separated from her boyfriend. Kenia shared the gospel with Maria and spoke to her of the consequences of an abortion, showing her the *Harder Truth* video. Maria changed her mind, and beautiful baby Gabriel was born two months ago (*Gateway Today* April 2024).

Gateway is very effective in saving babies and reaching souls for Christ, and Satan is enraged. They are currently facing Satanic persecution from the state of New Jersey. Pray for wisdom for Director Dean Gavaris and the board of directors. We ask for God to be honored through a complete victory.

Thank you for helping us teach people about God's creation in the womb.

"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—His eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse."
Romans 1:20

Prayer Requests

- Victory for Gateway Pregnancy Center
- CBR Summer interns
- Pastors to courageously lead their flocks to stand for the sanctity of human life

Events

Urban Outreach
March 1 Arizona March for Life

Photo Trucks
Weekly in Manatee & Sarasota Counties, FL, and Knoxville, TN.

GAP
April 15-16 East Tennessee State University Johnson City, TN
April 17-18 Clemson University, Clemson, SC

Urban GAP
April 19 Greenville, SC

Urban Outreach
April 17 Arizona Capitol, Phoenix, AZ

Photo Trucks
April 15 Johnson City, TN
April 17-18 Clemson, SC
April 24 Phoenix, AZ

Speaking Engagements & Trainings
April 13 Pro-Life Training Academy Johnson City, TN
April 18 Pro-Life Training via Zoom

Sign Displays at Abortion Mills
March 9 Planned Parenthood Mission Viejo, CA

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"Explosive growth in the early weeks in the womb"

CBR Southwest displayed abortion and prenatal photo signs outside the capitol in Phoenix as part of a rally organized by Arizona Right to Life. On Apil 17, the legislators were in session regarding the 1864 pro-life law that the Arizona Supreme Court declared could be reinstated. This child was quite interested in the preborn baby on our sign.

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