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Abortion and Church History

by Walter Hoye

According to the **Epistle of Barnabas 19:5**, "You shall love your neighbor more than your own life. You shall not slay a child by abortion. You shall not kill that which has already been generated." In **Paedogus 2:10.96.1**, Clement of Alexandria said "those who use abortifacient medicines to hide their fornication cause not only the outright murder of the fetus, but of the whole human race as well." According to "**A Plea for the Christians, 35.6**" Athenagoras argued, "What reason would we have to commit murder when we say that women who induce abortions are murderers, and will have to give account of it to God? ... The fetus in the womb is a living being and therefore the object of God's care." In **Apology, 9.4** Tertullian said, "It does not matter whether you take away a life that is born, or destroy one that is coming to the birth. In both instances, destruction is murder."

Personhood Is Taught In The Bible

Personhood was endowed by God at the moment of creation. The Bible teaches that men and women are made in the image of God (**Genesis 1:27**). David says in **Psalms 51:5** that he was a sinner from the time his mother conceived him. In **Psalms 139:16** we learn that God knitted David in his mother's womb. **Job 10:8-12** described the way God created him before he was born in detail. In **Isaiah 44:2**, God says He formed Isaiah "in the womb." In **Jeremiah 1:5**, God tells Jeremiah, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." Dr. Luke says John the Baptist was ending his second trimester in Elisabeth's womb when he leaped for joy at Mary's greeting (**Luke 1:41,44**). Even the angel Gabriel told Mary that she would be "with child and give birth to a son" (**Luke 1:31**).

Christ Himself Loves The Child In The Womb

"My children, I am suffering birth pains for you again until Christ is formed in you." — **Galatians 4:19** (Gods Word)

Every child in the womb ...

- » Has been created by God (**Genesis 1:27** - NLT)
- » Has a life plan laid out by God (**Jeremiah 29:11** - NIV)
- » Has a Savior who died for their sins (**1st Corinthians 15:3** - KJV)

Christ Himself loves the child in the womb and proved it by becoming like him by spending nine (9) months in Mary's womb clearly showing how precious He considers the child in the womb to be. The word "Christian" means "Christ-like" so the true meaning of being "Christian" is living and acting like Christ. The Apostle Paul expressed deep sorrow and great pain for some Christians in Galatia because Christ was not yet formed in them (**Galatians 4:19**).

Perhaps **Galatians 4:19** explains how the founders of the "Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (RCRC)," (i.e., Clergy and Lay

Leaders from mainstream denominations) provided women with referrals to abortion services before the Supreme Court legalized abortion in *Roe v. Wade* in 1973. Hmmm ... I wonder if **Galatians 4:19** could also explain how **73%** of the women who obtain an abortion claim a religious affiliation.

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**Do you know someone who might be
considering abortion?
Make sure they get the facts first!
A LIFE depends on it...
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Light!

by Teresa Halsey

“If you want a love message to be heard, it has got to be sent out. To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it” (Mother Teresa).

When I was in the sixth grade, my parents gave me the choice to go on the Walk for Life West Coast or not. I had not heard much about this event nor cared very much for walking long distances. When my parents explained it was a walk against abortion (when a mother kills her innocent baby) I was shocked. When I learned that 3,500-4,000 babies are killed every day, I was dumbfounded. How could this have been allowed to happen in the world, let alone the United States? A country set on the rights of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness?

Right then I realized there was a lot about this world that I knew nothing about. That day my life changed for good. I had joined the millions of people participating in the Pro-life movement. I was becoming a beacon of light for all pre-born babies.

Since that day, I have worked hard to bring this message to people. In 2008, my mom and I had the head of the Oakland Diocese Respect Life Office come talk to my school about abortion and the Walk for Life.

This year my friend, Madeleine Lopez, and I started the first Human Life Club at our high school, Carondelet High School in Concord, CA. With the help of our club moderator, we have put up posters around the school encouraging the Walk for Life, and an end to abortion. We set up a booth at our school's club fair, plan to help at a booth at our local mall, and pray in front of local abortion clinics. Every year I have participated in the Walk for Life, and every year my eyes are opened wider.

Being a prolife teenager has opened my eyes. I have become more aware of how precious life is. Being prolife has challenged me to look at the world in a different way. Nothing we have is permanent, and can be taken away at any moment. Every one says you should live life to its fullest, but how many people can honestly say they are? I invite you to be a light for the world because we all can make a difference, and whether it is a good or bad difference is up to us. *Teresa Halsey is a sophomore at Carondelet High School, and co-founder of the school's Human Life*

Club (the campus pro-life club). She is the oldest of her five siblings.

Why be pro-life?

By Gabby Quintana

Why be pro-life? Well, why not be profile? I am pro-life and loving it. We are all living and shouldn't we WANT life? Last year I went on the Walk for Life and experienced something so amazing and powerful. To walk all over scenic San Francisco with a HUGE amount of people with your same beliefs and morals was just so inspirational. I didn't care about the looks we were getting from the opposing side of the ordeal, because I was there to speak (or walk) my mind. I was there, glad to support a cause I

am totally for and to be part of the 23,000 people who made dozens of newspaper headings, magazine articles, and the talk around the West Coast, but who most of all, made a difference.

Gabby is also a sophomore at Carondelet High School.

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Around the Office

We continue to maintain, and even expand our current activities in the midst of the current economic downturn, and we thank all our donors for their ongoing support. We are totally donor funded, receiving no governmental assistance. Please remember California Right to Life in your year-end giving, and as an ongoing charitable donation in 2011. We run on a budget of about \$30,000 a year, of which over 92% goes directly for program expenses (mall table supplies, phone for counseling.) We are continually evaluating cost savings and cost cutting to insure your donation dollars bring the maximum value.

One of our current initiatives is to recruit and activate “the younger generation.” You may have noticed Carondelet High School students wrote two articles for this month’s newsletter, sharing their past experiences at the Walk for Life West Coast. Youthful volunteers also staff many of our information tables for life. (Our Administrative Director Cecelia Cody is calling it “succession planning” and jokes she is already looking at retirement. However the board has other plans, hoping to make her position more “supervisory” as she guides up-and-coming pro-lifers into positions of leadership.)

Perhaps most exciting is the formation of several high school and college pro-life groups that we are assisting with materials for their on-campus Pro-Life Information tables. Several groups have obtained school administration approval this fall to set up tables in the school quad and pass out information. We try and provide these groups some “seed” materials, including pamphlets, precious feet pins, silicon bracelets and the most popular “silly bands.” Your donations make all this possible.

Calendar of Events

January brings the annual commemoration of the Roe v Wade decision. We are not able to list all activities; however, we would like to highlight a few of the events sponsored by our members. For a more complete listing see: www.calendarforlife.org

Friday – January 21, 2011 12PM-2PM

“Standing up for Life Walk”

Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland CA.

We walk because abortion in the Black community is a form of genocide; it is the Darfur of America. We walk because abortion in Black America is the civil rights issue of our day. We walk because abortion does violence, both physically and emotionally, to men and women, to their children, and to their families.

Location: Oakland City Hall at One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza.

For more information see:

www.issuesforlife.org/oakland.html

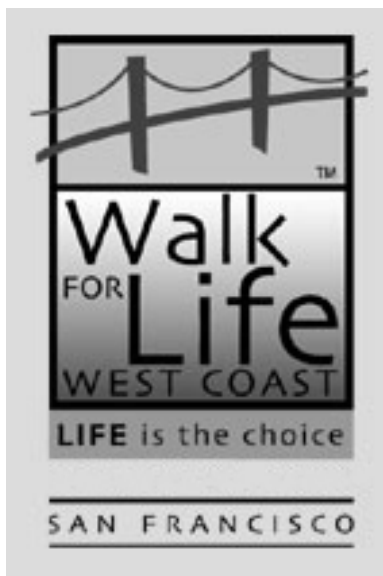
Interfaith Committee for Life Ecumenical Service

Friday – January 21, 2011 7:30PM

St. Mary's Cathedral, San Francisco

The 24th Annual Interfaith Service for Life, sponsored by the San Francisco Archdiocesan Interfaith Committee for Life, takes place the evening before the Walk for Life West Coast at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, Geary & Gough Streets, San Francisco. If you've never attended, please come this year to participate in prayerful readings, reflections, music and the beautiful Procession of Roses. This year's speakers include Father Frank Pavone of Priests for Life and David Beriet of 40-Days for Life. **For more information call 415-664-3570**

7th Annual Walk for Life



**Saturday
January 22, 2011
11AM
Justin Herman
Plaza San
Francisco**

For further
information see
enclosed flyer
and visit:

<http://www.walkforlifewc.com/>

YOUTH RALLY following the walk at Fort Mason.



The realization that so many young people are deeply and inherently pro-life led the Archdiocese of San Francisco to organize a rally that would bring together the young people of Walk for Life in an arena where they can participate in praise and worship, and more importantly

networking with one another as the future pro-life leadership. Master of Ceremonies: Dr. Michael Barber. Praise and Worship by Ike Ndolo and Jenna Guizar. For more information or to RSVP:(909) 496-9812 or e-mail Walk4LifeYouthRally@gmail.com

January 26 Legislative Breakfast and Lobby Day

Meet your legislators and educate yourself on the life issues! Sponsored by California ProLife Council.

Spring 40 Days for Life – begins Wed. March 7, 2011. For more info, visit www.40daysforlife.org

Saturday April 16, 2011 – United for Life Dinner

United Irish Cultural Center 2700 45th Avenue (off Sloat Blvd) San Francisco. More info: (415) 567-2293.

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Both are affiliates of American Life League, headed by Judie Brown, and share the same “no-exceptions, no excuses” beliefs and the same dedication to promoting the Culture of Life, respecting all innocent human life from the single-cell stage to natural death.