



How **Christian Voices for Life** can help you and your congregation



Education: Do some members of your congregation:

- Not understand why abortion is wrong?
- Not understand how abortion hurts women and men involved?
- Not understand how in vitro fertilization works and how many children die for each one that is born?
- Need information about how to help anyone they know who might be experiencing an unplanned pregnancy?
- Need information on how to help their pro-choice friends to understand and accept the pro-life view?
- Need encouragement to consider pro-life action as one way to live out their faith?

Christian Voices for Life publishes a **weekly educational one-page email** with a few paragraphs on a particular topic, a prayer, and a suggested action.

Marie McCoy has a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and has been active in the pro-life movement for over 35 years, including about 14 years as the Executive Director of a pregnancy center. She has learned a great deal from participation in many conferences, reading, networking with other pro-life groups, and from her own experience with pregnancy centers, Life Chain, and 40 Days for Life. **She is available as a speaker at no charge** to Bible Study groups, Mission groups, Sunday School classes, or entire congregations. CVL also has a selection of films and brochures to share with audiences.

For Youth and Young Adults: Marie has a two-part presentation for young people. The first part focuses on being made in the image of God, God's plan for the family, the negative consequences of fornication and the advantages of chastity. The second part of the presentation explains how birth control methods work, the risks involved, and how fertility awareness can be used by married couples to control the size of their family. Abortion is presented as an understandable temptation, but always wrong as it deliberately ends a human life. Negative consequences (both physical and emotional) are explained and non-judgmental compassion is encouraged for post-abortive women.

Respect Life Committee:

Many Catholic churches have [Respect Life committees](#) to help the pastor to get these messages across. They can educate the community with items in the bulletin, or featuring a brochure of the month to have available and describe in the bulletin. They can also help to publicize volunteer opportunities and fundraisers for area pregnancy centers, and the need to support particular prolife legislation that is being considered. They can also invite speakers, show a prolife video, or hold prayer events to pray for the women being pressured or coerced to abort, women wounded by abortion, and for conversion of everyone in the abortion industry.

Videos available on YouTube: (Search for Christian Voices for Life Channel)

Life is Beautiful Child Death is Tragic - 1 min Can We All Agree to Prevent Child Abuse 3.5 min
Building a Culture of Life What Can One Person Do - 15 min In Vitro Fertilization How Many Die - 5 min.
Voice for Life Training Part 1 / Part 2 - 35 min/ 40 min.

Prepared Presentations: PowerPoint presentations are available for review.

Abortion: A Right or a Wrong? (about 20 min)
Abortion Hurts Women and Contributes to Poverty 35 min
Building a Culture of Life 30 – 35 min, or abbreviated version about 15 min.
For Young Adults: Part 1: Made in the Image of God (about 30 min)
Part 2: Facts on Contraception and Abortion (about 35 min)
For Women: Understanding, Managing and Protecting your Fertility (about 90 min)

Other possible topics: Why do women have abortions? / How to Answer Pro-Choice Arguments / Facts about Abortion and its Consequences / “Morning After” Pill, Abortion Pill, and Hormonal Contraceptives – What do They Do? / The Truth About Planned Parenthood.

DVDs we have to share: (Marie could lead a discussion or answer questions after the viewing.)

The 40 Film - the effect of 40 years of legal abortion in the U.S. (2015, 62 min)
***Abortion Procedures** – A former abortionist describes the various abortion procedures, accompanied by medically accurate animations. (See AbortionProcedures.com.)
***After the Choice** - 13 testimonies of post-abortive women. (25 min.)
Dear Children... - a story of post-abortion healing. (1992, 30 min)
God's Miracle of Life - 60 min presentation by Ob-Gyn to high school audience, about fetal development and abortion procedures.
Hush Documentary - the truth about the medical risks of abortion, made by a team of both pro-life and pro-choice members. (2016, two 48 min. segments or 20 min condensed version.)
***Into My Arms** – several post-abortion women sharing stories, plus insights from professionals with experience in helping such women. (58 min.)
A Matter of Life – Both experts and ordinary people talk about their experiences with abortion and present analogies that are helpful in pro-life apologetics.
Prenatal Development - (2006, 42 min.); another 6 min video is also available online.
Sarah's Choice – dramatization of a young professional with an unexpected pregnancy, who receives conflicting advice from co-workers and family. (2009)
***UNPLANNED** - Story of Abby Johnson, a Planned Parenthood Director who had had abortions herself, saw an ultrasound of an abortion, and became prolife. (2019, 1 hr 50 min.)
*** particularly recommended**

Brochures: Why Pro-Life?, How You Can Be Pro-Life, Why Vote Pro-Life?, The Christian View of Abortion, How to Talk to Children about Abortion, Top Ten Questions Teenagers Ask About Sex, (see www.hh76.com for these and many others), others about In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), NaProTechnology, fertility awareness based methods of family planning, and fetal development.

From Christian Voices for Life: [Parent Resource Guide to Protect Your Children from Sexual Harm](#), [Facts About Pre-Marital Sex and Contraception](#), and [7 Things Every Family Doctor Should Know](#)

See www.ChristianVoicesforLife.org/information-resources (for the documents above as well as a list of recommended books, and links to information sheets, videos, and past weekly emails.

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