

Life Net

Sharing the Life, that gives life!

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From the Director

At some point in the distant past, I had the opportunity to do some over-the-phone counseling with a caller who was separated from her husband, and considering abortion.

We always pray that the spiritual element will become a part of the conversation, for that's where the real warfare is going on; and in this case, it happened.

It was so long ago that I don't remember exactly how the conversation flowed, however I do remember that she knew about Jesus and was open to spiritual things, so much so, that I wrote down the Scriptures that were shared.

Here they are:

Psalm 139:1-16—which encouraged her to understand that the Lord knew what was going on in her life, her thoughts, and feelings, and that if she would let Him, He would lead her by the hand. Verses 13–16 gave the details on the development of unborn life.

Luke 9:23-24—reminded her of what it means to follow Christ, to love Him and surrender to Him, denying self. This verse recalls Jim Elliot's quote: "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."

I John 4:18—In this passage she heard about the value of true love which, when it fills your heart, doesn't save a space for fear.

I Peter 3:1-7—Misunderstood by modern feminists, this passage reminded her that wives are to be submissive to their own husbands and was reminded that husbands can be won without a word

from the wife; it's the gentle and quiet spirit that will win them over. At the same time God asks husbands to give honor to their wives.

Mark 10:11-12—Here we found Christ's teaching on divorce, something that God hates: "*For the Lord God of Israel says that He hates divorce,*" Malachi 2:16ff. This verse reveals that attitudes of indifference to marriage vows and duties are the actions of a traitor. *Notes from Nelson NKJV Study Bible.*

Romans 3:23—No one is perfect: *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*

Romans 10:13—*For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.*

The outcome of this conversation was that she realized she had to trust Christ and decided then and there not to have an abortion. All praise to the One who does all things well!

To share this little story is to remind us of something hugely important:

"For the word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Maranatha,
Diane Clark

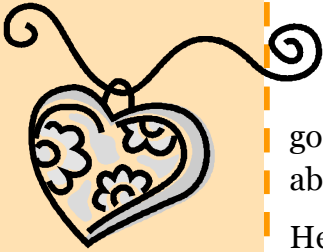
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A heart becoming tender



I saw a young woman for parenting classes who had a very difficult childhood, including being deeply hurt by her parents. Along with lessons on what's happening in early pregnancy, what to eat/what not to eat and taking care of yourself, we went through a booklet titled, "Turning Around: Finding Freedom From a Sexual Past". After the booklet leads the reader through making better choices and how and why sex outside of marriage goes against God's plan, it asks, "What do you imagine God would say to you about your sexual involvement?"

Here is her answer, "That I put Him down. I know now that He loves me and my baby and he will always be here when I need Him." Then she added, "Thank you (God) you're my real Dad."

"When my father and my mother forsake me, Then the LORD will take care of me." Psalm 27:10

Kathy Mundy

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No Social Security in the Womb

In a recent online discussion about Social Security, the subject of letting young people opt out came up.

There were many strong and divided opinions given, and finally this comment came up—the only one to mention abortion:

"Since 1973 when abortion was legalized in all the USA, over 50 million babies have died in the womb. If allowed to live, the oldest in this group would be at a productive 38 years of age right now, contributing to Social Security. The Supreme Court's (unconstitutional) decision in Roe v. Wade was like shooting America in the foot. I don't have an answer for opting out, but I do believe that the solid foundation upon which this country was built suffered deep cracks in 1973. Will we recover? I would like to think so, but the many negative consequences of Roe are increasingly crippling our country."

We Walked For Life!

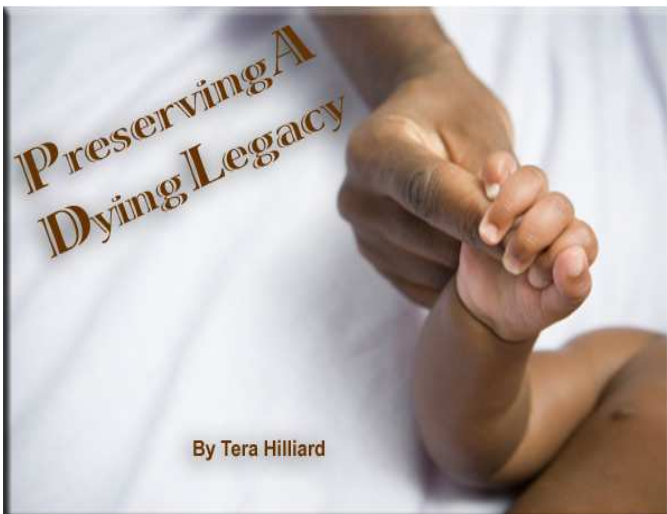
The Walk report in September Life Net was accurate then, but now needs an update!

Twenty nine walkers took part this year. They are: **Barbara Beauchamp, Gwen Bader, Karen Jost, Lois Pursell, Norma Smith, The Bridgford family, Ivory Clark, Nicole Fox, Georgina Freitas, Wayne Haskins, Melissa Hedden, Janet Hernandez, Kathy Hotchkiss, Cheyenne Koller, Katie Koller, Jim & Kathryn Maciel, Terry O'Hare, Nicole Saporetti, Shelby Saporetti, Clorissa Staley, Martha Valdez, Sarah Vela, Marilyn Vierra, Liz Wagner, Daniel Ybarra, Jr., Kathleen Young, Katherine Andes, Rick Koelewyn, Jayme Santos and Shelby Groeneveld.**

Altogether they gathered 244 sponsors, for a revised pledged amount of \$11,049.

They represented the following churches: **Calvary Chapel, Christ Church-Lemoore, First Christian Reformed, Glad Tidings, Grace Baptist-Lemoore, Grace Bible, Grace Temple, Kings Christian Fellowship, Koinonia, So. Valley Community, St. Brigid's Catholic Church, St. Peter's Catholic Church, The Church at Kaweah, The Oasis Church.**

Again, as before, **our Grateful Thanks.**



"I am a Black American and a great-granddaughter of Booker T. Washington, who led the poorest and most illiterate among his race up from slavery shortly after the end of the Civil War. When I speak on his legacy, I reflect that the history of our race in the United States has always been about the push for life, for survival. By opening a new clinic in the heart of the black community, the Westside Pregnancy Clinic in West Los Angeles, CA is answering a call in a community that has largely been without a voice on this issue."

Gloria Jackson,
great granddaughter of Booker T. Washington

This quote is a header for an article entitled [Preserving A Dying Legacy](#) by Tera Hilliard which appeared in the Fall 2010 issue of *At The Center Magazine*. She says in the article, "Not even one [abortion] clinic in the area encouraged alternatives to abortion." We hope to share this article in a future Life Net.

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