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Thoughts From The Executive Director

Frank Ebner

*"I will make you a
light to the nations,*

*that my salvation may reach to the ends of
the earth." -Isaiah 49:6*

Spring has arrived, and with spring comes new growth, new life, and amazing possibilities. Each of us has the opportunity every day to witness to the beauty of life. Each life is a gift, a precious gift, a gift for which we can be grateful. Students are finishing up their academic year, state testing has come and gone most regions of the nation, and we are reaching out to teachers, parents, and children to speak the truth, with love, about the sanctity of life.

We may not be reaching, as Isaiah 49:6 states, "to the ends of the earth", but we continue to listen to you, our members, to look for new and more venues to spread our pro-life message.

- Board member Jan Luke was well-received at the pro-life event entitled, "Made In His Image" in Canton, Ohio in late February.
- Board member John Gordon represented Teachers Saving Children at the Morning Star Pregnancy Services Annual Banquet in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on April 19th.
- Board member Judy Bruns enthusiastically promoted our message to Mercer County (Ohio) Right to Life, and the result was a financial grant to our organization.
- John Gordon exhibited our materials at the Reading/Berks (PA) March for Life Expo on April 28th.

We are planning to be "Pro-life Voices in Education" at a number of events in the upcoming months. In June and July 2018 we plan to promote our pro-life message at the following:

- Pennsylvania Homeschool Convention in Lancaster, Pennsylvania (June 1st-2nd)
- East Ohio Conference Ministry Fair in Cedar Point, Ohio (June 12th)
- Great Homeschool Convention in Ontario, California (June 14th-16th)
- National Education Association (NEA) Expo in Minneapolis, Minnesota (June 30th-July 1st)

Please let me know about any events in your local area or region. If you or other friends and family are in the area for any of the 4 events listed above, please stop by. We would love to see you.

Thank you for all you do to be positive advocates for supporting the dignity of human life, particularly life most vulnerable.



John Gordon at the Reading/Berks March for Life 4/28/18



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Where There's Life...

by Judy Bruns

Abortion preys on voiceless, preborn children. A “valueless life ethic” does not stop there, though. Today, people worldwide grieve with the parents of **Baby Alfie Evans**, who was refused life support—and later even food and hydration—by Alder Hay Children’s Hospital in the United Kingdom. How could Alfie’s mother and father be told they had no say in their child’s treatment? How could they be denied the right to transfer their son to another

hospital that had agreed to take him and treat him? How could Alder Hay Children’s Hospital administrators post

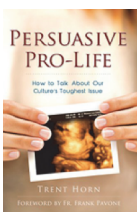
guards at the hospital doors to prevent the child from leaving? How could a hospital staff stand by and watch as a little boy’s parents took turns giving him mouth to mouth resuscitation when his breathing apparatus was denied? What was the point being made? Was it to show that Alfie’s life was now valueless?

Many pro-lifers in the United States have asked themselves, *How long before the “valueless life ethic” makes its way to disabled and elderly people here?* Worldwide attention was brought to another case, the **Terri Schiavo** case 13 years ago, when the woman, comatose and diagnosed with irreversible brain damage, died. She had not only been deprived of medical treatment, but at the order of her husband, who had an adulterous living arrangement with another woman, Terri was deprived of nutrition and hydration. Her parents had unsuccessfully sought a divorce on Terri’s behalf so they would be given custody of their daughter. They challenged the irreversible brain damage diagnosis and provided what they felt was evidence that Terri was trying to respond to them. They pleaded for her life, and that she not, essentially, be starved to death. . .but she was.

Regarding a “valueless life ethic” in the U.S. today, assisted suicide, called “Death with Dignity,” is legal in Oregon, Washington state, Washington D.C., Hawaii, Vermont, California, Colorado, and Montana.* New Mexico came close to legalizing assisted suicide, but the Court of Appeals ruled against it. In the states with assisted suicide, doctors may prescribe lethal drugs. As with abortion, healers are given permission to legally kill.

One Teachers Saving Children member (myself) has expressed concern about this *laissez-faire* attitude toward life, since she knows people who have “hurdled the odds” of what were deemed to be “impossible situations”. An example is a person diagnosed years ago with stage four throat cancer. He now fills in as preacher at the church the Teachers Saving Children member attends. He speaks at high schools, colleges, and conferences across the United States on the issue of the Sanctity of Life.

Another Teachers Saving Children member, Ruth B., tells of her granddaughter who was born blind, autistic, and facing multiple serious physical problems, including the need for daily injections, without which she could die. Some people might have given up on the baby, (continued on p. 3)



Pro-Life Book Suggestion

Persuasive Pro-Life by Trent Horn (2014) (ISBN 978-1-941663-04-2) In this book, Trent Horn shows how with a little knowledge and a few proven techniques, you can become a bold and effective apologist for the preborn. Lila Rose, founder of Live Action, describes *Persuasive Pro-Life* in this way, “Trent Horn really knows how to get people thinking and talking about abortion. *Persuasive Pro-Life* is an invaluable handbook for anyone who wants to become more skilled at defending the humanity of the preborn.”

Educational Outreach Update

By Frank Ebner

I feel blessed to be part of such a positive pro-life group, Teachers Saving Children[®], Inc. As an organization, we are blessed to have members who support us with their time, talents, and treasures. Teachers Saving Children would not be as effective without the time, energy, and financial resources our members and friends provide.

In our last newsletter, we set a goal to raise \$3,500 for registration and pro-life exhibit items and materials to be distributed at educational outreach events. We have made great progress and **you have donated over \$1,800 as of this printing.**

We rely on the goodness of God and His people to raise the money needed for these highly effective pro-life educational outreach ministries. Through your giving of \$5, \$10, \$20 or more, the Lord continues to miraculously provide the needed finances, and for that we are extremely grateful. *Would you please prayerfully consider what you can do to support these efforts?* Thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

Note: To contribute to this effort, please make checks payable to “TSC Inc. – National”. Carefully note how the amount given is to be designated (Educational Outreach, General Fund, etc.) so that the contribution will be appropriately allocated. As a tax-exempt organization approved under Section 501 (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, contributions received are **NOT** tax deductible.

“Defective”? Or Just Different?

by John Gordon

A “life issue” that has gained national prominence recently is the value of the lives of persons born with an extra chromosome, resulting in what is known as Down syndrome. You may have seen headlines touting that Iceland and Denmark have

“eliminated” Down Syndrome. How? The cold, cruel answer is that all preborn babies who are thought to have this anomaly are being aborted. Studies here in the U.S. indicate that over two-thirds of fetuses diagnosed with Down Syndrome are being aborted. Now the good news:

Several states have passed legislation prohibiting abortions that are sought solely because of a prenatal diagnosis of Down Syndrome. The state where I live (Pennsylvania) seems to be moving in that direction (see p. 4 for details).

On March 12th, I joined over a hundred people who gathered in the rotunda of our State Capitol to show support for HB 2050 and Senate Bill 1050. Over two dozen legislators of both parties were present. For some in the crowd, the legislation had a strong, personal connection: In attendance were numerous children and young adults with Down Syndrome.

Addressing the rally was Karen Gaffney, an internationally acclaimed disabilities rights activist and speaker*. Ms. Gaffney is a long-distance swimmer (having swum the English Channel and San Francisco Bay from Alcatraz), and is the first living person with Down syndrome to receive an honorary Doctorate degree (U. of Portland, OR). In her address, she asked the poignant question, “Am I not compatible with life?”

Let’s make our “Voices for Life” heard on behalf of our brothers and sisters who happen to have that extra chromosome.

*Karen’s eloquence and humor was evident when she addressed TED^xPortland. Her address (available on UTube) was entitled, “I have one more chromosome than you. So what?” In it, she quoted Margaret Meade, who stated, **“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world.”** Karen concluded her remarks by saying, “Every life has value. Every life matters, regardless of how many chromosomes we have.”

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but the family didn’t. Today the little girl is in kindergarten, wears glasses, and has sight in one eye. She spells at 2nd grade level, and she has no more need for daily injections. She also does horseback riding and is on a kids’ baseball team. Her doctors have no medical explanation for her miraculous progress.

People, including physicians, don’t always make accurate predictions about what they perceive as hopeless situations. **“Where there is life, there is hope”** is a common saying that should perhaps be taken more seriously. It would mean a major turn-around in the movement against legalized abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia, for certain.

*(Editor’s Note: Hawaii became the 8th jurisdiction to allow physician-assisted suicide on 5/8/18.)



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NEWS OF INTEREST to Pro-Life Educators

“Bill Nye the Science Guy”, who became known through a well-loved PBS children’s program by that name, has been become a vocal supporter of abortion and advocate of population control. Nye recently spoke at a fundraiser for Planned Parenthood of South Texas. Bill’s address cited “explosive population growth” as a major factor in climate change. Nye praised Planned Parenthood for its efforts to raise the quality of life for women, since “when you raise the standard of living of girls and women, they have fewer kids...” On his Netflix program, *Bill Nye Saves the World*, Nye recently questioned whether people should be penalized for having “extra kids.” (Lauretta Brown, LifeNews.com, May 10, 2018, 9:04 AM).

Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds signed a bill on Friday, May 4, 2018, that bans abortions after a fetal heartbeat can be detected (which usually occurs at about six weeks into a pregnancy.) The “heartbeat bill” requires women seeking an abortion to first have an ultrasound in order to determine whether a fetal heartbeat is present. (Kristine Phillips, washingtonpost.com, 5/4/18.)

On April 16, 2018, the Pennsylvania House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved a bill to **prevent abortions based solely on a pre-natal diagnosis of Down syndrome**. The bill now moves to the PA Senate as bill 2050. Governor Tom Wolfe, an ardent supporter of Planned Parenthood, has vowed to veto the legislation. A similar measure is being considered in the state of Utah. States that have already enacted similar laws include North Dakota, Indiana, and Ohio. Meanwhile, a federal judge ruled in mid-April that the Indiana law was unconstitutional. The State is appealing that decision.

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