



Christian Voices for Life

Weekly Pro-Life

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This week's Topic: 40 Days for Life - Bring the children?



Education: A police officer walked up to the leader of a 40 Days for Life campaign as she prayed outside the abortion clinic. A staff member from the abortion clinic had called in a complaint that the participants were “creating a disturbance” – and *there were babies out there!* The police quickly concluded that the peaceful prayer volunteers were not creating any disturbance. The only child present that day was an 11 year old! (1) But apparently a child of any age can remind both workers and clients what abortion is – the taking of children’s lives – and can be bad for business.

If a woman coming to the clinic is accompanied by her husband and child, he will often be asked to take the child elsewhere.

At another vigil, a mom had explained to her young daughter that women had abortions because they were scared and need help, and that they came to the clinic to pray “to be there for those scared moms, so they know they aren't alone, to offer love and help.” While they were outside the clinic, they sang “Jesus Loves the Little Children”. But one of her youngsters stopped her and said, “Mom, now we need to sing ‘Jesus Loves the Scared Mommies’ so they know not to be scared anymore.” So they sang that version over and over. (1)

While some vigil sites may not be safe for children, children bring joy to a place of death, and their presence is a powerful reminder of the precious innocence of young children.

1. Carney, Shawn, 40 Days for Life email update 10/14/15.



Prayer: Please, Lord, help parents to find the words to explain abortion to their children, as well as teaching them how precious life is within the womb. Let the presence of children outside the clinics soften the hearts of those within. **Thank you for the 349 babies** –that we know of – that have been saved from abortion during the current 40 Days for Life campaign! Thank you for the health professional in Nashville, Tennessee who decided not to apply for a job at Planned Parenthood after seeing the witness of the vigil participants. Help all pregnant women to find the support and help they need, from family, friends, and pregnancy centers. Bless all the thousands of volunteers who will participate in this campaign around the world, and help them to be faithful to their commitments to pray and witness on the sidewalk.



Action: Please consider joining us as we sponsor **Thursday, Oct 29**, of the Houston Coalition for Life’s 40 Days for Life campaign at Planned Parenthood at 4600 Gulf Freeway. Do you have some time between 6:30 am and 6:30 pm, when you can stand and pray outside one of the largest abortion facilities in the world? Go to our [40 Days signup](#) to get more details and sign up! To sign up for any other day (now through Oct 31), contact Theresa@houstoncoalition.com or 713-395-1330. If you are not able to join us, please do pray where and when you can, for prayers are powerful everywhere.