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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

If you would like the file emailed to you, please contact us at info@ClarkCountyRightToLife.com.

2nd Tuesday Monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Right to Life Office

Thursday Office hours from 2 to 4 p.m.

October 6, 2024 National Life Chain Witness 2-3:30 PM

November 5, 2024 National Election Day

January 24, 2025 March for Life 2024 in Washington, D.C. March ?, 2025 Clark County Right to Life Oratory Contest

May 4, 2025 Pro-Life Education Fair at Southgate Baptist Church

Fellowship Hall

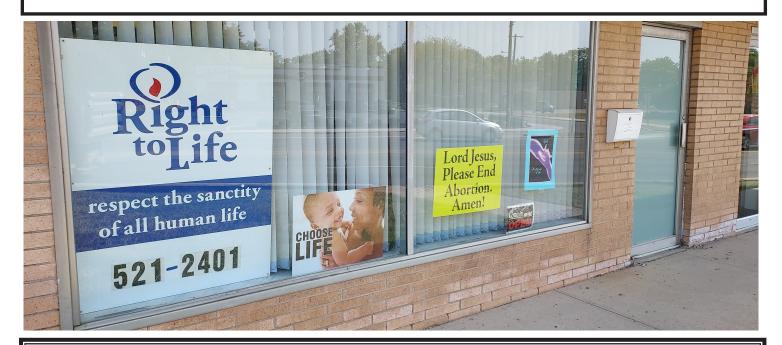
"Life is too precious. Do not destroy it." Mother Teresa of Calcutta

#### THE RESPONSIBILITY OF VOTING

United States citizens have the responsibility and privilege of electoral voting. How do you prepare your mind and heart for this privilege which can have lasting effects on the destiny of our country?

Those who are elected must be instruments of authentic truth. Consult trustworthy media resources, since deception is so relevant.

Your vote can be instrumental in a positive or negative way. Prayer and thoughtful research is wise preparation. Early voting day was October 8. November 5,2024 is Election Day. Allow Our Loving God to provide assistance to one's human intellect so that values triumph for His honor and glory and bring peace to His world. We will be the recipients of that blessing.



## **Written and Submitted by Linda Ervin**

In Jeremiah 29:11 we read "For I know the plans I have for you, to prosper you and give you peace."

In a country that is so divided and a world that is so fallen, it is easy to become disillusioned and depressed. Circumstances that were once simple and uncomplicated are very often worse now because some people have helped to make them even more horrible. This can make things much more difficult for people.

I am thinking particularly of women who find themselves in an unwanted pregnancy.

Having said this I quote Eleanor Roosevelt who said, "Women are like teabags, you never know how strong they can be until you put them into hot water". Most women have their own kind of "hot water" with which to deal. An unneeded pregnancy is just one of those. In that instance, an abortion is a decision made for two, not just one. It is a decision that is made not only for now but for ever and eternity is a very long time.

God has given all of us strength, wisdom and courage to make good decisions. We need to commit to His purpose and pray for our little unborns. Even though they may inherit a fallen world with a grim future, they have a right to live and help make it a better place as per God's plan for them. In Jer. 29:11, we are promised God's commitment to our lives, peace and prosperity. Please pray that our little unborns can have a future because of the courageous decision made by their mothers, as they sought God's wisdom and strength for their baby's life.

#### MESSAGE FROM MIKE VALLEY—CCRTL PRESIDENT

I am Mike Valley. I was recently elected by CCRTL to be the President for the next 2 years. My professional background is varied. My interest in Rite to Life has been a passion of mine since the ruling of Roe V Wade was made. I was involved with CCRTL years ago while I was working but had to drop out due to conflicting schedules and raising kids. I am now retired and am looking forward to leading CCRTL in the future.

After considering what it means to be a part of CCRTL let alone being a Leader, I have some thoughts I wish to share.

We need to understand and remember this is not about politics. Even though those that oppose life wish the argument to remain in that realm. It is a spiritual battle between Satan and God the Holy Trinity.

We as people, the possessed of Satan, and The children of God are used in this daily battle. The possessed use rage and violence to force their agenda upon the rest of humanity. The Children of God are humble and act in humility and prayer. It is a classic diametrically opposed battle.

So what is the action plan? First to resist. There is no more powerful word in the language of man than "NO".

No, I do not accept your arguments. No, I will not acquiesce to your action and submit my will to you. No I will not stop praying at the line drawn outside an abortion mill, just to make you feel less threatened and no I will not stop talking to those that are scared and misled into believing there is no hope of any other options.

How do we gird ourselves for this? Prayer, not just for those that are pregnant. But rather pray for yourself. Pray for the courage to enter the battle, and the discernment at the time of confrontation or unjust arrest. Pray for the inspiration of God when confronted by the possessed. Submit to man's authority so we may submit to God's Holy Will. I have outlined a difficult path, but it is a path that our Savior walked in order to show us how to live. So I say to you LIVE in the Glory of God.

Pray for me that I live up to my words.and do not stumble.

I Love you Mike

#### LATINO FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION

The 9th annual Latino festival was held on Saturday, September 7,2024 to promote unity and peace. The location was the spacious parking lot of St. Teresa Church in Springfield. Clark County Right to Life was one of many organizations that participated. At our 'tent' we displayed a variety of free educational literature to provide insight for visitors.

Our Right to Life banner was a prominent way to locate our organization. Despite the dry windy weather that afternoon, the participation was strong.

#### MAY PRO-LIFE VALUES SHINE IN YOUR LIFE!

PLAN OF ACTION:

NOURISH GOD'S CREATION.

PRAY FOR NECESSARY CONVERSION TO PRO-LIFE VALUES.

SUPPORT PRO-LIFE ORGANIZATIONS IN A VARIETY OF WAYS.

COMMUNICATE WITH POLITICAL LEADERS.

USE PRO-LIFE VEHICLE MAGNETS.

USE PRO-LIFE YARD SIGNS FROM RIGHT TO LIFE.

**EXAMPLE: "LORD JESUS-PLEASE END** 

ABORTION.AMEN."

MESSAGE: YOUR PRO-LIFE MISSIONARY
DISCIPLESHIP CAN RESULT IN THE
FLAME OF LOVE EMBRACING ALL
HUMANITY.

#### **PRO-LIFE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**

Trustworthy resources are essential for understanding the value of human life. Secular media is notorious for bias, superficiality and intentional omissions. This creates confusion . The following prolife websites are very useful to consult so that worldly deception and traps are avoided.

- 1) lifenews.com
- 2) silentnomoreawareness.org
- 3) stopp.org
- 4) patientsrightscouncil.org
- 5) thomasmoresociety.org
- 6) Ildf.org
- 7) americanlifeleague.org
- 8) studentsforlife.org





Clark County Right to Life Baby Photo Contest Clark County Fair July 2024 Winners!

Thanks to all of our 64 contestants and their families and supporters! It was a fun week with parents submitting beautiful photos of their babies under 2 years old. We love to celebrate life and this is our annual event to do that. Many of our supporters helped serve at our booth. Winners for the most money contributed are:

1st Place #33 Ellianna Raylee 2nd Place #10 Lydia 3rd Place #29 Eleanora Mae

Winners for the random draw are 1st Place #35 Dominic 2nd Place #36 Bailey: 3rd Place #20 Kelsey Jean



### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE UNBORN

Clark County Right to Life hosted this annual service at the Infant Bench Section in remembrance of the loss of born and unborn infants at St. Bernard Cemetery on Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 10 A.M. The service focused on scriptural reflection, prayer petitions, inspirational music, and several reflections. Right to Life appreciated your presence that morning.

#### LIFE AND DEATH.

If we can accept the premise that God as the Holy Spirit is the giver of life, and the taker of life, and the Son of man grants Life eternal, then why is there abortion? For what purpose is life? According to scripture it is to worship and proclaim the Glory of God. If one can step outside oneself then scripture makes sense. To protect those that are most vulnerable, those that have not had the opportunity to draw the first lung full of air and announce themselves into the world of man with a joyful scream, I HAVE ARRIVED!!! That too is in the worship of God.

For God is the one true power. If one's focus is on oneself then scripture is a threat to one's existence. Because a narcissistic point of view makes one, all powerful. One then, simply needs to force others by any means necessary to comply with man's dictates.

Do we really have a right to life? According to the world, NO. Because according to the world we do not possess that autonomy. Only those that are the most powerful, powerful in their eyes-only, reserve that right for themselves, to make those decisions for us, for the purpose of increasing their power. An open secret that destroys that narrative is, we are made in the image and likeness of God and receive from him all autonomy thus the ability to make choices. We are responsible for the choices we make, not the government.

Oh, they say it is our choice, but when women choose to allow a birth to happen, they cry foul.

So, my question is... to whom, do we give the credit for a right to life? Is it the government or to God the Creator? If one speaks the truth, then it is obvious, God is the only one that can grant the right to life. Because God is the only one who can take our real life. Not just this earthly life but our eternal life. That kind of power if not worshipped, must be respected

What I have said is truth. One may deny it but it doesn't change the fact that it is truth.

In order to understand why legal abortion exists we have to delve into the original motivation. As all things of Satan, it is founded in his personality, namely Chaos and Confusion. The altruistic premise is to give relief to women who for any reason THEY choose... may be granted the opportunity (not the right) to murder their gift from God, with no consequence in this world. No matter the reason it is impossible to rectify abortion with God. Without a full acknowledgement and repentance of this insult to God's creation it is what I stated "impossible". So many deadly mistakes are made by the women who choose to murder their children. Not just about the child within, but for the mother's eternal life. When one does not fear the Creator, then one does not fear the consequences of their actions. The child, the victim of abortion will live for eternity in the loving embrace of God. For mankind, the true horror and devastation of abortion is the absence of that person from the college of man. How many gifts of great humans have we destroyed? In this country alone, how many Priests, Ministers, Leaders, Doctors, Scientists, Farmers, Innovators, Inventors, Teachers, Mothers, Fathers, etcetera, etcetera? It is mind boggling to contemplate. Yet we continue. If this feels like I am in your face about this topic, please realize that it is intentional. To be anything but blunt about this topic is to be treating you as children. I have too much respect for those of you gathered here today. Women who believe the lies of Chaos, more often than not follow through with the action, thinking they will improve

their lives with the elimination of this gift...They.. Always.. Experience.. Regret.. Even those that have multiple abortions experience regret. Granted with each murder it becomes easier and easier to rationalize, until some use it as birth control. The reason it becomes easier to rationalize is because they have quit. They consider themselves beyond redemption, and so surrender to Chaos. Everyone needs to be reached, but this last group are the people we need to reach the most. They are in such pain and don't even notice it. That is truly demonic possession.

It is not our responsibility to bring others to salvation. It is our responsibility to point others to Salvation and leave it to the Holy Spirit to teach. It is our responsibility to arm ourselves with knowledge about abortion and allow the Holy Spirit to work through us. To surrender oneself to become a servant of God. It is not by our works that people are saved but rather the works of the Holy Spirit working through us. We are called as the Body of Christ to offer them up to God for his Mercy. Because it is his Mercy that will win this spiritual war for possession of our souls.

We are not called to complain. We are called to be Christ like and defend his creation.

So, pray, every one of us. pray for the Discernment to recognize God's will, Pray for the Wisdom to understand God's will, and pray for the Courage to act upon God's will. It is time to step out of our cocoon of likeminded people and step up to the challenge of entering the arena. NO MATTER THE CONSEQUENCES, of mankind's laws. I promise you when you step out and step up you will be attacked by Satan himself through his possessed here in this world.

Please know, I love you and, I pray for us.

Thank you, Mike Valley

#### **LIFE CHAIN**

This is a national event that reminds the public that human life is precious, very valuable! It is held the first Sunday afternoon of the month of October from 2:00-3:30 PM. Clark County Right to Life holds this event in a very public place where people can easily read our signs and see pictures of beautiful babies. For the last few years we have been blessed to use the parking lot of James Flooring on N. Bechtle Ave. in Springfield. The street is very well traveled giving us



opportunity to share the message of life with passer-bys. As we give our smiles to the people, we also are encouraged to pray for the people to love God and live out His plan for their lives. This event is open to people of all ages. We provide the signs on site. October 6 will be the date for 2024! Please plan to join us!

Clark County Right to Life

Expresses sincere thanks to

Past President

Steven P. Cornett

and hereby awards this certificate in recognition of his support

As dedicated long time President

From October 2012 – September 2024

#### **ADVOCACY FOR LIFE**

Do you consider yourself a zealous and courageous defender of human life? In order for pro-life values to 'shine' in one's life, a wise plan of action is needed. The resources and approach that one uses must reflect actual truth to avoid confusion. Communication is an essential procedure to proclaim pro-life values to those who serve us at local, state, and federal levels. Do you know who the current ones are? Hopefully your patriotic and authentic communication will contribute to the victory of pro-life values which is essential for the survival of our nation.

#### Friends for Life:

We are living in challenging times. But it is for this moment that the Lord has brought us into existence so that we might be His light, His truth, and His ambassadors to a sick, dying and fallen humanity. Do not give up! Press on! Fight on! Trust that the Lord's plan is bigger than what we now see dimly (1 Corinthians 13:12).

For my part, if you have not heard, I am thrilled to have joined the <u>Center for Christian Virtue</u> (CCV) as <u>Senior Fellow for Strategic Initiatives</u>. The Center for



Christian Virtue is based out of Columbus, Ohio and we advocate for the truths of the Gospel in public policy. CCV also works with normal everyday grassroots Ohioans to bring Christ to the public square. I will continue with them to do what I have always done – advocate for the dignity and value of innocent human life in the womb and rebuild culture by focusing on rebuilding the family.

To that end there are a few opportunities I wanted to make you aware of as we continue the work of sharing the Gospel, defending the preborn, and rebuilding the culture:

- 1. **Election 2024**: My schedule is filling up as I will once again be traveling the state with the CCV team to educate Church goers about the importance of this election. If you would like a non-partisan presentation at your Church contact me at <a href="mailto:peterrange@ccv.org">peterrange@ccv.org</a>. You can also pre-order our voter guide at: https://www.buckeyeballot.com/.
- 2. **The Essential Summit**: (October 3<sup>rd</sup>) To move the culture you have to educate the culture so please join me and some amazing national speakers including Dr. Ben Carson, Dr. Larry Arnn of Hillsdale, Seth Dillon of the Babylon Bee, Os Guiness and more this October 3<sup>rd</sup> in Columbus: <a href="https://www.essentialsummit.org/">https://www.essentialsummit.org/</a>.
- 3. **Ohio March for Life**: (October 4<sup>th</sup>) Following the Essential Summit on Friday October 4<sup>th</sup> join the largest pro-life day of action in the state as we welcome Peggy Hartshorn and other tremendous speakers at the annual March for Life in Columbus: https://marchforlife.org/ohio/.
- 4. **Cleveland Gala**: (September 14<sup>th</sup>) CCV is excited to welcome Kayleigh McEnany, former White House Press Secretary and now Fox News host/contributor to Cleveland on Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup>. I would love to see you there: <a href="https://www.ccv.org/clevelandgala">https://www.ccv.org/clevelandgala</a>!
- 5. **Christian Business Partnership**: There are so many great things happening under the leadership of Aaron Baer at CCV that I will highlight in future emails, but if you own or are a part of a business with Christian leadership I hope you will join the Christian Business Partnership (CBP): <a href="https://cbpohio.org/">https://cbpohio.org/</a>. An antidote to the movement of the 'woke' left the CBP is a response that helps bring Christian principles to bear on our culture through the workplace.

Friends, as we continue this journey home to, please God, heaven, let us never tire in remembering Christ is with us, Christ is in us, and Christ will return one day to forever sit on his throne as King of Heaven and earth. The devil's days are numbered, so let us remain faithful to the one who will subject all things to himself (Philippians 3:21).

For the King,

Peter

JMJ

#### Clark County Right to Life Officers Elected on 9-17-24

President: Mike Valley Vice President: Shelby Seger Secretary: Lois Bravard Treasurer: Ed Russ

#### **Clark County Right to Life Committees**

Finance: Ed Russ
Education: Pam Juergens/Dave Banaszak
Legislative: Lois Bravard
Youth Membership: Shelby Seger
Membership: Pat Banaszak and Judy Yarwick
Office Manager: Dave Banaszak
Volunteer Coordinator: Ruth Eblin

Newsletter Editor: Chelsea Martinez



#### **NOTIFICATION OF ADDRESS CHANGE**

If you have changed your residential address and receive the Right to Life newsletter by conventional mail, please telephone or email the Right to Life office of your current address. That information is on the front page of the newsletter. In this way, the postal carrier will not be returning them to our office. It will eliminate mailing expense for us. Thank you.

#### SUBMISSIONS FOR OUR RTL NEWSLETTER

Submit an article by email to <a href="mailto:info@ClarkCountyRightToLife.com">info@ClarkCountyRightToLife.com</a>
by the following dates: April due by March 15,
October due by Sept. 15

#### BE SURE TO CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

#### **Clark County Representatives**

State Rep. District 71: Bill Dean (614) 466-1470

State Rep. District 74: Bernard Willis (614) 466-2038

State Senator District 10: Robert Hackett (614) 466-3780

Clark County Commissioners: (937) 521-2055 Sasha Rittenhouse Lowell McGlothin Melanie Flax-Wilt

> US Congressmen: Mike Turner District 10 (202) 225-6465

Mike Carey District 15 (202) 225-2015

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