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More Than 7,000 Abortions Reversed!

At 26, single-mom Sarah discovered she was pregnant. Caught in a moment of fear and pressure, she took the first pill in the chemical abortion regimen. Very soon the weight of the decision overwhelmed her: "I couldn't look at my other children without breaking down. I kept thinking this baby deserves love just as much as they do." Determined to find help, Sarah found the [Abortion Pill Rescue Network](#) and was quickly connected to a nearby doctor who began the Reversal process. Within days her baby's heartbeat was strong, and Sarah's hope was restored. She was later connected to a local pregnancy help center for continued support. Baby Isaiah was saved by the Abortion Pill Rescue Network, supported by Heartbeat International, with 7,000+ reversals to date. [excerpt, www.HeartbeatInternational.org]

Motherhood is Beauty Beyond Compare

Fifty years into the battle against abortion, scientists can now show the very moment when life begins, and possibly when the soul is infused - a burst of zinc when the sperm fertilizes the egg. Doctors can let a woman hear her baby's heartbeat at five to six weeks and see the baby in her womb shortly thereafter. "Life begins at conception" has advanced to a point of scientific truth for anyone open to rational discourse & scientific methods. But we know objectively that the tide has not turned yet in society.

Pregnancy is still too often characterized as a condition in need of treatment, a disease, a disaster, an unexpected end to one's life. Yet, the female body is made for and fulfilled in motherhood. Menstrual cycles are not just annoying monthly hardships. They are an indication that a woman's body resets every month, from the dawn of her development to middle age, to facilitate a biological wonder. Breasts are not simply an object of men's attraction - they are an incredible and prolific way of feeding another human being in the earliest years of life. Everything within women is made in harmony to produce the wildly significant gift of life.

Motherhood is beauty beyond compare. Reject the world's call to fear this fulfillment of your body and learn to love that which makes women capable of such a call. [excerpt, Kelsey Reinhardt, Pres., www.CatholicVote.org, 11/12/25]

Major Media Ignore Stories Like These

- Planned Parenthood Closes Another Abortion Center, 44 Total in 2025
- Oregon Legislature Gives \$7.5 Mill. to Planned Parenthood
- Planned Parnthd. Staff Caught Selling Drugs in Parking Lot
- Nevada Pro-Life Advocates Stop Taxpayer Funding of Planned Parenthood
- Ohio House Passes Bills to End Mail-Order Abortions
- UK Gets Rid of 2-Child Benefit Cap That Encouraged Abortions [www.LifeNews.com]

Words from THE St. Nicholas: "The giver of every good & perfect gift has called upon us to mimic God's generosity by showing our gratitude to Him through acts of kindness to others." c320 A.D.

Rapid Collapse of Gender Ideology

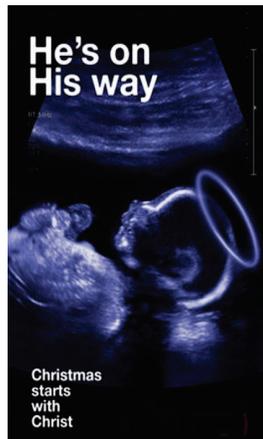
Evidence is mounting that the gender insanity that swept over our culture in the past decade is in rapid retreat. A survey of nearly 60,000 students from 250 of the top American universities showed that just 3.6% of respondents identified as a gender other than male or female. By comparison, the figure was 6.8% in both 2022 & 2023. Every percentage drop represents thousands of real boys and girls who are being given the opportunity to live a more authentic life by embracing their given biological sex. Two other surveys, from Brown University and Andover Phillips Prep, also showed drastic decreases in students identifying as non-binary over the past two years.

A few years ago, it seemed that gender madness was sweeping away the last remnants of cultural sanity. Athletes identifying as transgender compete against members of the opposite sex. Individuals identifying as transgender are given carte blanche access to opposite-sex spaces such as changing rooms and bathrooms. The concerns of girls and women who felt deeply uncomfortable were dismissed as "transphobia" or "hate." However, early this year the President signed an executive order stating, among many other things, that for federal institutions, "'sex' shall refer to an individual's immutable biological classification as either male or female. 'Sex' is not a synonym for and does not include the concept of 'gender identity.'"

Meanwhile, more public figures and celebrities are openly standing up against the transgender madness. Harry Potter author JK Rowling has taken an unequivocal stance against those who argue that biological men who claim to be transgender should be treated exactly the same as biological women. When several of the actors from the Harry Potter movies, including Emma

Watson, attacked Rowling, she didn't back down. Rowling has especially condemned the effort to advance transgender ideology in schools and among young people. "There are no trans kids," she wrote in a recent X post. "No child is 'born in the wrong body'. There are only adults like you, prepared to sacrifice the health of minors to bolster your belief in an ideology that ends up wreaking more harm than lobotomies & false memory syndrome combined."

Recently, the U.S. bishops instructed Catholic hospitals to respect the inherent givenness of the body and biological sex. A new directive prohibits "medical interventions, whether surgical, hormonal, or genetic, that aim not to restore but rather to alter the fundamental order of the body in its form or function. ... [including those] that aim to transform sexual characteristics of a human body into those of the opposite sex (or to nullify sexual characteristics of a human body)." Now 21 secular U.S. hospitals & health systems have ceased offering transgender "services" for minors. The sudden collapse in the numbers of students at universities identifying as "non-binary", and recent policy changes, are the most encouraging pieces of news in recent memory. This is a victory well worth celebrating. [excerpt, Fr. Shenan J. Boquet, Human Life International, www.hli.org, 11/24/25]



Death Threats to Students for Life President

Every time I kiss my four kids goodnight, I wonder if pro-abortion radicals will make good on their threats to harm me & my family. Since my friend Charlie Kirk was assassinated at Utah Valley University in September, the threats against me have escalated to the point where I need a **bulletproof vest** just to step foot on campus and 24/7 security. When I broke the news that Charlie had been shot to a group of students I was speaking to at the University of Montana, they laughed and cheered! I'm overwhelmed at how lost so many in this generation are.

Despite everything in 2025, Students for Life has accomplished so much! We now have more than 1,600 active campus groups nationwide - even with pro-abortion administrators fighting us every step of the way. Recent polling shows that nearly 7 in 10 Millennials and Gen Z now support limits on abortion. Only 1 in 10 young people support the extreme position of abortion through all nine months.

After Charlie's assassination, the Abortion Lobby thought they could scare students into silence. Instead, our students stepped up with **incredible courage**. My campus tour videos go viral online, reaching millions of young people who would never otherwise hear the truth about abortion. [excerpt, Kristin Hawkins, email, 11/29/25]

Radical Proposal to Rebuild Families

An article published by the Population Research Institute provides estimates that **more than 20% of young adults in the U.S. are missing** due to abortion. One-child families, single parent families and divorced families have all exacerbated loneliness and anxiety in the younger generation. Worse, "by 2022, half of all pregnancies of Gen Z members end in abortion. These abortion survivors "are now choosing themselves to abort half of their children." To turn this around, three steps are needed: (1) Reduce abortions by taking the abortion pill off the market. (2) Make giving birth free of charge. (3) Eliminate all taxes on couples who bear and raise children. The essay concludes: "The future belongs to the fruitful." [excerpt, Steven W. Mosher, *PRI Review*, Nov-Dec 2025]

It Isn't Just a "Guy Problem"

The need for women to be accompanied in the journey towards healing from addiction has gone sorely unmet. Magdala exists as a space where women can find hope, healing, and **freedom alongside each other from sexual addiction**. Our goal is to supply you with support, community, and accountability. Our **virtual groups** are available to women ages 18 and up all over the globe, and we partner with college campuses and parishes to help facilitate groups in person. Whether it's virtual, in-person, or through our blog and podcast content, we offer every woman the chance not just to recover, but to heal. Wherever you are in your journey, we welcome you to the conversation. [excerpt, www.magdalaministries.org]

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Embryo Adoption?

In the very expensive IVF procedure, couples are instructed to create multiple embryos from which to select. What, then, becomes of the embryos deemed not fit enough? They are destroyed, donated for scientific experimentation, or consigned to the freezer.

"Alternatively, they may be adopted. That is precisely what **my wife and I did with five "leftover" embryos**. ... While people of faith may reach different conclusions about what to do with the multitude of frozen embryos, more than a million in our nation, my wife & I determined that the most charitable thing we could do was to give a few a chance at continued life. The cryo-shipping, the medications to prepare the mother's body, the transfer procedure might make some queasy. But as I see it, that's what redemption in this grim corner of our broken world looks like. It looks like one of those five embryos, now beaming at you with a pudgy, radiant face." [excerpt, Ezekiel Lee, letter to editor, *First Things*, Dec. 2025]

When a "pro-choice" advocate says women should be able to choose not to be mothers, it is assumed that an abortion *prevents* a child from coming into existence. But if a woman is pregnant, she is *already* a mother, because she has a tiny human being growing inside of her. Abortion doesn't prevent a child from coming into existence; it violently takes an existing tiny child out of existence. [excerpt, Trent Horn, Catholic Answers booklet, *Abortion*, p. 13]

Being Pro-Active

Wouldn't it be great to protest Planned Parenthood abortions by parking right in front a large, modern van offering free ultra-sounds and other services for pregnant women? That's what Several Sources Shelters (Ramsey, NJ) did to help women facing unplanned pregnancy. Funding came from Save the Storks (Colorado), local donors and the Knights of Columbus (ultrasound machine).

Other pregnancy centers have done similar things. Here are some sample photos from around the nation.



If you or your organization are in a position to help a center in your area, consider doing likewise.

Screen Time and Me

Is using a smartphone a problem? After all, it is very helpful in many ways. "Yet, we spend lots of money on a device that addicts us, alienates us, depresses us, then uses sophisticated **algorithms to get us to buy even more things**. As a nation, we don't *have* to watch screens 3 hours a day, shop beyond our means, consume huge amounts of refined sugar, neglect our bodies, and drink and eat too much - but we do. Social media algorithms are designed to produce an escalating cycle of **dopamine rewards in the brain**, making us psychologically dependent on regular hits of good feeling. These are the same neurological pathways used by cocaine or compulsive gambling. Regarding the effect of addiction on the human brain, be it from alcohol, drugs, or social media, addicted people simply have fewer choices and less autonomy." [excerpt, Sebastian Junger, *Our Chosen Chains*, www.nationalreview.org 7/31/23]