

News and Notes

- **NEW RESOURCE: Ascension Means His Grace Goes Everywhere – Ascension Day Bulletin Insert**

– This bulletin insert, commemorating Ascension Day, shares that, “Jesus didn’t just enter human flesh. He also has exalted it. This body is intended for heaven! This body is created to reign! Ascension means His grace goes everywhere. It means His forgiveness works in every circumstance. It means His resurrection prevails in all situations. He’s not absent, just invisible. He ensured the ends, and now He is arranging the means. He has come beside us, and He will raise us above. He loves each human person from here to eternity, even during surprise pregnancy, even through terminal diagnosis. From embryo to elderly and fertilization to final breath, He’s preparing a place for the least of these. And Ascension invites us to treasure things unseen.”
(Item LFL1110BI)

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

“For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

“When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”

Colossians 3:1-4



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- **The opportunities for LFL’s Frontlines to apply the For Life message are endless. For example, November is National Adoption Awareness Month.** Check out and order LFL’s resources on adoption (booklets, brochures, bulletin inserts) and share them with your congregation: www.lutheransforlife.org/life-issues/adoption. Here’s one more: Orphan Sunday (cafo.org/orphansunday/) is November 10. The Christian Alliance for Orphans (www.christianalliancefororphans.org) offers a wealth of resources to help Christians stand up for the orphan ... defend the fatherless ... care for the child that has no family ... visit orphans in their distress.



- **CHECK OUT THE WORD OF HOPE WEBSITE:** www.word-of-hope.org



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Also see:

www.youtube.com/user/LutheransForLife
vimeo.com/user4132928

- Please note that we have a Facebook group for Life Chapters, Life Teams, and LMCs: www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL. The group includes an idea exchange and is a place to connect with other Frontline volunteers.
- LifeDate is another way to share the For Life message with your congregation. Order LifeDate in bulk quantities at no charge. (Donations for shipping cost will gladly be accepted.) Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) to order.
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May-June 2019

A Bible Study: Children of the Heavenly Father

Parents provide permanent proof that someone loves you. Mother's Day and Father's Day bring almost as much joy as Christmas and Easter. What a blessing for us to live where nation and culture still honor moms and dads!

However, some voices and forces despise childbearing and childrearing. Our sinful nature would rather indulge power, property, and pleasure. Children and family can pose obstacles to these pursuits. Yet we receive them as good gifts from a loving God. And we get to witness to it as enthusiastic ambassadors.

So let us especially appreciate and celebrate marriage, sexuality, and procreation. These humble but beautiful vocations embody the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and with them we may change hearts, save lives, and shape history itself.

1. Psalm 127:3-4 hails children as “a heritage from the Lord.” What does this mean? What blessings do childbearing and childrearing bring?
2. Read 1 Thessalonians 2:7, 11; Luke 11:11-13; and Ephesians 6:4. What responsibilities do fathers and mothers have to their children?
3. What does Deuteronomy 6:6-7 define as the primary responsibility of parents?
4. What worries or burdens do children come with? What encouragements do Proverbs 22:6 and Numbers 14:31 offer in such situations?
5. How does Jesus reconfigure our relationships to our parents and our children in Matthew 10:34-39?
6. How does Matthew 12:46-50 suggest the Gospel of forgiveness and resurrection makes up for these?
7. Look at Genesis 3:16 and Genesis 30:2. Why doesn't everybody have children?
8. What comfort does God give in John 19:25-27, Mark 10:29-30, and Revelation 21:3-5?
9. See 1 Corinthians 13:5 and John 15:12-13. What do children show us about love?
10. What do parents show us about God in Galatians 4:4-7, Psalm 103:13, and Isaiah 66:13?



2019 Churches for Life Mohlbach Award Winner: Rev. Michael W. Salemink – March 9, 2019

From our friends at Churches for Life:

Churches for Life established the Award for Life in 2011 in honor of long-time mentor and friend to the ministry, Arne Molbach. It is given annually to an individual or couple that embodies the mission and core values of Churches for Life. Arne embodied the mission, which is to nourish churches as Gospel-driven champions of the sanctity of human life. His counsel was formative in the early stages of the ministry and helped clarify its core values:

Gospel-driven: we value the Gospel, not only for salvation, but also as the transforming message which continually compels Christians to serve Him out of joy and gratitude.

Church-focused: we focus on equipping local churches because Christ has ordained that the church is the locus of all that is redemptive.

Life-affirming: we value human life at all stages because human beings are created in the sacred image of God.

Relationships: we value personal relationships and recognize that they provide the context for enduring ministry.

Grace-and-truth balanced: we strive to faithfully share biblical truth in the context of grace.

Photo: Dr. Carol Fouse, executive director, Churches for Life, with Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director, Lutherans For Life



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Hands-On Meetings

by Karen Freiert, Springfield LFL #90, Missouri

Springfield LFL #90 meets four times a year. It has always been hard to gather members because everyone is busy in the For Life cause in their own way. I have used a Doodle Poll as a means to find a day to meet where we can gather the most people.

Meetings had become all business because we had many items to plan and decisions had to be made. Our major fundraiser is an annual rummage sale. We donate funds to For Life groups who are doing the hands-on work we cannot do.

One big change was deciding to make area charitable groups more “real” by having our meetings at their location, or, if that was not workable, by inviting them to speak at our meetings.

We started by having a meeting at Newborns in Need. The director spoke of what they did and what their challenges were. They gather sewn or purchased items and assemble layettes for newborns for hospitals and agencies who identify a need. Some volunteers make items at their homes or come to their center to work on items. We saw in real time how essential monetary donations like ours were to their process.

Life House is a Catholic Charities pregnancy support residential center. The women can stay there during the birth process and after. They attend classes to break the cycle of single-parent births and poverty. We cannot have our meeting at their facility because their girls have classes in the evening. They will present their information at our next meeting.

This change has been well received.

(The picture below is from Newborns in Need.)



Sharing the For Life Message at the County Fair

(Adapted from the National Right to Life Chapter Newsletter, July 1999)

County fairs are a time to reach out and connect with hundreds of millions of people across the nation. Each summer, Life Chapters participate in these events by sponsoring a fair booth and spreading the message of life. Because of your efforts at these fairs, lives are saved!

We frequently hear stories about a fairgoer walking up to a booth and tearfully relating how the information she picked up at the fair a previous year convinced her, her daughter, or a friend to carry a pregnancy to term.

A PRO-LIFE PRESENCE AT THE FAIR: Booths a Top Priority for Your Life Chapter

For many people, the county fair booth is the first place they come into personal contact with our pro-life message. This initial greeting sparks interest and causes a pro-life domino effect ... This is accomplished by the hundreds of pro-life volunteers across the nation who take time out of their busy schedules to patiently discuss pro-life issues with fairgoers.



CHAPTER VOLUNTEERS AT BOOTHS PROVIDE FACTS

The most important functions of the fair booth are face-to-face contact with fairgoers and the distribution of factual information. Since 1973, the abortion industry and its biased media allies have hidden the facts. Astonishingly, when fairgoers stop at the booth, they see the facts for the first time.

- A pro-life booth has biological information and pictures, videos, and models of unborn babies.
- A pro-life booth exposes the falsehoods of the abortion industry.
- A pro-life booth offers information on alternatives to abortion.
- Also, most importantly, at an LFL booth, the Good News of forgiveness and new life is shared one-on-one and through our materials.



FAIR BOOTH OUTREACH BENEFITS YOUR LIFE CHAPTER AND COMMUNITY

- Volunteers are attracted to hands-on opportunities to enlighten their community.
- Membership increases as interested fairgoers ask, “What can I do to help?”
- A fair booth increases your Life Chapter’s visibility and credibility in the community.

THE “PERFECT” FAIR BOOTH

A distinctive, professional-looking Life Chapter booth will make a lasting impression and promote awareness of the pro-life message. Use the following guidelines when planning your booth.

- Ultrasound video catches people’s attention and makes the case that it’s a human being.
- Display baby photos, quilts, or other contest/drawing items.
- Fetal models—known to change minds and save lives—would be a great addition. (Without a doubt, fetal models are the most effective tool to show the humanity of the unborn child. Ideally, they should be prominently featured in every fair booth.) To purchase contact Heritage House: www.hh76.com, 800.858.3040.
- Give away items such as candy, pens, or LFL items.
- Offer pins such as the Precious Feet and Precious Hands pins.
- Focus literature—too many choices can confuse people. Use only recommended pieces. LFL has a wide variety of items available at www.cph.org. See the “Books and Bibles” tab and then the “Sanctity of Life” subheading. Also display sample copies of the current LifeDate and state or chapter newsletters.
- Promotional Idea – Contests and drawings are a great way to attract fairgoers to your booth!
- Set out a free-will donation container.

Important: Use a three-panel display whenever possible. The elevated display at the back of the booth will increase its effectiveness. Powerful, thought-provoking posters may also be used. Other display units are also effective; however, three-panel displays are generally less expensive.

Many Life Chapters have had success with:

- A baby photo contest or drawings for quilts or teddy bears
- Balloons
- Bumper Stickers



FAIR BOOTH PROMOTION: SIMPLE TWO-STEP DIRECTIONS

Get free advertising for your Life Chapter. Encourage your newspaper to print an article about your fair booth. Make sure you get a community-calendar announcement in the newspaper and try for a feature story and photograph.

How to get an article about your booth published (most preferred).

- Step 1: Prepare a pre-fair release and send with photographs (see “hints” below) to your newspaper.
- Step 2: Send a post-fair release with action photos of the booth at the fair’s conclusion.

How to get a photograph of your booth published (very effective).

- Step 1: Email pre-fair photographs (see “hints” below) to your newspaper.
- Step 2: Email action photos of the booth during and at the conclusion of the fair.

How to get a community-calendar announcement published.

- Step 1: Prepare a pre-fair release and mail or email it to your newspaper.
- Step 2: Specifically ask them to include your item.

Hints: Call the newspaper ahead of time. Find out to whom and when the information should be sent. Make sure radio and local cable TV stations also get a pre-fair news release. Ask them to include it in their Coming Events segment. Pre-fair photos taken at planning meetings or action poses of members setting up the booth work well. Clear, close pictures of the subjects are best. Include an explanation. For post-fair release, take action shots, such as photos of children looking at fetal models or carrying balloons, adults signing petitions, etc. Identify Life Chapter members in photos.



Be on Guard Against the Pit of Self-Pity

by Barb Geistfeld, LFL Regional Director of Texas

My husband, Jim, and I attended a couples' retreat last fall, and one of the covenants we made with each other was to do a daily morning devotion—which we have not done most of our 46 years of marriage. We still don't manage to do it every single day, but most days we do. Praise God!

We are reading from a book called *Jesus Calling – Enjoying Peace in His Presence* by Sarah Young. It is written as if Jesus is speaking directly to the reader. I want to share with you an excerpt of the reading from February 23 that I also used as a devotion for one of our LFL staff meetings. It resonated with many of us. I immediately thought of this devotion when you shared how close to giving up you *were*. We have all had days when we felt like giving up, whether in our lives or in our mission fields. I pray this will help you, too.

Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV): **“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.”**

Jesus Calling

Be on guard against the pit of self-pity. When you are weary or unwell, this demonic trap is the greatest danger you face. Don't even go near the edge of the pit. Its edges crumble easily, and before you know it, you are on the way down. It is ever so much harder to get out of the pit than to keep a safe distance from it. That is why I tell you to be on guard. There are several ways to protect yourself from self-pity. When you are occupied with praising and thanking Me, it is impossible to feel sorry for yourself. Also, the closer you live to Me, the more distance there is between you and the pit. Live in the Light of My Presence by fixing your eyes on Me. Then you will be able to run with endurance the race that is set before you, without stumbling or falling.

If you are tired, feeling unappreciated or underpaid, surrounded by unresponsive people when you give it your all (sound familiar?—I've been there)—guess what the common thread is? Self-pity. Jesus says, “Stop that. Stay away from the edge of the pit of self-pity (which you and I know can lead to depression). I am with you. I am your strength. It is a blessing to be called as my worker, as my hands and voice and feet. You are my friend!”

Can you imagine that? We are intimate friends with the Creator and Redeemer of the universe, of all that is seen and unseen. What a privilege! I will keep you in my prayers and ask that you keep me in yours. We are in the same battles, on the same frontlines, against the same enemies of life. But, we serve the same Lord Who gives us power and strength! Hallelujah!



Lutherans For Life – Forty Years of Ministry and Education

by Lynette Auch, President of National Lutherans For Life

History, the facts of past people, civilizations, and events, can teach us many life lessons. God emphasizes the importance of history in His Word as He instructed the observation of the Pass-over so the children of Israel would remember their deliverance from Egyptian slavery. Jesus told us to celebrate the Lord's Supper "in remembrance" of Him.

Remembering the history of Lutherans For Life has a place of importance too.

On March 22, 1979, three courageous, determined, God-fearing individuals—Rev. Dr. Calvin J. Eichhorst, Rev. Dr. Eugene Linse, Rev. Dr. Leigh Jordahl—set their hands to the documents that birthed the life-affirming ministry of Lutherans For Life. Because of these pioneers, many lives have been touched and saved by the witness and educational efforts of LFL.

As we acknowledge and remember the 40th anniversary of LFL, let us take a moment to thank God for these people, and others like them, who were and are obedient to God's calling on their lives to take a stand and become a voice For Life, a voice for those who cannot defend themselves.

Let us take a moment to remember that every life is "handmade" by God; therefore, every life, regardless of size, level of development, environment, or degree of dependency from conception to natural death, is precious and is someone for whom Jesus died.

Let us take a moment to call upon God, to humble ourselves, to pray and to seek His face, and to turn from our wicked ways, for God promises, **"... then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land"** (2 Chronicles 7:14b NIV).

Let us take a moment to thank God for His invitation to be His hands, feet, and voice as Gospel-motivated voices For Life.

Let us take a moment to seek His will and ask His guidance for the future of Lutherans For Life in the challenges ahead.

Let us take a moment to thank God for His undeserved, yet enduring, mercy and grace toward us and the ministry of Lutherans For Life.

Let us take a moment to let God's love shine through these, our earthen vessels.

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16 NIV)



Two Visions – One Goal

by Robi Flach, Principal at Altamont Lutheran Interparish School

“Through the love of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, we will equip God’s children to be responsible adults.” This is the vision of Altamont Lutheran Interparish School, a kindergarten through 8th grade elementary school located in the small farming community of Altamont, Illinois. The mission of Lutherans For Life is to “equip Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life.” As the administrator, my job is to seek out resources that align with the school’s vision and serve to benefit the staff and students of the school. It is clear that the vision and mission of our two organizations dovetail to help raise children to become responsible, Gospel-motivated voices For Life.

We are also blessed to have a dedicated Life Team that has organized a project to build a handmade trophy case that will be displayed near the front entrance of the school. While a portion of it will be used to display various sports trophies, the front section will permanently house the Owen’s Mission fetal model set that will serve as a visual of what we believe to all who enter our building.

We believe the resources provided by Lutherans For Life are congruent with our school vision and will continue to enhance our teaching while the Owen’s Mission models make learning “real” for our students, staff, community, and visitors.



For Life in Vietnam

From our friends at ALWM (Awakening Lives To World Missions):

“Dr. Hang, ALWM Ministry staff leader in Vietnam, was thrilled to receive this fetal baby model from Lutherans For Life. Presented to her by ALWM Director Bill Moberly, she said she would ‘use this tool to further her work to protect and rescue the unborn who are so at risk in her country.’ She has seen about 200 saved over the last 11 years, and 20 of them now reside with her and her extended family! With one of the highest abortion rates in the world, the work of Dr. Hang and her volunteers is still needed! Each life is precious—and is still rescued one at a time! Thank you to our friends at Lutherans For Life for your invaluable gift to her work.”

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www.lutheransforlife.org/about/owens-mission





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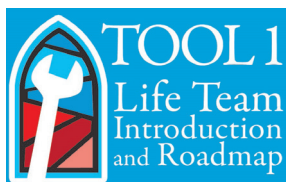
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Owen's Mission

**"A PERSON'S
A PERSON,
NO MATTER
HOW SMALL"
-DR. SEUSS**

Horton the elephant was right! The Bible agrees! In fact, the Bible says more: A person's a person created by God (Psalm 139:13-14), a person redeemed by Jesus (Galatians 3:13), and a person the Holy Spirit wants to call to be His child (1 Timothy 2:4), ***no matter how small!***

Owen's Mission is a very special project of Lutherans For Life. The goal of this project is to honor Jesus by presenting a set of *Touch of Life* fetal models to every Lutheran elementary and high school in the country. (That's 970 schools affecting 133,000 students!) We want students to understand the God-given value of each life from the moment of conception. We want students to be motivated by what God has done as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier that gives value to life. We want students to value themselves and to value others as persons because of this God-given value.



Where did Owen's Mission come from? From a very small and special baby named Owen. Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life, shares his story:



"I held my little grandson Owen in the palm of my hand. He died at 21 weeks during prenatal surgery to remove a large tumor. The nurse brought him to our son as we waited in the recovery room for Owen's mother. I find it difficult to describe what I felt when I was able to hold him. I had held the 20-week *Touch of Life* fetal model in my hands hundreds of times in front of students from preschoolers to seminarians. Holding Owen revived in me the reality behind those models. I will never hold them in the same way again."

As Owen's grandpa, Dr. Lamb wanted to do something special to remember Owen, honor Jesus, and help others understand the value God gives to even the smallest of lives. With the help of Owen's family, *Owen's Mission* was born. We are training facilitators to present these fetal model sets along with a DVD message from Dr. Lamb.

You can support Owen's Mission by encouraging your Lutheran elementary or high school to have an Owen's Mission presentation! Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) or email info@lutheransforlife.org.

Speakers Bureau

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Do you need a speaker? Lutherans For Life will work with you to help meet your needs for a speaker at a rally, convention, Bible study, worship service, public or parochial school, college/university, or workshop/seminar. A variety of formats are available.

General speaker guidelines (may vary by individual):

- Airfare/Mileage: Actual airfare and/or current standard IRS mileage rate to airport or event.
- Lodging: Quiet, nonsmoking hotel room.
- Honorarium: Affiliated speakers for Lutherans For Life are not in a paid position. Therefore, we ask that sponsoring groups provide an honorarium for affiliated speakers. The sponsoring group determines the amount of the honorarium. Honorariums depend on number of events. Honorariums begin at \$200.
- Meals: \$25 per day unless other arrangements are made.
- Other: A lectern will be needed. A TV, video projector, DVD player, and screen may be needed.

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Speaking Engagement Report Form

We appreciate the many hours our faithful Frontline workers contribute to sharing the For Life message. If you or your State Federation/Life Chapter have the opportunity to speak on life issues in your community, please let us know! This information will help us as we look at our strategic plan and determine the resources that are most needed to help you carry forth your mission For Life! Please return to the national office or email info@lutheransforlife.org.

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Since Roe v. Wade in 1973: 60,942,033 abortions in America

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The Basics of Lutherans For Life

Our Mission: Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life

Our Vision: Every Lutheran congregation upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same

Structure and Relationships

A local Life Chapter is a local organization that has been chartered by National Lutherans For Life. The Life Chapter is formally associated with and subject to, but not a part of, the corporation known as Lutherans For Life, Inc.

A State Federation is an organization that has been chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc., in a state where there are at least five chartered Life Chapters. In a state where a State Federation exists, the Life Chapters also become affiliated with the State Federation. This occurs automatically at the same time a Life Chapter becomes chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc. These relationships are basically the same whether or not the Life Chapter is incorporated. Thus, Lutherans For Life consists of a network of individual entities formally associated with each other.

Membership Information

All officers of State Federations and Life Chapters and Life Ministry Coordinators must be members in good standing of Lutheran congregations and members of National Lutherans For Life.

Membership contributions are divided among the national organization, State Federation, and local Life Chapter if it is chartered.

Life Chapters that wish to include a membership form in newsletters or correspondence are asked to maintain the form and information provided by the national office.

The local Life Chapter may not establish its own membership program since LFL has a “unified membership” program. When sending a membership form to the national office, make sure the Life Chapter name and number, if chartered, is written on the form in the space provided. This will ensure that the State Federation and local Life Chapter receive the proper remittance payment.

Membership Classifications

Annual Membership

- Annual members join by making a membership donation accompanied by a completed copy of the membership form (or by joining online).
- Annual memberships run from July 1 through June 30. New memberships will expire on June 30 of the year following the initial membership donation.
- An annual membership drive will begin in May of each year. Current members will receive renewal information at that time. The membership drive will also encourage new memberships, although they will be accepted at any time of the year.

Sponsor Membership

- Sponsor members pledge to contribute a certain amount each month and to pray regularly for Lutherans For Life.
- Sponsor members receive a monthly letter from the executive director.
- Sponsor members are asked to renew their monthly pledge each year as part of the annual membership drive.

The Remittance Program of LFL

All MEMBERSHIP donations are shared with the chartered State Federation and/or local Life Chapter to which the particular members may belong. The membership donations are divided as follows:

Annual Memberships:

- 20% goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 20% goes to the State Federation.)
- 20% goes to the State Federation
- 60% remains at national

Sponsor Memberships:

- 1/12 goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 1/12 goes to the State Federation.)
- 1/12 goes to the State Federation
- 10/12 remains at national

