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Presenting the Pro-Life Message in Southeastern Michigan Since 1970—53 Years!

April 2023

## Fundraising Dinner & Silent Auction

**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

San Marino Club in Troy, Michigan

Auction Opens at 5:30 pm • Dinner Begins at 7:15 pm

Our Speaker This Year is

**Jason Jones**

**Lost Fatherhood:**

**A Pro-Life Journey**



Jason was the producer of the Pro-Life movie, *Bella*, and many others. He is the host of the podcast, *Jason Jones Show*. Jason works directly to aid the homeless, peoples facing genocide, and women with crisis pregnancies.

**Last Chance!**

Registration Form on Page 3

# Love Them Both: 7 ways to help someone who has had an abortion

By Bettina di Fiore

**A**s pro-life activists, we are called to do nothing less than transform the culture. Cultivating a pro-life vision for society involves not only promoting ideas and actions that are life-affirming, but also healing the wounds from the culture of death.

Second in woundedness only to those who have lost their lives are post-abortive women. These women are in great need of support and care, but can be difficult to reach, as they often hide their histories of abortion as a result of regret, shame, and fear of judgment.

It is possible for you to be a positive, healing presence in the lives of post-abortive women, however. These are a few simple ways for you to help:

**1. Be loving.** As Tori Shaw, Founder of *Not Forgotten Ministries*, states: "One of the purest demonstrations of love is to be aware of difficult situations and broken people and willingly choose to move towards them." Moving toward the wounded means presenting yourself in such a way as to not repel them – kindness and understanding are key. Shaw continues:

It's ... tempting to keep those people at a distance or make it known that we believe they're wrong. But when we "turn a blind eye" or shout our opinions, it's like running away from those who need love the most. To have the greatest impact, we must run toward those who are broken, even if we disagree with them, even if they are making terrible choices, and even if the situation is complex and messy.

It is estimated that nearly 1 in 4 American women have had an abortion. What you say on social media and in seemingly casual conversations, and how you present yourself when engaged in pro-life activism can make a defining impact on whether or not you reach these women. Speak truth, but always with charity, remembering that abortion-wounded women who may be desperate for help but afraid to reach out are hiding in plain sight all around you.

**2. Listen without judgment.** If you are chosen as a confidante by a post-abortive woman, be there to listen when she needs to talk. You don't need to have all the answers, or be able to relate to everything she is going through – just be a loving, listening ear. Resist the temptation to interrupt with stories about situations you perceive to be parallel – she may very well feel like her pain is unlike anything else on this earth, and this strategy may therefore backfire and push her further away. The most important thing is simply to show you respect and care for her by allowing her to speak.

**3. Check in.** Self-imposed isolation is common among post-abortive women due to the prevalent belief that nobody else can understand or relate to what they are going through. The culture has told them hundreds of times in dozens of ways that abortion regret is not real and that they will be able to walk away from the abortion experience without a blip on their existential radars. When this promise fails to become reality, many women ques-



tion themselves, feeling they must be anomalous in some way, which can cause them to feel disconnected from others.

Particularly if you haven't heard from a post-abortive friend for some time, take the time to reach out, and be persistent and consistent about following up. Make sure she knows you care for and are available to her.

**4. Familiarize yourself with post-abortive recovery resources.** If you are familiar with the resources that exist, it will be easier for you to direct those who are in need of help to the sources that provide it.

**5. Remind her that she is not alone.** Studies and meta-analyses have found an increase in the risk of mental health pathologies among post-abortive women, in the range of 45-81%. Anxiety, depression, suicidality, substance abuse, avoidance, guilt, and shame are all remarkably common experiences for women walking this path. However, social problems and isolation are also common – often motivated by the post-abortive woman's feeling that nobody else can understand what she is going through. Reminding her that she is not alone and helping to connect her with post-abortive support networks such as those mentioned in the list above can be exceptionally helpful to her healing process.

**6. Help her transform her pain to purpose.** Many post-abortive women's testimonies speak to the powerful transformations that occur when they are able to share their stories, reach out to abortion-minded women, and encourage them to embrace life. You can help a post-abortive woman to find her voice and turn her pain to purpose. This can be done by accompanying her in doing outreach on the sidewalk outside of an abortion facility, by helping her to write her story, or simply by being a voice cheering her on along the way.

**7. Be patient.** Post-abortive women can provide formidable energy and evidence in support of the pro-life movement, and for that reason, you might feel a great sense of urgency about getting your post-abortive friend to speak out. But women who have made this grave of a mistake must work through an almost inconceivable amount of grief, shame, and fear before they can find their empowered voices. Give her the time and grace she needs for that process, and make sure she knows you are there for her every step of the way.

- NRL News, March 8, 2022

# Right to Life - LIFESPAN's GENERATION TRUTH

## Spring Pro-Life Sidewalk Chalking Day 2023

**Tuesday,  
April 18, 2023**

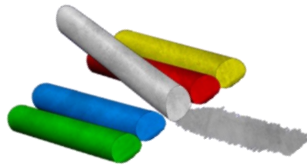
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# Underground Network Caught Shipping Massive Load of Dangerous Abortion Pills to America

By Micaiah Bilger

A secret group of abortion activists has been distributing dangerous abortion drugs to women – and likely their abusers – across the U.S. since the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* in June, according to a VICE News report.

Described as an “underground abortion pill network,” these abortion activists have sent out at least 20,000 abortion pills in the past six months “outside of the U.S. legal health care system,” two abortion providers told Vice.

In other words, there is no oversight, no check-ups or follow-up medical care if the mother suffers complications, no screening for abusers who want to force women and girls to abort their unborn babies, and no ultrasounds or information about the unborn baby.

Here’s more from the report:

Elisa Wells, a co-founder of Plan C, a website that provides information about how to procure abortion pills, told the outlet that “mifepristone is flowing into this country.” She also confirmed the suppliers who sent out the estimated 20,000 pills are listed on her website, though she did not share the name/names. She further confirmed to the outlet that 20,000 abortion pills had been shipped across the country.

VICE News is not the first outlet to bring attention to the covert abortion pill industry. In October of 2022, the *New Yorker* published an in-depth story about an underground network of women who call themselves “Pill Fairies.” Those women allegedly bring abortion pills over the Mexican border into the U.S. – “a process that requires disguises, burner phones, and encrypted messaging apps,” according to the publication.

Christie Pitney, a licensed nurse practitioner and midwife, works with Aid Access, a European-based abortion group that sends abortion pills to women across the world, including places where killing unborn babies is illegal.

Pitney also confirmed the estimate in an interview with Vice, saying “an estimated 20,000 abortion pills were shipped between the June 2022 *Roe* decision and December 2022.”

That does not mean all of the abortion drugs were used – or used willingly. Some pro-abortion groups have been recommending women buy abortion drugs before they are pregnant, something the Food and Drug Administration warns is dangerous and puts women’s lives at risk.

Abusive partners, human traffickers and others also have been caught trying to force women and girls to abort their unborn babies, sometimes by slipping abortion drugs into their drinks.



Abortion drugs are dangerous and can be deadly to both mothers and unborn babies. The abortion drug mifepristone is used to abort unborn babies up to about 10 weeks of pregnancy – although some abortionists use it later. It works by blocking the hormone progesterone and basically starving the unborn baby to death. Typically, abortion groups also prescribe a second drug, misoprostol, to induce labor and expel the baby’s body.

LifeNews just reported about a 19-year-old woman in Canada who died of septic shock after taking abortion drugs. The FDA has linked mifepristone to at least 28 women’s deaths and thousands of serious complications.

Yet, pro-abortion activists claim they are helping women by providing abortion drugs to kill their unborn babies without medical supervision or proper screening for abuse.

The drug mifepristone, typically used with a second drug, misoprostol, now is used for more than half of all abortions in the U.S. every year, or nearly half a million unborn babies, according to the Guttmacher Institute.

Right now, a federal judge is considering a lawsuit from four medical groups that challenges the FDA approval of mifepristone as an abortion drug. The medical organizations accused the agency of ignoring evidence of safety problems and failing to properly study the risks.

Studies indicate the risks are more common than what abortion activists often claim, with as many as one in 17 women requiring hospital treatment. A recent study by the Charlotte Lozier Institute found that the rate of abortion-related emergency room visits by women taking the abortion drug increased more than 500 percent between 2002 and 2015.

Another new study from the University of Toronto, “Short-Term Adverse Outcomes After Mifepristone-Misoprostol Versus Procedural Induced Abortion,” published in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*, found that one in ten women who took the abortion pill had to go to the emergency room, according to Pregnancy Help News.

- *LifeNews.com*, February 24, 2023

# 2023 Pro-Life LIFESPAN Events



**Pro-Life T-Shirt Day**  
Monday, April 3, 2023

**Spring Sideway Chalk Day**  
Tuesday, April 18, 2023

**Be the Change - RESCHEDULED**  
Friday, April 28 & Saturday, April 29, 2023

**Celebration of Life:  
Annual Dinner & Silent Auction**  
Tuesday, May 9, 2023

**Mother's Day Fundraiser**  
Sunday, May 14, 2023

**Father's Day Fundraiser**  
Sunday, June 18, 2023

**3rd Annual Motor City Caravan for Life**  
Saturday, June 24, 2023



**Movement In Motion Bus Trip Registration**  
September 1 - November 15, 2023

**National Day of Remembrance**  
Saturday, September 9, 2023

**Life Chain**  
Sunday, October 1, 2023

**Pro-Life Christmas Cards**  
October - December, 2023



**Autumn Sidewalk Chalk Day**  
Tuesday, October 3, 2023

**National Pro-Life Cupcake Day**  
Monday, October 9, 2023

**Pro-Life Day of Silent Solidarity**  
Tuesday, October 17, 2023

**Pro-Life Luncheon with Frank Pavone**  
Saturday, October 28, 2023

# LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb Counties

## What is Happening???

Major pro-life social media accounts are being removed without warning or reason. The attorney general of the United States stating the reason that law enforcement has not been able to arrest or prosecute those who vandalize pro-life pregnancy centers or churches is because they perpetrate their crime in the dark but pro-life people who pray in front of abortion clinics do it in the daytime, so they are easier to apprehend. Pro-life people testifying in front of various legislative hearings are limited in number and time allotment, but pro-abortion people are not limited in either number of those testifying or the length of testimony. Searching on social media for pro-life responses to ongoing events results in little or no pro-life information, almost always countered by a pro-abortion comment on the issue. Invitations to pro-life speakers are being withdrawn by universities due to “security issues”. Armed guards are being required to accompany pro-life speakers in many venues. When allowed to start their presentations, pro-life speakers are interrupted by whistles, chanting, catcalls, stomping, and other disruptive measures, making it impossible to continue. Parents seeking to address school boards on matters of student safety are being called terrorists, their microphones are being turned off and, in some cases, they are being physically removed by armed officers. The Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Inves-

tigation are scrutinizing traditional Catholics for “radical violent and racist tendencies”.

Where is all this happening? China? Korea? No! All this is happening right here in the United States of America. We in the pro-life movement are being cancelled! Not just censored—cancelled. And we are letting it happen. How many times have you heard someone of your acquaintance saying something favorable about abortion (as if there was anything favorable about abortion) and you decided to not say anything because either you did not know what to say, did not think it would do any good or were afraid to “start something”? You are cancelling yourself!!! SILENCE IS ACCEPTANCE. Don’t allow women to hurt and babies to die because you remain silent. If you don’t know what to say, we can help you. If you are afraid of causing hard feelings, know that you have a right to be pro-life. Help your children, even your adult children, to understand that if we can take the life of a baby in the womb, we can take the life of one already born, of someone who becomes handicapped later in life, or who is old, frail, and dependent on others. DO NOT ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE CANCELLED, SILENCED OR ERASED. As sure as the dawn comes after the night, this will happen if we let it.

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## Justice for All?

In the lull between Chapter events, a couple news stories to keep an eye on. The Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing with U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland regarding at least 81 documented attacks on pregnancy centers and 130 attacks on churches since the *Dobbs* ruling leak in May 2022. Juxtaposing the recent prosecution of Mark Houck and other pro-lifers with the lack of progress in arrests stemming from violent attacks on pregnancy centers, Sen. Mike Lee asked AG Garland, “So how do you explain this disparity by reference to anything other than politicization of what’s happening there?” Garland admitted the Department of Justice is prosecuting far more pro-lifers for lesser offenses than pro-abortion vandals, but justified this because, “Those who are attacking the pregnancy resource centers...are doing this at night in the dark. We have put full resources to this.” This is an embarrassing response! With the many resources and capabilities of the FBI and DOJ, it leaves one incredulous that the FBI simply cannot do its job because pregnancy centers are being vandalized or worse *at night!* Pro-lifers must demand equal justice for all and U.S. Government protection from acts of political violence committed by Jane’s Revenge and other abortion activists.

rent negotiations at the UN on a new World Health Organization (WHO) pandemic treaty in the works. Troubling enough, this treaty would give the Director of the WHO authority to mandate a global pandemic emergency. Even worse, the Biden Administration is leading the charge to add a treaty obligation requiring all UN member states to classify, “sexual and reproductive health services” (surely including abortion) as essential health care during future pandemics. U.S. Ambassador to the UN Pamela Hamamoto even suggested, “I have concerns about sharing the draft to all stakeholders...If we are sharing it with all stakeholders, we would support removing the attribution of member states.” The clear implication is that allowing transparency in this process would engender widespread opposition by the American people.

**Are all human beings worthy of equal rights or only some humans?**

**He is Risen! Have a Blessed Easter!**

## Troubling News from the UN

The Center for Family & Human Rights is a pro-life watchdog at the United Nations and a solid pro-life resource at <https://c-fam.org>. On March 3, C-Fam reported on cur-

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Wayne County



## Wee Care

March 2023 –has it really been three years since our world was turned upside down with the pandemic? Together, we have experienced fears never imagined and shared sorrows of losing loved ones to covid. Some stood outside of hospitals and nursing homes separated from their family members. Schools, businesses and churches were closed and weddings, graduations and funeral gatherings were cancelled. We questioned masks, vaccines and our government. (And finding toilet paper in a store was a reason to celebrate!) Sometimes, it is almost hard to believe that the worst of those times actually happened.

But, there was joy amidst all of the tragedy - babies continued to be born bringing so much love, laughter and hope, and you found ways to continue to help them! Monetary donations and gift cards purchased at grocery stores and drug stores (the only

places open) and ordering online kept our shelves stocked. We remained open (although we were considered "non-essential") and distributed packages outside our building. Nothing could stop your love for our little ones – and nothing will ever stop Wee Care and all pregnancy centers from helping our moms and their precious babies!

I often refer to you as my angels, but during those times, you were miracle workers! My gratitude and the gratitude of the mothers you helped is endless.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart, dear friends!

Love, Karen

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## YOUTH REPORT

Dear Friends of Life – students of all ages, parents, teachers, campus ministers, assistant principals, principals, school presidents, youth ministers, young adult leaders, DRE's, church administrators, deacons, pastors, and priests:

**Be the Change** was cancelled due to the snow on Friday, March 3rd and a power outage on Saturday, March 4th. It was disappointing for sure, but we live in Michigan and the weather is not always in our favor when we have events planned. We have the rescheduled dates. Please save the dates: April 28th & April 29th. See the back page. Please contact me at oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org for more information and put "2023 BTC" in the subject line.

Last month, we had received an updated Boycott List by email at the Oak/Mac office. Many people who received the list from us so far have responded that it was very helpful. If you would like us to email you a copy of it, please contact me by email and put "Boycott List" in the subject line.

I hope to see many of you on Tuesday, May 9th, for our annual Celebrate Life fundraiser dinner (see the flier on the front cover). Here are links to movies and short films, Jason Scott Jones has been a part of in producing:

Bella 2007: <https://youtu.be/mJ9AkTrbxgk>

Voiceless 2015: <https://youtu.be/R6Y5zhHvKH8>

Crescendo: <https://youtu.be/CaffJNETvqM>

Sing a Little Louder: <https://youtu.be/ofcs9Y7qL4s>

Divided Hearts of Am: <https://youtu.be/QjnUt5mPE4s>

Films/Documentaries in order:

Bella 2007

The Stoning of Soraya M. 2009

Crescendo (short film) 2012

Mother Miriam: Portrait of a Saint (documentary) 2013

Voiceless 2015

Sing a Little Louder (short film) 2016

Divided Hearts of American (documentary with NFL Super Bowl Champion Benjamin Watson) 2020

**Check out Jason's website:** [www.movietomovement.com](http://www.movietomovement.com)

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\_\_\_\_ My photo and check are enclosed      \_\_\_\_ My photo will be sent by e-mail; enclosed is my check.

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## From the President's Desk



As a woman I was totally disgusted and angry with an award given out by the White House. It was titled "International Women of Courage Award". It was presented to a transgender person from Argentina. It was given out on a day designated as "International Women's Day". It was for women. But one of these awards was also given to a man, claiming to be a woman. Not only did they insult me as a woman but all women in the US that believe in true feminism and enjoy being a woman. It was disgusting.

I see this radical transgender movement as another attack on womanhood, fatherhood, and the family.

The radical feminists and the radical leftists have successfully changed a majority of this nation to believe that killing their offspring is permissible and is good for society and good for those who do not want their baby. It has been successful in breaking up families through a tolerance of permissive sexual ideology, thus weakening our great nation. The government through it's "great society campaign" of the sixties did more than any other program, to allow fathers to walk away from their responsibility of fatherhood. Slowly, through the years of permissive abortion laws, lack of fathers in the home, and a over sexualized society; the family structure has been weakened. We now have another ridiculous attack on the family. The transgender movement is now trying to move the society into believing there are no true definition of gender. That is a lie!

You cannot change your gender. You are born with XX chromosomes or XY chromosomes. If you are born with XX chromosome you are female. If you are born with XY chromosomes, you are male. No amount of hormones or surgery will alter that fact.

Yes, there are some who are born with indeterminate gender. This is a genetic problem requiring medical intervention. I am not referring to this condition. I am referring to the vast majority of people who want sex changes because of "feelings". Due to the mental instability of these people, as well as many groups and individuals who are getting very wealthy, promotion of these changes through hormonal therapy or surgery, have dramatically increased. More transgender clinics are opening. More are wanting to transgender. Pretending to change a child's gender before puberty or early puberty through hormone therapy or surgical intervention is CHILD ABUSE. Let's start calling it what it is!!

Abortion attacks the heart of a family, the children. Now a new ideology wants to continue to erode the family through promoting confusion in our children as to the truth of their gender. What is a mother, and what is a father? When I was young, we knew the truth - there was no confusion. But, when you have such a revered institution as the White house, and the First Lady hosting an International Day for Women, giving out an award to a person who's biological gender is male and has "transgendered" to female (because of "feelings"), how does this bring clarity of truth to our children and society? It doesn't! It is another tool used to confuse and change the ideology of a coun-

try.

Woman in the pro-life movement must speak out about our role in society. We may not all bear and raise children, but we can and must speak out on the beauty and great purpose of womanhood. As women, whether we work in the home, or outside the home, wherever we are in life, it is important to carry our female traits with us—love, compassion, empathy, nurturing and joy in knowing we are able to produce the next generation. In my opinion this is the most beautiful and important role we have in society-loving and nurturing the next generation. What is more important than that?

Don't let the radical feminists and money hungry zealots take that away from us. They have already demeaned us by convincing so many- killing our children for the greater good is permissible. The radicals have destroyed women's sports as well as other institutions for woman. The radical feminists look away as young girls and adult women are used for human sexual trafficking, now they look away while some try and destroy our existence as women.

Radical leftist, confuse, manipulate, destroy. A perfect formula to take down a Nation!

Let all of us women, and men, continue to fight for the truth. Let us be true feminists - rise up and challenge the actions and words of the radical feminists. TRUTH is on our side. We must continue to speak out and not be afraid. If we don't, I fear for the future. Yes, these people can be stopped but only if we continue to be present and fight for the rights of all; especially our future citizens residing in the womb.

SPEAK OUT FOR THE TRUTH. May God give us the courage!

— Diane Fagelman, President

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