OUR ALLIANCE DEFENSE FUND LAWYERS (ADF) chalked up another victory against another repressive college for attempting to ban CBR’s Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) campaign.

Our friends at Sanctity of Human Life Network (SOHLNET http://www.sohlnet.org) in Sacramento brought CBR’s Genocide Awareness Project (compact version) to Sacramento City College on September 16-17. Steve Macias, the student government president, was instrumental in having the school host GAP. Macias is a 19-year-old Christian student. In spite of the fact that the student government voted unanimously to permit the GAP display, opposition quickly arose on day one. World Net Daily reported:

But Macias told WND Sacramento City College vice president of student affairs Michael Poindexter and ASG faculty adviser Lee Weathers-Miguel pulled him out of class and demanded that he tell the pro-life group to leave campus, even though the school grounds are open to the public.

‘I said, “I can’t tell them to leave. They have every right to be here.”’

He said the administrators responded, ‘Go out there and tell them to move their display somewhere off campus or turn their signs around. Tell them this isn’t OK.’

Macias responded, ‘I can’t tell them to do any of that. They have every right to be here, and it’s not my place to tell them what to do with their display.’

He said school officials also told him he should have invited a pro-abortion group to the event.

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Poindexter also confronted Macias about his faith, the ADF’s letter to the school explained.

Sacramento City College’s ASB president faced a recall effort for refusing administrators’ demands that he shut down the GAP display which was drawing throngs of students. Many Christian students boldly came right out of the crowd to defend the pro-life position.

‘I don’t see anything in the Bible that says you should do what you’re doing,’ Poindexter told Macias, according to the letter, adding, ‘What does your God think about what you’re doing?’


The administrators retaliated by assisting angry students and an off-campus group, Queer-Straight Alliance, in organizing a recall campaign of Macias. The campaign violated numerous rules of the school constitution. This was more than ironic because GAP was held as part of the school’s Constitution Day on September 17.

When SOHLNET informed CBR’s executive director Gregg Cunningham on October 16 about the recall, he contacted ADF and got them on the case right away.

This top-notch religious liberty legal alliance sent a cease and desist letter to the administrators on Nov. 5

http://www.telladf.org/UserDocs/MaciasLetter.pdf. The
letter challenged school administrators regarding their actions against Macias: First Amendment retaliation, deprivation of due process and equal protection, multiple violations of the state’s Brown Act and conspiracy.”

When the school was forced to stop the recall on November 12, ADF issued a press release which included these statements: “Respecting people’s First Amendment rights is worthy of praise, not punishment,” said ADF Litigation Staff Counsel David Hacker. ‘The recall election against Steve was wrongly motivated and flawed. The entire process against him began because he stood up for the free speech rights of a pro-life group.” http://www.alliancedefensefund.org/news/pressrelease.aspx?cid=5126. Although ADF and CBR are pleased that the school reinstated Steve as president, we are disappointed with the continued and relentless attempt to punish him by now seeking to impeach him from office. Pray for this young pro-life hero. His courageous stand has surely saved the lives of babies.

SOHLNET reports on their website about one of the babies saved by GAP. A pregnant woman who was considering aborting her baby saw the GAP display; while there, she listened to the testimony of Jose, a youth pastor and former SOHLNET board member. She decided to not have the abortion. Praise God!

**Canadian GAP Victory**

**CANADIAN CENTRE FOR BIO-ETHICAL REFORM**

November 2, 2009: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CROWN STAYS CHARGES AGAINST CALGARY PRO-LIFE STUDENTS

CALGARY – The trespassing charges laid against six members of Campus Pro-Life at the University of Calgary have been stayed by the Crown Prosecutor, effectively meaning that the charges have ended.

The group’s display, held on the University of Calgary campus every semester since 2006, termed the Genocide Awareness Project, precipitated the charges. The display compares abortion to past historical atrocities, such as the Rwandan genocide and the Holocaust in Nazi Germany.

Club president Leah Hallman stated, “We are relieved by this decision on the part of the Crown Prosecutor; Campus Pro-Life has consistently maintained that all of our actions were in full compliance under the law.”

The charges were initially delivered to the homes of several students by members of the Calgary Police Service in February of 2009. On March 16th, all charged members pleaded not guilty. At the time, Hallman argued, “We have asked the university several times which of its by-laws, policies, regulations or other authority it relies on for censoring our viewpoint, and have received no answer to date.”

The staying of the charges takes place nearly one year after the November 2008 display on campus that was the catalyst for the charges being laid.

“Campus Pro-Life will continue being a voice for the voiceless,” states club treasurer Alanna Campbell. “We hope to continue our activities on campus and raise awareness among the next generation of community leaders.”

**CBR Helps Save African Children**

“**J**ESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN, all the children of the world” go the lyrics of a familiar and beloved song. Surely His love extends to all children worldwide, born and preborn. In previous years, we were heartened when missionaries and medical teams took our videos with them overseas. By showing videos like *Hard Truth, Harder Truth, Dura Realidad* (Spanish) and now *Choice Blues*, they saved babies’ lives.

With the advent of the Internet, God opened more doors to save babies. For instance, in the past year we have been contacted by two pro-life men in Ghana. We sent them CBR resources to use in educating their countrymen about abortion. We introduced the two men via email and they are now working together.

Pastor Francis Nyamekye heads the Ghana Pro-Life Organization, GHAPLO – The Royal Fighters for the Rights of the Unborn Children. On his team are three pastors, a lecturer from Ghana Bible College, and one elder from Nyinahin Church of Christ. Ghanaian legislation has shifted from restriction towards liberalization with grounds for legal abortion that can be broadly interpreted and with no limit on gestational age. Due to the high cost of surgical abortions, many women attempt to abort their babies using traditional methods. Pro-Life Ghana has learned that women use “traditional” substances like herbs, salts, lemon, sugar and even Coca-Cola in their desperation to abort pregnancies.

It is important that CBR help Ghana Pro-Life by sharing our resources. Pastor Nyamekye told us, “This program we have started here in Ghana is timely intervention because a lot of children are being lynched here in Ghana everyday through abortion... and it was last Saturday night that I finally realized in my dream that God is REALLY yearning for people to stand for these innocent children.”
Ghana Pro-Life’s July-September 2009 report demonstrated their effectiveness. Pastor Nyamekye reported on four babies being saved through their outreach. When he was invited to preach at the August 29 funeral of the women’s ministry leader at Bibiani Church of Christ, he took the opportunity to preach against abortion to the 1,000 people gathered. September was Teenagers’ Celebration Month for Nyinahin Churches of Christ and the theme was “Biblical Understanding on Abortion.” Pastor Nyamekye gave lectures on abortion at many of the churches. A doctor was invited by a friend to attend one of these church services. After pastor’s lecture on abortion in which he showed video, the doctor confessed before the whole congregation that he was an abortionist in Ghana and now in Nigeria. He announced he was quitting and would never perform abortions again!

Pastor Nyamekye reported to us again on November 2nd:

Let us give thanks to the Lord for the success of last week’s project with the pastors at Ghana Bible College. It was great!!! I had one day to give lectures on Pro-Life projects. I talked about the sanctity of human life, sexual integrity for young people and singles, and how to help women who find themselves in unplanned pregnancy.

I showed abortion video on projector, and photos exhibition. At the end of the program, six pastors applied to become members of the organization. Also some of the pastors have invited us to come to their region with the project; two invitations from Northern Region of Ghana. Other invitations from Western Region, Central Region, and two invitations on 19th November 2009 / 28th November 2009—in Ashanti Region.

In fact, from the look of things, you will have to make a date—somewhere next year to come to Ghana—for us to expand Pro-Life Project here. Because what I realized last week is that we can have branches in every region of Ghana. …

Your gifts enable us to give materials to missionaries and pro-lifers in undeveloped countries like Ghana. The abortion photos work across cultural and national boundaries to save babies.

Editor’s Note: Excerpts from quoted e-mail messages may be edited for grammar, punctuation, syntax, spelling and/or length.
“I will never even consider abortion after seeing and reading the things I did on this website.”

19-year-old from Ohio, Nov. 9 website survey

Prayer Requests

- Planning for Winter/Spring Genocide Awareness Project at universities
- Blessings on Pro-Life Ghana

Your continued support helps us show God’s love by promoting justice for pre-born children. “The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.” Psalm 33:5

Sacramento City College students engaged in lively debate at GAP conducted by SOHLNET. Pictured here talking with students is Don Blythe of At the Well Ministries who joined SOHLNET in their tour of eight California colleges that culminated at UC Berkeley with CBR.

Events

- Nov. 16-18 GAP at University of Houston

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