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God at Work Through CBR in Germany

One of our newest CBR associates is in Germany. This is such an influential country that we have sought and prayed for someone to lead a serious pro-life group in Germany.

God has been working. Last summer, a young mother named Astrid Burroughs was a student in Youth With A Mission's (YWAM) School of Worship at Herrnhut, Germany. Her husband Fitzroy was caring for their one-year son Rian so Astrid could study.

Astrid was one day preparing a message about true worship. She contemplated how we lift our hands to God at church and say we love God, but when our time singing on the worship team ends, or when we leave church on Sunday, those same hands do virtually nothing to stop abortion.

Astrid was moved to visit our website, AbortionNO.org. She then completed our survey where she briefly shared her regret of her abortion that took place several years ago. Lois Cunningham, CBR's Director of Crisis Pregnancy Outreach, emailed her and learned that Astrid is now a Christian and of her affiliation with YWAM.

Astrid recently wrote us more details of that time:

Jesus led me to your site and I was sick for three days, crying, 'Lord, why did no one show me these pictures? On day three Jesus confronted me, 'You vomit, Astrid, because of these pictures. I see this every day in real life. And my Church, My Bride, is not doing anything about this.' God spoke out of Revelation 3:16. 'So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.'

...People work full-time on aborting babies, but who is working full-time on saving these babies Jesus asked. My heart was so broken. I had to repent.

If we say we give God our lives, everything belongs to Him -- our house, our car, our family, our time, even our testimony which I am so not proud of. Being ashamed of my sin and of my baby caused me to kill my baby. Being not anymore ashamed of my testimony I can, with God's help only, save babies for His Kingdom's sake.

Our email correspondence with Astrid led to Skype conversations, and we invited Astrid to join our monthly CBR Skype call with our European affiliates. This past year,

she has shown CBR's *Choice Blues* DVD along with giving presentations in churches. She and her husband Fitzroy have also networked with our affiliate directors in The Netherlands and Finland to give presentations at a YWAM base and in a church. Mirko Brummer of CBR-Finland also assisted Astrid in setting up the Baby139 website, cleverly hosting it in Finland to avoid a German law that would prevent internet use of abortion photos.

To assist Astrid in doing public abortion photo sign displays, on July 12 we shipped her five 3 by 4 feet Choice signs. On July 19, she received a letter from the German customs office

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29 August
30 August
CRYOUT
GERMANY
CONFERENCE

Blast das Horn auf dem Zion, schlägt Alarm auf dem heiligen Berg! Ja, zittert, ihr Bewohner des Landes! Denn der Tag, an dem der Zorn des Herrn losbricht, lässt nicht mehr lange auf sich warten. Joel 2:1

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Donnerstag 29.08.2013 19.00 Uhr
Ort: Atterberry Chapel-Multi Cultural Christian Church
Rossittenerstrasse 19
60487 Frankfurt am Main

Freitag 30.08.2013 19.00 Uhr
Ort: Internationales Glaubenszentrum-Maranatha Gemeinde
Robert-Koch-Strasse 9a
64331 Weiterstadt (Darmstadt-Nord)

KCN
www.kcn.org

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www.baby139.org

CBR Executive Director Gregg Cunningham will be the speaker at August 29 and 30 conferences hosted by our new German affiliate. The cities are Frankfurt and Weiterstadt.



Victory at UC Riverside

On May 30-31, our team conducted the Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) at University of California, Riverside. This was our second visit to this campus located nearly 60 miles east of Los Angeles. Students for Life sponsored GAP and reserved an excellent location near the bell tower.

Volunteer Julia Tavis noted that she encountered more students than usual who were simply dumbfounded by what they saw. Julia asked students who stopped by GAP, “It’s pretty overwhelming, isn’t it? Do you have any questions or comments?” More than one replied, “No, I’ve just never seen this before.” Julia shares our confidence that every time GAP is displayed, minds are changed and lives are saved.

Pro-abortion graduate students set up a counter-GAP petition table mid-way through the first day. A male student walked up and actually told them with a smile, “You are doing the work of the lord.” [We would clarify “the lord of darkness.”]

CBR intern Seth David Gruber was speaking to a student at the end of the second day during the take-down of the GAP exhibit. He was clearly pro-abortion. As Seth moved along in the development of the child until birth, the student still maintained that the baby wasn’t human until it was completely out of the womb. Seth asked, “What if the baby’s foot was the only thing that hadn’t come out?” and the student still said it wasn’t human. Seth continued educating this confused student until he finally acknowledged that the preborn child is human at the point the child exits the womb. Seth asked him what led him to believe that was true. SILENCE. He then quickly changed the subject.

Thank God that our abortion photos travel home in the minds of even the most confused of students. We know that God continues to work on their hearts and minds and many of them will become pro-life as a result of the time we invest in being on their campuses.



Students at University of California, Riverside were largely open to our GAP display on May 30-31, 2013. Many made statements to us like, “I’ve just never seen anything like this before.”



CBR-Maryland is conducting CBR’s Church Project outside Saint Margaret’s Catholic Church in Bel Air, Maryland. When pastors will not preach the truth inside the church, we must proclaim the truth outside the church.

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indicating that the customs form was not attached to the package, so she needed CBR to submit via fax and email the required information regarding the contents. For each day the package remained in customs, Astrid would be charged a fee. We sent the email, and we prayed that the signs would get through and that the customs office would not charge Astrid any fees. Astrid went to the customs office with her toddler son Rian. The official asked Astrid if she paid CBR anything and she replied, “Absolutely nothing. These banners are a gift from God to educate Germany concerning the injustice of abortion.” The officer asked again if Astrid paid us, or if people were paying her to accept the package. Astrid repeated “no” and then shared her abortion testimony with this official and three others who were listening to the conversation. At the conclusion, she offered to open the package and show them the banners; they agreed.

The officials then sent Astrid to a nearby internet café to print the CBR letter which she’d shown them on her mobile phone. While there, Astrid met two Muslim men and she took the opportunity to speak with them about Jesus and about abortion. They both had German citizenship and agreed to sign the OneofUs petition.

Upon her return to the customs office, the official asked Astrid where she was going to show the CBR banners. Astrid replied, “Everywhere in Germany – in schools, in churches, on the street and we started here today in the Customs office.” The customs officials responded by saying, “We are too old to have abortions, but please go and tell the younger generations.” One female official cried, and Astrid cried too. Rian shook everyone’s hands and two customs officials came out to hug Astrid. God answered our prayers - the signs got through, and they did not charge Astrid any fees.

In late August, Astrid and Fitzroy are have scheduled CBR Executive Director Gregg Cunningham to speak at two conferences. Keep them and Gregg in prayer as they seek to mobilize German Christians to speak up for the babies.



CBR Rallying the Church

For the past 22 years, CBR has beseeched pastors, principals, and administrators at Christian schools for the opportunity to give pro-life presentations to their parishioners and students. Most times, the doors have been shut in our faces. With abortion now being legal for 40 years in all 50 states, for any reason or no reason at all, we believe it is imperative to move beyond “begging” for permission to involve more of the Church in this battle.

As part of this effort, CBR-Maryland has begun conducting more projects at Christian venues. In the past 3 months, CBR Maryland volunteers have taken a project called Run2TheBattle to two Christian high schools, a Christian music concert and a church for consecutive weeks.

The majority who saw the sign displays and spoke to the team were surprised that we would be present where most viewers were pro-life. Some listened to our team explain our position. Others responded angrily, including:

- Baltimore Lutheran Church – A parent told us. “Get the f*** away from my daughter’s school!” The Principal would not take information or meet with us. He claimed his church is “very pro-life.”
- Shine FM Summer Blast concert - One patron threatened to push a Run2TheBattle volunteer into the Baltimore harbor. Shine FM DJ Michael Alley tried unsuccessfully to have police remove CBR volunteers from the gates of Summer Blast.
- St. Margaret’s Catholic Church in Bel Air, MD – A man called CBR volunteers “white trash” and repeatedly triggered his car horn with a handheld panic button in an attempt to drive the team away. Another man going into the church held his middle finger up rudely.

In a homily given on the morning of June 29 at St. Margaret’s Catholic Church, a priest stated that the issue of abortion has no greater claim on our attention than any other issue. This insult to the dignity of the preborn children prompted CBR-Maryland staff to begin showing abortion photo signs outside the church on Sundays. Clergy and some parishioners have been visibly bothered, but other parishioners have offered their support.

When our staff asks church people, “What are you doing to end abortion?” – the most common response is a blank stare.

All over America, there are churches situated near abortion mills, peacefully coexisting together. Few congregations have a pro-life ministry. Many of those which do are happy to do as little as possible. No Christian college offers a degree in anti-abortion ministry. Kurt Linnemann, CBR-Maryland Co-Director states, “Pastors, Christian schools and Christian radio promote pro-life thinking, but not pro-life doing.” Our goal is to change the status quo and motivate Christians to action.



Thousands of Shine FM Summer Blast concert-goers at the Baltimore Harbor saw CBR-Maryland’s signs and were educated about abortion on May 26.

Thank you for your gifts and prayers to CBR. Babies’ lives depend on us being doers of God’s Word.

“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.”

JAMES 1:22

- Pray for our pro-life associates in Russia and Latvia
- Pray for Gregg Cunningham’s late August through September work in Europe

Events

Urban GAP

July 4 Independence Day Street Chats, Baltimore Inner Harbor

July 19-20 “The Art of Abortion: Slaughter of the Innocent” Artscape, Baltimore, Maryland

“Choice” Sign Outreaches

July 1 Choice Chain at National Education Association Assembly in Atlanta, Georgia.

Weekly Baltimore, Germantown, Berwyn Heights, and Rockville, Maryland.

Also at Northern Virginia Metro stops, Washington, D.C., and Old Town Alexandria, Virginia.

Matthew 28:20 Project

Sundays in Bel Air, Maryland

Training Seminars and Speaking Engagements

July 23 Rocky Mountain Christian Church, Niwot, CO
August 3 Westfield, New Jersey

“ We are too old to have abortions,
but please go and tell the younger generations.”

Response from German customs officials



CBR's Russian affiliate continues to amaze us as they boldly use our abortion photos to save babies. In late July and early August, they have joined with friends in the country of Latvia to picket an abortion clinic. Seeing our international affiliates and associates reach out to train and team up with pro-lifers in other countries is one of our great joys. Proverbs 24:11-12 is at the top of this web page which shows more photos of CBR images on the streets of Riga, Latvia: <http://abortamnet.ru/gallery/category/386-riga-pervyi-piket.html>.

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