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Taking Abortion Reality to Carolina Universities

“I didn’t want to look but I *had* to look,” said a student at East Carolina University (ECU). She had just experienced the power of our Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) when we visited her university for the first time ever on April 6-7, 2015. Our huge photo murals compare abortion to recognized forms of genocide and the message challenges students’ thinking about the inhumanity of abortion.

God used tree roots to help us secure the best location on campus to reach students. We initially reserved the Cupola which is the designated public forum at ECU, but the administration was concerned about the impact of our display on tree roots at that location, so they asked us to relocate to a grassy area in front of the student center. We willingly agreed because the space in front of the student center is, in fact, a better location. We are thankful that the administrators were reasonable people and that God worked out this location for our purposes.

“I have just changed my mind!” concluded another student who had begun her conversation by saying abortion might be a viable choice for other women.

A male student said, “I had no idea this is what abortion was – they are so tiny – and that is a hand!”

Another student said, “It’s gruesome. I didn’t know how developed it [the baby’s body] is so early.” She went on to say, “People do need to see this; maybe they will make different decisions.”

One student exclaimed, “This is the best thing I have seen on campus all 4 years!”

CBR Southeast staff member Jane Bullington met a man who does frequent prayer walks on campus, using Scripture as he prays. He was glad our GAP team was there; perhaps God sent us in response to his prayers.

Large numbers of students accepted our literature and dialogued with our team. Many were quite open-minded.



Campus police had to intervene when this pro-abortion professor raged against GAP at East Carolina University.

In contrast, a pro-abortion professor came out to scream and profanely vent her anger about GAP’s presence. Police intervened and repeatedly directed her to take her complaint to the administrative office.

Later on, another female professor came up and asked, “Why did you come to this university?” As she listened to our response, she said, “You have no idea how much this is needed on campus!” She shared her concerns about student involvement in satanic worship, sexual immorality and abortions. She wants GAP to return and offered to help us.

Since we had no ECU sponsoring student organization, CBR Southeast Director Fletcher Armstrong followed school policy for non-sponsored groups. CBR Project Director-Virginia Jackie Hawkins has subsequently been meeting with the students who were so affected by GAP that they signed up to be part of a new pro-life campus organization. We have provided them with a model constitution and are assisting them to comply with administrative requirements.

A significant part of our ministry with college students is to help them start pro-life organizations and/or to help established groups be more effective. Some groups consist of only a handful of students doing projects that do little to educate their peers about abortion. We help them become a force to be reckoned with on campus. It really is a form of Christian discipleship when we mentor the students to be strong and bold leaders, while simultaneously training them to treat those wounded by abortion with compassion.

Ministry opportunities also arise with university staff members. A woman came by GAP carrying a large cardboard box; she stopped and stared at the first-trimester abortion victim posters and tears began streaming down her cheeks. CBR Project Directors Bill and Jeanette Schultz reached out to offer her comfort. She willingly shared her story about the two abortions

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she'd had some 20 years ago when she had no one to help her, adding, "If only someone had told me the truth." She expressed sorrow for taking the lives of her children and hoped the Lord would forgive her. The Schultz's prayed with her and assured her of His mercy and forgiveness when we repent. They urged her to meet with her pastor and to draw closer to the Lord. She picked up her box and left with a smile.

The East Carolinian ran an April 7, 2015, story ("Pro-Life Organization Holds Protest on Campus") which quoted De'Ja CookBrown, a sophomore communication major, "It opened my eyes to the situation. It gave viewers a different way to see it. The pictures were graphic, but sometimes it may take that to get a point across, especially for something as big as life."

The GAP team traveled on to University of North Carolina-Wilmington (UNCW) on April 8-9. In the planning stages we were aided by Mike Adams, a UNCW faculty member and columnist for Townhall.com, who introduced us to Ratio Christi. This campus group enthusiastically embraced GAP and agreed to sponsor us along with College Republicans. Former CBR staffer Paul Troiani and his wife Anna were instrumental in helping us do the advance work and fund the project. What a blessing to have God provide such a wonderful group of people to assist our CBR team.

At UNCW, we set GAP up at the west end of Chancellor's Walk. The administration was very cooperative for our first GAP appearance at this university; that makes our job to educate students much easier. That is so significant because our education saves lives.

A 19-year-old student told Jane Bullington, "My girlfriend is pregnant. It will be hard, but we will not do this." Mrs. Bullington spent a long time talking with this nervous young man who was grateful for someone to listen and give him encouragement.

WECT-Channel 6 interviewed several students for their April 8 report <http://bit.ly/1MwRXWD>. The president of Ratio Christi was the first one quoted:

'Unless you take a course in human embryology, students may never know how well-developed unborn babies are when abortions are performed,' said Madison Marston, president of Ratio Christi at UNCW. 'The unborn are more than clumps of tissues and these images clearly prove it.'

'I think just like as a first world nation we should have an option for safe and legal abortion for people who want it, and if you don't want it, you don't have to have one,' a member of UNCW's Feminist Student Alliance Becki Fernandez said.

'I think it's great. I think people need to be made aware of what's going on and what we say is okay in our country,' said Steven Robinson, another UNCW student.

This student recognized how GAP works. Yet, to this day, some pro-life people, even pro-life leaders, do not understand that the history of social reform teaches us that reformers must use

images to educate and awaken the public to the evil. As we interact with these people who disparage the importance of using abortion photos, we learn that virtually none of them have ever attempted to use abortion photos. In response to one recent negative article on the matter, Fletcher Armstrong, Director of CBR-Southeast, wrote an article entitled "In the Abortion Debate, the Facts Matter." It was posted September 29, 2015, on <http://bit.ly/1GNGZcx>.

We are thankful for your support of CBR's ministry as we use strategies and projects to educate people that abortion is an act of violence which kills a baby. This genocide must be stopped!



Our Corporate Accountability Project volunteer team included friends from Sanctity of Human Life Network (SOHLNET) and At the Well Ministries, both in Northern California. Our team stood outside the shareholders meeting in San Ramon, CA, on May 27, 2015, and held signs that educated passersby about abortion. Pictured here is Diana Jimenez holding our sign educating Chevron shareholders that their company donates to Planned Parenthood. Environmentalists and other activists were also present, but they stayed clear of our abortion photo signs; we had the best location accordingly.



On October 21, 2015, at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, CBR volunteer Diane Sachs talked with nursing students (wearing red uniforms) near our "Choice" signs.



Helsinki CBR Display Reaches Diverse Crowds

An entrance to the main railway station was the site of CBR-Finland's abortion victim photo display on October 17, 2015. This station is right in the center of Helsinki. Mirko Brummer reported that the huge crowds who saw the abortion signs consisted of Romanian gypsies, Iraqi/Syrian refugees and ISIS infiltrators, Russian and Asian tourists, soldiers on leave and everyday people.

Mr. Brummer's wife Hanna worked hard to recruit volunteers, and they were overjoyed that their Lutheran Mission Diocese bishop took part. Mrs. Brummer tried a new approach of requiring volunteers to register beforehand, and it worked! The bishop thanked the Brummers afterwards for doing this work. He told them later that he was almost crushed during an evangelistic outreach in 1968 in nearly the same spot. He was interpreting for an American pastor when an anti-Vietnam War crowd went berserk. Since then he has been a missionary in Germany where he primarily worked among Turks. Then, for several years, he led a church in Turkey.

Mr. Brummer noted, "So I guess our bishop is battle proven, so to say. We hope to get him to attend again, and his wife as well."

This October 17 outreach was "not dull at all" according to Mr. Brummer. There was an evangelist near the train station who used the CBR pictures to demonstrate how far downhill the culture has gone. (This occurs with evangelists on US college campuses at times.)

Another noteworthy occurrence was when Pastor Mika Ebeling talked with a Russian tourist. When Pastor Ebeling told her that we have pro-life colleagues and friends in Russia, she said that she had already seen similar pictures in St. Petersburg. Our Finnish colleagues were amazed as they know St. Petersburg is extremely large! We are proud of the excellent work done by Warriors for Life in Russia and by Human Rights Organisation Pro Life Finland (<http://lopettakaatappaminen.tk/>). Our Russian and Finnish affiliates need our prayers.

Thank you for supporting our strategic work so we keep working to end abortion.

"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter."

ISAIAH 5:20

Prayer Requests

- Pray for courage for students to reach their peers about abortion, including on Christian campuses.
- Pray for CAP to propel corporations to stop funding Planned Parenthood baby-killing.

2015 Events

Genocide Awareness Project (GAP)

- Nov 4-5 Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- Nov 9-10 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
- Nov 11-12 North Carolina State University

Urban GAP

- Nov 2 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, TX

Corporate Accountability Project (CAP)

- Oct 20 Starbucks, Pomona, CA

Christian College Project

- Sep 3 Liberty University

"Choice" Sign Outreaches

- Sep 22 Wake Tech Community College, Raleigh, NC
- Oct 6 University of California, San Diego, CA
- Oct 14 Washington Lee High School, Arlington, VA
- Oct 13 Saddleback College, Mission Viejo, CA
- Oct 20 Calif. State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- Oct 21 Yorktown High School, Arlington, VA
- Oct 15, 21 George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- Oct 27 Palomar College, San Marcos, CA
- Nov 3 San Antonio College, San Antonio, TX

Presentations & Speaking Engagements

- Oct 2-3 The Clarkson Academy, London, England
- Oct 17-18 Ratio Christi student retreat, Charlotte, NC
- Oct 31 Pro-Life Training Academy, Knoxville, TN
- Nov 1 Living Water Fellowship Church, Bulverde, TX
- Nov 1 Apologetics Training, Spring Branch, TX
- Nov 7 Pro-Life Training Academy, Raleigh, NC
- Nov 8 Pro-Life Training Academy, Greensboro, NC

“ *My girlfriend is pregnant. It will be hard,
but we will not do this [abortion].* ”
Spoken by a 19-year-old student at **UNCW GAP**



CBR staff member Anna Johnson holds CBR signs and distributes our brochures to educate students at University of California, San Diego, on October 6, 2015. A male student looks at the “How Can You Compare Abortion to Genocide?” brochure.

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