Testimonies: Abortion Photos Work

Long-time supporters of CBR have for years read about the power of abortion pictures to reach people and to save children from abortion. The following are some testimonies that demonstrate some of the ways in which God uses the photos to speak to people’s hearts.

Post-abortion woman moved to become a pro-life leader

“It was after seeing the CBR [abortion] images -- especially the 8-week baby with ribs and the severed hand next to a pencil -- that I cried and cried for three days on my living room floor. What have I done?! At the end of three days, I vowed: ‘The world needs to see this!’ Shortly afterwards, I contacted Gregg Cunningham and asked for permission to use one of the pictures on my private letterhead, as the world needs to know. Before long, Salome van der Wende became the founder of CBR-Netherlands and she has spoken to audiences worldwide.

Saved her preborn child’s life

A pregnant woman was planning an abortion when she found https://www.abortusinformatie.nl/. Ms. van der Wende reached out to her and, thankfully, this woman changed her mind. She wrote: “I thought abortion was the right thing, but I started researching. The information you give puts things in perspective … the gruesome details of how they actually perform an abortion and how they dismember babies.

[My son] is so perfect and I can’t imagine life without him. What if I hadn’t stumbled on your info? I could have taken an innocent life and killed my baby by having an abortion. My son’s father and I are now engaged and planning our wedding. I just want you to know that your info is resourceful and literally saved my baby’s life. Thank you.”

Regrets from woman who took morning after pills

A European woman wrote us while visiting our website: “[I’ve] been thinking about it to the point of repenting from having used morning after pills a few times, years ago. Plus I am convinced that pro-life women ought never to use birth control pills as they are abortifacients. I have never used those anymore since becoming a Christian, not even since I got married. I believe anything that possibly kills the unborn baby… should be illegal…” (48-year-old who found CBR through Wikipedia, March 23, 2020) Posts of this sort are important reminders of how effectively God uses CBR even in foreign countries.

Photos could have saved her baby

“When I was very young I had an abortion [in the] 1970’s, no information, no support.” (68-year-old woman from California who found CBR’s AbortionNO.org while looking for DVDs to circulate to young women and men, CBR web survey, April 20, 2020)

Since CBR started using abortion videos and photos to educate the public about abortion in 1991, a number of pro-life groups and individuals have followed our example and are now also using our photos and signs on campuses and street corners, showing people the truth about abortion. Pray that more pro-life people and leaders will recognize that we cannot win the battle if we hide the truth.
Twenty Years in the Battle

We are thanking God for two staff members from Tennessee who have been with CBR for over 20 years! This is a significant milestone for CBR as well as the pro-life movement. Fletcher Armstrong, PhD, left his engineering career to join our team, and he also helped us recruit Jane Bullington, a colleague at Knox County Right to Life. In this issue, we will tell you more about Mrs. Bullington, believing that her story will inspire you.

Jane Bullington was deeply moved when her pastor in rural Florida showed the Dr. Francis Schaeffer film series “Whatever Happened to the Human Race,” in 1979 or 1980. This illuminating series prompted Mrs. Bullington to begin writing letters to editors and legislators about abortion. Later, after her family moved to Tennessee, Mrs. Bullington worked for the Knox County Right to Life along with Dr. Armstrong. In November 1998, Mrs. Bullington heard CBR Executive Director Gregg Cunningham speak in the home of a CBR supporter, and she also participated in the first GAP at University of Knoxville (UTK). Being on “the frontlines” those five days opened her eyes to “the power of the pictures.” She saw how GAP compelled students to engage on abortion.

Both Mrs. Bullington and Dr. Armstrong joined CBR’s full-time professional staff at the end of 1999; they recognized that we have an effective strategic plan to end abortion, one which is rooted in historical principles of social reform and which changes hearts and minds.

Through these 20 years, the experience that most encouraged Mrs. Bullington occurred nine years ago. Mrs. Bullington noticed a UTK student walking slowly downhill towards our display while talking on her phone. As “Jill” approached and spoke with Mrs. Bullington, she said she had been asking God for a sign when she suddenly came upon our huge GAP signs. Although Jill didn’t want to abort her baby, she feared her boyfriend would push for abortion, so Mrs. Bullington urged Jill to invite him to the display. “Jack” came up quite sullen and closed. Jane spoke with them and was quite direct with Jack, saying, “You are a daddy, and you can either be the daddy of a dead baby, or a living baby.” When the conversation ended, the couple walked off arm-in-arm, deciding not to abort! Jill is a single mom to “Candy,” and Jack has stayed involved in his daughter’s life. Candy is now 8 years old and is a blessing to all, including “Grandma” Bullington.

Mrs. Bullington is also heartened when students share how they were pro-abortion, but we moved them to pro-life. Mrs. Bullington is saddened by the reality that pro-life students are now less willing to work with CBR. They are too intimidated by the persecution they face, and much of it comes from professors. Many of them have learned this timidity from their risk-averse pastors. In past years, many students would sponsor GAP and volunteer with us, but it has become less common. Mrs. Bullington also noted that there seems to be more apathetic students who pass by GAP wearing earbuds, who do not interact with our team. Yet, we know that many of them will give a glance at our powerful pictures and they will stay in their minds. One photo can save a baby’s life.

When asked why she has stayed in the fray for over 20 years, Mrs. Bullington replied that she wants to do purposeful work and notes that the young CBR staff members give her energy and joy to stay in the battle. She also remarked, “Gregg Cunningham is just as convincing today as he was in 1998.”

Save Babies While Buying or Selling Your Home

You can help the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform if you plan to buy or sell a home or business. RealEstateForLife.org is “Funding Gospel of Life Groups World-Wide.” Call 877-543-3871 or email ProLifeRealEstate@yahoo.com indicating you were referred by CBR. They’ll send you the name of an agent in your area. If a sale is made, CBR will receive a generous donation from the realtor’s commission. There is no cost to you.
At UGA GAP, Pro-choice Student Realizes it is a Human Being in the Womb

Students at the University of Georgia in Atlanta (UGA) had the opportunity to see the truth about abortion through our Genocide Awareness Project (GAP). This type of education is extremely rare inside the classroom, but on November 11-12, 2019, CBR set up our outdoor “classroom.” We received excellent support from the pro-life community even though no student sponsors could be found.

Volunteer Brad conversed with a student who stated, “I am pro-choice.” Eventually, progress was made as she turned to her friend and said, “It always comes back to the same point; are we talking about a human being in the womb.”

A volunteer couple opened their home to host some of our GAP team members. The husband was formerly a UGA professor and actually was the faculty advisor to the Atheist and Secular Humanist club. When he investigated the claims of Christianity for himself, he found Jesus is the Way. Now they engage in campus outreach to UGA students; during GAP the retired professor talked with students for several hours, a little distance from our exhibit.

African Killer Bees were swarming around GAP, attacking and stinging people. A male student rebuked the bees, saying, “Shut up! I want to hear her!” as he listened to volunteer Laurice Baddour. Were the bees sent by Satan as a distraction?

A female student blasted, “Get off our campus; we don’t want you here.” Yet on the second day of GAP, she stayed present all day, listening to various conversations without ever speaking. We know that God was working on her heart and mind.

Five young men asked volunteer Marie, “How do you justify comparing abortion to genocide?” She replied, “When we fail to recognize the humanity of one group of people, it enables us to justify all kinds of violence against them.” The group stood silent. Then one said, “Solid!” He left. The second said, “Solid” and left. The third said, “Solid” and left. The last two stayed for a continued dialogue. She recounts that the experience was simply amazing.

The Red & Black independent student paper ran at least two articles about GAP. A student was quoted as saying: “I think it is effective. It’s up front. It’s in peoples’ faces. It makes people see the truth … It’s not sugar-coated. You have to have an emotional response to it…” https://bit.ly/2WXhKAI

One male student admitted to us that he was “rather incendiary yesterday and that was wrong … I have a different view now than an hour ago.”

Since 1998, CBR’s GAP has reached millions of students on hundreds of U.S. campuses and also in many other countries. In spite of the more hostile environments we face at universities and colleges today, there are still many open-minded students to be educated. These students are America’s future and we aren’t going to abandon them to demonic academics.
"LOVE means giving your preborn baby a birth day."