

A Father's Story

"We thought doctors were helping our daughter..., but they were **slowly killing her.** Our daughter, Faith, has Trisomy 18 (Edwards Syndrome.)

"Trisomy 21 is Downs Syndrome. Trisomy 18 is much harsher with 90% of these children not reaching their first birthday.

"At this time, Faith was 2 ½ years old and began to have some serious illnesses that almost took her life several times. The hospital did some basic things to help her get over the illness.

"I had the opportunity to ask Rick Santorum for some advice since his little girl, Bella, also has Trisomy 18. He gave me advice that I had never heard from the mouth of a single doctor.

"This is when my wife, Jesi, and I learned about "Slow Code." **Slow Code** is when the medical providers offer the appearance of treatment, **but knowingly administer the treatment so slowly that it is useless to the patient.**"

[After cornering a doctor in his office for an hour he finally told them that if he were in their shoes, he would go to the other hospital.]

"When we reached the other hospital, they could not understand why we were not provided with this help [a sleep study which showed the necessity for a Bipap to help her breath at night].

"Faith is now 5 years old and doing things that the first group of doctors said would never be possible. She never would have started walking or probably even have survived had we followed their advice, or lack thereof."

Excerpts: Brad Smith; "We Thought..." LifeNews; 16 June 14

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"All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent."

Thomas Jefferson

## Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains

Planned Parenthood in Denver is facing a lawsuit, filed by Cary Smith of Federal Heights. **The clinic staff failed to inquire or report any possible sexual abuse of her 13-year-old daughter after aborting her baby.**

Cary's daughter, R.Z., was only about six years old when her new step-father, Timothy David Smith, began sexually abusing her. As R.Z. grew older the abuse became both verbal and physical, including her step-father's threat to take her life.

As the years went by, the abuse continued. But Cary Smith never knew.

Then R.Z. became pregnant. In May, 2012, Timothy took R.Z. to Planned Parenthood for an abortion that Timothy had forced her to schedule.

**Four PP staff members spoke with and observed R.Z. and her step-father.** All of them had the opportunity to see that R.Z.'s birth date was only thirteen. **None of them reported anything to the state.**

In July, while Timothy was outside their home, R.Z. told her mother about the sexual abuse and the past years. Cary Smith immediately took her daughter to the hospital and reported the abuse.

**Timothy Smith was arrested,** charged with multiple counts of felony sex abuse; pleading guilty to two counts in 2012, **and sent to prison.**

Cary is now suing the Denver PP for five claims for relief, including **negligence; negligent affliction of emotional distress; and extreme and outrageous conduct.**

"PP is dedicated to one thing only – selling abortions," said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue, "they do not care how many young girls are raped or abused in the process."

Excerpts: Myers, D.; "PP Sued..."; LifeNews; 11 July 14

## Memorial Gift

In memory of  
*Nadine Beach*  
from  
William Beach  
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Thank you

## The President's Corner

During the summer months PPCFL has commitments to appear at a number of venues to educate people on life issues, and our commitments are satisfied by our volunteers (PPCFL is an entirely volunteer organization).

If you would like to help us in this endeavor to educate our neighbors, please contact us either by phone (719-630-1999) or on our website ([www.ppcitizensforlife.org/volunteer](http://www.ppcitizensforlife.org/volunteer)).

If being at a booth isn't your thing, we have many other needs as well, some of which are listed on our website volunteer form ([www.ppcitizensforlife.org/volunteer](http://www.ppcitizensforlife.org/volunteer)).

Experience is not necessary to volunteer; we will help you to help us. It is through our treasure of volunteers that we communicate the exceptional treasure of life to all in our community.

*Matt*

## **Thank You All!**

We are most appreciative of you who shared – and continue to share – your “treasure” with us! Gifts of any size are a great help in our work to defend all human life. God bless you all!

## Funding Abortion Businesses

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Recently, Melinda Gates of the Gates Foundation claimed that the Foundation will not fund abortions. Heretofore, the Foundation gave Planned Parenthood of America, the international Planned Parenthood Federation, and Planned Parenthood of Western Washington about **\$71 million** from before 2009 through 2013.

Also, the Gates Fdtn gave **46.1 million** to Marie Stopes International in 2012 alone. Much of this giving is focused on Africa, Asia, and Latin America, where abortion-providers like Planned Parenthood, Marie Stopes and Ipas seek to overturn prolife laws and sometimes even provide illicit abortion drugs.

While the Gates Fdtn funds cannot be earmarked for abortion, funds to PP for distributing birth control or building an abortion-friendly clinic, frees up a dollar in PP's budget to spend elsewhere.

In a 2003 interview with Bill Moyers, Bill Gates recalled: “When I was growing up, my parents were...involved in various volunteer things. **My dad was head of Planned Parenthood.** And it was very controversial to be involved with that. My parents were very good at sharing the things they were doing.”

This isn't the first time Melinda Gates has promised to stop funding abortions – doing so at the same time the Gates Fdtn was sending a vast fortune to the biggest abortion businesses in the world.

Excerpts: Ertelt, S.; “Gates Fdtn...”; LifeNews; 16 June 14

## Our Ongoing Proposition

If you have e-mail, would you like to receive your newsletter in that mode? If so, e-mail your name address (for positive Identification) to “join the crowd!” to [contact@ppcitizensforlife.org](mailto:contact@ppcitizensforlife.org)

If you have strong feelings toward promoting and defending Life, **please** – **come be a vibrant, new voice for the voiceless.** Join PPCFL.

**Please volunteer!** Become a part of our Board and meet with us the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. Please call us at 630-1999.

## **"He Dropped Me Off"**

The message came to a liberal advice column called "Since You Asked."

"My abortion traumatized me: The father of my child dropped me at the clinic and disappeared. Every day I mourn."

The writer wanted the baby but aborted "based [on] my relation with the baby's father" – **[a promise of marriage and kids down the line...if only THIS one was aborted.** Apparently, she believed him.]

The woman continues to have nightmares. "I wake up every morning and it is the best minute of my life before the knowledge of what happened returns to me and the cycle of sadness and regret begins all over again."

"I am a liberal woman and as pro-choice as you can be! Which is even more upsetting."

Her question? **How to move forward and free herself "from this unending cycle of regret?"**

From the pro-life point of view: Priscilla Coleman, Ph.D. has researched and written extensively on the subject of abortion and its effect on women.

According to Coleman: **"A conservative estimate from the best available data is that 20% to 30% of women who undergo an abortion will experience serious and/or prolonged negative consequences."**

Dave Andrusko, editor of National Right to Life News opines: "There is hope in the mourning. Acknowledging that she made a tragically wrong decision is a vital first step toward reconciliation.

"Reaching out to others who will respond in love can make it possible for a healing shaft of light to penetrate the darkness."  
LifeNews; 18 June 14

## **Free – at Life Network, Colo. Spgs.**

Pregnancy tests and ultrasounds  
Pregnancy option counseling - Parenting Education  
Baby clothing & furnishings  
Childbirth & infant care classes  
Emergency baby supplies - Maternity clothing  
Post-abortion recovery groups

## **This Mom Stood Up**

A Michigan mother recently took her 17-year-old daughter to a Lansing hospital after the girl injured her foot. While there, the mother, Christy Duffy, saw a sign telling patients that, under Michigan law, a nurse would have to have a five-minute **private** conversation with all 12-17 year old "children."

Duffy refused to go along with this "requirement," which is good, since there is no such law or legal requirement in Michigan.

Duffy found out that what the hospital most likely wanted to talk about with her daughter was "STDs, birth control and [that] the hospital is a safe place to discuss potential abuse." This mom was understandably upset.

Excerpts: "LifeSiteNews; from BreakPoint.org

## **Abortion and Breast Cancer**

In the U.S. we are used to abortion advocates claiming that the risk of elective abortion is relatively trivial, and **major medical organizations denying any link between abortion and breast cancer.**

Now a powerful new study from China published [in February] by Yubei Huang and colleagues suggests otherwise.

A meta-analysis pooling 36 studies from 14 provinces in China showed that abortion increased the risk of breast cancer by **44% with at least one abortion; 76% with at least two abortions and 89% with at least three abortions.**

**Chinese researchers** and physicians are unencumbered by abortion politics and **do not cover up data** showing long term effects of induced abortion, **as do their U.S. counterparts in governmental, professional and consumer organizations.**

Excerpts: Mary L. Davenport, M.D.; "Censoring Studies..."; LifeNews; 21 June 14

## **The Day after Memorial Day**

Recommending a "Remembrance Day" for those who died in this war against women and babies, Janice Pico is asking that Pro-Life groups start the observance of a "Remembrance Day."

Donations could go to care for living unborn and their mothers. [A beautiful recommendation! Ed]

## **August is Still "Fair" Time**

As in the past 20 years, volunteers from the Colorado Springs area will again join in staffing the prolife booth at the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo.

There are three shifts for the 11 days,

### **Friday, August 22 thru Labor Day, Monday, September 1**

#### **Weekdays – Monday thru Thursday**

Noon – 3:00 p.m.  
3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

#### **Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays & Labor Day**

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

The State Fair is a tremendously important place to reach out to the general public with prolife information.

**Please** contact us by phone, **630-1999**, or via e-mail – [contact@ppcitizensforlife.org](mailto:contact@ppcitizensforlife.org) if you are able to help staff a shift. Thanks so much!! Your participation will indeed be a blessing!

## **Rosemary's Reflections**

### **"Life Devotions"**

With seven billion people in the world, it seems impossible for someone to know each and every one. Yet Jesus says God knows even the number of hairs on each of those people's heads.

Unlike a factory assembly line where everything looks the same, the Creator has endowed each of us with unique talents and appearances. This is why some of us make great teachers, doctors, or lawyers, etc.

No price can be put on the potential of life. Yet Planned Parenthood seems to. They charge \$300-\$900 for an abortion, depending on the trimester. They don't take into account the emotional cost felt, or the possible physical side effects.

To them, every child is just a bunch of cells, not seeing the hands of a potential painter, or the mind of the cancer-curing doctor, or even the strong legs of the next record-setting runner. But God does, and we can let the rest of the world know, too.

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