"I Prefer Plan C: Abortion"

Often when we train high schoolers at a Christian school, the students wonder how they can use the skills we teach because everyone they know is pro-life. On a recent trip to one such school, I saw that the skills we teach may be more immediately valuable in saving lives



Teaching Christian students at Benedictine College in Kansas (not the school discussed in this letter).

than most students realize.

While we ate lunch during the training seminar, a student recalled a conversation she had overheard years ago between two other students in her classroom.

Sarah*: Are you saying that you might be pregnant?

Maria: I am really afraid that I am.

Sarah: Are you going to use Plan B?

Maria: No, I prefer Plan C: abortion.

The student who overheard this didn't know what to do. She asked for advice from someone who said he could help, but it's unclear what happened next.

She wasn't equipped to talk with Maria, so she never spoke directly with her about the planned abortion. The student telling the story believes that Maria did end up having the abortion.

This story indicates why our training can be so important for high schoolers. Classmates of theirs are likely getting abortions, even at Christian schools. If they are equipped to address the issue with them, they may be able to reach them and change their minds before they kill their babies.

Here are some of the comments that I saw from students after our training seminars during a recent trip to some Christian schools in Colorado:

I liked how we were taught more than just ways we can win arguments, but that it was truly about lives and loving people. I think that's so important.

- Elizabeth

Teaching more Christian students this past semester

Before hearing this training I don't think I would be able to talk to someone about abortion and help walk them through [the discussion]. I now feel confident enough to start a conversation, and the info I learned tonight was so helpful. Thank you JFA for all you do!

- Suzanne

I didn't know much about abortion, so this was all very helpful. I really liked the conversation techniques you used. I think that will help me even with just talking to people.

- Amber

I'm just excited to go out and practice what I learned today.

- Vickie

This seminar was not only helpful but also very impacting! Now I feel more confident and prepared to talk to my friends!

- Esther

By learning how to have conversations about abortion at such a young age, these teens will be able to have a lifetime of impact. In high school, in college, and in their careers, they can be outspoken advocates for the most vulnerable human beings. When the conversation starts, they will now know what to say.

And the next time a classmate is discussing "Plan C," these newly-equipped students can recommend a much better plan for her and her child.