

Help Me Impact Thousands!

If you could help thousands of people rethink their views on abortion, would you?

I'm writing to tell you how I plan to do just that. I will serve as an intern with Justice For All (JFA) for two years starting early in 2010. The purpose of this letter is to tell you about JFA and ask for your support.

Training thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions, one person at a time is the mission of **JFA**, a pro-life organization based in Wichita, KS. With your faithful support I will help JFA accomplish this mission!

JFA recruits volunteers through a network of partnerships with Christian high schools, colleges, churches, and organizations. JFA's leadership formation develops future leaders into pro-active, pro-life advocates, all in the spirit of I Peter 3.15 (see enclosed introduction).

In our country alone there are around 3,300 abortions taking place daily. When I hear that number I immediately feel overwhelmed and hopeless. Abortion has been in a box and on a back shelf in my mind called "the shelf of unchangeable evils." This has been my passive response to abortion...until recently.

I attended JFA's "Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue" seminar in a half-hearted attempt to improve my ability to converse with pro-choice people. I left the seminar blown away by the practical skills I learned and the compassion of the JFA staff toward those who are postabortive.

Since that initial seminar I have been on cam-



pus with JFA four times. I have participated in the seminar phase of the training program, as well as the outreach phase on the campus. I have seen minds begin to change and hearts begin to heal right before my eyes. I feel fully equipped to talk about abortion with people who range from passive and uncaring to angry, emotional, and post-abortive.

At the University of New Mexico, I approached a student named Don who was observing the exhibit. I found out quickly that he was prochoice. After presenting him with some basic pro-life principles his whole perspective began to change. He realized that there really wasn't any morally relevant difference between unborn humans and himself. He left to go to class and I encouraged him to keep looking into the issue and speaking out against abortion in his circles.

Two hours later I saw him walking up to the Exhibit. He handed me the response card, on which he had written, "This is a great thing you guys are doing, keep doing it for the unborn children." I was shocked so I asked, "So does this mean you are pro-life in all cases?" "Yes, it does", Don responded. As we continued talking I found out that he had a religious background but I didn't know how serious his faith was.

I was concerned that talking with him about his religious beliefs might undo what we had already accomplished in the pro-life arena. However, I clearly felt the Holy Spirit urging me to continue the conversation so I obeyed.

That step of obedience launched us into an hour long conversation about what it means to be saved, why it is impossible for all religions to be right, and how we can have a relationship with God through Jesus. Although he had been a Christian by name he admitted to me that he thought everyone went to heaven and he didn't really trust Jesus for his salvation. He also said he didn't feel like he knew God.

By the end of the conversation he had heard



the gospel for the first time and left realizing that there is no logical way that all roads could lead to God. He even admitted that he knew he was running from God and that he needed to be in right standing with God. I then connected Don with a leader of a Christian group on campus. Please pray for Don's salvation as he serves his coun-

try in the National Guard! It was incredible to see one person's entire worldview begin to gradually change as he encountered God through the truth about abortion.

Stories like Don's happen often while on campus outreaches. I have been able to share the gospel and my testimony more often and with more visible success than all other mission trips and evangelism outreaches combined. I have seen God's Holy Spirit sweep down on to dark campuses and diffuse the fragrance of Christ through the JFA staff.

After much prayer I believe God is leading me to do a two-year internship with JFA. Originally I was going to move to Wichita (JFA's base) and take part in their office work. But they have created a position called a "field intern" which will enable me to stay at home, continue teaching my wonderful piano studio, work towards my midwifery license through the Midwifery Institute of America and travel with JFA to college campuses all over the country. Eventually I will be doing groundwork and networking in Colorado with churches and parachurch organizations.

In order to begin my internship I need to build a team of people willing to contribute monthly gifts of \$10, \$25, or even \$100 or more to help me reach the fundraising goal of \$725/month (for two years).

You can also help me reach my goal by giving a special gift of any amount.

My goal is to start my internship with JFA by January or February 2010! **The enclosed coupon gives instructions for donating to JFA for my support.**

I am also looking for **people who are willing to partner with me in prayer.** Training and work on these campuses can be physically, emotionally and spiritually exhausting.

I plan on contacting you within the next three weeks to see if you are interested in joining with me to help further this important mission.

In Christ's Abounding Love,

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