## ARA'S PRO-LIFE INTERNSH



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Dear Family and Friends,

My amazing summer internship with Justice For All (JFA) in Wichita, KS ends tomorrow. Your support and prayers have made possible the most exciting work experience of my life!

### Through the JFA training program I've learned to:

- 1) Persuasively and graciously present my pro-life views to those who disagree.
- 2) Simplify the issue; show there is only one question to resolve — "What is the unborn?"
- 3) Demonstrate the inhumanity of abortion using the JFA Exhibit.
- 4) Be a more effective listener and care for each person I converse with.

Important to my future goals, I'm now able to give an effective 25 minute presentation to both secular and religious audiences about the injustice of abortion (contact me at <u>plumchild13@yahoo.com</u> or 562.900.0830 to arrange a presentation).

The most rewarding and exciting part of my internship was my experience at the University of Kansas where my many days of training and office labor finally paid off!

Before the exhibit I had a lot of anxiety. I felt like it was my job to change everybody's mind. Despite my uneasiness I decided to just jump into conversation

with the first available person I saw looking at the exhibit. That was when I approached Edson (pictured in the grey hood below).

I said, "So, what do you think about the exhibit?" Edson said that he believed abortion was wrong but he also said that he did not believe he could or should do anything to stop it.

When I asked him why he believed

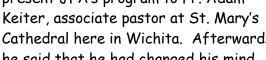
abortion was wrong, he answered, "Because it kills a human being." Written on his face after he said this was. "Oh no, this is serious!" From this point on Edson became increasing uncomfortable with his previous apathy.

I learned quickly from these conversations that it isn't my job to change

everyone's mind, although that definitely happened in some conversations. The most important thing I learned was to present the truth in a loving way and let God and common sense do the rest.

Many of the JFA staff and volunteers encountered students who changed their views—a few like Mike\* did so on the spot. He told JFA staff member Bubba Garrett "I was pro-choice before I saw these pictures!"

Yesterday I had the opportunity to present JFA's program to Fr. Adam Cathedral here in Wichita. Afterwards he said that he had changed his mind





about the use of graphic visuals in pro-life work in JFA's campus training program. I was so excited!

After seeing the impact of the JFA Exhibit training program at KU, I'm determined to bring this to UCSD next May. JFA will also present at University of California-Irvine and UCLA.

Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men!" (Mark 1:17) Do you want to learn to change hearts and minds through Christ's power and Truth? If so, please do everything possible to join me for one of these training opportunities.

Here are three more things I need you to help me with before next May:

- Commit to financially support the JFA Exhibit at UCSD (use the enclosed coupon)
- Help me secure speaking opportunities in churches, schools, campus and community organizations
- 3) Pray.

#### Prayers and Praises

- For the great internship I had with JFA and the safety I've had in traveling half way across the country!
- •For the JFA training to come to my campus (UCSD) next May.
- For JFA's remaining fall schedule (Colorado State, University of North Carolina, North Carolina State, and Oklahoma University) to be supported and to recruit volunteers to train for each campus.



# Goals for my campus (University of California - San Diego) this year:

- Start a pro-life club and begin training students to make a HUGE impact!!
- 2) Raise money (\$7500) to bring the JFA Exhibit to UCSD in May 2009!

### Personal goals this year:

- Read the Bible more I hope to read the entire New Testament.
- 2) Improve my people networking skills I want to attend more campus and community functions to meet new people willing to help save lives and change hearts.
- 3) Increase my public speaking skills through coursework and tons of practice (So invite me to speak!)

### Future goals:

 Become the best pro-life public speaker in California! (Move over Steve Wagner!)

Yours for defending human value,

Lara Frances Plumlee