

Newsletter from Jonathan Wagner May 1, 2011

## A Different Kind of Conversation\*

Share JFA's New Website with a Friend

"Remember that the goal of today is to learn to have a different kind of conversation about abortion." John Michener, one of JFA's mentors, was reminding our volunteers at a recent seminar that people long for a conversation where we ask questions, listen, and find common ground. Unfortunately, most have never experienced it.

Having a different kind of conversation, though, assumes that we can get the conversation started in the first place. Along with teaching our volunteers the nuts and bolts of good conversation, then, we also give them tools for starting the conversation.

One of the tools you can use to start that conversation is our new website. It explains and illustrates that "different kind of conversation" we're creating, and it also functions as a tool to get that conversation started. After all, how many people in your life realize that reasonable conversation on abortion is possible?



## www.JFAweb.org

Recently, a small team of JFA staff created JFA's new website. We're very proud of it. Share it with a

Here's my challenge for you: After going to check out the website yourself, share it with one person you know. That person might be pro-life but doesn't know about JFA. Or, she may be a pro-choice person who might be drawn to discuss abortion if she realized you want to discuss it in the way JFA describes in the website.

For the person who might disagree with you, I suggest making it your goal to have a different kind of conversation about abortion with her. For the friend who's pro-life, I suggest making it your goal to ask him to consider joining my support team so I can train others to have that conversation. With the new website, this is easier than ever. Just send him to the Meet the Mentors page. There, he can easily find my entry, including a picture, a short bio, links to help him know me personally (Facebook, blog), and a link to support my work. I'm hoping to find several new donors throughout the summer. Thanks for helping me with this task.

Check out the blog post by Steve Wagner, our Director of Training, featuring sample dialogues to help you use the website to start that "different kind of conversation." The blog can be found at www.stephenmwagner.com.

Your support of my work means so much. Please check out the enclosed prayer requests and keep me in your prayers as I travel for roughly four of the next six weeks. Some of that will be near family and friends in Defending Human Value together, California (May 22-June 12) so if that is close to you, I'd love to connect with you.

<sup>\*</sup> content provided by JFA's Director of Training, Stephen Wagner