



Ripple Effect in Fresno!

18-yr-old equips her whole youth group with the knowledge she gained from our conversation.

I was right!

After I met Jackie in Fresno, CA, I was sure she would follow through with her promise to challenge her youth group about abortion in a loving way.

I was also convinced that she would help her brother equip them to pass on the truth about abortion in a bold and persuasive, yet gracious, way to their peers.



When we first met at Fresno State (see photo right) **I learned of her deep pro-life convictions and of her passion to share truth with our culture.** I also learned that she was currently helping in a local youth group alongside her brother. I challenged her to schedule a meeting with her brother, who often leads the group, to discuss what she had learned about abortion from our dialogue on campus.

I gave Jackie two JFA training books and our 9-inch brochure (see materials above) so that she would have enough resources to form a presentation with her brother. I walked her through a sample talk which included several ideas that JFA has used to challenge thousands of teens. **She promised to study the material, meet with her brother, and let me know if they needed help.** I prayed for her several times and have prayerfully waited to hear from her.

I called Jackie last week to pass on the dates for our fall outreach in Fresno and to find out if their youth group would be interested in getting fully trained by JFA.

With much excitement Jackie explained how she had passed the info I gave to her on to her brother. **She said her brother did further research and boldly proclaimed the truth to their youth group. The best part was that she said the youth group students were truly challenged and appeared ready to take further training steps.**

Jackie is only 18 years old but her boldness for truth and her persistence has already impacted many. I can't wait to see her continued growth and how the students in her youth group apply what she passed on and what her brother taught them. **We wont know on this side of Heaven how far the ripple effect will go from my initial conversation with Jackie!**

Nebraska (UNL) Outreach Yields Positive Results

- **Our JFA team had 4 trainings** that equipped 96 people. Many of the students were local teens. 59 of the trainees were able to make it to campus to participate in our 3-day outreach at UNL.
- **I equipped 15 pro-life students (Katie, at right, was one of them)** on the UNL campus with tools to make abortion unthinkable in their spheres of influence. I also walked them through how to be bold and persuasive, yet gentle at the same time!
- In addition to the thousands we challenged with our display, I personally urged ten students to consider the truth about abortion. **One of them currently works for Planned Parenthood** and we had a cordial dialogue that lasted well over an hour.



Your support helped me mentor Rebecca Haschke in her JFA support raising last year. She spearheaded our efforts for training and outreach at Nebraska! Your support continues to allow me to meet, equip, and encourage effective ambassadors like Jackie Ibarra—long term.

Praises and Prayer Requests for October 2010:

- **Turning knowledge into action:** Please pray for our staff and for thousands of trained JFA volunteers and faithful supporters who will have opportunities to be Good Samaritan's this month in response to the devastation of abortion. Pray that we will all take chances to engage our family and friends in conversation to discover whether they are hurting. Pray that when we find hurting people we will have the wisdom to know how to respond. Pray for patience, endurance, and love to be abundant. Finally pray that each of these opportunities opens people up to a new hope in the knowledge of God.
- **Heritage Christian (CO) jumps on board!** *Two years ago God provided an opportunity for me to speak to a few small classes at Heritage Christian Academy (HCA) in Fort Collins, CO. In preparation for our CSU-Fort Collins event this month I checked back in with their administration to see if we could bless HCA with our full training program. They agreed to allow us into their chapel and to have a full training program for their entire high school!*
- **John Michener, Jacob Nels, and Jacob Burow** are still raising support to join JFA full time. They are all having successful meetings but they need more friends to commit to help. Please pray for them to persevere through this fall.

Defending Human Value together,


Jonathan Wagner