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Dear David,

God bless you for your faithfulness in an incredibly difficult "mission field." I've served as the Executive Director of our two pregnancy resource centers here on the Central Coast of California for the past 10 years. Having the JFA exhibit displayed on our local State University campus (Cal Poly) was truly answered prayer.

Your presence on campus has affected our ministry. Probably the most accurate way to describe what happened those few days you were in town.....was like taking our crisis pregnancy centers right onto the college campus. According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute's surveys, it is estimated that some 400 precious preborn babies will be aborted by Cal Poly students alone this year.

By sharing the truth in love with such large images, I'm confident that the actual number of babies who were targeted to die this year at Cal Poly will be less due to your presence. Thank you for caring enough about each and every one of those babies who will now be given a chance at life!

Having experienced your ministry first hand, I can honestly say (speaking on behalf of our staff & volunteers) that your strategy & methods are carried out with the utmost respect (1 Peter 3:15). Your entire team (staff, interns, along with those who were trained the day before the event) handled themselves in a way that glorified the Lord. In a potentially confrontational setting, I never once saw or heard any of JFA's representatives try to "win an argument" or "verbally attack" students with opposing view points.


The whole experience was a terrific lesson in.....Listening!! There wasn't any "show-boating." As those on the other side of the debate would raise their voices, your team had a way of answering their complaints in a calm and Godly manner.

I listened for the longest time to one of your interactions David where a biology student tried to "out smart you." I found myself wanting to jump into the conversation and really "let him have it." Early on I had a hard time understanding why you didn't "shut him down" with what I would have considered to be "slam dunk" responses. The more I listened though, the more I watched and heard you listen. You cared more about him and trying to help him figure out what to do with the images displayed at the exhibit, than you simply telling him what his conclusions should have been.

One of the residual affects of your visit to our area (which I didn't expect) has been inquiries of potential counselors from Cal Poly students. What a thrill to have young Godly Christian women stepping up to train to become volunteer counselors at one of our Centers.

I've never been as proud as I was of our; Board of Directors, staff, & volunteers as they collectively embraced this unique & effective outreach. Your sacrificial efforts in bringing such an elaborate display to our small community, truly has made a difference for time as well as for eternity!

With appreciation & respect,


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