



"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you live as you wish." – Mother Teresa

October 1, 2009

Dear Family and Friends,

It has been a busy month. I have just returned from the Justice For All mission at Benedictine College and the University of Kansas (KU) a couple of weeks ago and now I am leaving on October 1st for a mission at the University of New Mexico. To learn more about my KU experience read about my discussions with students below. An update on my support-raising efforts can be found on the back of this newsletter.

I received response cards from students I encountered. Here is what a few had to say:

- *"I think the display is informative and does make me question why I believe some of the things I do. It should come back next year."*
- **Anne, KU student**
- *"I consider myself pro-choice and I feel like the pictures shouldn't be used for the emotional reaction, but it certainly got people thinking and talking about it and that is always a good thing."* - **Tim, KU student**
- *"I consider myself pro-choice, but I like this exhibit. I like that people are being forced to see what is happening and how disturbing it is."* - **Bethany, KU student**



Above: Me discussing the JFA Exhibit with a student at the Univ. of Kansas in September 2009.

Opinion of a Professor

A female professor at KU approached me explaining she did not want to discuss the topic of abortion. She wanted to discuss the inappropriateness of the use of the Exhibit on a college campus. She absolutely opposed the use of graphics in any situation. When she was asked, "If pictures of the Holocaust could have been used in a manner like this and were effective in stopping the Holocaust sooner, saving millions of lives, should graphic pictures have been used?" She said she would still be opposed to the use of graphic pictures in this situation. She explained to me that, "It is sad we assume people have to see the destruction of others in order to feel compassion and do what is right." I agreed with her that it is a sad situation but that it is a reality. Unfortunately, until people see the ugliness of what is happening in our society they choose to simply continue ignoring it. Out of sight, out of mind.

You're a Man! You Can't Tell Me That!

My younger brother, Joe Haschke, participated in the training seminar at Benedictine college and volunteered at the Exhibit at KU. While talking to a young girl she informed him that, because he was male, his beliefs about why abortion was immoral did not count. At this point in the conversation, he felt that he had built a good enough relationship with her to be able to joke around. He replied, "Well, I'm just a volunteer, but my sister actually works for this organization. Would it make a difference if she was the one talking to you? Just imagine me with long dark hair." The girl realized the mistake in her argument and admitted that it did not matter that he was not a female, his defense of the unborn would be the same either way.

UPDATED SUPPORT RAISING STATUS

- As of October 1st , I've reached 77% of my support goal for my 2-year internship.
- 21 partners under the age of 30 and have contributed a combined total of \$11,710.
- Over 20 of my new partners have joined my support team after learning about Justice For All during a church service. Thank you to all the parishes and communities that have let me speak to your parishioners and community members!

As mentioned, October 1st-8th I will be traveling with the Justice For All team to New Mexico for a mission at the University of New Mexico. Please keep the following in your prayers:

- **Safe travel.** Some of the staff will be flying while others will be driving the Exhibit to New Mexico.
- **Successful training.** Pray that students will be able to attend the seminar and join us at the Exhibit.
- **The students we encounter.** Pray that our discussions with students will help them understand the realities of abortion.



Above: Me in conversation with a viewer of the JFA Exhibit at the University of Kansas in September 2009.

After the 8th I will return to Madison and complete my support-raising. I **still have 23%** of my support to raise. Thanks again to all who have contributed!

If you are not yet part of my **monthly*** support team,
please prayerfully consider joining!

Defending human value together,

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* or regular support team (i.e. quarterly, semi-annually, or annually).

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