



The Reason for our Hope!



catherine@jfaweb.org

Catherine Wurts

JFA Update

December 2009

Dear family and friends,

Merry Christmas! This month we celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus. We also remember the 1.2 million American children killed within their mothers' wombs in 2009.

I know that several of you are hurting for having recently laid to rest dear family and friends. Some of you are experiencing job loss or other personal hardships. But we know that no matter what our circumstance, Jesus is 'Emmanuel', meaning "God is with us", and we can look to Him for rest, strength, and very real HOPE! That hope is what propels us daily at JFA in our mission to train thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions, one person at a time.

This year we trained up loving, pro-life ambassadors through 33 "Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue" seminars and 34 Exhibit days on 14 university campuses around the country (40% of our work days were on the road)! We held eight additional poll-table/survey outreaches and made 28 presentations to churches, pro-life organizations and youth groups.

While on the road, my particular work has had me teaching sections of our seminar, dialoguing one-on-one with people around our Exhibit, and mentoring volunteers at our seminars and Exhibit outreaches. I'm also the go-to sign language interpreter, when needed! Back in our Wichita office, I am in the Resources department working on promoting our upcoming events, recruiting new interns, and, well, anything else that needs to get done!

Just last weekend, our director, David Lee, and I spoke to 60 high-schoolers at a church in Tucson, AZ. We taught them about the humanity of the unborn, the inhumanity of abortion, about Jesus' great mercy and love, and about how to share all of this new info with their friends and families. Here is one young girl's response:

"I'm taking health right now so me and my friends have been talking a lot about pregnancies. I told everyone I would get an abortion in a heartbeat, but I take that all back now, and I realize it's killing a human being." - Hillary*

Thank you for all of your encouraging support this year, be it prayer and/or financial support. Because of you, I'm able to help JFA reach teens like Hillary before it's too late! My salary as a full-time missionary with JFA is completely provided by free-will donations, and I am humbled by the sacrifices many of you make to allow me to do this work.

I am praying for you. Please, if you can, join me in prayer for the unborn kids we serve and their parents to know of the HOPE we have in Jesus.

Christ's peace to you and your loved ones,

Catherine

*name changed to protect privacy