

# Making Abortion Unthinkable

A non-violent approach to pro-life action



Beginning of a conversation with Kelly\*, a pro-choice student in CO (see back for more)

*changing hearts*

*saving lives*

Dear family and friends,

Three times a year we get to train an entire class of Focus on the Family Institute students and bring them to a JFA Exhibit outreach.

As you read about the many life-changing conversations Candace had on campus at CU-Boulder, keep in mind that she is only one of 76 FFI students who were out there with us!

“Once I arrived on Boulder’s campus, within 10 minutes I found myself talking to a pharmacist who passed out the “morning after pill” where she worked.

As we walked around the exhibit I talked through many of the points (about abortifacients) I had learned just two days before. By the end of the conversation, she told me she felt like a hypocrite. The Lord was at work already.

Day two, we talked to Bailey for over an hour...

By the look on her face, her pro-choice stance



FFI student Candace (in pink) on campus at CU-Boulder

had never been questioned and our conversation was rocking her foundations.



*(continued from front)* After a couple hours of great conversation, Kelly had drastically shifted her views on abortion and asked me to share about my faith in Christ. JFA's Exhibit outreaches allow us to reach students like Kelly while simultaneously training pro-life volunteers *(like the two pictured left)* to change the abortion debate into loving dialogues, one conversation at a time. *\*not her real name*

Later in the day, a troubled girl sought us out to tell us how offended she was by the display. By the end of the conversation, she had tears streaming down her eyes - she never thought about the humanity of the murdered child or how torn up her mom must still be after the abortion she got as a married woman.

We asked Luke, who said he loves playing devil's advocate, if we could sit down... not knowing what the conversation would bring.

We went back and forth on the issue of abortion for about 30 minutes, and according to him, made him think about the innocent child in a way he never had before.

We spent the next 30 minutes trying to get to know Luke better. He told us about his childhood, hobbies, future plans, and just about everything in between.

He asked us if we were Christians. After we said yes, we found out that Luke grew up in a Christian home with devout parents, but wanted to find Truth on his own. What ensued was an hour long discussion about Christianity, other religions, and theology.

The most imperative lesson I took away from the JFA experience is that everyone has a story and big questions, and although they might have some strong feelings about abortion, that is never the root of the issue.

To get down deep enough to find the root, it is pivotal to realize the person on the other end of the conversation is just as much of a human being as the innocent baby I am fighting for."

Candace Deisher, FFI class of Spring 2009

**Regarding the killing of late-term abortionist George Tiller:** Justice For All and I have always said that we are against all abortion-related violence...both towards the unborn and towards anyone involved in performing abortions. We are deeply troubled when any person, including the person who killed George Tiller, uses violence to attempt to solve difficult life problems. As a staff, we have prayed regularly for the Tiller family. We continue to work to stop abortion by creating dialogue with those who disagree with us and we encourage anyone concerned about justice and human rights to do the same.