Dear family and friends,

One of the best parts of my job is working with high school students. We get to arm them with truth about abortion, and with tools for winning others before they head off to college.

I’ve learned a lot from the courage of students like Katie Morgan (photo, above). Read what happened when she came to UNC-Greeley to share what she had learned. Katie writes,

“Two girls walked by the poll table. One said to the other, ‘We should find someone to yell at.’

“As they approached the poll table, I asked why they signed, ‘No, this exhibit should not return next year.’ I knew I was probably going to get yelled at, but I wanted to see what these girls were all about.

“Immediately both girls began screaming at me. I stood there quietly as they yelled, ‘If I want an abortion I will get one! If I was raped today, I would have an abortion! You can’t tell me what to do! I am not ready for a baby so I will kill the fetus!’

“I remained silent as the two girls looked at each other. Then

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they looked at me and spoke, ‘Have a bad day,’ as they stomped away.

“We should find someone to yell at.”

“Even though I knew from the beginning I would get yelled at, it is always hard to lose a conversation that may have saved a life.

“I replayed this event in my mind for the rest of the day. What should I have done differently? Had these girls experienced abortion? Later, as I stewed over my experience, who should I again see at poll table? The SAME two girls who had earlier steamrolled me!

“And they were engaged in rational dialogue with another JFA staff person! My first reaction? ‘Not fair, Lord! That was supposed to be my conversation!’

“After letting it sink in a few moments, I realized that I was the seed planter. If I had not asked the two girls their thoughts, neither of them would have come back. I planted the seed. Now the other staff was watering that seed.

“This was the big lesson God prepared on campus for me. Sometimes in my own life, I try to make things work, but God says, ‘Wait. It is not my time yet.’

“I plant a seed of truth and it will grow if I plant in His fields and wait for His rain.” - Katie Morgan, Greeley, Colorado

The seed God had already planted in these girls may not have pushed though the hard crust of their world without Katie’s invitation for them to vent their anger. Now, having broken through into the sunlight, these tender plants were being watered by other members of our team. What a great lesson for us all!

Tim, a recent volunteer at Kennesaw State University (Georgia) last month aptly summed up JFA’s role this way:

I love your ministry philosophy: Make a display that does the confrontational part. Then as people talk with your team, they find people who care, who smile, who listen, who love, and who are secure enough to let the Holy Spirit win hearts.

Your partnership with me in this work means so much. Christ’s peace,

Catherine Wurts