

Dialogue to ... Debate?

A Different Kind of Training Seminar at Fresno State



Dear Friend,

I'm writing from Atascadero, California, where Rebecca and I are taking a week off for the first Wagner family "reunion." My parents, siblings, nieces, and nephew are now located in Wichita, Chicago, and five different cities in California (from Los Angeles to Paso Robles), so we're looking forward to introducing many of them to Nora Jane (our seven-month-old) and to meeting our niece Eva Grace for the first time. The daughter of my brother Ted and his wife Brandy, Eva was born in February at twenty-four weeks gestation (weighing one pound, six ounces). She's healthy and well past full-term now. We're very thankful to God.

We're all looking forward to spending time together for the first time in over a year. But before I join the others to go pick wild berries in the creek across the street from our house, I wanted to send you a letter written by JFA Intern Maureen McKinley as this month's update. Click this link to read Maureen's letter:

http://www.jfaweb.org/Maureen_Barr/JULY_2010_Newsletter_MTM.pdf

Maureen is one of my core team of mentor-trainers. She's a very gifted thinker and communicator. When she's interacting with her small group (much of our teaching takes place there), I'm blessed to watch a master at work. Her work with our volunteers has helped shape my ideas of what mentoring should look like. Thank you for partnering with me as I give guidance to pro-life trainers like Maureen. There's no pro-life work that's more important for us to do.

I had the privilege of joining Maureen in a short impromptu training session near the outdoor free speech platform at Fresno State University recently. Ironically, we were training *pro-choice* students to defend the *pro-life* position. I'll let her tell the story.

For the unborn and their parents,

Stephen

Please Pray with Us!

- JFA's *Interactive Guide* and *Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue Manual* are getting a total renovation this summer. These documents are one key to the success of the volunteers in our training program. I'm in the middle of the project, which I must complete by August 20 so the documents can be printed for our training seminars in Nebraska in early September. Pray for me as I coordinate a team of editors and make decisions on content to include and remove.
- I've completed all but a few sections of the first edition of the JFA Trainer's Guide, which includes a script of the entire JFA seminar. Members of our trainer team are already using it to learn to teach the seminar and "put me out of a job"! Pray that we will reach our goal of eight trainers who can teach the whole seminar soon. I'm eager to send them out to multiply the number of people we can train!
- As I'm away on my first real vacation since beginning at JFA in January 2009, pray that I will truly rest and trust God to take care of all of the details of my support (I am needing to focus on this in the coming months), the above editing projects (my editors will be working on them this week), and the training department at JFA.

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