



Stephen Wagner Bio

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Sample Introduction

Our speaker today is the Executive Director at Justice For All, an organization that trains thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions, one person at a time. He has spent hundreds of hours interacting with abortion choice advocates on more than 30 university campuses in the United States and Canada including the University of California (San Diego and Los Angeles), the University of Colorado at Boulder, the University of Missouri at Columbia, the University of North Texas, Texas A & M University, and Metropolitan State College of Denver. Frustrated by shallow stereotypes and disrespectful activism, he passionately works to build common ground in the seemingly endless abortion debate and make a reasonable and clear case for the pro-life position. He has debated professors at the University of Toronto and California State University and regularly trained students at the Focus Leadership Institute at Focus on the Family for seven years. He's the author of *Common Ground Without Compromise: 25 Questions to Create Dialogue on Abortion* (2008) and he's contributed to *Apologetics for a New Generation* (2009) and the *Youth Apologetics Study Bible* (2010). A native Californian, our speaker now resides with his wife, Rebecca, and their four children in Wichita, Kansas. Please join me in welcoming, Steve Wagner.



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Vitae

Positions and Experience

- Executive Director, Justice For All (2014-present)
- Director of Training, Justice For All (2009-2014)
- Bioethics Associate, Stand to Reason (2001-2008)
- Has spent over 350 hours in conversation with average Americans about abortion and relativism.

Publications

- *Common Ground without Compromise: 25 Questions to Create Dialogue on Abortion* (published January 2008).
- “Abortion and Common Ground,” in *Apologetics for a New Generation*, ed. Sean McDowell (Harvest House, 2009)
- *Youth Apologetics Study Bible* – Upcoming in 2010 (contributor)
- Editor and principle author of *Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue - The Interactive Guide*, which in its various versions has been used to train thousands of pro-life advocates through JFA's seminar-and-outreach training program since 2005.

Film

- *Unborn in the USA*

Debates

- “Is Elective Abortion Wrong?” vs. Wayne L. Sumner, University of Toronto
- “Is Elective Abortion Wrong?” vs. Sara Waller, California State University Dominguez Hills

Presentation Highlights

- Has spoken to 25,000 at the Cotton Bowl (Dallas, TX)
- Has trained pro-life students and participated in large-scale debate on over 30 major university campuses (see full list on page 3)

Praise from Academia

- Jon Shields (Assistant Professor of Government at Claremont McKenna College) gave Steve's work a positive review in two publications: a book entitled, *The Democratic Virtues of the Christian Right* (Princeton, 2009), and a peer-reviewed journal, *Society* (March 2006)

Education

- University of Southern California (*summa cum laude*)
- Studied philosophy at Talbot School of Theology

Personal

- A California native, Steve now resides with his wife Rebecca (married May 2007) and four children in Wichita, Kansas.
- Steve is the second of seven kids.
- In his spare time, Steve enjoys good coffee and conversation, marveling at the improvisations of his kids, writing songs, living in community, and thinking of ways to surprise people.

More Information

- Blog and Links: www.hbmm.net
- Networking: www.facebook.com/steve.wagner, www.twitter.com/stephenmwagner



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1. CA - UCLA
2. CA - UC Santa Barbara
3. CA - UC San Diego
4. CA - Cal. Polytechnic Univ., San Luis Obispo
5. CA - Cal. State Univ. Los Angeles
6. CA - Cal. State Univ. Dominguez Hills
7. CA - Cal. State Univ. Long Beach
8. CA - Pasadena City College
9. CO - Colorado State Univ. in Fort Collins
10. CO - Univ. of Northern Colorado (Greeley)
11. CO - Metropolitan State College of Denver
(also: University of Colorado, Denver)
12. CO - Univ. of Colorado, Boulder
13. MO - Univ. of Missouri (Columbia)
14. TX - Univ. of Texas, Austin
15. TX - Univ. of Texas, San Antonio
16. TX - Texas A and M
17. TX - Univ. of North Texas (Denton, TX)
18. TX - Univ. of Texas, El Paso
19. KS - Wichita State University
20. KS - Kansas State University
21. KS - University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS) – Main
Campus & Medical School
22. NM - Univ. of New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM)
23. NM - New Mexico State Univ. (Las Cruces, NM)
24. AZ - Arizona State University (Tempe, AZ)
25. AZ - Univ. of Arizona (Tucson, AZ)
26. OR - Oregon State University (Corvallis, OR)
27. NC - North Carolina State University
28. NC - Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
29. Ontario, Canada - Univ. of Toronto
30. GA - Univ. of Georgia (Athens, GA)
31. AL - Auburn Univ. (Auburn, AL)
32. WA - Gonzaga Univ. (Spokane, WA)
33. KY - Univ. of Louisville (KY)
34. KY - Univ. of Kentucky (Lexington, KY)
35. CO - Focus on the Family Institute / Focus
Leadership Institute (Colorado Springs, CO)
36. PA - Grove City College (Grove City, PA)
37. CO - Colorado Christian Univ. (Denver, CO)
38. KS - Sterling College (Sterling, KS)
39. IL - Wheaton College (Wheaton, IL)
40. CA - Chapman Univ. (Orange, CA)

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