



Resource List: Pro-Life Advocacy & Encouragement

The resources listed below align with Focus on the Family's philosophy and mission. We trust you will find them helpful. If you would like to obtain any of these items, call us toll free at 1-800-A-FAMILY, or visit our online store at store.focusonthefamily.com. (The information is regularly updated, but there is still the possibility that an item originally available from Focus on the Family might now be unavailable.) You may also be interested in the content posted on our website at focusonthefamily.com.

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Books

Compelling Interest: The Real Story Behind Roe V. Wade by Roger Resler (2012) • 9781618431134 •

Resler draws from original sources and interviews with experts to examine the historic *Roe v. Wade* decision. His insight will challenge your thinking on abortion—regardless of your current stance.

Gianna: Aborted ... And Lived to Tell About It by Jessica Shaver (2010) • 9781589976399 •

Jessen survived a saline abortion and overcame obstacles to become a strong pro-life advocate. This book also chronicles her search for and reconciliation with her biological mother.

In Jesse's Shoes by Beverly Lewis (2007) • 9780764203138 • fiction

Lewis' story helps children learn to embrace others with special needs.

Just a Minute: In the Heart of a Child, One Moment Can Last Forever by Dr. Wess Stafford (2012) • 9780802409669 •

Whether it's your own son or daughter or someone else's child, you have the opportunity to shape their soul and life with the power of your words and actions. Stafford shares 68 stories that will encourage *you* to bless a child.

The Long Awakening by Lindsey O'Connor (2013) • 9780800718763 •

Due to complications during childbirth, O'Connor was placed in a medically induced coma for 47 days. Her memoir shares what her family endured and her own difficult journey of healing.

Pro-Life Answers to Pro-Choice Arguments by Randy Alcorn (2000) • 9781576737514 •

Alcorn addresses and refutes pro-abortion arguments. He offers a church position statement on abortion, a Bible study for group discussion, and suggestions for communicating the sanctity of human life.

Too Small to Ignore: Why the Least of These Matters Most by Dr. Wess Stafford (2007) • 9781400073924 •

Children are our future, but throughout the world, many become victims of war, pornography, prostitution, and poverty. Learn why it's crucial to make children a priority and to never overlook the importance of investing in their lives.

Unplanned: The Dramatic True Story of a Former Planned Parenthood Leader's Journey Across the Life Line by Abby Johnson (2014) • 9781414396545 •

After Johnson, the director of a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas, participated in her first abortion procedure, she quit her job and walked across the road to join the Coalition for Life. Her spiritual transformation instills hope and compassion into the political controversy surrounding the issue of abortion.

Why Pro-Life? Caring for the Unborn and Their Mothers by Randy Alcorn (2012) • 9781619700284 •

Alcorn tackles difficult questions such as: “Is the unborn child a human being?”; “When does life begin?”; and “Do the unborn have the same rights as adults?”

Broadcasts & DVDs

Choosing Life in the Midst of an Adverse Pregnancy – Part I, Part II (Todd and Angie Smith)

Advised to terminate the pregnancy of their fourth daughter because she likely wouldn't survive outside the womb, the Smiths chose life instead—and were blessed to love on Audrey Caroline during the few hours she lived after birth. They share their story and faith to encourage others who face difficult pregnancies, or who have suffered the heartrending loss of a child.

Defeating the Darkness of Abortion – I, II (Kathy Sparks) • 9781624715525 •

Sparks describes how she came to work as a registered nurse in an abortion clinic, and the toll that took on her marriage and life, even leading to a suicide attempt. But she and her husband became Christians, recommitted to their marriage, and now work to help women choose life for their pre-born babies.

Experiencing God's Grace in a Pro-Life Decision – I, II (Ginger Millermon) • 9781624710681 •

Millermon describes the struggles she and her husband had when their twin sons were born prematurely. One was healthy, but doctors believed the other wouldn't survive, and they urged the couple to take the baby off life support. Instead, the Millermons chose to place their son in God's hands—and after over a year in the hospital, they were able to bring him home.

Forty Years Since Roe v. Wade (Yvette Maher, Jim Daly) • 9781624712449 •

Maher shares her powerful testimony of having one abortion and almost going through with a second. Instead, she chose life and gave birth to twin girls. She and Daly talk about the sanctity of human life and about Focus on the Family's Option Ultrasound program.

Having Compassion for the World's Children – I, II (Dr. Wess Stafford) • 9781624715099 •

President Emeritus of Compassion International, Stafford endured horrible abuse as a child in a missionary boarding school—but he found emotional healing by forgiving those who hurt him, and went on to fulfill his God-given desire to help children around the world. Here he shares his concern for the sanctity of human life and for the impressionable hearts of children.

Leaving Planned Parenthood – I, II (Abby Johnson, Shawn Carney) • 9781624713095 •

Johnson explains why she began working for Planned Parenthood and why she left her position as an abortion clinic director—a move that made national headlines. You'll also hear from Carney, co-founder of the 40 Days for Life campaign, who describes how he and his organization faithfully prayed for Johnson to have a change of heart.

A Miraculous Story of Life – I, II (Melissa Ohden) • 9781624713620 •

Ohden was born in 1977 during a five-day saline abortion process. She survived—and now she's passionate about sharing her story of faith and forgiveness, reminding others why every human life is sacred and precious.

Proclaiming Truth: A Liberal Journalist Asks Tough Questions (Kirsten Powers) • 9781624712821 •

Originally aired in April 2013, this program offers a discussion with Kirsten Powers, columnist for *USA Today*, about the trial of abortionist Dr. Kermit Gosnell, as well as the mainstream media's minimal coverage of the horrendous crimes committed in a Philadelphia abortion clinic.

Reaching Hearts on Abortion – I, II (Scott Klusendorf) • 9781624712456 •

In a message for Pregnancy Resource Center Directors, Klusendorf challenges common pro-abortion arguments and offers tips on using compassionate and compelling dialogue to speak the truth in love.

Returning to a Culture of Life (Kelly Rosati, Jim Daly, John Fuller) • 9781624715532 •

Explaining the development of a fetus and how, as a culture, we need to make abortion “unthinkable” by offering other options, this program discusses personhood and the importance of protecting life. Listeners are encouraged to get involved with their local PRC's, either financially or as volunteers.

Speaking of Life: Our Listeners' Stories (Call-In) • 9781624719943 •

Hear from more than 400 Focus constituents who value life and share their intriguing stories of unexpected pregnancies, children with special needs, the wisdom and spunk of the elderly, and more.

Surviving a Coma: My Miraculous Awakening – I, II (Tim and Lindsey O'Connor) • 9781624716768 •

Tim and Lindsey describe the trauma and recovery Lindsey experienced from a post-birth complication where she nearly bled to death and was in a medically-induced coma for about 2 months—a coma from which she was not expected to survive.

Teaching Kids to Be Voices for Life (Jim Daly, Dr. Juli Slattery, John Fuller) • 9781624710650 •

Learn why it's important to teach children about the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death—whether grieving over a miscarriage, visiting the elderly in nursing homes, serving orphans in a foreign country, or expressing compassion for the disabled.

The Value of a Life Worth Living (Joni Eareckson Tada) • 9781624712685 •

Joni shares the story of Kim, a young woman who had Lou Gehrig's disease and wrestled with difficult end-of-life questions. Joni recounts her encouragement that Kim seek God's wisdom, so she might live her remaining days in a way that would count for eternity.

The Value of Standing for Life (Jim Daly, Dr. Juli Slattery, John Fuller) • 9781624713194 •

In response to a case against a Philadelphia abortionist, Daly, Slattery, and Fuller reaffirm the infinite value of human life. They discuss Focus on the Family's heart and strategy for standing for life without compromise, and they encourage listeners to actively uphold the sanctity of human life in their own communities.



The Drop Box (Focus on the Family)

This film tells the story of a South Korean pastor and his efforts to embrace and protect the most vulnerable members of society. It explores the physical, emotional, and financial toll of providing refuge to orphans who would otherwise be abandoned.

Unplanned: The Dramatic True Story of a Former Planned Parenthood Leader's Eye-Opening Journey • 9781589976665 •

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**Focus on the Family
Online Booklets**

The First 9 Months

This photo journey helps readers understand human life in the womb.

- media.focusonthefamily.com/heartlink/pdf/FirstNineMonths.pdf

Sanctity of Human Life Guide

This booklet discusses why human life is sacred—from conception to natural death—and how we can incorporate this ethic into our daily lives.

- media.focusonthefamily.com/heartlink/pdf/2014_Sanctity_of_Human_Life_Guide.pdf

Valuing Life from the Start

This booklet offers age-specific lessons and activities for kids and teens, and includes live links to other helpful resources.

- thrivingfamily.com/~media/Thriving/1-articles/PDFs/valuing-life-tool-kit.pdf

When Love Wins: Continuing a Pregnancy with an Adverse Diagnosis

This booklet speaks to women who learn that the child they are carrying has a birth defect. Down syndrome is specifically discussed, as are abnormalities of prenatal tests and the physical and emotional risks of abortion.

- media.focusonthefamily.com/heartlink/pdf/whenlovewins.pdf

**Focus on the Family
Webpages,
Position Statements, Info Sheets,
Resource Lists, and Q&As**

Webpages

- Life Issues (focusonthefamily.com/socialissues/life-issues)
- Pro-Life (focusonthefamily.com/pro-life)

Position Statements

- [Assisted Suicide and End-of-Life Care](#) • MS192 •
- [Eldercare](#) • RL061 •
- [Hope and Healing After Abortion](#) • RL001 •
- [Scripture References on End of Life](#) • FX407 •
- [Stem Cell Research](#) • MS191 •

Resource Lists

- focusonthefamily.com/family-q-and-a/resources-and-referrals
Find recommended resources and referrals listed by topic.

Q&As

- focusonthefamily.com/family-q-and-a
Browse our Q&As for advice and encouragement.
 - [Daughter Pregnant, Boyfriend Wants Abortion](#)
 - [Exploring the Options for an Unwed Pregnant Teen](#)
 - [Parenting a Pregnant Teen](#)
 - [Parenting a Son Whose Girlfriend Is Pregnant](#)
 - [Pregnant Woman With Serious Health Risk Wonders About Abortion](#)
 - [Pregnant, Scared, and Overwhelmed](#)
 - [Reasons to Choose Life When Facing a Crisis Pregnancy](#)
 - [Wondering Whether to Abort a Child Diagnosed with a Disabling Medical Problem](#)
 - [Wondering Whether to Abort a Child Diagnosed with a Fatal Medical Problem](#)

Referrals

Focus on the Family Counseling Consultation Line

- If you're struggling and need someone to talk to, [Focus on the Family offers a free phone counseling consultation with a licensed counselor](#). Call 1-855-771-HELP (4357), Monday through Friday, 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM (MT). Our staff may need to call you back, but they'd love to speak with you. You can also [search our directory for a licensed Christian counselor in your area](#) [<https://ccn.thedirectorywidget.com>].

Americans United for Life

655 15th Street Northwest, Suite 410
Washington, D.C. 20005
202/289-1478
aul.org

- This legal arm of the pro-life movement defends life through judicial, legislative, and educational efforts. Educational seminars and various resources are also available.

Bethany Christian Services

901 Eastern Avenue Northeast

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

616/224-7610

800/BETHANY (238-4269)—Bethany Life Line (24-hour Crisis Pregnancy Hotline)

bethany.org

- This licensed agency offers pro-life pregnancy counseling, temporary foster care, and help with stateside and international adoptions.

CareNet

44180 Riverside Parkway, Suite 200

Lansdowne, VA 20176

703/554-8734

care-net.org

- Encompassing a network of hundreds of Pregnancy Resource Centers, CareNet supports centers with resources, seminars, and more.

Embrace Grace

773 Lonesome Dove Trail, Suite B

Hurst, TX 76054

817/755-8484

embracegrace.com

- This non-profit seeks to “empower churches across the nation to be a safe and non-judging place for the girls to run to when they find out they are pregnant, instead of the last place they are welcomed because of shame and guilt.”

Life Decisions International

P.O. Box 439

Front Royal, VA 22630-0009

540/631-0380

fightpp.org

- This ministry provides a list of corporations who support Planned Parenthood, and offers current statistics on Planned Parenthood’s national and international efforts.

National Right to Life Committee, Inc.

512 10th Street, Northwest

Washington, D.C. 20004

202/626-8800

nrlc.org

- Through a network of thousands of chapters, this organization helps end abortion and restore the right-to-life to the unborn.

Please Let Me Live (National Life Chain)

3209 Colusa Highway

Yuba City, CA 95993

530/674-5068

nationallifechain.org

- This group originated “Life Chains” and offers materials that discuss pro-life points and explains how to start a life chain in your community.