

# CPLC Ministry Update

## Activity for May 2010

### ***Convert-to-Life - Joanne Underwood***

- 40 Women turned away from the five Dallas abortion centers; 39 hopeful turnaways. YTD Totals: 215 turnaways, 174 hopefuls
- Abortion clients at all centers: 1,530. Accepted SWC literature: 12.81%. Accepted aftercare literature: 36.1%. Total coverage at all centers: 96.73%
- Met with Roxie Tabor of VITA Pro-Life in Shreveport, LA; 25 people participated in peaceful, prayerful presence at abortion center
- Announced the 40 Days for Life-Dallas fall vigil, Project 100 and need for prayer partners at the May Parish Coordinators Meeting
- Distributed sets of fetal development signs (3<sup>r</sup>-6<sup>t</sup> month) to Christ for the Nations Church, Lavon Drive Baptist Church, and St. James Catholic Church
- Passed out over 150 "Who is Your Neighbor?" fliers to surrounding businesses and residences near Southwestern abortion center

### ***Abortion AfterCare-Healing - Fonda Lash***

- Received nine calls on the 214-544-CARE helpline and 15 calls on the 972-679-4760 Spanish helpline
- Transitioned leadership of the ministry from Caryn Stevens to Fonda Lash. Heartfelt thanks to Caryn for her years of service in this ministry as she begins teaching school in the Midlothian ISD.
- Held Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ in English on May 14-16<sup>th</sup> with 6 in attendance.
- Fonda Lash was interviewed on KATH 910 FM, Guadalupe Radio Network in Dallas concerning Rachel's Vineyard Retreats™.

### ***Project Gabriel - Patty Sherrod***

- Four moms paired with Gabriel Angels
- 115 calls received on the 972-BABY DUE hotline answered at the White Rose Women's Center
- Finalized the GEMS Fall 2010 schedule
- Held the final GEMS class of the Spring semester on "Healthy Relationships."
- Began planning for the Project Gabriel/GEMS benefit garage sale in June.

### ***Parish Coordination - Jim Walker***

- Held Quarterly Parish Pro-Life Coordinators Meeting on May 8th at St. Mary of Carmel, Dallas
- Completed 2009-10 Baby Bank Campaign, with a record total of \$93,300 raised from 24 parishes and two schools for pro-life ministry in our diocese and the parishes
- Began preparations for annual CPLC Volunteer & Staff Appreciation Picnic

### ***Prayer Ministry - Patty Sherrod***

- Plans made for next Quarterly Mass, Adoration & Rosary Procession from Good Shepherd, Garland, to Planned Parenthood on July 10th
- Coordinated monthly Mass for requests from CPLC web site
- Promoted the annual Cemetery of the Innocents Memorial prayer service at Calvary Hill Cemetery

### ***Speakers Bureau - Sheree Havlik***

- Spoke to 51 students at St. Cecilia on Character, Chastity and Abortion; spoke to 45 students of the John Paul II Pro-Life Club at their end-of-year meeting
- Spoke to 10 adults on Chastity at Gabriel Angel Training held at St. Rita Church in Ft. Worth
- Received a request from the Diocese of Brownsville for help with setting up a Speakers Bureau
- Year-to-date stats for 2009-10 left us with record numbers for youth presentations! Provided 22 presentations to 1,113 adults. Provided 133 presentations to 4,387 students. Chastity was again the #1 requested presentation.

### ***Youth For Life - Jacquelyn Smith***

- Mailed Boot Camp promotion package to youth ministers, school contacts, Right to Life groups, Diocesan Respect Life Directors, and Regional Diocesan Youth Ministry Directors
- Gave YFL promotional talk to RCIA at St. Mark in Plano
- Spoke to Pro-Life Club at Bishop Lynch Catholic High School
- Promoted Boot Camp on "The Good News" on KATH 910 AM
- Planning and preparation for 2010 Pro-Life Boot Camp
- Toured site for Boot Camp 2011
- Confirmed Jason Evert as keynote for Pure Reality 2011

### ***Spanish Ministry - Aurora Tinajero***

- Interviewed Maria Graham and Alicia Saucedo of Convert-to-Life Ministry on radio program in anticipation of bilingual Sidewalk Counseling training in June
- Taped video introducing new Spanish CPLC website to the public and inviting viewers to join the CPLC in our pro-life efforts
- Took English and Spanish youth groups from Immaculate Conception to Robinson's abortion center to pray
- Met with 10 couples from Diocese of Ft. Worth to explain the importance of Natural Family Planning and the 5 Non-Negotiable issues

### ***Civic Action - Ron Engler***

- Continued planning for "Render Unto Caesar: Defending Life in the Public Square" Conference to be held on July 17th at St. Ann, Coppell
- Made contacts with speakers and session presenters
- Sent updates from the USCCB on federal legislative issues to the CPLC E-Alert list