

# CPLC Ministry Update

## Activity for September 2009

### **Convert-to-Life - Antoinette Wilson**

- 38 women turned away from the five Dallas abortion centers; 11 hopeful turnaways (Turnaways during 40 Days for Life-Dallas September 23-30: 7 for all abortion centers.) YTD Totals: 241 turnaways, 89 hopefuls.
- Abortion clients at all centers: 1,156. Accepted SWC literature: 26.21%. Accepted aftercare literature: 7.01%. Total sidewalk counseling coverage at all centers: 91%.
- Welcomed Rebecca Thompson, Geri Doyle and Alicia Saucedo as new staff sidewalk counselors

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

- Began delivering Baby Banks for 2009-10 Campaign
- Welcomed new Parish Pro-Life Coordinator Kyle Cupp, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Frisco
- Continued planning for Parish Pro-Life Coordinator Orientation Meeting on October 31
- Encouraged parish sign-ups for 40 Days for Life-Dallas

### **Abortion AfterCare-Healing - Caryn Stevens**

- Received a total of 8 calls on the 214-544-CARE helpline, 6 calls on the 972-679-4760 Spanish helpline and 12 emails through www.racheldallas.org for information on help and healing and the ministry
- Held a reunion for graduates of the 36<sup>th</sup> Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ in English
- Gave a presentation at St. Therese Catholic Church in Canton on the prevalence of abortion in the U.S. and world, the effects of post-abortion trauma on communities, and the healing and restoration available through our ministry

### **Prayer Ministry - Milissa Kukla**

- Continued coordination of Respect Life / Quarterly Mass, Adoration & Rosary Procession & Midpoint Event for 40 Days for Life-Dallas
- Held weekly meetings with Core Team for 40 Days for Life-Dallas
- Held kickoff event for 40 Days for Life-Dallas with over 200 participants
- Began 40 Day Vigil outside Robinson's abortion center on Wednesday, September 23; participating with 212 cities in 45 states

### **Project Gabriel - Patty Sherrrod**

- 1 baby born to a Gabriel mom; 3 moms paired with Gabriel Angels
- 102 calls received at 972-BABY-DUE, answered at The White Rose Women's Center
- Met with the director of the new Birth Choice Counseling Center to formalize Project Gabriel referral procedures
- Held Session I of Gabriel Angel training at Holy Trinity
- Launched the fall semester of GEMS with "Dress for Success" and "Sexual Integrity" classes

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

- Supported the Pro-Life Info Day at Our Lady of Angels
- Spoke to 16 new Gabriel Angels at a training session at Holy Trinity
- Spoke to 400 adults and youth at the Hike for Life sites in Dallas, Richardson and McKinney
- Spoke to 182 students at St. Philip the Apostle and Bishop Dunne on Abortion, Chastity, Life Issues and Character
- Year-to-date stats for 2009/10: Provided 4 presentations to 205 Adults, 6 presentations to 182 students

### **Youth For Life - Jacqueline Smith**

- Updated YFL mailing lists
- Compiled and mailed the fall *YFL Report*
- 5<sup>th</sup> Annual YFL Leadership Conference - 9 youth schools or parishes: John Paul II, Ursuline, Jesuit, Bishop Lynch, St. Thomas Aquinas School, St. Patrick Parish and St. John Nepomucene Parish
- Staffed a YFL Booth at White Rock Lake Hike for Life

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

- Gave a talk at St. Elizabeth, Bonham, on the Church's stance on contraception and the benefits of Natural Family Planning
- Gave a talk to St. Edward Parish's Confirmation class on "Being Pro-Life"
- Gave a talk on abortion followed by a skit and Q & A to 75 young adults at Good Shepherd
- Started a month-long, parish-wide "Baby Shower" at Immaculate Conception, Grand Prairie, to collect baby items for Catholic Crisis Resource Centers

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

- Continued planning for November CAT (Catholic Action Team) training session
- Held planning session for June 2010 CAT Conference
- Prepared budget draft for June 2010 CAT Conference
- Sent Action Alerts from the USCCB regarding Health Care Reform