

## A PROVEN SOLUTION ... PRAYER AND 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

*If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

— 2 Chronicles 7:14

This is a promise from God and this is exactly how 40 Days for Life began. Four Christians in College Station, TX realized they were not making the impact on abortion that was needed so they sat around a wooden conference table for an hour of prayer

seeking God's answer. The result of that hour of prayer was 40 Days for Life, a 40 day campaign of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach.



The results speak for themselves:

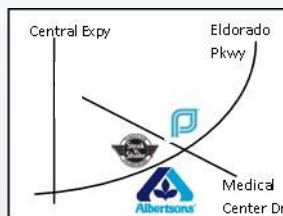
- 600,000 participants
- 16,500 churches
- 2,786 total campaigns
  - 522 cities
  - 21 countries
- 8,245 lives saved
- 88 workers quit
- 44 clinics closed

One campaign in 2011 outside a Planned Parenthood in Sherman, TX resulted in the manager, Ramona Treviño, quitting her job and the facility closing its doors. A note on their door told everyone to go to their next closest facility in McKinney, TX.

## WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE VIGIL...

The Vigil is the most visible witness of the 40 Days for Life Campaign. We will pray every day for 40 days from March 5<sup>th</sup> until April 13<sup>th</sup> from 7am until 7pm for an end to abortion. This 40 day vigil will be conducted in the right of way outside the McKinney Planned Parenthood at the northeast corner of Eldorado Pkwy and Medical Center Dr. Please park at Albertsons or the Steak 'n Shake far parking spots (please leave the close parking spots for Steak 'n Shake customers). **Please do not park or enter the business strip or parking lot where Planned Parenthood is located.** For a map with appropriate parking labeled visit (<http://goo.gl/maps/lkjfZ>)

When you arrive there will be a box with resources, a clipboard and vigil signs. Sign in on the sign in sheet on the clipboard, and your first time sign a statement of peace (inside the clipboard) and then find a spot anywhere on the sidewalk and pray! Feel free to hold a vigil sign as an extra way of witnessing to the community and feel free to look through the resource box. In the box we have various prayer books and aids as well as resources and information on healing after an abortion, pregnancy resources including information about local pregnancy resource centers and information about 40 Days for Life.



It is very helpful if you are able to sign up before you come to pray. We make sure that every hour is covered and it is so helpful to know when you are coming. Even if you have a changing schedule and do not know when you are coming until an hour or before go ahead and give us a call ([214-531-7285](tel:214-531-7285)), email us ([mckinneyprolife@gmail.com](mailto:mckinneyprolife@gmail.com)) or sign-up ([www.vigilcalendar.com/mckinney](http://www.vigilcalendar.com/mckinney)).

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## THE PROBLEM ... ABORTION AND PLANNED PARENTHOOD

1600 abortions are performed on Collin County Residents each year. That's approximately the same number as half the student body at McKinney Boyd High School.

More than **1,200,000 innocent children** are killed by abortion in the United States each year. The worldwide total has been estimated at 42 million - every year.



However, it's not only children who are affected. Millions of women have been wounded by abortion -- some physically, and many more emotionally and spiritually -- and fathers who have lost children to abortion have been shoved to the sidelines, abandoned to lives of regret.

Planned Parenthood is the nation's largest abortion vendor but they NEVER advertise this fact. Instead they tell young people about their contraception sales and STD screenings to keep their positive image going. Yet, Planned Parenthood preys off young girls in crisis, locating right near our high schools and college campuses, telling them abortion is their only real option in their moment of desperation.



## COMPONENTS OF 40 DAYS FOR LIFE...

40 Days for Life requires lots of prayer, hard work, and personal sacrifice, but the campaign is actually quite simple with three basic components:

### 1. Prayer and Fasting

Prayer is at the center of 40 Days for Life. During the campaign, we are calling on prayer warriors to fall on their knees before the Lord, asking Him to hear our plea and heal our land. Pray outside Planned Parenthood. Pray at church. Pray at work. Pray in the car. Pray at home with your family. Pray!

People of faith are also invited to fast throughout 40 Days for Life.

Christ said there are demons that can only be driven out by prayer and fasting. A fast is not a Christian diet; it is a powerful means of drawing closer to God by blocking out distractions. Fast from food. Fast from television. Fast from excess time in front of a computer. Fast from apathy and indifference. Fast from whatever it is that separates you from God.

We believe that when God's people fast with a broken, repentant, and contrite spirit, our heavenly Father will hear from heaven and heal our lives, our churches, our communities, our nation, and our world.

### 2. Peaceful Vigil

The visible, public centerpiece of 40 Days for Life is a 40-day, prayer vigil outside Planned Parenthood. It is a peaceful and educational presence, and this 12-hour-a-day presence sends a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion.



### 3. Community Outreach

40 Days for Life seeks to take the pro-life message to every corner of our community through: Church involvement, meeting with local pastors, other church leaders, and members of different congregations, Media outreach, table displays, wristbands, yard signs, bumper stickers and much more!

### IF YOU'RE READY TO END ABORTION...

Now is the time to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves by being a part of the McKinney 40 Days for Life Campaign. Start praying for an end to abortion and asking God to show you how you can make a difference in helping to end abortion. Decide how you will fast for an end to abortion. Sign-up at ([www.vigilcalendar.com/mckinney](http://www.vigilcalendar.com/mckinney)) and pray at the vigil outside the McKinney Planned Parenthood.

Come to a 40 Days for Life event. Invite your friends, family, and Church to participate in 40 Days for Life. If you can arrange for us to meet with a community leader or speak



to a group about 40 Days for Life please contact our leadership team at [mckinneyprolife@gmail.com](mailto:mckinneyprolife@gmail.com) or 214-531-7285. If you would like to help as a part of our leadership team please let us know.