

Merry Christmas at
abortion clinic

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A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Almost 2000 years ago, a pregnant unwed teenager did not abort her unborn child, but placed her Faith in God, and delivered unto us the Savior of the World! Much later, it was said by a famous writer that "A child is God's opinion that the world will go on; abortion is man's opinion that it will not."

Today, we have two radically diverse and conflicting concepts of human life, and its purpose — as conflicting as the offensively inconsistent graphic shown on this page of a "Merry Christmas" sign adorning the front of an abortion clinic!

As 1998 draws to a close, NKRTL's Board and Officers wish to thank all its faithful members who have supported us in a variety of ways this past year, and especially all of the volunteers that have kept the office running this past year — **Sharon Cecil, Anne Clarke, Ruth Higdon, Dorothy Grothaus, Grace Dillon, Kathy Ryan, Lois Grady, Joan Jasper, Diane Nuxoll, Cathy Bondick, Mary Jean Miller, Agnes Sullivan, Kathy Smith, Joanne Widrig, Jim Johnson, Jim O'Neil, Mark Kloeker, Fr. Robert Klein, Omer and Marian Scharold** plus all the many, many gracious volunteers who work on the Newsletter or make phone calls when asked. May God bless all of you at this Christmas season!

We ask your prayers for those who passed away this past year — Estelle Cetrulo (Mother of our President Robert C. Cetrulo), Helen Johnson (Mother of Jim Johnson) and Rita Jones (mother of Board member Sandy Jones). May they all rest in peace, we

will miss them and their many contributions to the Pro-Life Movement.

May we remind you to do your Christmas shopping at the Northern Kentucky Right to Life Office? Our lovely Pro-Life Christmas and all occasion cards and thank you notes sell for \$4 a package of 10 cards and envelopes if you pick them up at the office; we will mail them for \$5 per pack. We also have a large selection of bumper stickers at #1 each or we can make them magnetic (easily taken off when the need arises) for \$3 including the bumper sticker; precious feet and hand pins in several styles as well as pierced earrings, and many books and pamphlets to choose from. And how about a gift subscription to our Newsletter for that family member, pastor or friend who you would love to see more involved in "making something beautiful for God, as Mother Teresa put it.

Just in case you have some extra time on your hands, we can always use extra volunteers to work in the office one day a month from 10 AM to 4 PM on any Monday through Friday. The only requirement is that one be completely Pro-Life. We believe in the protection of all human life from conception to a natural death and we only promote natural family planning (NFP), NO CONTRACEPTION of any kind. So if you would like to come on board, just call Marian at 781-6726 and arrangements can be made for a brief training. The rewards are the best (in heaven), and friendships made are great.

May all of you have a Christmas and 1999 filled with God's blessings!

NORTHERN KENTUCKY RIGHT TO LIFE'S ANNUAL MARCH ON PAPER

Whether you are able to go to **Washington, DC** for this magnificent **March on Fri., Jan. 22, 1999**, we ask you to make YOUR PUBLIC STATEMENT AGAINST ABORTION BY PLACING YOUR NAME IN THE NKRTL NEWSPAPER AD, ON THIS 26th ANNIVERSARY OF THE INFAMOUS SUPREME COURT DECISION LEGALIZING THE KILLING OF UNBORN CHILDREN.

This ad will urge the passage of a Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, an amendment which will declare all children, from the moment of fertilization, as persons entitled to the same protection against murder as the rest of us. Since copies are (continued on back)

ELECTION RESULTS - OVERWHELMINGLY PRO-LIFE AGAIN IN

ENVELOPE ENCLOSED FOR NEWSPAPER AD

17 of the 20 winning candidates on Tuesday's ballot," admitted pro-abort Post reporter **Bill Straub**.

Bunning Wins Because of Pro-Life Stance, According to Opponent

Democrat Scotty Baesler attributed his loss of the U.S. Senate race to Republican Jim Bunning to the activity of anti-abortion groups, supporting Bunning, as well as a lower than expected voter turnout in Baesler's opinion. But Baesler said that radio ads saying that he supported abortion "probably hurt me more than anything else," reported the *Louisville Courier Journal*.

The margin of victory for Bunning was largely supplied in Pro-Life Northern Kentucky, the Fourth Congressional District that he has represented in Congress for 12 yrs., which gave him a 38,395 vote surplus. Baesler won the Sixth Congressional District that he has represented for 6 yrs. by only 21,320. Also, Bunning did much better than the Democrats hoped in Western Ky. where, although the

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NKRTL COUNTRY

"It's nearly the kiss of death in a political race here to oppose Northern Kentucky Right to Life, which endorsed

registration is heavily Democrat, values are more traditional than those of the National Democratic Party, and in fact those two congressional districts in Western Kentucky are represented by 2 Pro-Life Republican Congressmen.

The only area Baesler won big was Louisville's Third Congressional District, where the Pro-Life forces are unfortunately much weaker, as indicated by their continuing to send many pro-abortion representatives to the state legislature. Baesler won that district by 22,699 votes.

Kentucky's Pro-Life Delegation to General Assembly Remains Intact

Every candidate endorsed by NKRTL-PAC for election to the Ky. General Assembly won handily. **Katie Stine (R)**, one of our prime sponsors of Pro-Life legislation last term in the House of Representatives, handily won the Senate seat from Campbell County, defeating her opponent almost 3 to 1.

State Sen. Ernie Harris (R) was reelected in the 26th District.

State Repr. Thomas Kerr (D), another of our major sponsors on Pro-Life legislation, won reelection easily with 61% of the vote.

In the 70th District, **Pete Worthington (D)** was reelected.

State Repr. Charlie Walton (R) a 100% Pro-Life voter in the legislature, handily defeated his opponent by 63% of the vote.

In the Campbell County seat vacated by Katie Stine, first time candidate **Joseph Fischer (R)**, a long-time Pro-Life activist and Board member of Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati Lawyers for Life, won 59% of the votes to his opponent 41%.

Other stalwart Pro-Life members of the Ky. General Assembly in our area, who won our endorsement, but were unopposed were naturally of course reelected: **State Repr. Paul Marcotte (R)**, and **State Repr. Jon Reinhardt (R)**.

Crucial County Races

NKRTL-PAC endorsed candidates won election in crucial races in Boone, Campbell and Kenton Counties. It will be remembered that NKRTL has been in a year-long battle with Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Board which, in September of 1997 and again in June of 1998, installed a policy authorizing the distribution of chemical abortion pills, including to teenage girls without the consent or even knowledge of their parents. This Board is staffed by the county

In Boone County, the successful candidate in the judge-executive race was **Gary W. Moore (R)**, who was endorsed by NKRTL-PAC, and is totally committed to the appointment of Pro-Lifers to these sensitive Boards. In fact, the other 3 seats on the Boone County Fiscal Court were swept by Pro-Life endorsed candidates as well, **Cathy Hudson Flaig (R)**, **Rob Arnold (R)** and **Robert Hay (R)**.

Northern Kentucky's Pro-Life Justice on the **Kentucky Supreme Court**, **Donald C. Wintersheimer** won a strong reelection over his opponent.

NKRTL-PAC's endorsed candidate for **Kenton County Attorney**, **Garry Edmondson (D)** was unopposed, and reelected.

Pro-Life State Sen. Gex Williams

judges of the several counties as well as by their appointees, and the appointees of the mayors in the two largest cities of those counties, Covington and Newport. This pro-abortion action on their part was made a crucial issue in these races, and the pro-aborts lost, uniformly.

The issue was very clearly focused in Kenton County, where the offending Judge-Executive was an interim appointee and didn't run for reelection, but the two contestants were diametrically opposed. Covington **Mayor Denny Bowman (R)** answered our questionnaire that he would not agree to appoint only Pro-Lifers to such sensitive position. His opponent, **Richard L. Murgatroyd (R)**, a retiring state legislator with a 100% Pro-Life voting record there, affirmed that he would appoint only Pro-Lifers to these Boards, and he was elected overwhelmingly.

Incumbent **Kenton County Commissioner Bernard Moorman (D)** who likewise opposed Right to Life's position in these matters, suffered a stunning defeat at the hands of **Dan Humpert (R)**, who supports the appointment only of Pro-Lifers to these Boards. The other endorsed Pro-Life candidate for the Kenton County Commission was **Barb Black (R)**, who ran unopposed, but NKRTL-PAC had endorsed her in the Primary over her opponent and she prevailed there. She likewise is committed to supporting the nomination only of Pro-Lifers to these Boards.

In Campbell County the issue was again quite clear. The incumbent county judge-executive, **Ken Paul (D)** had appointed people to the NKIDHD Board who voted pro-abortion.

After publicly stating that he would not appoint such people again, he unfortunately broke his word and did reappoint one of the same people who had cast a pro-abortion vote in September of 1997, and she did again then in June of 1998.

Paul's opponent, **Steve Pendery (R)**, is committed to appointing only those who respect all innocent human life to such sensitive Boards, and handily defeated Paul. This was particularly significant considering that all of the other prevailing candidates in all of the other local offices in Campbell County, the other Commissioners, the County Attorney, the County Clerk, and County Sheriff, were Democrat with Pendery being the sole Republican elected.

NKRTL-PAC endorsed candidate **Roland Vories (D)** was reelected to the Campbell County Commission Third District, as was **Campbell County Sheriff John Dunn, Jr. (D)**.

Falls Short in Congressional Bid

A significant disappointment for serious Pro-Lifers involved the unsuccessful campaign of State Sen. Gex Williams (R) to fill the vacated seat of Jim Bunning in the Fourth Congressional District of Ky. Williams won in Boone County, the county of residence of both him and his opponent, Ken Lucas (D), and also won in Kenton County (but in neither county did he carry the majority anticipated and needed). Moreover, he lost by a close margin in Campbell County, again a place where he should have prevailed

Why?

Many Pro-Lifers are totally confused as to why Gex Williams was unsuccessful, when he has been the most ardent and successful Pro-Life advocate that we have had in the past 8 yrs. in his tenure in the Ky. General Assembly, both

the House and Senate, and particularly considering the success uniformly of all of these other Pro-Life candidates in the same areas. Even though the registration in the district overwhelmingly favors Democrats, that is nothing new for Gex who has in 3 previous races prevailed in Democratic districts, against candidates who were better financed — significantly because he was able to attract Democrats to cross over and vote for him because of his Pro-Life position, versus the pro-abortion position (or “soft” position of his opponent).

Pro-Life activists who have been close to these situations feel that there are a couple of factors involved. First, Williams opponent, with the complicity of the pro-abort media, was able to confuse the situation sufficiently concerning Lucas’ position on these matters so as to make the contrast between their positions not appear so stark. As noted in the Ky. *Post* article on the day after the election: “To beat Williams, Lucas took pains to portray himself as ‘pro-life’ - so Right to Life’s cause still an advocate, though maybe a less zealous one.”

Next, the pro-abort media savaged Williams relentlessly, and literally daily, in the press, and on the TV, for contrived and meritless charges concerning ethics. The allegations concerning his sale of 10 acres off his 15 acre Boone County farm, to a political supporter, and the alleged use of state phones, were dragged out for months. When all was said and done, just a week before the election, Williams was totally cleared by the Kentucky Legislative Ethics Commission which found: “Having concluded its preliminary inquiry into the Arnett Complaint and finding no probable cause to believe that a violation of the Code of Legislative Ethics has occurred with respect to the allegations contained therein, this matter is hereby terminated.”

But the Lucas campaign and the pro-abort media, continued to put their own spin on the matter, and the damage was done, and as irreversible as the cyanide in the coffee.

Another contributing factor, very disturbing to most Pro-Lifers, was the division even of the Republican Party, occasioned by a heated Primary between Williams and **Rick Robinson**, last Spring. Robinson, who had never held public office, and indeed had never been active in the Pro-Life Movement was nonetheless endorsed by Congr. Jim Bunning, for whom he had worked as an Administrative Assistant. This resulted in an intense Primary election, calling for the expenditure of much energy and many funds, and indeed, apparently, in a bruising of some egos and a splitting of support. It was particularly unfortunate since, not only did Robinson not have a Pro-Life record, but in fact in an answer

(7) made substantial financial contributions to the gubernatorial campaign of pro-abortion Brereton Jones in 1991, and in 1994 and 1995 made significant contributions to the gubernatorial campaign of pro-abortion Paul Patton, who had promised in his campaign to veto Pro-Life legislation, and who kept his promise after being elected with the support of contributors like Mr. Lucas!

But Lucas is not responsible for the ongoing killing of innocent unborn babies, even though he puts in office the people whose votes and political power continue the killing, right? Right! No one’s responsible! That’s why the killing continues, because no one’s in favor of it, right???

If your life depended on it, which of these 2 people would you want to have in a position to vote?

to a Pro-Life questionnaire by Friends for Life of Ashland, Robinson responded that he would put Party loyalty above the abortion issue, and continue to support members of his Party for elective office even if they supported the brain suction abortion procedure which was banned by Congress but vetoed by Pres. Clinton.

A True Comparison, Williams v. Lucas

At the risk of being charged with “sour grapes” (which we certainly will be), we feel compelled nonetheless to publish for posterity the true factual differences between these candidates, as at least our feeble effort to resist the revisionists, those who seek to rewrite history as they would prefer it to be presented, as opposed to how it really occurred.

In the anti-abortion context, it must of course be noted that Gex Williams has been among the most prominent Pro-Life leaders in the Ky. General Assembly, in his 8 yrs. of service there, being a sponsor, and constant, aggressive, active advocate of Pro-Life legislation, and prominently featuring his position in these respects in all his public pronouncements in the press as well.

On the other hand, the “stealth” Pro-Lifer, Lucas, never articulated any position on this matter until this congressional campaign and

(1) never belonged to NKRTL in our 27-year history, nor any other Pro-Life organization;

(2) never attended any Pro-Life event;

(3) refused to answer our questionnaire when he ran for county judge four years ago;

(4) supported every pro-abort from Brereton Jones and Paul Patton to Bill Clinton (and was on the insider list invited to the \$10,000 a plate Clinton fund-raising dinner at the home of multimillionaire politico/lawyer Stan Chesley in Cincinnati last March), thereby of course ensuring the ongoing killing by electing to public office those who keep the killing machine in place;

(5) appointed people to the Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Department Board who voted in favor of chemical abortion pills being distributed with taxpayers’ money to teenagers without parental notification or consent;

(6) did not attend the Board meetings himself, although he has a voting seat on the Board, nor did he answer our written pleas for help to turn around this killing policy.

Slanders of Williams by Media and Lucas Proven Untrue — 7 Days after the Election!

Williams was brutalized by Lucas in the media, daily, concerning Williams’ sale of 10 acres of his 15 acre farm in Boone County for \$60,000, and for his allegedly using state phones in Frankfort to further his campaign.

It was repeatedly pointed out that the person putting up the purchase price for the real estate was a Christian supporter of Williams, and that the deed for the property ultimately went to a Problem Pregnancy Center donee. The press of course ignored the reality that the Boone County Property Valuation Administrator, based upon comparable sales elsewhere in the immediate area, affirmed that this was indeed a fair market value transaction, and that there was no suspicious circumstances.

Seven days after the election, the **Kentucky Legislative Ethics Commission** issued a report “That cleared State Sen.

Gex Williams on Tuesday of using state telephones to campaign for Congress," wrote *Kentucky Post* reporter Michael Collins on Nov. 11, 1998. Collins went ahead to point out that the Ethics Commission showed that it "was clearly annoyed that it had been drawn into a heated political battle." "Williams asked the ethics commission to look into his phone records in July," reported Collins. On Nov. 10th, "the Commission concluded that, with a few minor exceptions, calls on behalf of Williams' congressional campaign were made from his private cell phone or charged to his calling card. Williams did 'slip up' and make a few partisan calls at state expense, but those calls totaled less than \$3 and were 'economically insignificant,' the Commission said."

The *Post* admitted that these were "allegations that turned out to be a key issue in his Congressional campaign."

With typical candor, Gex Williams stated "I'm glad that it's ended. We were straightforward from the beginning to end and tried to cooperate as best we could."

The Commission also dismissed the land transaction charges, concluding that there was no evidence to support any conclusion of an ethical violation.

But after more than six months of being daily savaged in the media, by the meritless and partisan inspired charges against him, the damage had been done.

The reality is that we have here in Gex Williams, a candidate of very modest means, who gave up a successful business as a computer programmer, to spend his entire years running for this office. His only income for that year was his income as a state senator, which amounted to about \$20,000.

This was obviously insufficient to support his wife and six children. Many of his supporters urged him to disclose these facts through the media, but he declined.

It is particularly offensive that Williams and his family were brutalized by the multi-millionaire Lucas, who didn't have to sell off two-thirds of his sole asset in the world, as did Gex William in his effort to support his family and simultaneously take to the next level, the Congress, the Judeo-Christian principle of respect for innocent human life.

A Profile of a True Pro-Lifer, and His Family

Judy and Gex Williams have made sacrifices, not just in this race, but throughout their lives, to advance the Judeo-Christian principles, and they have lived their lives in this way.

Those of us who recognize that National Right to Life Committee and other "Pro-Life" organizations have been something less than pure and objective, have some doubts in that respect.

Sen. Mitch McConnell (R) has been something less than totally Pro-Life, in some of his votes, approving, for example, the killing of unborn children for the crimes of their fathers (rape and incest).

And the same is true with respect to **Congr. Edward Whitfield (R)** in Western Ky.

Serious Pro-Lifers will now be watching our new "Pro-Life" (?) Congressman from No. Ky., Ken Lucas, to see if he not only casts all Pro-Life votes, but takes a serious leadership role on this crucial prime issue. His last mail-out just before election day read in bold letters: "Fact — Ken Lucas is 100% Pro-Life 100% of the time. Anything else is a lie."

In traditional Williams' style, Gex's concession speech was compassionate and forward looking:

"The future of this nation is not dependent upon any one candidate. It is you who have formed the issues in this campaign. All of the rhetoric, including of our opponent, has been conservative, and that is a result of your actions. And so we have won. Thank you and I encourage you to carry the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Gex & Sarah's picture

Pro-Lifer Defeats Pro-Abort in Sixth Congressional District Race

Pro-Life
physician **Ernie
Fletcher (R)**

defeated pro-abortion state Sen. **Ernesto Scorsone (D)** in the Sixth Congressional District. Fletcher featured in his campaign advertisements showing Scorsone's vote as a state legislator against a bill that banned same sex marriages, and it also showed Scorsone's pro-abortion record.

Kentucky Congressional Delegation — 100% Pro-Life?

National Right to Life Legislative Director, Douglas Johnson, was quoted in the *Lexington Herald-Leader* as saying "Everyone elected to the new Kentucky delegation is anti-abortion." He pointed out that there are only two other states, Oklahoma and Utah, with a 100% anti-abortion congressional delegation.

We shall see.

National Results

Electoral results nationally were a mild victory for the Democrats, with the number of the Senators remaining the same, Republicans 55 and Democrats 45, and the Democrats picking up 5 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, so that the Republican majority there is now reduced to 3. It is quite rare for the Party which occupies the White House to actually pick up seats in the Congress in an off year election, i.e., when the Pres. is not up for election.

From a Pro-Life standpoint, the results were mixed, although certainly nothing to get excited about in a positive sense. In New York, the Republicans lost the seat of **Al D'Amato**, who voted pro-abortion as much as not, to the frank pro-abortion Congressman **Chuck Schumer (D)**.

But in Illinois, the incumbent strong pro-abortion **Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun (D)** lost to strongly Pro-Life candidate **Peter Fitzgerald (R)**. And in Ohio, the retiring seat of pro-abortion **John Glenn (D)** was captured by **George Voinovich (R)** who has a fairly strong Pro-Life record.

In North Carolina, the Republicans lost a seat of an incumbent senator who had voted largely Pro-Life, to a pro-abortion Democrat.

Early studies have suggested several possible causes for this phenomenon, one of which is that the Democratic turnout at the polls was larger than average. But the underlying question then is "why" and why did the Republican Party, which won massive victories in the election four years ago, taking over both houses of Congress, not do better?

National conservative **columnist Robert D. Novak** pointed out that the Republican takeover of 1994 "...which began with a bang, are ending this week with a whimper as GOP leaders succumb to White House mastery. But more than tactical ineptitude, the Republicans surrender on Capitol Hill, suggest a deeper malaise. Today, the Republican Party is adrift, without an agenda and without purpose beyond its seeming pre-occupation with saving the Congressional seats of its incumbents."

Pro-Life columnist Patrick J. Buchanan characterized the whole sad situation as "the abdication of the GOP," and Pro-Life columnist Thomas A. Droleskey titled his article "The Dividends of a Culture of Death" and spoke the following very discomfoting conclusions: "Many leaders in the Republican Party, lacking any desire to challenge this nation's acceptance of materialism and relativism and positivism, thought that their candidates could coast to electoral victory solely on the basis of voter anger against President Bill Clinton. What this flawed strategy failed to recognize is that there is no reason for voters to be outraged against the President. After all, if the vast majority of voters in this nation can look the other way as 4400 babies are being aborted daily, then what's the big deal about overlooking perjury, subornation of perjury, and obstruction of justice? Republicans lost ground in the House — and failed to make gains in the Senate — largely because they do not stand for anything other than their own electoral success."

One needs to observe that just two weeks before the election, House Republican leaders enlisted the support of Democratic members to win approval for a \$500 billion catch-all spending package, and unwieldy 40 lb. document of nearly 4000 pages, delivered to the House Floor for review by members less than 4 hours before the vote.

Three days after the election, Gingrich announced his resignation as Speaker of the House, and a fight is now going on literally for the heart and soul of the Republican Party. The question is whether it will continue the strong evidence of the past several years to become a simply "me too" shadow of the libertine Democratic Party, or whether it will really become something to offer a true alternative to the American people. Early studies show that many true believing Christians stayed at home this year, uninspired by the alternatives presented on the ballot between the two parties.

As has been written in this Newsletter for many years, in fact going back into the 70's, the Republican Party generally has taken for granted the Pro-Life Movement — and many elements of the Pro-Life Movement have cooperated in this coopting.

There may literally be one last chance to save to this Nation, from its own self-destruction, from its own moral

Significantly, from the Pro-Life standpoint, the Bill was a disaster, and the cave-in by Republican leadership was nothing less than a sell-out. The deal was crafted largely between Pres. **Bill Clinton (D)**, **House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R)** and **Sen. Majority Leader Trent Lott (R)**, and reached conclusions which were directly at variance with roll call votes on the Floor of the U.S. House of Rep. or the U.S. Senate.

Some examples include: (1) the **Istook/Manzullo Amendment** to Title X requiring parental notice before minors could receive contraceptives from federally funded family planning clinics passed the House by a vote of 224-220, but was dropped from the Omnibus spending bill. (2) The **Coburn Amendment** to the Agriculture Dept. spending bill, preventing the Food and Drug Administration from using taxpayer funds for approval of the abortifacient RU-486, was also dropped. (3) In the Senate, the **Child Custody Protection Act**, prohibiting the transportation of a minor (in a state that has parental consent or notice law) across state lines to obtain an abortion, was killed. (4) The **Lowey Amendment** which mandated that participating insurers of federal employees cover the cost of all family planning prescription drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration, including abortifacient drugs, which had been defeated in the Congress, and found its way back in this budget bill and was approved. (5) Last year, Gingrich promised Pro-Life Caucus leader Repr. Chris Smith (R-NJ) that bailing out the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** would not happen unless the Clinton administration agreed to prohibit U.S. taxpayer funding of international population control agencies that lobbied to overturn Pro-Life laws in foreign countries. This year, Gingrich gave Clinton \$17.9 billion for the IMF, while the Mexico City provisions were buried, allowing \$400 million in foreign aid to go to the International Planned Parenthood Federation and other population control agencies.

Immediately after the passage of the budget bill two weeks before the election, **National Pro-Life leader Howard Phillips of the U.S. Taxpayers' Party** wrote headlines in his newsletter "Gingrich Must Go."

Immediately after the election, the true conservatives in the Republican Party in Congress made the same statement, led by **Repr. Bob Livingston (R-LA)**, and **Repr. Steve Largent (R-OK)**.

and ultimately physical self-destruction. It may depend in large measure upon what is done in Congress by those remaining members who adhere to Judeo-Christian principles.

The obvious fight going on for the heart and soul of the Republican Party, with its new leadership being elected in Congress, will determine the policy agendas formulated for the next two years, leading us to the pivotal elections of the year 2000.

THE MANY FACES OF NKRTL

(This continuing series of articles introduces the many people who make NKRTL such a vibrant organization.)

There is a plaque on **Kathy Murphy's** desk at Convergys (formerly called Cincinnati Bell Information Systems) where she has been employed for the past seventeen years, and where she presently serves as an Executive Administrator. The plaque that bears the words of Mother Teresa pretty well sums up how and why Kathy has been an instrument of God's peace. These words have directed her work on a daily basis: "God has created a world big enough for all the lives he wishes to be born. It is only our hearts that are not big enough to want them and accept them ... we are too often afraid of the sacrifices we might have to make. But where there is love, there is always sacrifice, and when we love until it hurts, there is joy and peace."

Kathy has known the joy and peace that come from loving until it hurts. The seventies were turbulent years for her, but she looks back on that time as a prelude to a search for God in her life. There was a void that needed to be filled, and Kathy came to realize that she needed to allow God to fill that emptiness. It was the healing power of God and the love of supportive people who helped her discover the many gifts that she continually offers to others.

Her journey into the Pro-Life Movement was actually along a path led by her mother Ruth, who nurtured her spiritual growth while Kathy was a young adult. Her mom had given her various books by Fr. John Powell that touched her heart, so when it was announced that Father would be the guest speaker at the Celebration for Life in October of 1984, Kathy went only to hear him. His words were inspirational.

The following year she found herself being pulled along spiritually, and at the same time, she was instrumental in guiding her father back to Church before his death. A trip to Washington for the March for Life followed in January, and she began to attend Right to Life Masses and picket at the abortion clinics.

In time, Kathy felt a call to volunteer. While working at the Courthouse, Kathy's mom told Fred Summe that her daughter was interested in volunteering her time. Fred wasted no time in contacting Kathy, and he readily acknowledges how much NKRTL has benefitted from Kathy's response.

You can see Kathy's beautiful smile that accompanies her on every endeavor. She works tirelessly on each project, from coordinating the exhibitors at the Celebration, to selling roses and taking signatures for the annual newspaper ad.

Kathy had become involved in the Mustard Seed Community through her association at St. Louis Church. While attending Mass there one day, a young man handed Kathy a newspaper called *My People*, a new publication by Father Al Lauer and his Presentation Ministries. After reading her initial copy, Kathy was impressed but recommended that Father get a proofreader. More than eleven years later, Kathy is still proofreading, but now she is a contributing editor and very active in Presentation Ministries. It was also Kathy's suggestion that Fred write a monthly article. They both continue to enjoy their affiliation with Father's mission to bring the Good News to our society.

Between her full-time job, a part-time job distributing health and wellness products for NIKKEN, remodeling and landscaping her eighty-year-old home in Ft. Thomas, and taking care of newborn kittens, Kathy finds the time and energy to find many opportunities to open her heart and mind through volunteering.

The Pro-Life Movement has been blessed with Kathy's invaluable help as a faithful volunteer for the unborn. She brings her many gifts to NKRTL, and as a Board member, Kathy has become an added voice in the decision-making process of the organization. Perhaps there will be a day when efforts to secure the right to life for all will create a world with God's joy and peace because our hearts were big enough to "love until it hurts."

Kathy Murphy's Pix

WORDS FROM THE WISE — FOR OUR “TOO SMART” FELLOW CITIZENS

We received 3 recent notes from members, with modest donations, which we thought so instructive as to be worthy of publication for the reflection of all of us — especially those rationalizing their support of pro-abortion politicians, justifying their own inaction by slandering those actively involved in the Pro-Life Movement, etc., etc.:

1. “The lowest person on the vote-ladder supports his boss, and his boss, and his boss on up to the top rung = our abortion Governor = our abortion President. When I vote, I make sure all my rungs are PRO-LIFE.”

2. “My wife is totally disabled and I take care of her, so I can’t do much. I pray, and I vote. When I get an extra \$10, I send it.”

3. “Enclosed is my check for \$25.00. It surely is a joy to be able to write you these few lines. I know God is blessing you for the things that you do for our babies, both born and those not yet born. I am well except for chronic fatigue which I must live with. I am still working for our babies. I am still able to help young mothers with their children. Praise God. I will keep on speaking out against abortion every time I can. God bless all of you.”

LIFE CHAIN

Collage by Pam and Emily Summe

Life Chain gives witness to the truth: “Abortion Kills Children.” In cities across the country, citizens of all denominations demonstrated in silent prayer their opposition to the killing of unborn babies. In the greater Cincinnati area, 12000 men, women and children, from 250 participating churches, formed a line from the Zoo, through Cincinnati, across the Suspension Bridge and into Northern Kentucky to Fourteenth Street. For one hour, we prayed and gave witness to the sanctity of all human life.

given to the President, each member of the U.S. Supreme Court, the 6 Ky. members of the House of Representatives and the 2 U.S. Senators from Ky., your name becomes your statement that abortion must be stopped and that after 26 yrs., you have not given up and you will not give up the struggle to stop the slaughtering of innocent children.

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