

25 YEARS OF LEGALIZED ABORTION

Twenty-five years ago and 37 million babies ago, the U.S. Supreme Court committed this Nation to a Reign of Death which continues at the mind-boggling annual rate of 1,250,000 babies a year, about 4000 a day, about 1 every 20 seconds, killed in the United States alone! More Americans killed than in all of the wars every fought by this Nation. But last month, across this great Nation, more than a quarter of a million citizens stood up in quiet and prayerful protest to remind our government, and some of our lethargic fellow citizens, that this outrageously erroneously decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in 1973, authorizing the killing of the most innocent member of the human family, for any reason or no reason at all, no more resolved that issue than did the outrageous decision of the Supreme Court in 1857 which de-personalized another whole class of human beings, our black brothers and sisters.

As in the slavery issue, justice will eventually prevail, because truth does win out.

In Washington, DC, more than 150,000 attended the **Annual March for Life**, to hear **Nellie Gray, the March for Life Committee President** remind the Nation again of the absolute commitment to the restoration of the right to life to all unborn children: "No Exceptions, No Compromise."

The Better Face of America

NKRTL members **Dean and Sue Weber** recorded the magnificent procession on videotape, and described that it took more than an hour for the people, 30 abreast, to march from the Ellipse behind the White House, up Constitution Avenue to Capital Hill and to the steps of the Supreme Court itself, marching between cheering Pro-Life advocates lining the sidewalks the whole length of the way. All these Pro-Life demonstrators were singing and praying peacefully, smiling, young and old, children and people in wheelchairs, and others carrying babies on their backs or pushing them in strollers, black and white, with signs identifying them as Baptist, Catholics, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Methodists, Jews, etc.

The total numbers of the pro-aborts, as shown on the one and a half hour film, constituted one group of 30 shaved heads, extremely dressed, angry protestors.

Significantly, some of the chief speakers at the noon rally at the Ellipse, preceding the march were **Dr. Bernard N. Nathanson**, one of the principal supporters of abortion 30 years ago, and now an ardent Pro-Life activist, and **Norma McCorvey, a/k/a Jane Roe**, and **Sandra Cano, a/k/a Mary Doe**, in the infamous cases of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* which ushered in this age of death, conceived in fact in lies, as they now have testified as sad but dedicated Pro-Lifers.

On the same day, our abortion **Pres. Bill Clinton** praised the abortion decision as a "landmark" decision "that affirmed every woman's right to choose whether and when to have a child, and in doing so, affirmed 2 of our nation's most deeply held values, personal privacy and family responsibility." It is ironic that just a few days after this statement, Clinton's former mistress, Gennifer Flowers, admitted on national TV that years earlier, this champion of "family responsibility" gave her \$200 to abort their unborn baby.

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Local Recognition

Typical of many communities throughout the Nation, NKRTL joined with some 40 other Pro-Life organizations in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky area who sponsored a memorial on the evening of Jan. 21st at Music Hall in Cincinnati. Three thousand attendees witnessed these organizations' carrying banners down the aisles to the stage, to be joined by students representing 50

high schools throughout the area who announced their names and schools.

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Attendees were treated to some stirring music from Roger Bacon High School Band, and opening and closing hymns performed by Al Hertsberg and a musical ensemble from Covington Catholic High School, including Steve Poat, Pam Summe and Jane Topmiller.

The 12 principal speakers included Bishop Carl Moeddel of Cincinnati, Dr. and Mrs. J.C. Willke of Greater Cincinnati Right to Life, Mr. Robert C. Cetrulo, J.D., President, Northern Kentucky Right to Life, Miss Mary Burwinkel, Thomas More Students for Life, Mr. Burr Robinson, Act for Life, Mrs. Canny Roy (who gave testimony as a post-abortive woman), Mr. John Hamm (who gave testimony of a father still grieving from the abortion of his unborn child), Mrs. Lisa Nicols Ledwin, a rape victim, Mrs. Charlotte Jones, Blacks for Life, Mrs. Clare Ruehl, A Compassionate Pregnancy Care Center, Bishop Robert Muench of the Diocese of Covington, and Rev. Clyde Miller of the First Christian Assembly of God.

Attendees were powerfully moved by a large table display of more than 1000 baby shoes, on the way to our collection of 4200 sets of shoes representing the estimated number of abortions performed each day in the U.S. After this display has traveled throughout the area, the shoes will eventually be given to babies who need them.

The largest audience response to the speakers' message was to the insistence of NKRTL Pres. Cetrulo asserting the true Pro-Life position of "No Compromise":

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"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness," Cetrulo quoted from the Declaration of Independence.

"But we compromised this unambiguous national commitment of our Declaration of Independence when we allowed our black brothers and sisters to be treated as property, denying their 'unalienable Rights.' This compromise resulted in discord for 70 years, and then a Civil War.

"When will the Pro-Life Movement understand that just as the wages of sin is death, the price of compromise is defeat?"

"As President and founding member of the Northern Kentucky Right to Life Committee, I have been active now for 27 years in the Pro-Life Movement, on a daily basis, in every aspect of the Movement, and I can assure you that this life and death struggle for the soul of this Nation will be won only in God's good time, and only with prayerful submission to His will.

"That means we not only pray, but that we follow all of His Commandments, with uncompromising and unflinching commitment to Truth. There can be no 'shortcuts,' or employment of improper means to a desired end.

"Jesus Himself stated: 'For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.' The Roman governor, Pontius Pilate, responded with the relativism of his age (still powerful today): 'What is truth?'

"Two thousand years later, we are still floundering on this same basic principle. Once we compromise truth, we are on the enemy's turf. We need to gather here in the spirit on which Nellie Gray founded the March for Life 24 years ago: 'Not even a little bit of abortion.'

"Are we respecting Truth, when we invite pro-abortion politicians to speak in our churches and schools? These same people who continue the killing machine by their pro-abortion votes? Are we not confusing the faithful? One wonders why such institutions, who would not think of hosting a pro-slaver, or a Nazi, host those who support the killing of the most innocent member of the human family.

“Are we respecting Truth when we characterize politicians like Bob Dole as ‘Pro-Life,’ even though he voted billions of tax dollars for the largest baby killing agency in the world, Planned Parenthood, and has voted to confirm all the pro-abortion judges on the Supreme Court, and voted to jail the peaceful pickets who pray in front of the abortion clinics?

“Your uncompromising stance will be criticized and ridiculed by many in government, academia, the media, and indeed even the Church, as being ‘judgmental,’ ‘rigid,’ ‘unrealistic,’ etc. But when do we have the right to compromise with someone else’s life?

“You are in good company as you stand uncompromisingly for this most important principle of law, and morality:

*“(1) **President Thomas Jefferson** said: ‘The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government.’*

*“(2) **Pope John Paul II** said: ‘This is the dignity of America, the reason she exists, the condition for her survival -- yes, the ultimate test of her greatness: to respect every human person, especially the weakest and most defenseless ones, those as yet unborn.’*

*“(3) **Dr. James Dobson** said: ‘I have determined that for the rest of my life, I will never cast one vote for any man or woman who would kill one innocent baby.’*

*“(4) **William Lloyd Garrison**, leader of the Slavery Abolition Movement in 1850 said: ‘I am aware that many object to the severity of my language; but is there **no** cause for severity? I will be as harsh as truth and as uncompromising as justice. On this subject I do not wish to speak or think or write with moderation. Tell a man whose house is on fire to give a moderate alarm? Tell him to moderately rescue his wife from the hands of the ravisher? Tell the mother to gradually extricate her babe from the fire into which it has fallen? But urge me not to use moderation in a cause like the present.’*

“God bless you!

“No compromise!

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NO COMPROMISE!”

Following the Music Hall Memorial 1000 of the attendees boarded buses for the trip to Washington to participate in the **National Memorial March for Life.**

Church Services

Multiple churches on both sides of the Ohio River conducted church services the next evening, Jan. 22nd, which were duplicated in thousands of places throughout the Nation on the same date.

Pro-Life Demonstrations Again Overwhelmingly Dwarf Token Pro-Abort Support

Continuing the long pattern of both national and local media distortion in favor of the pro-aborts, most of the local media again covered up the reality of disparity between the weak pro-abort support and the strong Pro-Life support.

The pro-aborts were able to muster 50 people at a University of Cincinnati College of Law program. Although numbers were not published, from a witness in attendance we have learned that the so-called "**Clergy for Reproductive Freedom**" prayer breakfast at the Clifton United Methodist Church produced a total of 20 people, about 8 of which were employees of **Planned Parenthood** abortion chamber on Auburn Avenue. The National Editor in Chief of *Ms. Magazine* spoke to an undetermined number in a hotel ballroom.

"Jane Roe" Speaks at State Rally

Norma McCorvey, "Jane Roe" in the infamous Supreme Court decision of *Roe v. Wade*, was a guest speaker at the Jan. 27, 1998, State Rally in Frankfort. Norma inspired the Pro-Lifers from all around Kentucky who gathered to hear the witness of this convert to Christianity, who told how she was used by attorneys who wanted to legalize the killing of unborn

children. Denying that she had ever been gang raped as alleged in the lawsuit or that she ever had a desire to abort her child, she stated she had placed her daughter "Baby Roe" for adoption. She pleaded with Pro-Lifers to continue their efforts to save unborn children. "If you think it would take a miracle to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, then think of the miracle of me standing before you," she said.

A number of legislators were in attendance, including **Senators Gex "Jay" Williams, Dick Roeding, Jack Westwood, and Ernie Harris**, and **Representatives Jim Callahan, Katie Stine, Charlie Walton, Arnold Simpson, Paul Marcotte, Pete Worthington, Jon David Reinhardt, Dick Murgatroyd and Thomas Kerr**, as was **Justice Donald Wintersheimer of the Kentucky Supreme Court**.

Patrick Monaghan, General Council with Free Speech Advocates, reminded those in attendance that the Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade* was based on a lie and resulted in the lie that the unborn baby is not a person, and is similar to the *Dred Scott* decision which expressed the lie that somehow blacks were not persons. The abortion lie, as with other lies, will be exposed someday and our country will rid ourselves of this holocaust.

PRO-LIFE RALLY

IN FRANKFORT, KY

JANUARY 27, 1998

Where We Are in 1998

Contrary to the popular perception, the Pro-Life Movement is winning — although admittedly not as rapidly as we would wish! There is good news and bad news.

While the major cause of death in America continues to be abortion (responsible for more than twice the deaths of its nearest competitor, heart disease, 3 times that of cancer, 35

The bad news is that all these babies continue to die, and their mothers and fathers continue to be victimized. The

times that of AIDS, 35 times that of auto accidents, etc.) the fact remains the number of abortions are reducing, the number of abortion clinics are falling, and the number of doctors who will perform this heinous act is dramatically decreasing as that killing class ages and the younger physicians shy away from this obscene procedure.

In Kentucky, there were 4 abortion chambers, down by 2 from a year ago and less than half the number of clinics in existence for much of the 1980's. In 1996, all but 10 of the 7000 Ky. killings were performed in Louisville and Lexington. Most medical schools and universities are not training doctors in this killing procedure.

hollow promises of abortion supporters argue that the effects of denying women access to abortion would include family

stress, stigma of unwed motherhood, and mental or psychological distress.

However, 25 years of abortion has resulted in a doubling of the abortion rate from pre-Roe to the present time, illegitimate births more than tripled, divorce rates up by 50% and sexual activity of teenagers up almost 50%.

The True "Final Solution"

A recent article by NKRTL Vice-President Fred Summe is perhaps the best capsulizing of where we are and what we must do:

"For 25 years a few dedicated pro-lifers (few relative to the many who label themselves as Christians) have made a continual sacrifice to stand up for life. These few prayed, staffed problem pregnancy centers, picketed abortion clinics, campaigned for pro-life candidates, published newsletters, provided sidewalk counseling, published ads, participated in life chain, spoke to any group who would sponsor them, provided legal and medical services, went to prison, counseled those who suffered from their 'choice,' drafted and lobbied for legislation, provided homes to expecting mothers, stuffed envelopes or mail-outs, rallied in Washington, DC, and in state capitals, staffed the Right to Life offices, answered a

Cetrulo also presented the statement of **Dr. Micheline Matthews-Roth, M.D. principal research associate of Harvard University Medical School:**

thousand questions, all the while finding little support from their families, friends, or churches.

"So why is the battle not won? God in His time will stop the slaughtering of His children. So what is He waiting for? Why doesn't He stop our nation from killing His greatest gifts to us?"

"Maybe in His providence He is waiting for His people to reform and to do His will. He doesn't really need our assistance to resolve our problems, but He does require our prayers, time, efforts and sacrifices.

"So what's the difference if I come or not? What difference does it make if there is one more or one less person in Music Hall? My presence isn't going to change anything, and it's not going to save one more baby.

"Mother Teresa, when asked how she judges success, responded: 'I don't remember that the Lord ever spoke about success. I remember only that He spoke of faithfulness. He asked us to love and to be faithful.'

"So be faithful and respond to the call to stand up for life."

NORTHERN KENTUCKY INDEPENDENT HEALTH DISTRICT APPROVES EARLY ABORTION

Northern Kentucky Independent Health District (NKIHD) on Sept. 17, 1997, approved the distribution through its facilities of the abortifacient pill, denominated "morning after" pill. This is the third effort to introduce abortion into the Northern Kentucky community. The first two were reversed.

In 1973, a killing chamber was opened at 3rd and Greenup Streets in Covington for a scant few months until driven out by Pro-Life picketers, a Grand Jury investigation, and a civil lawsuit filed by **NKRTL Pres. Robert C. Cetrulo**.

In 1986, a Louisville abortionist leased premises in Florence, Ky., to perform his killing trade, but ultimately relented under the pressure of wide-spread Pro-Life picketing from the community, and litigation.

Our community has thus remained a kill-free zone. On the morning of Sept. 17, 1997, NKRTL Pres. Cetrulo received a call from **Edgewood City Councilman Bill Grady**, advising that the NKIHD was going to vote to authorize early abortion by the abortifacient pill. Cetrulo and **NKRTL Vice-Pres. Fred Summe** appeared at the Board meeting that evening. Unfortunately, NKRTL was the only opponent of the move.

Cetrulo brought a medical dictionary defining, of course, that conception occurs with the union of the male sperm and the female ovum and that something that takes place after that event is clearly not "contraception," which is medically defined as "any agent or device used to prevent conception." There is, of course, a national effort to redefine reality and politicize medicine by simply defining that pregnancy does not begin until the conceptus is implanted in the womb. Thus, pills of this nature, which render the womb inhospitable to receive the fertilized egg, and therefore cause its abortion, are arbitrarily defined by the pro-death community as "contraception," whereas they are really, in logic and in science, abortifacient.

"It is scientifically correct to say that an individual human life begins at conception, when the egg and sperm joint to form the

zygote, and that this developing human always is a member of our species in all states of its life. There is not one medical text in use in one medical school in this country that teaches to the contrary.”

After hearing Cetrulo’s presentation, **Dr. John Sprague, NKIHD Board member, and Chief of Staff of Obstetrics and Gynecology of St. Elizabeth Hospital**, agreed with the presentation, and in fact repeated verbatim from Cetrulo’s mouth the function of the abortifacient pill.

Likewise, **NKIHD Board Member Dr. Lee Hess, general practicing physician from Boone County**, agreed that the pill was an abortifacient.

Multiple Victims of the Death Dealer

NKRTL Vice-Pres. Fred Summe explained to the Board that the pill not only destroys the newly conceived unborn child, but protects the statutory rapists and incest perpetrators, by perpetuating the secrecy by which they sexually abuse their young female victims.

He also has presented to the Board the story from the *Washington Times*: “When a man took a 14-year-old girl ‘Betty’ to a government-funded birth control clinic for treatment so he could continue to abuse her without fear of pregnancy, no one at the clinic thought to call the parents or to even report the incident to the local police. Instead, ‘Betty’ was repeatedly injected with a highly controversial drug and sent on her way to a calamitous life of ‘protected’ sex, while the identity of her accused statutory rapist was ‘shielded.’”

Economics Vanquishes Morality

The **Board Executive Director, Robert Smith**, advised that the District would lose \$250,000 a year in federal Title X money (which amounts to less than 4% of its total budget) if it declined to distribute these pills.

There was a motion made by **Board member James Burcham, Boone County**, and seconded by **Board member Betty Cottingham, R.N. (who was substitute member for Campbell County Judge Executive Ken Paul)** which approved the distribution of this killing pill. Mr. Burcham said that the issue had been discussed at length at the Executive Committee level, and this was a mandated service and an FDA (Federal Drug Administration) approved method.

The **Chairman of the Board, Dr. Mary Ann Barnes** (a physician for the family practice group employed by St. Elizabeth Hospital) stated that the motion on the floor was “to provide the service in-house in the best interest of public health in our community.”

Dr. Hess asked if there was any possibility of applying for an exception and the Executive Director of the Board indicated that he didn’t think that was possible. **Kenton County Judge Executive Clyde Middleton** moved that an exception be sought, excusing NKIHD from distributing this pill, which motion was seconded by Dr. Hess. The amendment passed on voice vote, and the Chairman then called for a vote on the prime motion.

Recorded as voting “for”: from Kenton County **Dr. Edward Elicker, Dr. John Sprague, Dr. David Martin, DMD, Judy Gibbons, Greg Jarvis (Covington City Manager, and representative of Covington City Mayor Denny Bowman),**

The Board Sold Its Soul “for a Pot of Porridge”

NKRTL requested a recorded vote, but was ignored. The prime motion, to approve the distribution of this killing pill if the exemption sought was overruled, passed.

The only person with sufficient courage to openly oppose this entire pro-death onslaught was **Dr. Cheryl Myers, a veterinarian from Campbell County**, who affirmed that this pill kills a newly-conceived human being, and she could not be a party to it. She insisted that her vote be recorded as negative, and she was joined in that by **Dr. Richard Kruer, Campbell County physician**.

Dr. Lee Hess asked that he be noted on the record as abstaining. There were no other negative votes or abstaining votes spoken that evening (as the audiotape discloses), although now several are contending that they didn’t support the action of the Board.

Political Irresponsibility

In an effort to shine the light of public awareness into some musty corners of the unrecorded votes of political bodies, **Bill Grady**, who attended that meeting, wrote a Letter to the Editor of the Kentucky Post indicating that Dr. Mary Ann

Barnes had admitted to him that the pill “is sometimes abortive,” and she stated to him that she did not vote. He pointed out that she clearly had the opportunity to vote “no.”

Grady recorded that Dr. Myers and Dr. Kruer were the only ones who voted against the motion, and Dr. Hess was the only one who abstained.

Kenton County Judge Executive Clyde Middleton; from Campbell County Jennifer Malmstrom, R.N., Karen Lipscomb, R.N., Dr. Patricia Miles, Betty Cottingham, R.N. (the representative of Campbell County Judge Executive

Kenneth R. Paul); from Boone County James Burcham, Joy Churchill, R.N., Dr. Michael Palmer, DMD, and from Grant County Judge Executive Shirley Howard, and Irma Parks, R.N.

Public Opinion

The *Kentucky Post* commissioned a public opinion poll following this meeting and subsequently reported that callers "overwhelmingly opposed the Health Department's offering the so-called 'morning-after pill'."

Published Letters to the Editor confirmed the same overwhelming feeling of the community.

The Matter is Not Closed

The issue resurfaced at the Dec. 3, 1997 meeting of the District Board. An earlier letter of **Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Ohio and Northern Kentucky** alerted its members to the public focus now upon the "morning after" pill, as "one of the best-kept-secrets," and encouraged them to attend this meeting and support the Board in this decision "for reproductive choice." Three "Planned-Barrenthood" types appeared, together with 45 members of NKRTL (wearing distinctive flashing buttons "Abortion Stops a Beating Heart.")

Unfortunately, there were no other representatives present protesting this horrific pro-death action, either from St. Elizabeth Hospital, or the Covington Diocesan Pro-Life Commission, or indeed the Diocese of Covington itself, although they had been notified of this meeting by **Fr. Paul Berschied, Pastor of St. Cecilia Church in Independence**, who was present and identified himself as a protesting citizen, and a member of NKRTL.

Other people present in the NKRTL delegation that evening included **Dr. Robert O'Connor**, board certified obstetrician and gynecologist, **Dr. Ron Luebbe**, board certified pediatrician/neonatologist, **Dr. Arthur Kunath**, board certified emergency room specialist and internal medicine specialist, and **Joseph G. Bessler**, pharmacist, all of whom wished to speak to the Board and especially to their fellow physicians on the Board, but were not permitted to do so, by ruling of the Board Chairman, Dr. Mary Ann Barnes.

"Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty" (Pres. George Washington)

There was a much smaller attendance, by Board members, of this meeting than previously, although (perhaps, "because"?) this subject of the "morning after" pill was listed on the agenda of the meeting. Noticeably absent were **Boone County Judge Executive Ken Lucas** (current candidate for Congress from this District), **Kenton County Judge Executive Clyde Middleton**, **Campbell County Judge Executive Ken Paul** (candidate for re-election) and **Mayors Bowman from Covington and Guidugli from Newport**.

In the best tradition of representative government, we need to advise our elected representatives of their accountability for their actions (and inactions), and the actions of their appointees. Judge Middleton voted for this horrific killing, as did the representative of Mayor

"As we remember that young virgin martyr of so long ago, it's interesting to consider that - strange as it may seem - we of this modern era actually have much in common with her! ... For Lucy lived in a pagan culture, ...

Bowman, Mr. Greg Jarvis, and the representative of Campbell County Judge Ken Paul, nurse Betty Cottingham, and as did the Judge Executive of Grant County, Shirley Howard. Boone County Judge Executive Ken Lucas apparently sought the anonymity of absence. They all need to be reminded that "those who are not with us, are against us."

Continued Pro-Life Follow-Up

Dr. Arthur Kunath as Pres. of Catholics United for the Faith, Dr. Richard G. Gautraud, Pres. of Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Physicians for Life, Fred H. Summe, Pres. of Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Lawyers for Life and Robert C. Cetrulo, Pres. of NKRTL, sought meetings with all of the local County Judges. The only one who responded was **Campbell County Judge Executive Paul**, who met with us on Feb. 2nd.

The physicians present pointed out to Judge Paul, as we had indeed pointed out originally to the Board in September, that this pill clearly is not a contraceptive, but indeed destroys a newly conceived unborn human being. Paul expressed his opposition to the action of the NKIHD, and indicated that he had talked with the Executive Director who had promised him that the pill would not be distributed pending the resolution of this matter, which currently awaits resolution of the pending application of NKIHD to the federal and state governments seeking an exemption. Judge Paul also agreed that he would secure for us a copy of the authoritative documents which allegedly compel the distribution of these abortifacient pills by health districts. He also agreed, that if the exemption is denied, he would request a special meeting of the Board to revisit this entire question.

Stay tuned.

POST CHRISTIAN AMERICA

Truth can sometimes be discomfoting, which is why many people choose to avoid it. Such conduct can, psychology tells us, lead to mental illness. It can even lead to worse!

We publish here for the readers' reflection a homily given by **Rev. Greg Konerman, Associate Pastor of St. Dominic Church at the recent Pro-Life Mass on Dec. 13, 1997 at Holy Name Church, Cincinnati, OH (the site, on the second Saturday of every month, of the "Helpers of God's Precious Infants" Mass and Prayer Procession to the abortion chamber on Auburn Ave.)**

Fr. Konerman's homilies have much in common with a "cold shower" - uncomfortable, but absolutely essential to awaken the slumbering!

"We celebrate today St. Lucy - a young girl from Sicily who was martyred for the Faith in the year 304, ... after a disappointed suitor turned her in to the authorities, and she was put to death, for the 'crime' of being a Christian!

and so do we! ... Her culture - of the late 3rd century, on the island of Sicily - had not yet been Christian-ized! ... The Roman pagans still held sway! ... While our culture, of course, has been de-Christianized! ... Our Western

culture was once typified by its Christian character. ... But, alas, that has now been lost! ... And so we find ourselves, - as Lucy did - in a pagan culture!

"And so, we, - like Lucy find that we have enemies! ... Not enemies from foreign lands who threaten to attack us, ... but rather, enemies who are in the midst of us! ... Enemies who are close to us! - our neighbors, ... our co-workers, ... our own government officials! ... Just as Lucy's enemy was a former friend, - a former suitor! - so we find that many who were formerly our friends must now be acknowledged as our enemies! ... Enemies who ridicule us on account of our beliefs! ... enemies who, - in a myriad of subtle ways oppose our Christian way of life! ... enemies who - by commission or omission - grievously offend God, by violating the most basic human right, - the right to life!

"...And so, - yes, - we, like Lucy, are living in an age of persecution! ... Let us make no mistake about it! ... Though its expression is, - at least for now - relatively less severe, ... and though its tactics are, for the most part, more subtle and insidious, ... there is - throughout our Western culture - a persecution being conducted against orthodox Christianity! ... We are now the minority! ... and we are now under attack!

"And so we, then, my friends, are called to live as Lucy did! ... to be 'martyrs'! ... martyrs - meaning 'witnesses' ... witnesses to the Faith! ... radical witnesses, who - with great fervor and consistency, ... in all our words and actions, show our enemies in this culture just who Jesus Christ really is!

"...Several years ago, - back in the early 1980's I believe - the late Bishop Fulton Sheen commented that, - living as we do, in a de-Christianized culture, - the time of theological debate and intellectual persuasion is now over! ... He said that, - from now on, - the only really effective influence we can bring to bear on our culture will be through living lives of true holiness! ... True holiness! ... That is - those enemies who are here among us will be most affected when they observe us living the Gospel of Christ in extreme fashion! ... That along, - Bishop Sheen said - will get our enemies to stop and notice, ... and to eventually convert!

"...And that same message has been beautifully expressed to us by Pope John Paul II in 'Evangelium Vitae', - his encyclical, 'The Gospel of Life', ... where he tells us that, - in order to evangelize in this 'culture of death', and bring about the return of 'a culture of life', - we Catholics, - we, the people of life! - must (I quote) 'have the courage to adopt a new life style! ... a new lifestyle consisting in making practical choices - at the personal, family, social, and international levels - choices on the basis of a correct scale of values, - the primacy of being, over having! ... of persons, over things!' ... In such words, our Holy Father calls us to true holiness! ... and he reminds us that we Catholics who live in the darkness of this culture of death must walk as 'children of the light!' - and thus bring about the transformation of this culture! ...

"Children of light! ... That's what we are to be! ... The name Lucy means 'light!' ... It is from the Latin: lux, ... lucis!

"And so, as we honor St. Lucy this morning, we give thanks that the light of her faith, ... the light of her martyrdom, ...

Murphy fails to report that Cetrulo, when he responded to the press inquiry, pointed out that he had very little regard for either major Party, and was making this change solely so that he could vote for strong Pro-Lifer Gex Williams in a hotly contested Republican Primary in 1998. In fact, many people remained registered Democrats because, for many years, that was the only way to have a significant voice in the electoral

has brightened the life of the Church these many centuries! ... And, we pray thru the intercession of St. Lucy that we here today will be 'children of light!' ... people who strive for true holiness! ... people who can convert our enemies, and transform this 'culture of death' by giving radical witness in our lives, each day, to the light of Christ!"

Helpers of God's Precious Infants' Monthly Liturgy for Life

Please mark your calendar for the whole year, on the **second Saturday of every month**, and join us for an **8 a.m. Mass at Holy Name Church, William Howard Taft and Auburn Ave. in Cincinnati**. The Mass is concelebrated each month by Fr. Greg Konerman, and Fr. Paul Berschied.

Following Mass we process 2 blocks to the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic on Auburn Ave., peacefully praying the Rosary, and return to the Church for Benediction, concluding at 10 a.m.

Clearly, prayer is the most important weapon we have as we contend with "Principalities and Powers." **And it is something EVERYONE can do.**

Please join us March 14th and on the second Saturday of every month thereafter. We'll be delighted to have you. And you will be glad you came.

ANOTHER SPURNED POLITICIAN (REPUBLICAN THIS TIME) ATTACKS NKRTL

The Jan. 1, 1998 Erlanger Recorder column by **Kevin Murphy** focuses upon the support of the congressional candidacy of Gex Williams by Steve Forbes. Mr. Murphy characterized Forbes as having been "pro-choice", and describes his current position as "a 180 degree turn-around" that "reeks with hypocrisy." He then focuses his attack on Williams, for accepting such support, and upon Robert C. Cetrulo, President of Northern Kentucky Right to Life for saying nothing about Williams' acceptance of such support. Several of Murphy's specific accusations warrant closer inspection.

He notes that many months ago Cetrulo switched his Party registration from Democrat to Republican "in a very public announcement", so that he could vote in the Republican Primary for Gex William. First, it must be noted that Cetrulo did not issue any public announcement, but responded to a call from the press and then volunteered that that was his reason. Next, Murphy wonders why Cetrulo remained a Democrat so long "when he has crucified the Democratic Party for their Pro-Life stance" (we assume, inarticulately as it is expressed, Murphy meant for its "pro-abortion" stance, since it has been on record for several years supporting government-financed abortion on demand).

process in Kentucky, since most Democratic primaries were tantamount to election - a fact that Murphy well knows but obviously chooses not to disclose, so that he can infer some more sinister motivation.

In further commenting on Forbes' "reversal," Murphy notes "Robert Cetrulo has in the past vehemently attacked similar candidates who he felt made such a change simply to

get elected." First, we would like Murphy to name one such specific instance. Secondly, we Pro-Lifers always recognize the need for and propriety of legitimate conversions (St. Paul was indeed struck off of the horse, wasn't he, and became instead of the most perverse Christian persecutor, a most effective Christian advocate). But indeed, we are always looking at the public record — not just the pronouncements — of every candidate, recognizing of course that acts are indeed more significant than words which, unfortunately, come easy to professional politicians - such as Mr. Murphy.

Murphy's Highly-Deficient Pro-Life Record

And it is indeed relevant to evaluate the record of the columnist, Mr. Murphy, whose concluding remarks would seem to suggest that he has been an unwavering, committed Pro-Life activist: "...those who are truly pro-life live by the adage which says to thine own self be true" —

But isn't this Kevin Murphy who criticizes NKRTL the same Kevin Murphy who ran for Kenton County Attorney 5 years ago, but was denied the endorsement of NKRTL Political Action Committee because he favored the killing of unborn children for the crimes of their fathers (rape and incest)? NKRTL-PAC indeed endorsed his opponent, Garry Edmondson, who not only attends NKRTL functions, and is a dues paying member, but has in fact demonstrated with performance his Pro-Life views. For example, Garry has used his influence to obtain an endorsement by the County Attorneys Association and the Commonwealth Attorneys Association for the Fetal Homicide Bill presently introduced into this current session of the Kentucky General Assembly.

And isn't this the same Kevin Murphy who openly supported Bob Dole (opposed by NKRTL-PAC), in spite of Dole's having voted billions of public taxpayers' dollars for the largest abortion provider in the world, Planned Parenthood, and despite his having voted for confirmation for each of the pro-abortion justices on the U.S. Supreme Court, etc., etc.?

It is interesting to note that just a few years ago, pro-abortion Democrats - and those who call themselves Pro-Life but made significant contribution to the pro-abortion cause by supporting other pro-abortion politicians for office - consistently vilified NKRTL as a Republican clone. When the consistency of NKRTL in adhering to basic principles, and opposing pro-abort Republicans, has caused discomfort to those self-interested politicians, who place Party above Principle, the attacks come equally now from Republican politicians.

And isn't this the same Kevin Murphy who in the 27 year life of NKRTL made his only contribution immediately before he ran for public office in 1993, having never given before or since; never lent his name to the 6,000 plus Pro-Life witnesses in our annual signature ad run in the public press in January each year; nor attended any of our 24 Annual Celebrations of Life with major speakers; nor attended any of the many hundreds of Pro-Life events including rallies at Frankfort,

"During the hearings many knowledgeable people, including past and present female employees of Mr. Thomas, came forth to testify that he is a man of integrity and strong moral character who would not do the kind of thing he was accused of doing. Notwithstanding the nebulosity of the allegations and the strong rebuttal, the feminist movement

Northern Kentucky, Washington, DC, Cincinnati, OH, or the monthly prayer services held in churches throughout the Northern Kentucky area under the sponsorship of Northern Kentucky Right to Life, etc., etc.?

Mr. Murphy, you don't need to tell us how important the right to life issues are to you - your record already eloquently tells us!

True Pro-Lifers Are Objective, and Non-Partisan, and Not Self-Interested

Indeed, we will be watching Mr. Forbes, if he turns out to be a presidential candidate as Murphy suggests, to see if he is an orthodox Pro-Lifer. The clever effort at deception by Murphy is indeed unavailing. We would not fault Mr. Williams, or any other Pro-Life candidate if he accepted support from people who are not totally Pro-Life, but support him on other grounds. We would not even fault Mr. Williams if he accepted the support of Mr. Murphy, were that to be forthcoming. **The record is quite clear - Mr. Williams has a 101%, unapologetic, aggressively active, and highly successful Pro-Life record, not only in the Legislature, but in recruiting candidates who are committed Pro-Lifers, and indeed in opposing within his own Party pro-abortion people, at the Party machinery level, and at the candidate level. There are very few people on the public scene whose records approach that of Mr. Williams. NKRTL-PAC is proud to endorse him.** He has also just recently received the endorsement of noted Christian activist, a native Newport, Ky., attorney **Gary Bauer**, who is a Dr. James Dobson colleague, and President of Family Research Council, Washington, DC, and former Chief Domestic Adviser to Pres. Ronald Reagan, — another 100%, uncompromising Pro-Lifer, who, while a registered Republican, likewise did not support the candidacy of Mr. Dole.

FEMINISTS VALUE POLITICAL AGENDA MORE THAN WOMEN

In accord with our past policy of publishing the incisive wisdom of Letters to the Editor, we publish a **letter to the Cincinnati Post of 2/11/98 showing the bankrupt morality of the feminist movement in its defense of our sex/abortion President.**

"Has anyone else noticed the striking difference between the **Clarence Thomas** hearings and the current Clinton scandal? Mr. Thomas faced uncorroborated allegations by one woman that he had engaged her in improper sexual conversation. She did not claim that he had ever laid a hand on her, and admitted that in spite of the alleged sexual harassment she had continued to work for him and had even followed after him when he changed jobs.

charged forth in full battle cry, and launched a determined campaign (**Hillary Clinton** would call it a conspiracy) to scuttle Mr. Thomas's confirmation. Fortunately for the American people they didn't succeed.

"Now Mr. Clinton is charged on multiple fronts, with improper sexual behavior — often with subordinates — which

involved laying a lot more than a hand on them. No one, but no one — not even his wife— has come forward to say that he is a man of integrity and strong moral character who would not do such a thing. The best they can do is to say they believe his statements — betraying a curious naivete considering his previous history of evasions, distortions, half-truths and outright falsehoods.

“Earlier charges were attributed cavalierly to a ‘bimbo eruption,’ but **Ms. Lewinsky** can’t be dismissed as a bimbo. She was, after all, given one of the most prestigious positions a young person can achieve in our government. She was recommended by an influential Democrat and major party contributor. She must have been thoroughly vetted by the White House staff. She was a frequent visitor to the oval office and received gifts from the president himself.

“After her White House and Pentagon tours she was recommended for positions with prestigious New York firms by **Vernon Jordan**, one of Mr. Clinton’s most trusted personal advisors. If Ms. Lewinsky turns out to be a bimbo it will reveal very serious failings in judgment and character standards throughout the highest levels of the Clinton administration.

“But where are the feminists? Why are they not rising to support their sisters who have been treated badly, and whose allegations have much more credibility than Anita Hills? Why have they not taken on this man who shows utter disrespect for women by his actions, while he mouths pious words? Where is Pat Schroeder? Where is Barbara Boxer? Where is Barbara Mikulski? Where is NOW?”

“Their silence is deafening!

“It appears that the liberal political agenda tops the priority list of these so-called feminists. Respect for women is, to them, just expendable blather — to be used when it’s politically convenient, but easily disregarded when it threatens their political agenda.” **Roger W. Honebrink, Wyoming**

PENDING PRO-LIFE LEGISLATION IN KY.

As we go to press, there are several Bills pending in the Ky. Legislature, many of which have been drafted and advanced with the active support of NKRTL. NKRTL has also provided witnesses to give testimony to the Legislature about these Bills, and has participated in a statewide effort to produce people at Frankfort as the Bills are being considered by the Committees.

You need to write urgently to your legislators, as well as any other legislators you know, demanding urgent support for these Bills:

SB29, HB85 Informed Consent, includes written material on fetal development, and requirement of 24 hour waiting period;

SB121, HB405 a Bill to **Ban Partial Birth Abortion**;

HB70 Licensure requirements for abortion facilities;

HB292 Unborn Child included in definition of **human being and person, from the instant of conception onward**;

Joan and her husband have been active in aiding poor unwed mothers, and just recently began an adoption of a special-needs child from Mexico. In connection with that adoption, the warrant came up again and the FBI arrested her in her home in Delaware and took her to Pittsburgh, where the

HB293 Unborn Child included in definition of **human being and person, for purposes of being sued for prenatal injury.**

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Main players in Frankfort:

Gov. Paul Patton, State Capitol, 700 Capitol Avenue, Frankfort, KY, 40601; phone 502-564-2611; fax 502-564-2735

President of the Senate: Larry Saunders, Room 203, Capitol Annex, Frankfort, KY 40601; phone 502-574-8099; fax 502-564-6543

Speaker of the House: Jody Richards, Room 306, The Capitol, Frankfort, KY 40501; phone 502-781-9946; fax 502-564-7178

To leave a phone message for any legislator in Frankfort, call **1-800-372-7181**.

Write to legislators at: Senator or Representative (insert name), Legislative Offices, Capitol Annex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

SENATORS		
Name	District	Phone #
Richard Roeding	(11)	606-331-1684
Jack Westwood	(23)	606-727-1187
Gex Williams	(24)	606-485-1111
Ernie Harris	(26)	502-241-8307

REPRESENTATIVES		
Name	District	Phone #
Paul Marcotte	(60)	606-384-1097
Royce Adams	(63)	606-428-1039
Dick Murgatroyd	(63)	606-341-3379
Thomas Kerr	(64)	606-356-1344
Arnold Simpson	(65)	606-581-6521
Charlie Walton	(66)	606-371-1943
James Callahan	(67)	606-781-1232
Katie Kratz Stein	(68)	606-781-5311
Jon David Reinhardt	(69)	606-635-3455
Pete Worthington	(70)	606-267-3281
Thomas M. McKee (78)		606-234-5879

ABORTION JURISPRUDENCE

Pro-Life activist Joan Andrews Bell was just recommitted to prison for 2 years for her non-violent protest. The case initiated in 1985 with a trespass offense levied against her when she barricaded herself inside a room in Pittsburgh where abortions were performed, and refused to leave.

Following that trespass conviction, she was arrested for a similar offense in Florida and sentenced to an unprecedented 5 years in state prison and served part of that time in solitary confinement, although again there was no violence on her part.

Following discharge from prison in Florida, she was returned to Pennsylvania and placed on probation. Subsequently, a warrant was issued for her arrest charging her with failure to cooperate with the probation, although again there was not any charges of violence.

judge insisted she guarantee that she would not engage in such activity in the future (even though she had not since the last conviction).

Joan refused these terms, stating that she would not permit her conduct to be interpreted as “...accepting the lie

that I harmed society by trying to peacefully, prayerfully and non-violently save children from a brutal death by abortion... I will not obey unjust laws nor consent to cooperate with the murder of the sacred lives of God's precious children."

Fr. Richard Welch, J.C.L., President of Human Life International, called her recent imprisonment "a shocking display of raw legalism that is nothing less than judicial rape. ...**Joan's story illustrates the great moral divide in America, and draws a stark contrast between those who sacrifice self and the cause of life, and those who sacrifice life in the interest of self.**"

On the day of Joan's first conviction, a criminal convicted of homicide in the same court was given a lesser sentence than this peaceful, prayerful prophet of God! This is yet another evidence of the "second class citizen" treatment afforded Pro-Lifers under today's judicial system. **Justice Antonin Scalia**, in a published opinion of the U.S. Supreme Court, actually referred sympathetically to Pro-Life activists as "...the currently disfavored class of antiabortion protesters."

"PRO-LIFE" (?) WIMPS

"Place not your trust in Princes ..."

This sound Biblical advice was proven true again recently as the **Republican National Party** again unfortunately chose "party unity," over fundamental principle.

As described in the recent column of long-time Republican activist **Patrick J. Buchanan** "*The GOP's Double Standard on Infanticide*": "In the history of the Republican Party, the weekend of Jan. 17th will stand as a defining moment. On the eve of the 25th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the GOP decried partial-birth abortion as 'heinous,' but voted down a resolution to cut off funding to candidates who endorse the procedure. Infanticide is awful, you see, but it must not be permitted to disrupt party unity. Killing a baby halfway out of the birth canal by ramming scissors into his head and sucking out his brain is evil, but supporting it does not disqualify you from our endorsement."

Buchanan continues: "The principal argument against Lambert's resolution was that it imposed a litmus test on Republicans. Yet, in the fall of 1966, Richard Nixon refused to endorse any Republican who belonged to the John Birch Society. I cannot recall press or party outrage at this litmus test. When David Duke won the GOP nomination for state representative and then governor of Louisiana, the Republican Party went through acrobatic contortions to dissociate itself from him. Obviously, there are positions that are incompatible with being a good Republican. Supporting the killing of a baby at birth is just not one of them. That is what the party said in Palm Springs."

It must be noted that the **Democratic Party** has long had a pro-abortion litmus test in its Party Platform, denying Party funds to anyone who takes an anti-abortion position. At least they have the courage of their convictions!

As noted by national columnist **Joe Sobran**: "The Republicans have now had a full quarter of a century to establish themselves as an effective anti-abortion party. If they haven't done it by now, they're not likely to do it in the future."

Pro-Life Is As Pro-Life Does

It must be remembered that Ralph Reed and Pat Robertson of the Christian Coalition, Dr. John Willke of Cincinnati Right to Life, and the National Right to Life Committee endorsed and represented as "Pro-Life", Bob Dole, in spite of Dole's embrace of FACE (punishing the peaceful abortion pickets) and fetal experimentation, and in spite of his votes confirmed the pro-abortion justices on the U.S. Supreme Court and in spite of his embrace of Christy Todd Whitman (who, as governor of New Jersey, just vetoed Partial Birth Abortion Bill passed by her legislature, etc.) One wonders now what these "Pro-Lifers" think when Dole has just now come out in favor of physician assisted suicide! Have they no embarrassment?

As noted by Sobran: "The only reason the pro-lifers remain in the GOP is that the Democrats are so fully committed to abortion, while the Republicans are at least equivocally receptive — and for pro-lifers, there's no 'someplace else to go.' If pro-lifers seriously hope for a political correction of *Roe*, it's time for them to make their own 'someplace else' — either by forming a single-issue party or by attaching themselves to an existing third party, like the staunchly, no-exceptions anti-abortion **U.S. Taxpayers Party**. Otherwise, their hopes will wait forever for the end of the Republican rainbow."

WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING

The organization which arrogantly calls itself "**Catholics for a Free Choice**" was established originally in 1970 to uphold a New York abortion law that the Catholic Church was protesting. It became an affiliate of **Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights**, and had its first headquarters in **Planned Parenthood's** New York City office building, and has been a "kept child" from the beginning.

Its founding members included a teacher at Marquette University by the name of McGuire, a former priest, who left the priesthood and married a former nun, another co-founder of the organization. He then divorced her and married his physician, and his latest book "*Death by Choice*," defends euthanasia, and he supports suicide and homosexual marriages, but calls himself "a Catholic theologian".

On Nov. 4, 1993 the **National Conference of Catholic Bishops** issued a formal statement denying that CFFC is a Catholic organization.

**HUMAN LIFE INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE, FT. MITCHELL, KY,
SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1998**

HLI will sponsor a **one day conference** on **Sunday, March 1, 1998** at the **Drawbridge Estates, I-75 at Buttermilk Pike, Ft. Mitchell, Ky.** In this one day seminar, you will learn about:

- _The origins and activities of Planned Parenthood and its aggressive agenda;**
- _The recent developments of Euthanasia and Legally-Assisted Suicide;**
- _How candidates for office can run on a strong pro-life platform — and win; and**
- _The Development of Catholic Morality and Conscience in the midst of the Culture of Death.**

Lecturers will include **Fr. Matthew Habiger, OSB, PhD**, past President of HLI; founder of *Humanae Vitae* Priests, and world traveler promoting the Gospel of Life; **Robert C. Cetrulo, JD**, practicing attorney and Pres. of NKRTL; **Elasah Drogin**, noted Pro-Life lecturer and author of the definitive work *Margaret Sanger: Father of Modern Society*; and Ky. State **Sen. Gex Williams**, homeschooler, and candidate for U.S. Congress.

Registration opens at 8 a.m., followed by 2 morning sessions and 3 afternoon sessions, concluding with a Mass at 5:30 p.m. EST.

Registration fees may be sent to HLI, 4 Family Life, Front Royal, VA 22630:

Individual	\$25.00
Family	\$35.00
Religious/Clergyman	\$20.00
Fulltime high school/college student	\$20.00

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND BROCHURES CALL NKRTL (431-6380)

UC STUDENTS FOR LIFE

UC Students for Life will host **Norma McCorvey** (Jane Roe in *Roe v. Wade*) as a Pro-Life Speaker at **Zimmer Auditorium** behind the Engineering Research Center on Woodside Drive at UC's Clifton Campus on **Wed., April 1, 1998, at 7:00 p.m.** The event is free and open to the public.

Ms. McCorvey will autograph copies of her new book "*Won By Love*," available for purchase at \$20.00.

For further information call UC Students for Life at **556-6103**.