***FEBRUARY 2024 LIFE REPORT***

**+This report seeks to inform you about Local News, Pro Life, Legal and Chemical Abortion news. You can see this report on the OLL website.**

**LOCAL NEWS**

**+9 Days for Life Novena was prayed from Jan 16 thru Jan 24. Thanks to those who joined at mass and at home. We averaged 24 folks at the daily masses.**

**+Roses for Life- Rose tags and letters were hand delivered to Senator Rick Brattin and Rep. Mike Haffner last Thursday and Saturday. See the discussion under Life News.**

**+40 Days for Life- March 19th is our day of prayer at the OP,Ks abortion center sidewalk. 7am-5pm. John Cunningham will have more details. Join us.**

**+Spring Life Rally- the Knights and Missouri Right to Life will host a Rally for Life on Sunday 28 April . We have reserved the Amphiteater at the City Park from 10am to 6pm. Rally will start at 1pm. We have good speakers. As planning continues we will have more details. Our goal is to get all the churches to join in prayer and song. Any one can be a part of the rally.**

**+ Midwest March for Life- On May 1 at the Jeff City Capitol we will join other prolifers for the march and rally from 9 to 3. Always a good day. Lets carpool.**

**+ Saved Baby- In Jan Shiloh and the Knights helped Kimberly get set to have her daughter. On 2 Feb the 5lb 11 oz girl was born into this world. LIFE WINS !**

**LEGAL NEWS**

**+Missouri Senate bill 1168 will prohibit any abortion facility from receiving public funds . Even though Federal and Mo State laws prohibit public funds from being used for abortions, this bill will deny Medicaid reimbursement for “health care services” if the clinic is somehow linked to abortion. Planned Parenthood simply transfers fungible funds . The bill is out of committee and ready to go full senate for voting.**

**+Mississippii Senator Cyndi Hyde-Smith has introduced a bill to stop taxpayer funds paying for “research” using body parts from aborted babies and to stop**

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**the sales of aborted baby parts harvested and trafficked. As reported the Univ of Pittsburg received $3million to do just that. Fouchi’s National Institute of Health allocated $61 million for human fetal tissue research. 15 other ProLife Senators co-sponsored the bill.**

**+On Jan 18 the US House of Representatives passed two bills. The first protects Pregnancy Centers from losing TANF- Assistance for needy families. The 2nd bill supports pregnant students by requiring colleges to alert pregnant students of resources to continue education without an abortion. Every republican voted for the bills while every democrat voted against. The Senate via Marco Rubio proposed companion bills. Pray they act for Life.**

**+On the day of the National March for Life Senator Marsha Blackburn introduced a bill requiring abortionists to explain risks of abortion and via ultrasound, the age of the baby , 24 hours prior to a procedure.**

**+Planned Parenthood was illegally paid $90 million from the Covid Paycheck Protection Program. Planned Parenthood gets $600 million per year from federal grants and Medicare payments. PP kills a baby every 90 seconds or 1000 per day. The “nonprofit”is making $205 million in profit per year.**

**+Last week in Nashville, Tenn Paul Vaughn and 5 others were convicted of violating the FACE act. On March 5, 2021 3 years ago they prayed and sung at a Mount Juliet, Tenn abortion center. They were not arrested or charged with anything. He is appealing in Federal Court on a) his conviction and b) The FACE act itself. The Thomas More Society is providing legal services. Senator Mike Lee and Rep. Chip Roy have introduced a bill to repeal the FACE act based on 24 cases against prolifers vs only 4 out of 350 attacks on churches and Pregnancy Centers being prosecuted.**

**+The state of New Hampshire voted down a constitutional amendment to make killing babies thru birth a right. LIFE WINS !**

**+ Wisconsin Assembly passed a bill on 25 January that permits elective -3- abortions up to 14 weeks gestation. This despite the ongoing court battle on the existing statute that protects life from conception.**

**LIFE NEWS**

**+The National Right to Life and all 50 states and 3000 chapters have endorsed Donald Trump for President.**

**+Pro Abortion Initiative Petition is Missouri Constitutional Freedom vs Missouri Stands with Women. Both State Senator Rick Brattin and Mo Rep Mike Haffner are working on statutes to make the petition and ballot process fair and devoid of outside intervention sponsors. They are pushing to get 50% of voters signatures in all districts vs 170,000 signatures in only 6 of 8 districts (KC, St Louis, Columbia, Springfield) or 8% of voters. Note: The ACLU pays signature contractors $17 for each signature. PP and other abortion groups add to the bounty . DECLINE TO SIGN and educate your family , friends and neighbors.!**

**+The US House of Representatives passed a bill on 31 Jan to increase Child Tax Credit from $2000 to $3600 and automatically adjust based on inflation . Why is this a ProLife victory ? Many parents decide to not have children , or worse abort, because of financial hardships. Pray that the Senate will also pass it.**

**+On 1 Feb I received a letter from Senator Eric Schmitt. He noted that he will vote for a bill that protects pregnancy centers. He is fighting Chuck Schumer to get the bill to a Senate vote. The House has already passed the bill Protecting Pregnancy Centers. His letter was very personal. He shared about his son Stephen’s autism and services. Stephen inspires Eric to stand for Life.**

**+The 2024 Knights of Columbus Marist poll shows that 66% of Americans support abortion restrictions and 60% support no abortions after 3 months of pregnancy. 83% support Pregnancy Resource Centers.**

**+This years Washington DC National March for Life had over 100,000 people marching on the anniversary of the Roe decision . The theme was “With Every Woman, For Every Child” On the eve of the March over 6000 people packed the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. They heard Bishop Burbidge speak .**

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**+ As Joe Biden holds third trimester abortion rallys, he never mentions “baby “ or “human” only “a fetus that should die”.**

**+In addition to an unrestricted abortion petition collecting signatures in Missouri, signatures are now being collected in Arkansas. The intent is to pass the Arkansas Abortion Amendment of 2024.**

**+Since Roe died , 140 abortion clinics have closed. Since the Roe ruling in 1973 ,65.6 million babies have been killed in abortions.**

**CHEMICAL ABORTIONS**

**+The Abortion Reversal Pill protocal has now saved 5000 babies. 1400 doctors , pregnancy centers and hospitals dispense the reversal pill . The reversal pill is now in 86 countries.**

**+ CVS can only dispense mifepristone if prescribed by a doctor, not a pharmacist.**

**+ In January , three Attorneys General from Kansas, Idaho and Missouri filed a motion to intervene in the FDA vs Medicine case on chemical pills. This would grant the states plaintiff status. If the Supreme Court rules in favor of the FDA , these states can then sue the FDA directly to stop the mail order delivery of abortion pills. Stay tuned for the Supreme Court ruling on 26 March.**

**CLOSING**

**As Knights we agree that we must change the hearts and minds of mothers to choose Life. Lord Save the Unborn Children !!**