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THOUGHTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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"I have been driven many times upon my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom, and that of all about me, seemed insufficient for that day."

-Abraham Lincoln

Where were you on November 4, 2008?

That is the question that will resound for years to come for every American citizen. Each one of us will, from this day forward, look back on the events of November 4, 2008, and remember – both the developments of that day and our own involvement, or non-involvement, in those historic events.

As I write this article, the citizens of the United States have indicated through their vote that Barack Obama should be the next President of the United States. The final phase of the Presidential Election will actually take place on December 15, 2008, when the Electoral College convenes in their respective state capitals around the nation to cast their votes in electing the President and the Vice-President of the United States.

In early American history, as our nation was on the brink of collapse, the Constitutional Convention delegates spent days debating behind closed doors. At one point during the proceedings, when failure seemed imminent, Benjamin Franklin rose to speak to the delegates, challenging them to begin each session in prayer. It was a crucial time in our history, but our forefathers saw the importance of taking time to seek guidance and wisdom from Almighty God. From that day forward, the Constitutional Convention proceeded without further disruption.

Once again, we are at a pivotal place in our nation's history. Tumultuous as these current days may seem, there is still hope. The one place where hope can be found has not even been mentioned by our nation's leaders – and that is seeking God

through prayer and fasting. However, have we become too dependent these days upon our political system to determine the future of our nation?

While the events of November 4, 2008 may make it easy to become discouraged and to despair, we will not and we can not. For it does not matter who won the Presidential election – or any election, for that matter. These top 10 predictions are solid (Source: "Aufrance Monday Fodder," September 25, 2008):

1. The Bible will still have all the answers.
2. Prayer will still work.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move.
4. God will still inhabit the praise of His people.
5. There will still be God-anointed preaching.
6. There will still be singing of praise to God.
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.
8. There will still be room at the Cross.
9. Jesus will still love you.
10. Jesus will still save the lost when they come to Him.

Isn't it great to know who is really in control? It isn't the President of the United States or Congress. It is the God of the Universe.

And the mission that God has laid before us has not changed. Teachers Saving Children® continues to be committed to its purpose statement: "...an organization of pro-life teachers and other concerned citizens whose primary purpose is a commitment to establishing a respect for all human life from conception to natural death, especially among professional educators' organizations." That has been our focus since our inception and that will continue to be our focus. Although the challenge seems steeper now, we will continue to be a voice for LIFE in education. The lives of pre-born children – our future students – depend on our determination to continue to fight for their protection.

However the Lord leads us and engages us in this battle for Life, we need to be willing to step a little farther out of our comfort zone. Let the Lord empower you (and me) to more boldly proclaim the Truth regarding the sanctity of human life. It is but a small sacrifice to pay when it comes to the precious lives of the children we are called to protect.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE FREEDOM OF CHOICE ACT

As one of the bill's co-sponsors, Senator Barack Obama promised the abortion lobby that this will be the first piece of legislation he will sign into law as President of the United States of America.

The Freedom of Choice Act overturns virtually all federal and state pro-life laws. FOCA would also overturn all restrictions on public funding of abortion and require we, the taxpayers, to pay for elective abortions.

What FOCA does:

- Creates a new federal right to abortion and would repeal the Hyde Amendment, allowing unlimited federal funding for abortion.
- Removes all safeguards ("interferences") currently in place at the state or federal level. These include:
 - Full disclosure to the patient (ultrasound images of the unborn child, details about pain inflicted on the baby, any information about long-term complications for the mother)
 - Parental notification for minors seeking abortion
 - Waiting periods
 - Restrictions based on fetal viability, allowing for abortion on demand through the ninth month of pregnancy
 - Protections for doctors and nurses who refuse to perform or assist in an abortion
 - Protections for religiously affiliated hospitals, as well as public hospitals, that currently do not perform abortions
 - Exclusions for abortion coverage from health care plans of federal employees
- Overturns the partial-birth abortion ban, a gruesome late-term procedure involving the forced extraction of the infant from the mother's womb; insertion of a device to suction the brains from the baby's skull, allowing for the skull to be crushed, facilitating its removal from the birth canal.

The majority of Americans support these common-sense protections. The Freedom of Choice Act is extreme even for many who identify themselves as "Pro-Choice."

Contact your U.S. Senators and Representatives and urge them to oppose the Freedom of Choice Act.

Editor's Note: The above fact sheet came through an email message dated November 13, 2008, from Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati Inc., 1802 W Galbraith Road, Cincinnati OH. The Right to Life Chapter is recommending that individuals use this information as a bulletin insert, in newsletters, on distribution flyers, etc. so that individuals are well informed about the Freedom of Choice Act. (www.cincinnati.richttolife.org).

CALIFORNIA CONGRESS Washington Update – November 21, 2008 Family Research Council

In a surprise ambush yesterday [November 20, 2008], liberal House Democrats unseated longtime chairman Rep. John Dingell (D-Mich.) from his position on the Energy and Commerce Committee and replaced him with Rep. Harry Waxman (D-Calif.). Waxman's coup is alarming to many Democrats, who see the move as a rebuff to the seniority system and an indication that Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) is veering their party "off the cliff." While Dingell is far from pro-life, FRC recognized his willingness to work across the aisle.

Demoting Dingell because he isn't "liberal enough" only divides the Democrats further. Several of the party's rank and file spoke out on Thursday in protest. One member who refused to be identified even said that the leadership was "in orbit; they think it's a California takeover." With health care and sex education firmly in Waxman's control, trouble is already brewing for the pro-family community. You may remember that Waxman was the one who used your taxpayer dollars to launch unsubstantiated attacks on the validity of abstinence education and pregnancy care centers.

As upsetting as the appointment is, FRC was relieved to learn from our sources on the Hill that the leadership will not pursue the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA) next year. Thanks to FRC Action's ads, more Americans are aware of FOCA's devastating impact on the life movement. Now that our friends are rallying against FOCA, Democrats have decided the issue carries too much political risk. They plan to postpone the legislation until they can chip away at smaller pockets of the values movement.

With Waxman's appointment and today's [November 21, 2008] story that President-elect Obama is delaying the repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, it seems the leadership plans to attack life and family by quietly dismantling things that won't make front-page news, like increasing taxpayer funding of abortions, ending conscience protections, and inhibiting free speech....

KEEPING INFORMED

Keeping informed of all the political changes happening right now can be very difficult. In addition, there are numerous messages flowing through the Internet and email on a daily basis. How does one sort through it all? There are two resources that I highly trust and recommend. First of all, Family Research Council has a daily update. To subscribe, phone 800-225-4008 or go to www.frc.org. The second resource is LifeNews.com Pro-Life News Report. For subscription information, email news@lifeneews.com.

OHIO ABORTIONS FALL TO LOWEST TOTAL IN 12 YEARS, HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Cincinnati, OH (LifeNews.com) – The Ohio health department has released a new report showing the number of abortions in Ohio has reached its lowest total in 12 years. The statistics, which come from 2007, show abortions have declined for another year to 28,921 with almost 94 percent done on in-state residents. As Americans head to the polls today to choose a new President, the Ohio health department noted that the policies of the Bush administration appear to be working in terms of reducing abortions. “The number of total abortions performed in Ohio has seen a decline annually since 2000,” it indicated. The new report showed white residents accounted for about 60 percent of abortions in Ohio while black Ohio residents had about 40 percent of the abortions. Women over the age of 25 accounted for nearly half the abortions while women under the age of 20 had just under 20 percent. The report shows abortions have declined consistently among all age groups. Most Ohio abortions are done early in pregnancy, but the report showed at least 14 percent are done after 13 weeks of pregnancy. Most women are unmarried at the time of their abortion. (Source: www.LifeNews.com, November 4, 2008)

**“REMEMBER
THE LIFE PRINCIPLES MEAN
‘EQUAL CARE’ WITH ‘NO EXCEPTIONS!’”**

36th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

JANUARY 22, 2009

WASHINGTON DC

Thirty-six years ago on January 22, 1973, the US Supreme Court handed down the Roe v Wade and Doe v Bolton decisions that brought about abortion on demand in America through all nine months of pregnancy. Awareness of this tragic decision should spur us on to make this coming March for Life the largest one ever!

The March for Life Benefits All

- It gives voice to the children.
- It gives encouragement to our friends in government.
- It encourages us.
- It trains young leaders.

For complete details concerning the events of January 22nd, please contact your local Right to Life Chapter or State Right to Life office. For those pro-life teachers and school employees who cannot go to Washington DC, it is suggested that you attend the pro-life marches or rallies being held in your own local areas.

Let’s stand together for the Sanctity of Life.

CORRECTION

Teachers Saving Children® National reported 2007-2008 memberships in the October newsletter. That article title should have read NATIONAL 2008-2009 MEMBERSHIPS. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. As of November 15, 2008, there are 321 paid National Teachers Saving Children® members. Thank you! There is still time to encourage your colleagues to join and receive full membership benefits. Contact the Teachers Saving Children® National Office for copies of our brochures.



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T-SHIRTS & LONG SLEEVED SWEATSHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE

Both items are white with the design in burgundy. The suggested donation for T-shirts is \$7.00 (XX - \$8.00). The suggested donation for sweatshirts is \$15.00 (XX - \$18.00). Since this is not a fund raiser, but is being used as another means to publicize Teachers Saving Children®, any additional donation would be appreciated to cover postage.

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