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‘Human Rights: Are Democratic Nations Upholding a Better Standard?’

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Mr Chairman, Distinguished Participants and Fellow Panellists, Dear Ambassadors for Peace, Ladies and Gentlemen. First of all, allow me on behalf of Universal Peace Federation as co-host and co-sponsor of this event to offer a warm welcome to each and every one of you. Thank you for giving up your precious time to be with us here today helping us all to properly address this important question of how effective democratic nations are in upholding Human Rights. It is heartening to see so many of you here today because it is a strong confirmation of how much people really care about how their fellow human beings are being treated and how much we all long for a better world.

Allow me to say a special welcome to our one panelist from overseas this morning Dr Michael Frendo a great servant of his nation of Malta in the past as Foreign Minister and later as Speaker of the House and a real friend of UPF. It was he who opened the way for UPF to hold a highly successful ELC there almost exactly two years ago in the Presidential Palace which brought leading statesmen, academics and others from both Europe and Africa to seek a new basis of relationship between the two continents and we remain deeply grateful to him for that. Thank you Dr Frendo and a warm welcome to you to London!

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NEWS IN BRIEF

BBC Children in Need

BBC Children in Need is a charity of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) to raise money for the support of children, including disabled children. Its main fundraising event is an annual telethon held in November. The BBC Children in Need website reveals that in 2012 and 2013 grants have been made to centres which support damaging forms of sex education and abortifacient birth control and the homosexual agenda. £30,803 was given to the Terence Higgins Trust which has promoted morning-after pills, produced pro-euthanasia advance directives (living wills) and produced highly explicit sex education material. Grants have previously been given to charities funding abortion and family planning services, and using research methods that involve destructive embryos. From SPUC

Morality in Media

Morality In Media is the leading organization opposing pornography in the USA. In this role, MIM has united more than 130 national, state and local groups in order to fight pornography. This coalition effort between organizations is critical to winning the war on pornography. In the last year alone, this united front directed by MIM pushed the U.S. Air Force and Army to remove pornography from base exchanges and all military branches have been ordered by Congress and the Secretary of Defense to remove offensive images from public and work spaces. “In addition, we are holding the Federal Communications Commission responsible for enforcing decency standards and succeeded in getting more than 100,000 complaints filed to stop the FCC from weakening broadcast decency standards. We released the first annual “Dirty Dozen List” of 12 top facilitators of pornography - some of those listed (Google, Department of Defense) have improved. We were able to provide leadership and training to community leaders who are fighting to stop their libraries and schools from providing pornography and to others who are working to tighten their state laws on obscenity. We also successfully held the first “Ignite The Light” conference on pornography in Indiana. These are just some of the victories in 2013.”

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FREEVIEW TV



Recently, a parent staying overnight in a Birmingham Hospital with his sick daughter was horrified to find pornography channels freely available on some of the Freeview television channels which were accessible to patients. Hospital staff thanked the relevant parent and were able to delete the offending channels. It is totally unacceptable that there are 6 or more pornography channels available on Freeview TV, which will be in the majority of homes in the UK, without any subscription being needed! It is a disgrace that at the digital switchover last year relevant pornography channels were allowed into so many homes in such a way. Such channels should under no circumstances be freely available without a subscription fee. To delete unwanted channels: Click on the 'menu' on your controller. Then click 'Ok' on 'Channel List'. Next, click 'Ok' on 'Edit Channel List'. Scroll down to the relevant channel and then click on 'Ok', then on 'Delete'. Please write to MPs about this matter: House of Commons, Westminster, SW1W 0AA. Also please contact Ofcom: Riverside House, 2a, Southwark Bridge Road, London, SE1 9HA. Tel: 02079813333 Email: occbroadcast@ofcom.org.uk Contact details for Digital TV: Mr. Neil Brennan, Digital UK, PO Box 26833, Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland, KY2 9AG Tel:08456505050 Email:help@digitaluk-contact.

Parenting Problems



Sir Michael Wilshaw the Chief Inspector of schools and social care has criticized "hollowed out and fragmented families" where parents suffer a "poverty of accountability," and where parents no longer, "take responsibility" for teaching their children "right and

wrong." Sir Michael's comments followed an Ofsted national report which revealed that 700,000 youngsters are growing up in homes blighted by drug or alcohol addiction. The root, fundamental causes of bad parenting lies in a lack of understanding about the purpose and meaning to life, Our religions teach us to love and serve and to live for the sake of others. Through living according to this criterion we can become beings of true love, (<http://heartandtruelove.com>) which is the reason why we are living on this earth. The family is meant to be the "school of love" where true character and integrity are developed within the interpersonal family relationships, centred on Godly values. Studies by historians such as D. H Unwin show conclusively, that without Godly values being predominant in any society, decay and decline will rapidly follow. So many wrong messages are given to modern day parents from the "me first" culture and from the media etc. by so-called 'celebrities' who often live extravagant, hedonistic lifestyles. The "me first" culture stands in stark contrast to: "living for the sake of others" and, ultimately only leads to frustration and discontentment.

Letters and Emails Received

Dear Mr. Moraes, [MEP] To be gay is ONE thing, but to say that gay marriage has something to do with defending equality is not convincing at all. It is a very fake argument. There are so many cases of REAL inequality in the world. But nobody cares. Why all this fuss about "equality" when it comes to gays and lesbians? What about the equality of children who are being adopted by gays? In the end people will rebel against the fact that men cannot give birth to children, and call it inequality! Come on, where is the common sense gone in this mad society? I think we have to come to our senses and focus on what is important! Do you think that, if we go against universal laws, we will go without having to bear the consequences? You are free to choose your actions, but not free to choose the consequences. Do not forget this please! Best regards Bruno Klotz

Dear John, First of all I'd like to thank you for your work with Morality Forum and the interesting and hopeful articles in your newsletter. I always print it out, read it from cover to cover and pass it on to others. I am constantly trying to encourage this kind of activity in Switzerland, although it's very difficult to find like-minded groups, who are involved in these kinds of issues... Best wishes. God bless. Jean

Dear Mr. Bloom, [Ms Honeyball; Ms Yannakoudakis; Ms Sinclair]

My wife, Patricia, and I would like to strongly urge you to vote **against** the Estrela Report tomorrow, November 26th. [Debate in European Parliament. The report was rejected] We represent around 30 families here in the West Midlands, all of whom are aghast at the 'sexualised agenda' which is attempting to introduce information, ideas and activities into the lives of children, at a younger and younger age **which they have no emotional and intellectual capacity to deal with**. Surely, our children have the right to be just that, children, for as long as we can help them to maintain their spontaneity and innocence. We recognise the need for greater awareness in their teenage years, in an increasingly 'sexualised' society where they are vulnerable to advertising and programmes, etc, on the internet, television, films and other media. But the proposals for children 12 years old and under are astonishing in their aggressive naivety of the long term impact, both on children as individuals, and on our society. Sincerely, Dr David Earle and Mrs. Patricia Earle

Dear John,

Thanks for your E-mails. I find them very interesting. Keep sending them through. All the best.

Cllr, John D. Nottingham

Dear John, Thank you very much for all your good noble moral and Pro-life activities.

I have been admiring you all the times over the years for your excellent good work and services... Thank you again. With best wishes Majid

Well done! We have to get the thinking of these people straight. [information sent to an MEP about homosexuality] You are the right man for it with all your statistics and whatever! We have to change their way of thinking. They are in the darkness and think its light. Bruno

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Hi John. I hope you are enjoying the festive season. I personally am your supporter because of your sincere and tireless efforts for the proper moral and religious values. Please keep it up. M.W.Khokhar

Dear Rt Rev Bishop, I write to you in exasperation with what I perceive to be a deep misunderstanding within the leadership of the Church of England at this time. The Pilling report that you will debate next week [27th January] is so flawed, that I sincerely wonder why the Bishops are debating it at all. The issue is VERY simple. Though God loves ALL his children, God's blessings CANNOT flow down to earth through ALL lifestyles.

God's blessings flow down to earth through the 3 blessings as mentioned in Genesis... Grow and mature yourself so you embody God's love; Marry, take responsibility for, and love the children that God blesses you with; and be good stewards of the earth for future generations. Thus we see in nations where people strive for honesty... for the first blessing to be realised (e.g.; Scandinavia) - God's blessings come down. Thus we see that, at the start of the 20th century, every major country in the world was a marriage centred culture... in line with the 2nd blessing. Any nation that moved away from the marital norm quickly weakened - both morally and relationally. We see that same process happening in ALL western nations today. Put simply, we are designed by God to receive his blessings ONLY through fulfilling our responsibility ... especially to our biological children. We do not have a massively extensive range of ways that create the fundamentals for God's blessings to come down to society... we only have 3 core ones.

The second blessing is where heterosexual married partners make a public commitment to be there to fulfil the right of their biological child to the best possible start in life. And when our societies go down the road of rejecting the heterosexual marital-family, our children enter the world of increased risk factors, and they have poorer outcomes and society starts to decay. Put in very simple terms, for society, it is the heterosexual marital-family or bust. Cohabitation, single parenting, same-sex parenting ALL lead to children, on average, having poorer outcomes... so much so that they have less possibility than their parents had of building a successful couple relationship of their own. So a spiral of social decay kicks in with higher rates of single parenting in every new generation, and society going financially bankrupt as a result.

So what is the challenge we face in the redefinition of marriage to include same-sex couples. The CORE problem is that marriage becomes REDEFINED. Redefined just doesn't mean 'to include same-sex unions'. It means redefined completely. The traditional definition of marriage has always been 'two opposite-sex adults making a public commitment to work together to fulfil the intrinsic RIGHT and natural desire of their future biological child to the best possible start in life.' It is about the right of the children, their natural desire to be raised by the two opposite sex parents who gave them life ... because, on average, that gives them the best possible start in life. Marriage redefined means something quite different: "The legal right of any two adults to make a commitment to each other based on mutual, sexual attraction". As can be seen, the rights of children have been completely omitted in this new definition. It is only about adult's rights. Marriage now becomes a place where adults' rights take precedence over children's rights. The new

definition means that God's new born child has no automatic right to be loved, hugged and raised by the two people who gave the child life. With such an adult centred understanding of marriage, future children go down the road of suffering ever poorer outcomes. There are MANY VERY negative consequences to redefining marriage in this way. They are laid out in a series of lectures on slideshare starting with this one: <http://www.slideshare.net/FamilyMan2/1-samesex-marriage-lecture-1-what-is-marriage-and>. The main problem in refining marriage in this dramatic way is that the new definition of marriage suits same-sex couples but it NO LONGER provides enough meaning to sustain heterosexual pair-bonding. In other words, the new definition leads to fewer heterosexual couples marrying in order to protect their future children and to more divorcing... and this is what we see happening in ALL nations where marriage has been redefined. Thus more children will be raised without the love of both biological parents, and God's blessings will find it harder and harder to come to earth. So what choices does the CofE have now that redefinition has taken place through unjust lawmaking and social decline has been set in law. It seems the leadership have 3 possible directions to take. 1) To accept the law change and go down the road that the Pilling Report recommends. The slippery slope kicks in and, in the years ahead, pastors will be asked to bless EVERY new form of marriage that the state gives legality to... no matter what harm these new forms of marriage bring to newly born babies -- God's newly born children. Put simply, the future church will be consistently asked to reform itself in order to bless every form of sexuality - ultimately group marriages, harem marriages, and more - and it will have to stand passively by as children suffer poorer outcomes and social decay takes control of society. (yes, group marriages took place in Brazil and the Netherlands last year) 2) The CofE can just refuse to bless these new forms of marriage ... as the Rt. Rev Bishop of Birkenhead recommends. But ultimately this will lead to the church going into decay too. The media will make sure that young people perceive the CofE as out of step with the new era, as a group of small minded bigoted irrelevant people. 3) The ONLY sensible route out of this situation is to go on the offensive - to make it REALLY REALLY clear to society that the heterosexual marital-family - the public commitment of two opposite sex adults taking responsibility to stay together in order to fulfil the natural rights and intrinsic desires of their biological children - is the ONLY way society can continue to receive God's blessings. The church needs to work with other Christian churches and other faiths, and research institutes, to make it really clear to society that ALL other forms of couple union lead to social decay. The hope is then, with the church standing up for what is true, that when social decay does start to take its terrible toll, the church will stand as a beacon of light, helping parents and society find its way back to health again. The real challenge for the CofE is that Christianity is built upon the foundation of salvation theology ... Jesus died for me... and not upon the original purpose of God - to bless mankind through the 3 blessings. Because Christian theology doesn't clearly understand how mankind receives God's blessings ... it is hard to believe that the Bishops will have the internal power to stand up for the heterosexual marital-family as one of the major channels for society to receive God's blessings. Of course this ALL comes down to a matter of leadership.

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As many of you will know, UPF is dedicated to building a world of lasting peace and believes passionately that there can be no such world unless and until the human rights abuses that afflict our world are eradicated once and for all. But the vision of lasting world peace that we adhere to encompasses far more than the mere eradication of negative, exploitative or selfish behaviours towards others from human conduct. There is a far more positive and proactive dimension to human rights than that - which we neglect at our peril. In short human rights in their truest and fullest sense will only be fully established when, centred upon God, human beings learn to truly love each other as members of one human family under God beyond boundaries of race, religion, colour, gender creed and ethnicity. Human rights will only be fully realised in our world when each human being sees it as is or her responsibility to draw out and to affirm the positive value of the other and to help the other to fulfil his or her potential and not just by refraining from causing harm. In short true human rights will only come into being when each of us truly "lives for the sake of others" and not just for him or herself.

From this you can understand that from a UPF perspective human rights is almost always thought of too narrowly as gross and obvious violations or abuse of one person, or one group, or one nation by another, usually sanctioned, or at least condoned, by the state or other authority. It is usually such abuses that capture headlines and attract comment in the media as being violations of human rights. However to understand the extent to which human rights are observed and respected (especially in democracies) I would suggest that we need to view it in the far broader context of how human beings in a particular society treat each other and what attitudes they harbour towards each other. This is because in a democracy, even though rights may be well enshrined in law and the citizen entitled to great protection under that law, we know from so many recent examples in this country that democracies are often little able to enforce those rights or protect abused victims due to a lack of law enforcement capacity or resources. The key question, I would suggest is how much are human dignity and human worth respected in our societies regardless of where the law stands in relation to them. We have many safeguards and proclaim many standards but there is a terrible and growing tendency for them to be defined more in the breach than in the observance. But let us start by giving Democracy its due and by recognising what's good about democracy as far as protecting Human Rights is concerned. Let us recognise that democracies are relatively good at defining rights and liabilities, at passing legislation to protect different groups, including minorities.

Let us also recognise that of all the social systems in history democratic systems have succeeded in giving people the greatest number of people access to greater levels of freedom and prosperity than others.

Let us also recognize (to paraphrase Winston Churchill!) that democracy is almost certainly the least worst form of government.

However, we must also recognise that democracy is by its very nature inherently limited because as a system it is ethically and morally neutral. It believes in pursuing the will of the majority. But, for goodness and righteousness to prevail it is necessary for that majority to adhere to what is just and righteous and as we know well that is by no means always the case!

In extreme cases outright evil has come to dominate through

the democratic process. We should not forget that in Germany the Nazis came to power not through populist and demagogic politicians holding sway over a morally confused electorate but through a democratic process.

Ladies and Gentlemen, in short the inherent weakness of democracy is that it relies so heavily upon there being a sufficient base of morality and of course education and knowledge among citizens in any given society to ensure that good collective decisions are made through the ballot box and by government generally.

If we ask ourselves how this applies to modern democratic societies such as that here in this country and in Europe generally I suggest that there is truly deep cause for concern. Whilst we continue to adhere to the principles of democracy the base of morality within society gives every appearance of crumbling before our very eyes and it is this phenomenon that in my respectful opinion gives the greatest cause for concern about human rights. We may adhere strictly to democratic principles but if we do not do something to reverse the moral decline it will avail us little.

Recent examples have demonstrated this very clearly and disturbingly across so many areas of our public life:-Banking greed and rapaciousness, fiddling of LIBOR etc.

Child abuse (child sex rings, child porn) Abuse of the elderly in care and neglect of those living on their own. Banking crisis. Politicians on the take. Police corruption (Plebgate). Press corruption (hacking, corruption of police officers with bribes). In most cases where abuse has been revealed there were clear laws or regulations against the offensive conduct. But those laws and the agencies charged with enforcing them could do little in themselves in the face of the lack of moral sensitivity or conscience on the part of the perpetrators who thought nothing of systematically violating the human rights of others in the narrow pursuit of their own self interest!

The fundamental problem of human rights is man's inhumanity to man resulting from inability to rise above selfish motivation, not to mention any higher duty of love and service. Human rights for all can only be guaranteed when each and every one of us learns to love and respect others regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, nationality, religion etc.

All that we truly have control over is ourselves. So we need to keep up our own attitude and level of conduct towards others at all times as one of our key contributions to society.

What can and should we do beyond our basic contribution in this way? Nothing short of a major general effort and consensus to re-moralise societies. A realignment of all those groups in society committed to more traditional moral and ethical values. There needs to be a great alliance of like-minded individuals and groups to bring about a moral re-awakening in our societies.

We should recognise the importance of the family in nurturing the values, the ideals and the heart that enables all people to respect each other and to value each other. We are our brother's keeper and we are born to live for the sake of others.

We need to do everything we can to strengthen the family as a social unit and protect it from all the forces that are undermining it. The family is where, more than in any other social institution we can learn the attitudes and principles that underpin the right treatment of others. If we don't learn to love and respect others growing up in a loving family we will most likely never learn how to love others beyond our own family and thereby contribute to a society based on respect and love

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True Family Values

(compiled by **Frank Van Der Stok**,
continued from previous issue)

The Value of Sexual Purity

A. Sexual purity is the key to establishing and maintaining the culture of heart.

3. The ideology of sexual liberation has created a culture of immorality.

- Sexual liberation ideology took hold on college campuses in the sixties through the civil rights and then anti-war movements. Soon the “counter-culture” of sex, drugs and rock-n-roll appeared and its morality is still dominating our society.
- Freud took his examples and archetypes from Greek mythology. True Family Values takes ours from the Bible. Through the biblical story of the original human ancestors, we see that sexual liberation is the recurrence of the original problem of humankind in the Garden of Eden.

4. Adam and Eve practised sexual immorality. Their marriage and family life took place outside the garden, separated from God.

- The Fall destroyed true love, by planting the seed of false love in Adam and Eve through sexual impurity.
- False love places the body in the subject position fighting against the mind.
- False love separates God and man.
- False love separates husband and wife. Eve deceived her husband as she herself had been deceived. Adam then blamed Eve for causing his fall. Further, Adam called Eve “the mother of all living” (RSV) or “the life-giving one” (TLB), when actually it is God who is the origin of all life. Thus Adam blamed Eve and falsely idolized her at the same time (see Gordon Dalbey, *Healing the Masculine Soul* [Dallas: Word Publishing, 1988] 35).
- False love separates parents and children. Cain and Abel did not honour their parents, but made their offerings to God separately from them and from each other.
- Adam and Eve established and propagated Satan’s dominion, by creating love, life and lineage on the basis of false love.
 - Their love relationship became the pattern for all love relationships, founding a culture of false love. This expanded into a world of selfishness, hatred and war.
 - Fallen world culture celebrates infidelity and the complexity of tangled love/hate relationships. Fallen world culture glorifies promiscuous sex and idolizes the physical body.
 - Those engaging in promiscuous sex have no intention of creating children. Therefore there is no life or lineage; hence they do not have true love.
 - Without God’s life elements coursing through our inner minds, we lack a connection to God and to one another. We are a civilization of self-centered

opportunists, who have little regard for the suffering of others. We do not naturally know God as our Father, but feel distant from Him. Hence life is cheap, and we think little of hurting others, having abortions and divorcing.

5. Beginning from the Blessing, we are engrafted into God’s family line.

- We can enjoy a close relationship to God as our Father.
 - God can dwell with us through true conjugal love, the only possible starting point for our substantial relationship with God.
 - We become God’s children, who resemble God. We become husband and wife in whose marital union God is dwelling. We become parents who substantiate God’s love for our children.
- We have true love to share with each other. Our values influence the culture around us through our life as families.

6. This is the starting point of the culture of heart.

- It is the culture of the true family. The qualities of love we experience in the family radiate into the society, nation and world.
- Love is the favourite subject matter of poets, composers, artists and authors from the beginning. Naturally cultural creations will reflect and celebrate the stories and beauties of true love.

7. Illicit sex prevents us from participating in the culture of heart.

- Illicit sex repeats the fall.
- It breaks the bond of heart, which is rooted in intact marriage and family life.
- It destroys our relationship with God, because God cannot be present where there is false love.
- It damages true spiritual and intellectual ambition.
- It corrupts our personalities.
 - We become self-centered.
 - We feel the pangs of a guilty conscience.
 - We feel an inner conflict.
 - We lose our ideal and hope.
- It makes us feel distant, alienated, alone.
 - It denies parents, and hence the family and the public purpose.
 - We then cannot participate wholeheartedly in the family or public life.
- It brings shame to our family.
- It dashes the hopes and dreams of our family for our own future.
- It curtails the possibility of our ancestors’ resurrection through us.
- Thus, we are cut off from God’s heart, which is at the root of the culture of heart.

(to be continued....)(from the book “True Family Values” by Wilson and Pak)(<http://www.hsabooks.com/books>)

Can the The Most Rev and Rt Hon Justin Welby and the The Most Rev and Rt Hon John Sentamu, see clearly enough how God's blessings come to earth, and make a stand based on this simple but deep insight. All that is being asked is that society aligns itself with mother nature's ways. Two opposite sex birds take responsibility in order to bring about the best outcomes for their biological chicks. That is ALSO our ONLY way of bringing about the best outcomes for our children too. What is the alternative? That the CofE dies because it doesn't have the insights necessary to lead society? When the full force of broken families and liberal sexuality brings about tremendous social devastation, a religion WILL emerge to help deeply frustrated parents find a new way forward. Will they look to some form of radical Islam to guide them out of the mess, or will they look to the clear but sure light of the CofE? That is what you will be debating on Monday. The future decay or the future honour of the CofE. May God's wisdom be with you all. Yours, hoping in deep sincerity, that God's work be done. Stephen Stacey. *True Success: The peace of mind attained only through knowing you made the effort to do the best that you are capable of.* John Wooden

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for others where violations of one human being by another do not occur.

We should also recognise the importance of religion in nurturing the values that lead to the observance of human rights (respect and love for others, service, self sacrifice and living for the sake of others). To achieve true human rights we will need a revival in religious, spiritual and moral values.

We need to realise the value of religion as a force for spreading right attitudes and behaviour and its potential for leading the struggle to re-introduce moral values into society. We need to encourage religious leaders to stick to their guns by not accommodating to selfish social trends that undermine both morality and family and by not being afraid to speak out about such issues, which sadly seems to be happening.

In conclusion, Ladies and Gentlemen, in our respectful opinion democratic societies do not have that much to be proud of if their decisions are not deeply rooted in morality and altruistic thinking.

Thank you very much!

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MORAL CAMPAIGNS BRINGING SUBSTANTIAL RESULTS!

By John O'Neill

In this edition of the M.F. Update we see news about the wonderful work being done in the USA by Morality in Media, an organization which has united more than 130 national, state and local groups in order to fight pornography. Recently, because of a MIM campaign pornographic items have been removed from all US military bases. A wonderful result! In the UK because of pressure from the public and various relevant

organizations the Co-op and Premier Hill Hotels agreed to stop selling pornographic Lad Mags.

The Child Eyes campaign in 2013 achieved some substantial results: FCUK removed its nation-wide window displays containing very young naked models in sexual poses. HMV removed pornographic posters from shop displays. ARK removed violent and sexual T-shirts from sale. Many retailers opted for modesty boards as a direct result of the Child Eyes campaign. "The Sunday Sport announced they would be toning down their cover images. Thousands of people have woken up to the issue of children being sexualized as a result of numerous radio, newspaper and even 6pm BBC news features about Child Eyes this year. We are working very hard to make sure that we hold every retailer to account for putting profit before children's welfare."

Mediawatch-UK have launched a Report a Shop service so that consumers observing inappropriate displays in shops of newspapers and magazines and sexualized covers could report them: info@frontpagecampaign.org.uk Tel: 01233633936. Address: 3, Willow House, Kennington Road, Ashford, Kent, TN24 0NR. Organisations such as Mediawatch-UK, Safermedia, Family and Youth Concern, SPUC and others do continuous outstanding work in defending our society from the evils of pornography, family breakdown, abortion-on-demand etc. All of these organizations deserve much more support.

In Taiwan recently proposed same-sex marriage legislation was blocked through inter-religious cooperation. Marches, demonstrations, and a petition which consisted of 630,000 signatures were all relevant in this crucial matter. What happened in Taiwan should be implemented in all nations. That is, religions working together to challenge all harmful and anti-godly government policies and legislation. In the last M.F. Update Apostle Dr. Gloria Ward highlighted how, "Religious people can affect change or support any cause, if they would just take a stand." The example of Taiwan and indeed in history shows how God can work in mighty ways when religious people are united.

Although there are promising signs, there is still a long way to go and much work still needs to be done in the UK to combat the various harmful issues such as the fact that immorality is still rampant, the homosexual agenda, quickie divorce, abortion-on-demand, amoral sex education in schools etc. Baroness Warsi the Minister for faith and Eric Pickles the Communities Secretary have recently again been highlighting the importance of faith in our nation. Such comments contrast profoundly with the comments made recently by Lord Carey who stated that the government is "full of denial" about the problems faced by the Christian community, and, is failing to speak up for those within it who are marginalized across the world. What Lord Carey says is clearly correct as there have been various reports highlighted in the media of Christians losing their jobs (and other relevant matters), because of not being allowed to live according to their religious beliefs and following the dictates of their consciences. Also, the Catholic adoption agencies had to close down because of the homosexual agenda.

Let us all strive to feel a sense of urgency in challenging the evils in our nations, as shown by the people in the various moral groups. A lot of prayer is still needed, but this needs be followed by action! For sure God is looking for many more people (especially religious people) to take a stand in such matters. We can all take heart from the Taiwan example and

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Medical student becomes pro-life after seeing baby's limbs torn off in suction abortion

BY SARAH TERZO Thu Oct 17, 2013 13:09 EST



October 14, 2013 (LiveActionNews) - Some time ago, I was sent this testimony from a medical student who preferred not to leave a name. He had just witnessed an abortion as part of his training. Deeply troubled, he wanted to tell someone. He was haunted by what he had seen. The student starts out by saying that he was firmly in the pro-choice camp before witnessing the abortion:

To begin, I must say that until yesterday, Friday, July 2, 2004, I was

strongly pro-choice. I am a pre-medical student, and being very scientific, I understood that the mass of cells that forms the fetal body is not often capable of survival before 24 weeks in the womb. I am also somewhat liberal, and I believed that every woman should have the right to choose what she did with her body and one that could potentially be growing inside of her.

The student had heard the pro-choice movement's slogans. He took them at face value, believing that the unborn baby was "a mass of cells" and not an individual human being. He felt that a woman "had the right to control her body" and did not sympathize with the tiny baby inside her. He did not believe in the child's humanity or right to life.

Then he took the opportunity to see an abortion performed. Because of his pro-choice beliefs, he did not expect to be disturbed by anything he would see:

This summer, I was accepted into a pre-medical program in NYC in which we are allowed to shadow doctors and see all sorts of medical procedures. When given the opportunity to see an abortion, I did not hesitate to accept the offer. It was something new, edgy, and exciting that I had never seen. He then describes exactly what he witnessed in the operating room:

When I entered the operating room, it felt like any other I had ever been in. On the table in front of me, I saw a woman, legs up as if delivering a child although she was asleep. Next to her was a tray of instruments for the abortion and a vacuum machine for suctioning the fetal tissues from the uterus. The doctors put on their gowns and masks and the procedure began. The cervix was held open with a crude metal instrument and a large transparent tube was stuck inside of the woman. Within a matter of seconds, the machine's motor was engaged and blood, tissue, and tiny organs were pulled out of their environment into a filter. A minute later, the vacuum choked to a halt. The tube was removed, and stuck to the end was a small body and a head attached haphazardly to it, what was formed of the neck snapped. The ribs had formed with a thin skin covering them, the eyes had formed, and the inner organs had begun to function. The tiny heart of the fetus,

obviously a little boy, had just stopped - forever. The vacuum filter was opened, and the tiny arms and legs that had been torn off of the fetus were accounted for. The fingers and toes had the beginnings of their nails on them. The doctors, proud of their work, reassembled the body to show me. Tears welled up in my eyes as they removed the baby boy from the table and shoved his body into a container for disposal.

Since this abortion was done by suction, the baby must have been less than 13 to 14 weeks, but still far enough along that his humanity was evident.

Abortions in the second trimester are usually done through dilation and evacuation, a procedure in which forceps are used to tear apart the baby, rather than through suction. The student was haunted by what he saw:

I have not been able to think of anything since yesterday at 10:30 besides what that baby boy might have been. I don't think that people realize what an abortion actually is until they see it happen. I have been tortured by these images - so real and so vivid - for two days now...and I was just a spectator.

Never again will I be pro-choice, and never again will I support the murder of any human being, no matter their stage in life.

Unlike the vast majority of abortions, this baby was mourned.

Someone felt sadness and horror at his death. Thousands of babies like him are suctioned out of their mothers' wombs every day. They are rejected by their mothers and regarded as medical waste by their killers. Society allows these babies to die silently, with no recognition or acknowledgment of their humanity. This little baby boy will never have a name. He will never take a breath of air, never pet a dog, never watch a sunset, never ride a bike... He will never experience all the things that you and I take for granted. But this baby, perhaps, did not die entirely in vain - his tragic death revealed the truth to this young man. And those of you who are reading this article now know about this baby's death.

Perhaps the story of this unfortunate child can motivate you to become more active in the pro-life movement. There are many things you can do, even from your computer. Share this article on Facebook. Sign on to a mailing list of a pro-life group. Donate money to a pro-life organization or a crisis pregnancy center - every little bit helps. Consider going to a clinic and trying to talk to the women entering it - with respect and kindness. Vote pro-life. Talk to your loved ones about abortion - share this or other pro-life articles with them. Be patient and understanding, be kind, be respectful, but most of all, be active - do something.

Life Saving Testimonies about Abortion. From Human Life Alliance.



I was outside a women's health center and handed a publication to a couple going in. They stopped under a tree and read it. Later, they walked out and the man waved the publication to me and said, "You saved

a Life today." I've counseled for 33 years and have made over 750 saves in the last 8 years using HLA publications. -Sidewalk Counselor & Pregnancy Resource Center Volunteer

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also the fact that God is definitely 100% supporting those people who will stand for his sacred, moral and spiritual values, which are meant to be enshrined in all our actions in our daily lives, and particularly in all policies and legislation involving political parties. Key prayer point: At next year's general election that many people will be elected to parliament who deeply understand the urgent need for a religious ethos to be prevalent again in our nation. Albert Einstein: "The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing."

Morality Forum Action



On Friday, November 29th, Anne Kobayashi and Elaine Osman spent the whole day in Shepherd's Bush obtaining signatures in support of the SPUC petition to protect children from being taught in schools that, "not all porn is bad...!"

The Coalition for Marriage petition forms and leaflets continue to be distributed to religious organizations. The SPUC sex education Bulletins continue to be distributed to parents and religious organizations.

On Saturday January 4th John O'Neill, together with members from the Harrow branch of SPUC delivered leaflets door-to-door in South Harrow. The leaflets gave recent shocking abortion statistics for the Harrow area - 1,234 in 2012. A helpline number was also available. Similar statistical abortion information leaflets for all areas can be printed. To order leaflets: Tel:02070917091 Email:information@spuc.org.uk John O'Neill has spoken about moral values at different religious events over recent months.

Women's increased/equal participation in the political decision-making process essential to sustainable growth: An African Perspective

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African women and their potential contributions to economic advances, social progress and environmental protection have over the years been marginalized. In failing to utilise the potential and talents of their female populations, African countries are under investing in the human capital needed to assure sustainable development. Utilising women's potential could increase economic growth, reduce poverty, enhance societal well being, and help ensure sustainable development in Africa. As stated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr Ban Ki-Moon, "Women represent half of the world's popula-

tion ... and should have their fair share in making decisions." This view was reiterated by former U.S. Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton who said "...no government can succeed if it excludes half of its people from important decisions." During the recently held 68th Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York, UN Women called for the inclusion of and investment in women's rights and gender equality in order to bring transformative change to women's lives and enable real progress in the context of a future global agenda. Africa is a growing economy and at the centre of this growing continent are women ready to make a difference. Closing the gender gap would ensure sustainable growth for the continent. In order to argue on behalf of African women, it is important to take into consideration the concept of political efficacy as explained by Anthony Birch (1993), which is a concept invented to indicate the extent to which citizens feel confident of their abilities to participate in the political process and to influence government policies. African women continue to demonstrate their political efficacy through various women's movements and affirmative actions aimed at attaining gender parity in politics. These initiatives have taken many forms over the years with affirmative actions based on democratic principles of inclusiveness, equal political rights and equal political participation, to encourage and increase African women's participation in the political decision-making process. At the beginning of the new millennium, the United Nations declared eight Millennium Development Goals, which included the "Promotion of Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women" as Goal No.3. However, with less than two years to go before the 2015 deadline of the Millennium Development Goals, gender parity in the political decision making process is far from being achieved. Consequently, gender equality and women's empowerment has once again been confirmed as a major focus for the Post 2015 Development Goals, with the UN Secretary General's Report declaring that "The Post 2015 Agenda must ensure the equal rights of women and girls, their full participation in the political, economic and public spheres".

In order to effectively address the issue of sustainable development we need to consider how gender equality or its lack thereof, impacts on the three main dimensions of sustainable development - Economy, Society and the Environment. A number of studies have indicated that gender inequalities have led to high economic costs, social inequalities and environmental degradation around the world. This has been attributed to the current economic model which is largely built on the ambitions and perspective of men, with the management and board of failed banks and financial institutions being nearly 100 per cent male. It has been argued that the 2008 economic crisis led to heightened criticisms of the capitalist model, where growth is fueled by competition and the quest for profits without due regard to human and social consequences.

Women in Africa continue to be denied equal opportunity to participate in decisions that affect their lives, whether in the public or private sphere, from the highest levels of government decision-making to households. In many countries in Africa, cultures and social conditioning have prevented women from unleashing their full potential, especially in leadership roles.

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