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Standing up for family values in society

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BUFFER ZONES – DENIAL OF HUMAN RIGHTS and RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

By John O’Neill

The UK government has voted to impose buffer zones around all the abortion clinics in England and Wales. It has been stated that this legislation is needed to protect women seeking an abortion from harassment and distress. Personally, I have participated in a number of pro-life vigils outside abortion clinics. I have never seen any incidents of harassment and intimidation by the pro-life volunteers towards women entering the abortion clinic grounds. They are just standing together praying quietly, about 20 yards away from the entrance to the abortion grounds. A leaflet will be offered by one person, sensitively, prayerfully, to women entering the abortion clinic grounds. If the leaflet is rejected nothing is said at all by the pro-life volunteer to intimidate or harass the women. The reality is that this is draconian, fascist legislation by anti-family, anti-godly, secular, humanistic politicians who are misusing their positions in the most grotesque, evil way. Legislation is already available to deal with any issues of intimidation if needed. Hundreds of babies’ lives have been saved because of the wonderful, outstanding work being done by the pro-life volunteers. Many women are coerced into having an abortion and are never told the truth about the very serious emotional and mental suffering that many women suffer through having an abortion for convenience reasons. [www.moralityforum.org.uk – comprehensive information about abortion]

Information from The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children: *Adam-Smith Connor has confirmed that he will appeal against his conviction finding him guilty of silent prayer outside an abortion facility in Bournemouth. Explaining his appeal, Mr Smith-Connor said: “Surely a silent thought cannot be a crime... The government simply cannot be allowed to determine the content of thoughts and prayers.” Last month, the Afghanistan veteran was convicted of breaching a so-called “buffer* (Continued on page 3)

GENERAL IMPORTANT NEWS

UK March for Life draws record crowds in London in opposition to abortion



Over 8,000 pro-lifers marched through central London, opposing the U.K.’s permissive abortion laws and demanding better support for women and babies. The event marked a record turnout, overshadowing a small pro-abortion protest. (Right To Life UK) — An estimated 8,000 to 10,000 pro-lifers attended the 10th annual March for Life in central London in the largest march to date and dwarfing a pro-abortion counter-demonstration. Held last Saturday, September 7, pro-lifers of all ages marched in opposition to the U.K.’s abortion laws, which permit abortion up until 24 weeks’ gestation and up to birth in cases of

disability. Pro-lifers filled the streets as they marched to Trafalgar Square, ending with a huge rally in Parliament Square. Since the Abortion Act was passed in 1967, there have been over 10 million abortions in England, Wales, and Scotland, with over a quarter of a million abortions in England and Wales in 2022 alone, the highest on record. As attendees arrived at the morning events held before the march, a number of them were greeted with a barrage of abuse and insults by a small group of masked pro-abortion counter-protesters. Lois McLatchie-Miller posted on social media: “Note the black masks over the face. Very different vibe to the joyful, colourful, celebration of life taking place inside the Emmanuel Centre, where we’re campaigning for BETTER than abortion for women & babies.” Once inside the venue though, attendees were able to participate in the Pro-Life Health Summit and heard from ex-abortion workers including Dr. Haywood Robinson, who had previously performed abortions, ex-MSI Reproductive Choice (formerly Marie Stopes International) director Kevin Duffy, and

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Letters and Emails Received

Hello Pastor John, Thanks so much for sharing.
Pastor Daniel Williams. [Summer Update]

Hi John, Keep up the good work John, although it is depressing when you read how the LGBT are gaining ground encouraged by their success in recent years. I fear for the future. Maria Rose. Information was sent to Maria highlighting the good work of organisations such as the Universal Peace Federation and the Women's federation for World Peace.

Dear John, Thank you for contacting Channel 4 Viewer Enquiries regarding The Couple Next Door. We appreciate your comments concerning the programme, which have been noted and logged for the attention of those responsible for it. Thank you again for taking the time to contact us. We appreciate all feedback from our viewers; complimentary or otherwise. Regards, Jimmy Black. *Channel 4 Viewer Enquiries. Factual information sent highlighting the devastating impact of the sexual revolution.*

We need multifaith now more than ever bless you and your family. Sue Patterson. [Summer Update]

Dear John, keep up the good work. I am promoting worldwide that every child should have a wholistic education, playing musical instruments and music theory (there only now is a National plan for music in schools), and that there should be a Community Creativity Centre in every town to ensure this. Prayers Alan.

A great many thanks, John. Take care and many thanks also for all you do. Christa. [Summer Update]

Dear John, Thank you very much for taking the trouble to write. I will read the attached items with interest. Best wishes. Jane Fryer. [Daily Mail]. Factual information sent highlighting the devastating impact of the sexual revolution.]

Dear John, Greetings. Thank you for the items. [Summer Update]. I found your article on the Paris Olympics interesting. Best wishes. Cllr. John Nottingham (Dewsbury, W. Yorks).

Morality Forum Action

Bruno Klotz sends out a weekly spiritually inspiring email to people on his email list. Excerpts: *Just one man cannot be in the image of God, neither can one woman. Since God is a parental Being with dual characteristics of masculinity and femininity, we can only resemble Him as a couple. But of course, the husband and the wife need to become God-like. Only then can they be in God's image. In other words, if we make an effort to grow our heart and love in our marriage, then not only will we be victorious for true love, but at the same time it benefits the whole world. If we enter the realm of God's direct dominion, a realm where our love resembles God's love, then not only are we creating the Kingdom of God in our heart, but also spread it to other people so that God's dream of an ideal world of love and heart can come true.*

On September 7th John O'Neill and Anne Kobayashi participated in the Annual March for Life in Central London.

On September 14th, together with other members of the Harrow branch of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, John O'Neill delivered pro-life leaflets door-to-door in the Queensbury and Rayners Lane areas of NW London.

On August 12th John O'Neill spoke about the purpose of life at the Believers Prayer and Fellowship Ministry at Colindale, NW London. On the same day John also spoke at the Assemblies of God church in Burnt Oak, highlighting the importance of being in contact with MP's.

Online petitions continue to be forwarded to numerous individuals and religious organisations. Items from the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children such as booklets, leaflets and pamphlets continue to be widely distributed to religious organisations and to numerous individuals.

New study finds abortion increases likelihood of women seeking mental health treatment

Calvin Freiburger - Tue Oct 15, 2024 (LifeSiteNews) — Having an abortion does indeed correlate to negative mental health, a new Danish study has found, contradicting a previous study out of the country and corroborating other data finding cause for concern. The study, published in *Issues in Law & Medicine* and led by the Elliot Institute's David Reardon, reassesses the data from a 2011 study that found no increased risk of mental disorders after a first-trimester abortion. That conclusion, the new study's authors write, was "inconsistent with similar studies that used longer time frames," so they chose to take a second look at the same data "over slightly longer time frames." As a result, they found that a year after aborting, women exhibited a 50 percent higher likelihood of first-time psychiatric treatment and an 87 percent higher likelihood of personality and behavioural disorders. "Our re-analysis revealed that the Danish data is consistent with the larger body of both record-based and survey-based studies when viewed over periods of observation of at least nine months," the authors write. "Longer periods of observation are necessary to capture both anniversary reactions and the exhaustion of coping mechanisms which may delay observation of post-abortion effects."

"The best research indicates that most women have strong enough suppression mechanisms that they can avoid thinking about their abortions for many months, or even years," Reardon said. "Negative effects are more likely to manifest after an exhaustion of these coping mechanisms. This will frequently coincide with the anniversary date of the abortion or the birth of a later child. When mental health effects do materialize, they can come in the form of prolonged or complicated grief, guilt, substance abuse, or may simply trigger or exacerbate preexisting mental health issues." Abortion, which despite persistent media narratives is almost never sought for "medical" reasons, has long been known to carry significant risks on top of its intended lethality to preborn babies. Abortion clinics across the country are regularly flagged for harming women through botched procedures, unsanitary tools and environments, and lack of regulatory protections such as requirements for staff to secure admitting privileges at nearby hospitals in the event of complications. With the rise of services dispensing abortion pills by mail in violation of federal law (a practice both major presidential candidates have vowed to let continue), chemical abortions self-administered completely without medical oversight are certain to increase those harms further still. As this latest study affirms, however, abortion can be dangerous to the mother even when "responsibly" committed. "The Institute of Medicine lists surgical abortion as an immutable risk factor for preterm birth," the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (AAPLOG) has documented. "Women face a 35% increased risk of preterm birth in a future pregnancy after one surgical abortion and an almost 90% increase in preterm birth risk after two abortions. The increased risk of future preterm birth for women after they have an abortion represents a clear long-term health risk. Mothers who deliver preterm babies are at a higher risk of medical complications later in life, including cardiovascular disease and stroke. From 1993 to 2018, there are at least 75 studies examining the link between abortion and mental health," AAPLOG continues. "Two-thirds of those studies showed a correlation between abortion and adverse mental health outcomes. Studies show abortion significantly increases the risk of depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and suicidal behaviour, when compared to women with unintended pregnancies who choose to carry the baby to birth. A study from Finland found a 7X higher suicide rate after abortion compared to when women gave birth."

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zone” around a BPAS abortion facility in Bournemouth. “All I did was pray to God”, he said after the ruling. District Judge Orla Austin said his actions were “deliberate” after he bowed his head in silent prayer and clasped his hands, which the court said amounted to “disapproval of abortion”. Mr Smith-Connor says he was praying for his dead son, called Jacob, who was killed by abortion over 20 years ago. The ex-soldier’s legal case is being supported by ADF UK. Buffer zones came into force in England and Wales on 31 October. SPUC held a peaceful protest against the “Orwellian” law outside the Houses of Parliament on the same day. SPUC’s Michael Robinson said SPUC is “consulting legal experts as we believe that the inclusion of silent prayer constitutes a gross intrusion in the right of freedom of religion, free speech and accordingly needs to be properly tested in the Courts”. A SPUC spokesperson said: “31 October will go down in history as a day of shame in England and Wales as buffer zones imposed thoughtcrime on ordinary citizens, some of whom have already been convicted for praying in their heads. Far from protecting women, buffer zones deny them a true choice by preventing well-meaning citizens from offering help, advice and support to them in crisis pregnancies. But this draconian and illiberal law also undermines the hard-won freedoms and liberties of all British citizens, setting a dangerous precedent that the UK will come to bitterly regret.” Let us all hope and pray that Mr Adam-Smith Connor will win his appeal against this further fascist decision, and that the SPUC will win their court case.

UN Declaration of Human Rights: Article 18: Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance. Article 19: Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers. Article 20: Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association. No one may be compelled to belong to an association, Article 21: Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association. UK Human Rights Act 1998: Article 9 of the Human Rights Act protects our freedom of thought and conscience, as well as our religion or beliefs. This freedom is fundamental to living in an open, tolerant and diverse society – where people can think, believe and subscribe to a multitude of views, religions and teachings. The UN and UK Human Rights Acts make it clear that these buffer zones are a complete breach of religious freedom and free speech. The buffer zones have been implemented on the totally spurious grounds of harassment and intimidation.

A speech given by Rev. Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon at the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace on October 11, 2016, Asuncion, Paraguay. Dr. Moon is the co-founder of the Universal Peace Federation (Kwon Jin Moon read the Address on behalf of Dr Moon). The following are excerpts: *My late husband, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, and I have always taught that individuals in every sector of society—including government, civil society, religion, business, academia, etc.—have a responsibility to work to build a world of universal and lasting peace. This is especially true of parliamentarians. The parliament in any nation is the house of the people, a place where the voice of the people may be heard and the public good advanced by democratically elected representatives, parliamentarians. Representative democracy is a noble tradition, with roots that date back many centuries, and now the most widely*

practiced form of governance. Although you have gathered here from nations around the world, you share a common appreciation and respect for serving as the representatives of the people who elected you. You are servants of the people, and, as such, are expected to serve the public good, guided by basic principles of good governance: accountability, transparency, collegiality, inclusivity, and respect for human rights and the rule of law. Good governance is secured not only by the policies and laws of the political system. It is also necessary that those who hold positions of power be people of good character, guided by their conscience and universal moral principles. Good governance also depends upon a well-educated and morally responsible citizenry. It is for this reason that throughout history religion has been an important factor in contributing to the moral and spiritual development of both the political leaders and the citizens. It is imperative that, within modern democratic systems, we do not lose sight of God, our creator and Heavenly Parent, nor of the spiritual principles and laws that have been taught throughout the ages. My husband and I have dedicated our lives exclusively to building a world of lasting peace. This has been our lifelong mission. We have always taught that peace is not merely an absence of violent conflict. Peace comes into being whenever relationships are characterized by harmony, balance and mutual respect. Such relationships are created when we practice unselfishness, living for the sake of others. This is the essence of true love. True Love is the essence of God, who created all things, as our Heavenly Parent. We all have a nature that derives from our common origin. That is why we are capable of practicing True Love, toward one another, and toward all things in the world around us. Our purpose and responsibility as the sons and daughters of God, our Heavenly Parent, is to become individuals of True Love, with mind and body united; on this foundation we can build marriages and families of true love, as the foundation for the society and the nation; and in turn we should care for the planet and all the forms of life that make up our environment. If we fulfil this responsibility, we can establish a world of peace. My husband and I have applied this ideal, and the principle of living for the sake of others, in every sector of society. When I spoke at the United Nations in Vienna in May of last year, 2015, I called for a spiritual awakening. The member states of the United Nations should not merely follow their national interests. Each member state should seek to serve the whole purpose, the larger purpose, looking beyond national self-interest. When we observe the world from God’s point of view, we see the world from a larger perspective. No matter what our field of endeavour—priest, parliamentarian, or professor—we should be committed to and guided by universal moral and spiritual principles. Whether we are the mayor of a small town, the pastor of a small church, or the president of a nation or the secretary general of the UN, this is our eternal responsibility. This is the responsibility of each parliamentarian gathered here. This excellent speech by Dr. Moon eloquently highlights the absolute priority of politicians to adhere to the universal moral and spiritual laws when formulating their policies and legislation. Certainly, if such standards had been prevalent in the UK the buffer zone legislation would never have made it onto the government statute book. The universal moral and spiritual laws are the basis and the foundations for the better world that we all long to see, centred on true love and living for the sake of others. Historian Arnold Toynbee: “Of the twenty-two civilisations that have appeared in history, nineteen of them collapsed when they reached the moral state the United States is in now.” The UK is in a similar moral state as the USA. Record levels of divorces, abortions, crime rises etc. No society in history has been able for long without a strong moral code. The great civilisations throughout history prospered because of their moral and spiritual foundations. We urgently need spiritual revivals in the

advanced nations such as the UK and USA. By our prayers, repentance and actions may we each do our best to see that religious revivals will occur in all the advanced nations and that all the evil influences will be eradicated. *Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Psalm 27:1 - Of David. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?*

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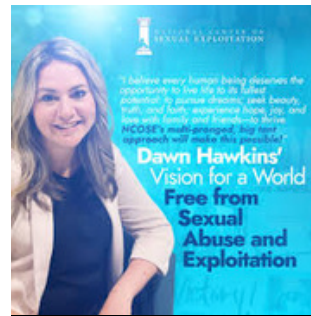
Army veteran Adam Smith-Connor, who previously assisted in abortions. In addition to the summit, pro-life organizations from across the U.K., including Right To Life UK, were able to showcase their life-saving work throughout the morning.

The march culminated in a huge rally in Parliament Square as thousands of pro-lifers dwarfed the small number of pro-abortion protesters. Speaking on the stage at the rally, Dr. Robinson said, "I was seduced into accepting the vain notion that I, as a physician, could take the life of an innocent human being. I was in denial of the basic science that clearly demonstrates that human life begins at conception." Claire Culwell, who survived an abortion when her twin did not, told the crowd: "Today you get to see the face, know the name and hear the experience of the aborted baby. When people talk about women's rights, they're forgetting something very important ... I was not my birth mother's body; I was a separate human being." Co-director of the March for Life, Isabel Vaughan-Spruce, who just weeks ago received a £13,000 payout (\$17,000) and apology from the police after she was arrested twice for silently praying outside an abortion clinic, said, "We're marching because women, and their babies, deserve far better than abortion." The abortion industry hides behind a charade of false compassion and misinformation. Moreover, unborn children are not a disease to get rid of, but are humans, who should be treated with respect and equality. We need societal solutions that support both lives in every pregnancy. Addressing the crowd, Isabel said: "We have a fundamental human right that's afforded to every single person in this country - from the frailest pensioner to the busy career man or woman, every mum or dad, teenager or child, every immigrant, legal or illegal, and even to each criminal in our prisons - but not to the most vulnerable and innocent of all, the pre-born child. They are denied the most basic right: the right to life itself."

The March for Life 2024 took place just months after the abortion statistics for England and Wales revealed there were 102,689 repeat abortions in England and Wales for residents in 2022, accounting for 40.85 percent of all abortions for residents in that year. According to the 2022 annual abortion statistics for England and Wales released earlier this year, repeat abortions in 2022, in which the woman undergoing the abortion had had one or more previous abortions, increased by 11,376 or 12.46 percent compared with the previous year. Of those having repeat abortions in 2022, 20,947 had had two previous abortions, 5,214 had had three previous abortions, and 109 women had eight or more previous abortions, including two under the age of 18. The data also reveal that there were 1,512 repeat abortions for women residents aged under 19. The true number of repeat abortions that took place in England and Wales may be higher, as the data only record this information for residents of England and Wales, meaning non-residents who have a repeat abortion are not recorded. The Integrated Care Board for NHS Mid and South Essex in the region of Thurrock reports the highest repeat abortion rate in the country, with over half of all abortions in the region being repeat abortions. This increase in repeat abortions has accompanied a 17.34 percent increase in the total number of abortions, resulting in a record 252,122

abortions in England and Wales in 2022. This is the largest increase in the total number of abortions since 1972. Spokesperson for Right To Life UK, Catherine Robinson, said: "It's so encouraging to see thousands of pro-lifers take to the streets of London for the March for Life. We must never forget the lives lost and do all we can to support mothers and babies to prevent further loss of life. It was fantastic to see thousands of passionate pro-lifers, a large number of whom are young people, marching through the streets of London today. The people who joined the March were making a much-needed public demonstration of their opposition to introducing even more inhumane abortion laws to the U.K., and in support of the dignity and rights of every human being, from conception to natural death." *LifeSiteNews: Reprinted with permission from Right To Life UK*

MAJOR VICTORY – INSTAGRAM MAKES TEENS ACCOUNTS PRIVATE



Dawn Hawkins

Dear John, We woke up this morning to an INCREDIBLE victory! Instagram has made multiple sweeping changes, which YOU joined us in asking them for. They've introduced new "teen accounts" which will automatically be set to higher safety settings, including: Private Accounts: Teen accounts will automatically be set to private so that the teen must approve new followers and people who don't follow them

can't see their content or interact with them. Restricted Messaging & Interactions: Teens can only be messaged, tagged, or mentioned by people they follow or are already connected to. Sensitive Content Restrictions: Teen accounts will automatically be set to the highest content restrictions, to limit their exposure to inappropriate content.

To name just a few! Even better: Teens who try to change their account age to bypass these restrictions will need to go through an age verification process. And teens who are under 16 will need a parent's permission to change the settings. Friends, these victories will have a tremendous impact in better protecting children from sexual exploitation and online dangers. And it's because of YOU! YOU joined us in pressing on Instagram, year after year, to make these crucial changes to protect children. When you take action, change does happen! Will you help us make safety settings like these standards across the entire tech industry? Please become a recurring donor, to support the ongoing fight to protect children online! Sincerely, *Dawn Hawkins, National Centre on Sexual Exploitation.*

Thousands of Canadians hit the streets for the second annual Million Person March



Fri. Sep. 20, 2024 - (LifeSiteNews) — Thousands of pro-family Canadians gathered simultaneously in multiple cities this morning, including the nation's capital of Ottawa, for the second annual Million Person

March to protest LGBT indoctrination in schools. The Million Person March began at 8:00 a.m. local time in well over 50 Canadian cities and towns, and reports show that attendance, especially in Ottawa, was very robust. There were some reports of counter-protesters at events, including the main event in Ottawa, which saw confrontation between

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TRUE FAMILY VALUES MINISTRY

The Family Culture of Heart

D. What will the culture of heart be like?

7. *The four realms of heart in my family naturally expand outwards, so I can love:*

- . . . all young people as my children;
- . . . all older people as my parents and grandparents.
- . . . all people my own age as my brothers and sisters.
- There is no more heartistic boundary . . .
 - . . . dividing my family (whom I love) from other families (who are strangers);
 - . . . dividing my nation from foreigners;
 - . . . dividing my people from other races.
 - . . . dividing my actions from their impact on the public.
- True Parents love other people's children more than their own children. This is an example for us, to end all resentment between families.
- Similarly, true presidents love other nations more than their own nation.

8. *When this heart is felt and experienced, the one family of humankind that manifests the ideals of freedom, peace, unification and happiness is realized.*

The Value of Sexual Purity

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

1. *Everyone desires to live in a world of love. It is the primary motivating force of life, and the greatest power for good or evil.*

- The greatest threat to civilization is the tendency to turn love into a selfish pleasure. This happens when we reduce love to sexuality, and reduce our desire to give love into the appetite for sex.
- This trend is not just an emotional impulse expressed through personal pleasure-seeking. It is not just the entertainment and advertising which stimulate and profit from it. It is an entire way of looking at life and the world.
- The sexual revolution has an ideological foundation with similarities to communism.
- Communism was the greatest threat to western civilization in the 20th century, but it has fallen. However, its offspring is posing an even greater threat to the future. That offspring is the so-called sexual revolution.

2. *Parallels between communism and the ideology of sexual liberation.*

- Like communism, the sexual revolution is materialistic. Sex is reduced to a physical act for the purpose of physical pleasure. Whatever seems to limit the physical pleasure (guilt based upon religious values, an "incompatible" partner) should be dispensed with.

- Since religion is the foundation of traditional morality, the ideology of sexual liberation is hostile to traditional religion. Religious commandments are deemed oppressive and "anti-love." Therefore, sexual liberation works against religious traditions, whether in the secular society or within the religious institutions themselves (such as sanctifying homosexual "marriages").
- As the proletariat must overthrow the restraints of the bourgeoisie (Marx) through political revolution, so too the libido must overthrow the restraints of the superego (Freud) through sexual revolution.
- Freedom from private property will liberate the workers to create a perfect society (Lenin), so too freedom from private sexual relations (marriage) will liberate the people to create a perfect society (Herbert Marcuse). In both cases, the establishment, or system, is overthrown in the name of a vague ideal which will come about through liberated people loving each other.
- The sexual revolution is more dangerous than the communist revolution in several ways.
 - It appears in the name of love, which is stronger than the name of justice.
 - It exalts individualism, which is more destructive than collectivism. Communism at least stood for others: the laborers; sexual liberation stands for no one but the self, centered on the physical body.
 - It destroys the family, which is more damaging than destroying economic and political institutions.
 - It has invaded the world through the Christian west, which the world respects, and not Russia, which did not have the moral influence of America.

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 practiced 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 honor their parents, but made their offerings to God separately from them and from each other.

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

left-wing, pro-LGBT activists and some march participants. There was another report of a “radical trans activists” trying to disrupt marchers in Ottawa. However, overall, it appears most marches went peacefully. Photos shared online by Campaign Life Coalition (CLC) showed parents taking to the streets to voice their support for parental rights, as well as to protest the LGBT agenda creeping into the nation’s school system. CLC reported that at the Mississauga rally, speaker Ghada Melek pointed out that New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, and Alberta have all taken steps to protect students and parental rights. “When will Ontario join them in pushing back against LGBTQ indoctrination?, will you listen to the people?” she said. Before the March in Ottawa, many speakers took to the stage to speak in defence of kids. “They [LGBT activists] are not the co-parents of your kids,” said CLC’s Director of Political Operations Jack Fonseca. “They have no right to imprint their personal beliefs on them. How dare they interfere with our children and demand ever more control over what our children learn and believe.” The event’s main organizer is Muslim pro-family activist Kamel El-Cheikh, whose organization Hands Off Our Kids, is putting on the event. Event organizers had hoped for a good turnout, encouraging Canadians to march in solidarity to “safeguard children” from “sexual indoctrination” and stand in favour of parental rights. “We refuse to stand by while the Government and School system allow sexually explicit content and gender ideology to be distributed in our classrooms,” said Hands Off Our Kids. Hands Off Our Kids works together with other pro-family groups, including CLC, the Mama Bears, Veterans for Freedom, and, just recently, Canadians for Truth. The group’s main message, as per its website, is that “parents are responsible for their children’s moral and upbringing, not politicians and that is why it is our duty to speak up and have our voices heard when we say, ‘HANDS OFF OUR KIDS.’” Friday’s Million Person March was the group’s second major protest of the year. As reported by LifeSiteNews, this past June saw teachers and staff at an elementary school in Ottawa, Ontario, baffled when 591 out of 738 students were missing from the school’s LGBT “pride” flag raising ceremony. As reported by LifeSiteNews, LGBT indoctrination targeting kids has been on the rise in Canada and worldwide.

Political elites use pornography to enslave our children, Bishop Schneider tells Candace Owens



Bishop Athanasius Schneider

Thu. Oct. 10, 2024 - (LifeSiteNews) — Bishop Athanasius Schneider warned during a Tuesday interview with Candace Owens that modern “elites” are using pornography to enslave children. Owens remarked that American schools teach students that watching porn is “healthy,” to which Bishop Schneider replied, “Pornography is one of the most dangerous spiritual poisons. So they are giving poison to our children. This is criminal.”

Bishop Schneider noted that it is “proven” that porn is “one of the most enslaving” addictions today, a statement backed up by a growing body of research demonstrating moral, physical, psychological, and relationship harms ranging from increased infidelity and divorce to memory loss and erectile dysfunction to an increase in sex crimes among minors. “And there is no love. Because only with love can you heal, with true love. We are created by God ... to love Him, the absolute Good,” said the bishop, adding that we must learn to love Him “now, here on Earth,” God “who demonstrated his love for us giving His

own life and blood for us, dying on the cross and elevating us to the dignity of children of God.” The bishop went so far as to warn that pornography is “turning our children and youth into animals,” referencing the quote from the Italian poet Dante’s Inferno: “You were not made to live like brute beasts but to pursue virtue and knowledge.” “This gives us again our dignity and our happiness,” said Bishop Schneider, exhorting listeners to educate children in virtue. By contrast, the “political social elites” want our children addicted to porn and other drugs because they can thereby “be manipulated very easily.” That porn can be for manipulation via distraction and dissipation is evidenced by the fact that, as the British Psychological Society has pointed out, “all major combatants involved in World War II” used pornography as a minor part of their psychological operations strategy. Bishop Schneider called upon listeners to launch a crusade to “free our children” “from the slavery” of pornography as well as the “satanic gnostic” ideology that opposes marriage. The restoration of “true wisdom” and “true virtue” is “ultimately only possible with the help of God” who is Wisdom, Love, and Truth Itself, noted the prelate. When Owens told Bishop Schneider that she grapples with whether “it’s natural for people to want to be enslaved because they don’t have the courage to be free,” he replied, “Exactly,” pointing out that people often do not want to deal with the “unpleasant” consequences of living as a truly, spiritually free person. Yet, he noted, “in history we admire all people who resisted the common current, such as St. Thomas More or Alexander Solzhenitsyn. And for your own self-esteem, you must reject any form of slavery. You must be independent. But you only will be free when you find the truth and virtue and love. Then you are free. Then you have no fear. Then you are fearless. Then you fear only God.”

More marriage would tackle prison overcrowding

Dear marriage supporter, As the Government prepares to release thousands of prisoners early due to overcrowding, a Times columnist has warned that the role of fatherlessness and family breakdown in driving the rise in serious crime is being ignored. Writing in the newspaper last week, Melanie Phillips notes that the decline of marriage and the “rise and rise of cohabitation has long been an engine for mass fatherlessness”. She cites a “mountain of evidence” that “fractured family life and the absence of committed fathers is a major factor behind boys getting involved in crime”. “Married fathers teach their sons responsibility, self-control and, above all, self-respect,” she writes. “Yet in an age that has sacralised lifestyle choice, promoting the traditional married family is taboo.” Phillips points to a Centre for Social Justice report, which states that, “the evidence of a series of UK longitudinal studies shows strong correlations between broken homes and delinquency. 70% of young offenders come from lone-parent families.” She also cites a 2018 US study that reports: “Meta-analyses consistently find that children who are raised in homes in which at least one biological parent is absent face a higher prevalence of adolescent delinquency.” Relying on another US study from 2021, she says fatherless children are three times more likely to be imprisoned than children raised in households with both parents. And it’s not just children from poorer backgrounds that are affected, says Phillips. She highlights former Bedfordshire Assistant Chief Constable Jackie Sebire’s comments that some young people from more affluent backgrounds who lack the “protective factor” of a father figure look up to drug dealers and gangsters instead. Fatherlessness is the “elephant in the room” when it comes to crime rates and prison overcrowding, says Phillips. At C4M we couldn’t agree more. Too often social problems are addressed

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downstream from their true causes. Real marriage between one man and one woman for life is the glue that holds society together. Its collapse in recent decades has been a catastrophe for society, and children often pay the heaviest price. It's time for politicians to stop ignoring the issue and return to approaches which protect and promote marriage. *This article is published by permission of the Coalition for Marriage.*

Rallies where we invite locals to protect children from the ravages of gender ideology...

Dear Mr. John O'Neill, My name is Jon Fabrizio, and I'm one of the volunteers participating in the TFP's week-long tour in the Midwest. I'm writing to you late at night from Des Moines, Iowa. So far, we have held several prayer rallies where we invite locals to protect children from the ravages of gender ideology, especially in public schools and libraries. We started yesterday, where we held prayer rallies in Milwaukee and Madison, Wisconsin. In Milwaukee, we were confronted by the manager of a nearby construction site, who started mocking the fact that a local boy I know came across a pornographic book in a local library. He then proceeded to approach each TFP volunteer, telling him "I hate you." He even went so far as to threaten physical violence. Thankfully, we were able to deescalate the situation and he went away in a fury. The construction workers under him had a completely different reaction. They began to cheer from the different stories of the building they were working on, waving their hands in enthusiastic approval. After this, we went to Madison, where we experienced yet another unsavoury incident. One man, enraged by the fact that we were defending innocence, indecently exposed himself in front of our rally. Two of our volunteers followed the offender, and eventually the police intercepted him. He was arrested and charged with public indecency, lasciviousness, and bail jumping. On a positive note, for every one person that expressed hatred towards our message, there were two people that showed support. For example, one woman recognized us and said, "Thank you so much for what you are doing. I see all the hate you get on social media. I'm afraid we are approaching the end times." Several other cars honked as they passed by. During another rally that day, we had a truck driver roll down his window and say, "Are you all ready for this?" He then pulled on his horn for a very long time. After he finished, he recognized us and asked, "Are you TFP?" All of this happened in just one day! That evening, we made the long drive to Minnesota, where we spent the night. Today, we held two rallies in the state of Minnesota. One rally was held right in front of a Whole Foods in downtown Minneapolis. Whenever a customer was about to exit the store, two of the employees would "warn" them about our campaign. I had one man tell me that he wanted me to die, and another who threatened to punch me in the face. Neither of them acted upon their threats, thankfully. On the other hand, we again had a lot of support. A lot. One man who works at a local library told us, "I'm not supposed to say this, but thank you so much for what you're doing." Another man who took one of our flyers told us, "My grandson wants to become a girl. I am going to give him this flyer." There is one last incident I want to share with you. A bus driver honked in support after seeing one of our signs. One of his passengers was furious, and began to yell at the driver. Then, another woman on the bus began to debate with the liberal man, who became so angry that he started banging on the windows and punching the seats. After all of this, we attended Mass and drove to Des Moines, where we held a honk campaign and received a huge amount of support. My biggest takeaway from all of this is that although the liberals are vocal and noisy, they

are not unstoppable. There are still a lot of God-fearing Americans who care about protecting our children from LGBT grooming. And they are also willing to make their voices heard. Tomorrow, we will hold some more rallies here in Des Moines, including one outside of the capital building. Then, we will move on to three more states. I would like to write more, but it is already past 11 PM, and I need to wake up early tomorrow to prepare for more rallies. Thank you to everyone who prayed and donated to help us make this caravan happen. Please continue to pray for us, as we still have some very liberal places to visit, including Chicago. God bless you. Jon Fabrizio TFP Volunteer. *This article is published by permission of TRADITION, FAMILY AND PROPERTY.*

UPF Germany Holds Seminar on 'The Principles of Peace' in Düsseldorf

Written by: Anja Brina, Universal Peace Federation - Düsseldorf. On 15 June 2024, a one-day seminar was held in Düsseldorf main library to introduce the 'Principles of Peace', UPF's vision for a peaceful world community as well as measures towards that goal. Moderating the event were Anja and Sergio Brina, UPF Düsseldorf. Christian Hausmann, chairman of UPF Germany, opened the seminar with a presentation entitled: 'Universal Values as the Foundation for World Peace'. He explained that, just as there are natural laws, there are universal values such as freedom, justice, compassion and peace which have already been formulated by the world's religions. The original ideal, planned by God and based on these universal values, was to have expanded from the individual to the family, to society and the world. Hence the importance of these values as a point of orientation. Hausmann went on to say that the psychologist Jordan Peterson warned about the nihilism and terror that could follow the loss of these values. Therefore, religions, as a source of these values are indispensable for peace. In the second presentation, Gudrun Hassinen, deputy chairperson of UPF Germany, spoke on 'The Causes of Conflict'. She explained that the origin of human conflict lies in the alienation of our human ancestors from their original nature. This concept is found in the Bible as well as in the scriptures of other religious traditions, and is the reason that our ancestors could never achieve true love, and thus were only able to pass on an immature and limited love to subsequent generations.

After a pause for a tasty lunch in the nearby restaurant Antalya, with the opportunity to discuss the material presented so far, the seminar was resumed. Christian Haubold representing UPF Bonn, opened the afternoon session with a presentation on "Peace and Reconciliation". He highlighted historical aspects of peace and reconciliatory efforts and proposed a way to move from a world of suffering to one of peace, stressing the need for reparation and restoration. The path to peace starts with each individual who makes a conscious spiritual decision, centred on God. Religious traditions such as prayer, meditation, sacrifice, and the study of holy scriptures can be means to restore our relationship to God. He cited the biblical story of Esau and Jacob as an example of reconciliation demonstrating a path to the restoration of man's original nature. The final presentation was delivered by Dr. Dieter Schmidt, UPF representative for Central Europe, setting out the solutions proposed by UPF. He emphasised that Rev Moon, the founder of UPF, always stressed that we should forgive our enemies and not be dominated by resentment. Schmidt presented innovative initiatives such as the Peace Road Project and underlined the meaning of a culture of mutual service. He also presented the international work of Hak Ja Han Moon, Rev. Moon's widow, as well as UPF's diverse global activities. This was followed by a report by Petra Heuwind about her eighteen-year experience as a member of UPF and Ambassador for Peace. Active in many

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associations, she invests herself in bringing together people of different cultural backgrounds in dialogue to work together for a harmonious and respectful society. Pastor Edna Noupa, a nurse and community leader, and Mr. Gholamreza Bayat, who is committed to international understanding were then recognised as new Ambassadors for Peace. After the seminar, the participants gathered in a nearby cafe to continue lively discussion and fellowship. Report: Anja Brina (English: Catriona Valenta)

WFWP Masterclass on moral education for teachers, students and schoolchildren



On October 12, 2023, Women's Federation for World Peace Russia held a masterclass on moral education at one of the new schools in the

Republic of Kalmykia. More than 50 schoolchildren aged 15 to 18 and 10 teachers and psychologists attended the lectures on "The consequences of using obscene words" "Love and sexuality." In addition, a number of student volunteers from the city of Volgograd also attended the lectures. The young people were listening very attentively and actively answered questions of the lecturer. Many of them wrote in their reflections that their opinion had changed because of the lectures and they wanted to become more serious about their life and future family. Several young people wrote that they also would like to give such lectures to other children. The teachers and psychologists expressed their gratitude for the lectures and said that they would like to use WFWP's lectures in their work.

Here are some reflections: "I was moved by the fact that even if we look beautiful externally, we may not look beautiful internally. And if we use bad words, we deprive ourselves of the respect from other people. I want to explain that to people and I want to stop using such words myself." "This lecture made many of us think deeply. I realized that our behaviour can hurt other people. I want to show a good example with my behaviour. I want to become a writer and to show people how beautiful our language is without bad words." "I think this lecture was very interesting and useful for me and for all pupils of our school. I also want to give such a lecture to [other] pupils." "I thought that it is OK to have relationships before marriage but better not. This lecture will surely stay in my memory. It made us think deeply and change our opinion on many things." "Before the lecture I thought that it was not good to have sexual relationships before marriage. But after the lecture I became 100% sure about it. I will remember the life lessons given in the lecture and that there is a way out even in a very difficult situation. Thanks to the lecturer and the example of her wonderful family I became confident that true pure love really exists." "I have understood that free irresponsible relationships are very bad and dangerous. This lecture really helps schoolchildren especially those children whose parents are not able to tell them such things. This topic raises very important issues." "I was especially moved by the information that true love really exists and that suicide is not a way out of problems." "I really liked the story about true love. I was moved by the fact that it really exists." "I agree that sexual relationships before marriage are not acceptable. It is much better to wait for your true second half. I was most moved by the fact that you have proven with your own example that true love in marriage really

exists."

"I was moved by the fact that you and your husband were really waiting for true love for a long time." "Thank you very much for talking to us like this. Before this lecture I didn't hear such information. I want to wait for such [a] special person in my life." "I think if a person really loves someone he will be ready to wait as long as it is needed. And such [an] attitude shows that he really cares for his partner. And in the future they can create a truly happy family. I will remember your lecture." The administration of that region and of that school were also quite affected by the response to the lectures. One representative of the regional administration wrote, "I have read all the children's reflections and once again I have come to the conclusion that you are conveying valuable important information and through this you are preventing many many problems that our precious children might face in the future. Thank you very much!" The administration looks forward to continuing to cooperate with WFWP Russia in holding more such programs on moral education moving forward.

Parents, keep your eyes on the school gender policies

ParentPower Team. September 2nd 2024. Many parents, teachers and other people concerned for the welfare of children, may have been somewhat encouraged by the previous UK Government's attempt to protect children and teachers from gender ideologues targeting schools. The DfE's non-statutory draft guidance on "Gender Questioning Children" offers some sensible advice such as: Primary school children should not change their pronouns; Secondary schools do not have to use a child's preferred pronoun; Teachers should be permitted to refer to 'boys' and 'girls'; Children and staff shouldn't be sanctioned for using the 'wrong' pronouns. Unfortunately for parents and children, however, this is non-statutory guidance; it isn't legally binding. The UK's biggest teaching union, the NEU, was quick to advise schools that they could ignore the non-statutory guidance and continue to implement their own policies. This means that, despite the previous Government's sensible advice to schools, many schools continue to allow children and young people to 'change their pronouns' and present themselves as the opposite sex without consulting parents. GB news reported that 'One NEU representative wrote on social media that informing parents could put pupils "in danger". He said: "I respect my students and will use their preferred pronouns always."' Parents will be chilled to hear this union rep and teacher portray them as potential persecutors of their children, simply because they may not acquiesce to a child's identity demands — no matter how unreasonable and problematic they may be. The deep suspicion of the family which this evinces should be deeply troubling to any parent. A survey by 'Teacher Tapp' found that 57% of teachers had not read the new non-statutory guidance and, of those that read it, most considered it to be unhelpful and 'divisive.' This raises real and pressing questions about whether or not teachers will be prepared to implement guidance to which they appear to be ideologically opposed. Parents with children returning to school this September will be worried that their children may very well be taught by someone who is either themselves committed to gender ideology, or who is prepared to go along with it in the interests of a quiet life. Kier Starmer's Labour Government has neither committed to the new gender guidance, nor indicated that they will scrap it. Minister for Women and Equalities, Bridget Philipson, who is also the Secretary of State for Education, noted that there are good things in the guidance but that it had "drifted far too much into partisan and unnecessary language". So, we can expect a

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review and some, perhaps significant, changes to be made. Anyone aware of the Labour leadership's rather confused position on this issue, may find this a disturbing prospect. Where does this leave parents? At the moment schools can put in place their own gender guidance and so parents need to be on high alert to keep a close eye on what their children's schools are teaching about gender. We need to write to our MPs and our children's schools encouraging them to protect children from harmful ideologies which can have disastrous and life-long consequences for individuals. We also need to make it clear to anyone who will listen that the political Left's suspicion of the family, and attempted undermining of the rights of parents to make important decisions in the best interests of their children, presents perhaps the most menacing threat to school-age children that this country has ever seen. *This article is published by permission of ParentPower.*

ASSISTED SUICIDE AT THE GATES

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

October 15th 2024: Anti-Life Labour MP Kim Leadbeater has raised a private member's bill for assisted suicide. The bill was top of the ballot! The first was on Wednesday 16th October, with a second reading scheduled for the 29th November. Thousands of vulnerable people living in Britain may soon face the same threat of death as babies in the womb. We must act soon. Assisted suicide is sold as "mercy killing," but in reality, it opens the door to widespread euthanasia and fuels a dangerous culture of death. The commodification of life. Once it is ok to kill, the only decision is *who* you kill and *why*. 1. Decline in investment in palliative care - killing is much cheaper. 2. Pressure inevitably widens to include the simply elderly and alone, the homeless and those with mental illness, including eating disorders. 3. Pressure on the vulnerable to end their lives as they are considered a "burden" to others. 4. Pressure on doctors to engage in or promote killing. **WE MUST ACT NOW BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.**

They have the sympathy of the mainstream media who are enthusiastically peddling their pro-death propaganda. And they are actively working to introduce laws that will systematically result in the industrial-scale killing of the terminally ill and in some cases (Scotland) people with disabilities who are not dying – including children.

Currently, there are 4 DIFFERENT bids to change the law: England and Wales, Scotland, Jersey and Isle of Man. Should new laws be passed, the number of people who will avail themselves of assisted suicide/euthanasia will quickly snowball. We know this from the examples of where it has already been legalised. In Canada, for instance, where the law changed in 2016, annual deaths grew from a little over 1,000 deaths in the first year of the Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) law to 13,241 deaths in 2022. **Not just that:** Almost half (46%) of the people killed by assisted suicide in the US state of Oregon in 2022 reported they felt they were a "burden" on family members or carers. Do you see how that works? **A new British law would quickly EXPAND and WIDEN as has been the trend in other countries where assisted suicide legislation has been introduced. Expect new eligibility categories to be added (such as mental health conditions), more people to succumb to pressure/guilt to kill themselves with each passing year and doctors (and even nurses) compelled to euthanise patients or face severe penalties.**

Assisted Suicide and the Demographic Crisis: Abortion and assisted suicide are two sides of the same coin. Population experts are in a panic about the coming demographic crisis, and euthanasia offers them a way out. The Marie Stopes "Manifesto" (2024) states we must: "Recognise that there is no right or wrong number of

children or births, just as there is no right or wrong number of abortions across the population. The UK's ageing population requires a thoughtful policy response and cannot be solved using women's bodies." It is the anti-family, anti-life agenda of the abortionists which have left the elderly increasingly isolated and alone. For the anti-life elites, killing is simply cheaper than caring. People are only valuable as utilitarian economic units. But people do not want killing, they want high-quality palliative care, good hospitals and readily available hospice accommodation. **Samaritans issue a "wake-up call for the Government" In August, Samaritans tweeted that recently published Office for National Statistics data showed that SUICIDE RATES in England and Wales for last year (2023) were the highest in over TWO decades.** To mark World Suicide Day MP Jake Richards penned an article in the *Workshop Guardian* entitled: "Let's make sure we work together to turn the tide on male suicide" Mr Richards wrote: "The rising rate of male suicide is a quietly unfolding crisis. During an average week, 80 men will take their own lives. Now a leading cause of death for men under 50, each suicide is a tragedy that devastates families and communities across the country. World Suicide Prevention Day is an opportunity to begin addressing this epidemic. That is why I held a reception in Parliament this week...to promote and support grassroot organisations that are central to supporting men in their darkest hour." Yet, by authoring an assisted suicide Bill Mr Richards will clearly FUEL the UK Research published in 2022 in the *Journal of Ethics in Mental Health* suggests that countries that legalise assisted suicide also see an overall increase in non-assisted suicide due to mental health conditions. The study, Euthanasia, Assisted Suicide and Suicide Rates in Europe looked at data on assisted suicide and euthanasia and self-induced suicides between 1990 and 2016 in the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg and Switzerland. The data were then compared to countries where assisted suicide has not been legalised. The findings showed that: NO European country which practices euthanasia or assisted suicide has seen a reduction in overall suicide rates. In the Netherlands the rates of non-assisted suicide have INCREASED since the law was changed.

Meanwhile, north of the border, MSP Liam McArthur's Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill is currently before Holyrood. The McArthur Bill would allow those aged 16 or over, deemed to be 'terminally ill' and who have been resident in Scotland for at least twelve months, to seek assistance to kill themselves. But 'terminally ill' is so broadly defined that the Bill would qualify people with conditions which are NOT terminal but rather: "... an advanced and progressive disease, illness or condition from which they are unable to recover and that can reasonably be expected to cause their premature death". The definition could be interpreted to include heart disease and progressive neurological conditions (such as dementia), clinical depression and anxiety. **Eating disorders (ED) such as anorexia would qualify too.** In Oregon, USA, assisted suicides have been approved for conditions such as anorexia, hernias, and arthritis, while in Belgium and the Netherlands, patients with eating disorders were considered eligible for euthanasia as their conditions were deemed 'hopeless' or 'untreatable'. A study published in July in the *Frontiers in Psychiatry* journal found that at least 60 patients with Eating Disorders such as anorexia and bulimia were killed by assisted suicide/euthanasia between 2012 and 2024 in countries where the condition does NOT legally qualify for an assisted death. Veteran American pro-lifer Wesley J. Smith describes these cases as the "abandonment" of people with disabilities who are NOT dying. He points to the *Joint Statement Against Assisted Suicide for Eating Disorders from Eat Breathe Thrive*, an international group

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helping people overcome eating disorders, which insists that: 1. Eating disorders are treatable conditions but often long waiting lists, costs and shortage of health care specialists make accessing treatment difficult. 2. The assertion that EDs are incurable or terminal is unsupported by science. 3. The term “terminal anorexia” is NOT recognised by any formal medical body, and has been widely rejected by researchers and clinicians. The Oregon situation alone must lead us to seriously question reassurances made by our opponents here that legal safeguards built into British law would prevent such abuses from impacting vulnerable people in the UK. This is being pushed on an unwilling public by the euthanasia lobby. According to a poll of 2,000 British adults published this summer by *Whitestone Insight*, the public is conflicted about passing a new law and harbours some serious doubts about the ability of legal “safeguards” to prevent abuses: A majority (56%) of those who supported legalising assisted suicide in principle felt there are “too many complicating factors” to make it a practical and safe option to implement in Britain. Legalising assisted suicide is NOT a political priority for most people. It ranked 23 out of 24 of issues that need attention, with “regulating AI” and “international trade deals” ranking higher. Only four per cent of those polled thought it should be a priority for politicians.

I want to break the spell being cast by the media about assisted suicide on the British public. It is NOT popular or necessary. Legal “safeguards” will NOT prevent vulnerable people from being coerced into being killed. Once it is legalised AS deaths accelerate quickly year-on-year. Take Canada, where the notorious MAiD law now accounts for more than 4% of ALL Canadian deaths each year – with 15,000 assisted suicides alone in 2023. There is still everything to play for... Unusually, the Cabinet Secretary has written to all Ministers to say that they can vote how they wish, which given the Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer supports the Bill, is an indication perhaps that Ministers are also **free to vote against**, as well as to vote for or to abstain. This means that every letter, email, advertisement and broadcast will count towards the impending votes. But all of this promotion is expensive – for example, **we are about to launch full page announcements in The Catholic Herald. SPUC staff attended the recent Conservative, Labour, Liberal Democrats and Reform Party conferences.** We were able to discuss the problems of changing the law with MPs, journalists and others with influence in the AS debate.

Destroying womanhood has become Common-place in our woke society

Susan Ciancio, Wed. Aug, 7th. (American Life League) — Speaking to a group of women, Edith Stein, later known as St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, once said, “The nation ... doesn’t simply need what we (women) have. It needs what we are.” But what we are as women has not only become blurred, it has become twisted and even obliterated, as the attacks on women have become more and more deliberate every day. Recent examples illustrate this point, and they should disgust not only women but all those who care about women. In a recent video call hosted by “White Dudes for Harris,” Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg talked about freedom and why we should vote for Kamala Harris this November. His main point was to address her stance on abortion and birth control. At one point, he said, “Men are also more free in a country where we have a president who stands up for things like access to abortion.” What a slap in the face to women. There is no more blatant way to excuse a man using a woman for his sexual pleasure than to tell him he is free to have sex with her, create a child with her, and then walk away because she can kill that child. All in the

name of freedom. This disgusting comment from someone who is pro-abortion should not surprise us, but the fact that he was shameless enough to say it aloud and in front of thousands of people takes it to a whole new level of disdain for both women and babies. It is clear that Buttigieg puts a man’s pleasure and desires before anything else. Never mind the woman or the child growing inside her. He can give her a few hundred dollars and walk away, putting them both out of sight and out of mind. This is the epitome of abuse, and it is reprehensible.

Regardless of whether you are a man or a woman, remarks like this should appall you. And they should make you think long and hard about the direction our country would take should those who believe these lies take control in November.

But Buttigieg is not the only one attacking women or womanhood today. We see it happening in the world of sports as well, where men who identify as women have been allowed to compete at the high school, college, and even professional levels. These woke policies essentially tell the world “women be damned.” According to this philosophy, if men want to beat women in the world of sports, they should be allowed to because there is nothing inherently unique about women, and anyone who says he is a woman should be allowed to compete as one. But men and women are biologically different. This is not an opinion; it is a fact. And it’s a fact that some politicians refuse to accept, let alone define. So, we have to ask ourselves, how did we get here? How did we, as a society, sink so low that many now have such little regard for women, for mothers, and for the babies growing inside of them? We got here because not enough people have stood up for the value of women and motherhood. Not enough people want to fight the nonsense that comes out of people’s mouths and out of new policies that dismiss the beautiful differences that exist between the two sexes. This is what happens when we give too much credence to a “live and let live” mentality. This is what happens when we stay silent because we fear being cancelled for beliefs that uphold the dignity of all people. This is what happens when too many people stand around and do nothing.

Make no mistake, your voice and your vote matter. If you vote for people who are not pro-life — and that means upholding the dignity of all people and who know the difference between a man and a woman — then you are part of the problem. If you don’t teach your children the sanctity of life and respect for women and motherhood, then you are part of the problem. If you look over news stories like these and fail to say or do anything, then you are part of the problem. A woke society where people can do whatever they want to do regardless of whom it hurts will be our nation’s downfall. Those in control think that they are making these policies in the name of equity, yet all they really do is abuse women, show them that their lives have little value, and teach that, to be equal, they have to be more like men. We must remember that women and men can be treated equally and fairly even though they are not actually the same. It’s time we speak up and communicate this truth. Edith Stein was right. The world needs what women are. But even more so, the world needs people to speak the truth about what women are and the value that they have. *Susan Ciancio is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and has worked as a writer and editor for over 20 years; 15 of those years have been in the pro-life sector. Currently, she is the editor of American Life League’s Celebrate Life Magazine — the nation’s premier Catholic pro-life magazine. She is also the director and executive editor of ALL’s Culture of Life Studies Program — a pre-K-12 Catholic pro-life education organization. This article is published by permission of LifesiteNews*

The Great China Exit: Shaping a New Era in Foreign Policy

By Edwin Benson. October 15, 2024. “We want to continue a major trade and investment relationship with China, just not...in the realm that might help them to leapfrog over us sometime in the next ten years in military technology.” The speaker was Nicholas Burns, the U.S. Ambassador to China in December 2023. His remarks pointed to the great China exit as American firms look for ways out. **Our Man in Beijing:** Ambassador Burns is in a delicate situation. He is the conduit of information for the two most powerful nations on earth. At first blush, many might see the ambassador as the consummate American diplomat. He was the U.S. Ambassador to Greece during the Clinton and George W. Bush administrations. Then, he served as Ambassador to NATO before doing a long stint at Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government. He took the China posting under President Biden in 2022. At the same time, he has made surprisingly strident statements about China. Coming from a career diplomat, the observation that China’s advancements in military technology could become a threat to the United States is unusually bold. **Increased Repression and Global Ambitions:** In June 2024, Ambassador Burns gave an interview to CBS reporter Lesley Stahl, which the network carried on its “Sixty Minutes” program. “If you track China from the death of Mao to the opening of China to the world, we’ve seen a closing of sorts...increased repression of the people of China.” Indeed, the closing days of Mao Zedong’s life were marked by the incredible repression of the dictator’s “Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.” That decade (1966-1976) stands out, even in the blood-soaked annals of Communist repression. To say that Xi Jinping’s record is similar to Mao’s is a potent statement. However, Xi has ambitions that far exceed Mao’s. Where Mao worked to recast Chinese culture in his image, Xi has yearnings on a truly global scale. As such, the ambassador admits that they clash directly with those of the United States. “[T]hey want to become and overtake the United States as the dominant country globally... We don’t want to live in a world where the Chinese are the dominant country... This is the most important, most competitive, and most dangerous relationship that the United States has in the world right now.”

A Half-Century of Misplaced Optimism: Before going further, it makes sense to look back over the U.S.-China relationship over the last fifty years, as implemented by Presidents Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan, both Bushes, Clinton and Obama. Throughout this period, the American government’s attitude was that assisting China’s economy served the best interests of the United States. A succession of secretaries of state heralded every new—and usually lopsided—trade deal between Washington and Beijing. The State Department and the mainstream media applauded companies that commenced or expanded Chinese operations. Strong commercial relationships, the doctrine held—promote peace. The optimistic thinking behind this stand was simple. Making good customers of the Chinese would plant the seeds of capitalism and private property. A strong market economy would, in turn, breed political liberalization. Soon, they argued, China would become a far-eastern version of the United States. Even better, with its massive population and low wage rates, China could help the American economy thrive. The Chinese people would take over low-skill production tasks in factories bearing the names of American companies and, at the same time, consume vast numbers of U.S.-designed products. Mao’s successors, Deng Xiaoping, Jiang Zemin and Hu Jintao, played along. They could recognize a good deal when they saw it. The U.S. government and American companies would take all

the economic risks, and China would get a massive boost on the road to prosperity. Mao’s and Stalin’s infamous “Five Year Plans” would pale next to the massive industrial expansion. **Xi Jinping Removes the Mask:** In the meantime, Americans acted as if they were not dealing with Communists. None of these leaders rejected Marxism; they merely softened the edges of Mao’s excesses. Ultimately, Xi Jinping demonstrated how short-sighted this thinking was. First, Xi laughed at demands that China respect the American companies’ intellectual property rights. Knowing that China lacked the technical expertise to innovate, they simply imitated advanced technologies from plans provided by the Americans. Then, they made the copies available to Chinese commercial competitors and the military. Xi also created new bases in the South China Sea by dumping massive amounts of earth around two small islands. This would place both the Philippines and Australia within easy striking distance. The Philippines objected, taking its case to the International Court of Justice at the Hague. The Philippines won in court, but China rejected the verdict—as reported in a 2016 Associated Press report. “‘This farce is now over,’ said Foreign Minister Wang Yi, in an interview with state broadcaster CCTV. Meanwhile, the Foreign Ministry said in a statement: ‘China opposes and will never accept any claim or action based on those awards.’” **Suddenly Shrinking Resources:** However, attitudes are changing. China’s economic future is dimming as U.S. firms decrease their investments, preferring less volatile venues like India, Vietnam and South Korea. Such investments may prove unwise—India is part of the BRICS alliance with Brazil, Russia and China. Vietnam—while weak—is still communist, and China lusts after South Korea almost as much as it yearns to control Taiwan. (The Korean Peninsula was controlled by China to various extents from 108 B.C. to 1895 A.D.) Such long-term considerations aside, these investment shifts are signs of contraction in China’s economy. According to a recent Wall Street Journal article, major global players like Apple, Walmart, IBM, Honda and Hyundai are shifting their expansion plans to other countries. According to the Journal, “about 20% of the 306 respondents surveyed by the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai said they would be cutting investment in China this year.” Overall, “foreign investment into China fell 8% from the previous year.” CNN, Forbes, Reuters and A.P. carried similar articles. Interestingly, those journals tended to limit their analyses to the “here and now.” Most cite the same government demands for increased control to which Ambassador Burns referred. Other than that, most of the rhetoric would be similar if the subject was the closing of plants in high-tax states like California and New York. **The Need for a Realistic Assessment:** However, something far more significant is at work here. While it gave the Chinese government an excuse to heighten control over its people, the COVID pandemic hit China hard. First, many Westerners came to accept the thesis that the pandemic itself was caused by Chinese incompetence, magnified by the government’s refusal to accept adverse responsibility for anything. Second, the extreme nature of China’s isolation of its own people severely limited one of China’s chief assets—inexpensive labour. Third—and probably most importantly—China’s increasingly militaristic rhetoric should be forcing foreign companies doing business there to face the fact that their assets would almost certainly be confiscated by the government—and used against China’s enemies—in the event of military conflict. It is long past the time to remove the blinders and see China as the adversary that it is. No amount of economic assistance will convince them to, in the words of kindergarten teachers, “play nicely with others.” Many of the errors referred to above result from seeing China as a “developing nation” that needs a little boost to contribute to global peace. It is an enemy, and the longer the U.S. takes to admit that, the more it adds to the peril that the nation will one day face. *This article is published by permission of Tradition, Family, Property – TFP*

Why do “blue state” politicians pass such horrible bills? California activists get their far-left state legislator to reveal his “reasons.”

October 11, 2024. MassResistance: We’ve all experienced this: When citizens speak up at school board meetings and ask the members to explain the horrible things being done in the schools, they never get answers – just silence. It’s even more frustrating when “blue state” legislators pass shocking anti-family laws – and your own legislator is in on it. In most places, they’re far less accessible than school board members. But every now and then a window opens. And MassResistance activists take advantage of it. California State Assemblyman Al Muratsuchi (D-Torrance) represents the South Bay region of Los Angeles County. Even though that district is fairly moderate politically, Muratsuchi is one of the most radical pro-LGBT assemblymen in the California state legislature. He frequently champions far-left, anti-family legislation. In 2018, Muratsuchi aggressively supported a bill to ban all therapy or counselling for sexual orientation or “gender identity” issues. When religious people objected to this legislation, he outrageously stated that “**the faith community, like everyone else, needs to evolve with the times.**” We confronted him on that, and he was forced to apologize. Luckily, MassResistance, the major force in stopping that bill, kept it from being passed. Muratsuchi apparently did not learn a lesson from that. **Strong opponent in Nov. elections is bringing him out!** This year, Muratsuchi has a strong Republican opponent, the former mayor of Hermosa Beach, who is still quite popular in the district. As a result, during this election season Muratsuchi has been holding public “town hall” meetings across the district. Arthur Schaper, our National Field Director, lives in the district along with other MassResistance activists. **So, we’re making Muratsuchi answer the tough questions.** His responses have been shocking. They provide a window into how hard-left politicians think.

Town Hall meeting in Hermosa Beach – contentious bill brought up: On June 22, 2024, Muratsuchi hosted a public town hall meeting in Hermosa Beach. Though it’s become a relatively liberal area, parents still came and passionately confronted him over a terrible anti-family bill he was supporting. **Bill AB 1955** would prevent school districts from **requiring teachers to inform parents** about their children’s homosexual or “gender identity” issues or behaviours. One parent with a “transgender” child almost cried when describing how the school had withheld that information from her – and how it caused terrible psychological harm. **Muratsuchi’s responses: Muratsuchi was definitely uncomfortable and caught off guard. But his answers were right out of the LGBT talking points.** He said that schools need to provide kids a “safe and supporting environment” that’s separate from their parents. He said that “it’s critically important for them to not be ‘outed’ before they’re ready, even with their parents.” He made the outrageous statement: *There are numerous studies that show that when students are outed for not identifying with the gender assigned at their birth, that they get beaten by their parents, they get beaten by their classmates. Those are the facts.* Not surprisingly, Muratsuchi didn’t cite any of these “studies” – which either don’t exist or are the usual non-scientific LGBT propaganda. This caused a minor uproar in the room by parents who were angered by this intellectual dishonesty and his arrogance in promoting it. Unfortunately, HB 1955 was passed into law the following month and signed by the governor. **Town Meeting in Torrance – more contentious bills brought up!** On September 7, 2024, Muratsuchi held another town hall meeting in Torrance. This time, parents confronted Muratsuchi about Bill 1825, an “anti-book banning” bill which Muratsuchi himself authored. It would make it almost impossible for local elected officials to remove offensive books for children on sex and perversions from public or school libraries. It

would put all the control in the hands of the librarians – who bring in the books in the first place. It specifically protects books on gender identity, sexual orientation, and “sexual conduct.” Parents could still “challenge” any book, but the librarians would make the final decision.



Outraged mother shows Muratsuchi pictures from *It's perfectly Normal*, a toxic book his bill would protect.

Arthur was there and reminded everyone of the basic lie by the Left: No books are being “banned” – they can all be easily purchased online and elsewhere. But they should not be in the children’s sections of taxpayer-funded libraries. The aim of the lie is to force the LGBT and sex agendas into libraries and schools through shame and coercion.

Muratsuchi’s responses: Muratsuchi again was very uncomfortable. He defended Bill 1825 by parroting the ALA talking points. He called it the “Freedom to Read Act.” He said it was important that librarians – not the elected officials – make the decisions on controversial books. He added that he worked “very closely with the California Librarians Association” in writing the bill. (That is, he worked with the offenders, not with parents or local officials.) That reveals either his stupidity or malevolence. Parents in the room weren’t buying it. Arthur also asked Muratsuchi why he aggressively **opposed the bill** requiring voter IDs in elections. **On the voter ID bill he opposed, Muratsuchi fell back on the dishonest and insulting Democrat talking point** that ID laws have been used to keep blacks from voting. That is patently false. (Other laws, such as poll taxes and civics test requirements were used in the distant past.) No black adult whom anybody knows is lacking an ID, since no one can survive today without one. The truth is that opposing ID is really meant to allow illegal aliens and people claiming to be someone else to vote (which is rampant in California). None of his argument resonated with most of the people in the room that day. **Final thoughts:** Are leftist politicians like Al Muratsuchi who are polluting our laws in blue states across the country evil or just stupid? You can decide for yourself. Maybe it’s a bit of both. The claws of leftist lobbies are likely so deep into them that **they don’t care about the terrible damage that is being done to vulnerable children, parents, and society** by the bills they pass. But we need to care. In Muratsuchi’s case, he was groomed by the teachers’ unions as a school board member before he ran for the state assembly. His moral compass appears to be formed by the propaganda talking points of radical groups. This means that more citizens need to find ways to confront their elected officials and force them to publicly answer the hard questions. That’s one good step toward change. Muratsuchi certainly seems to be more radical than the moderate-left population of his district, which is being revealed at these town halls. It will be interesting to see if his Republican challenger – who already has name recognition and is well known in the district – can successfully take advantage of that. Unfortunately, most conservative groups shy away from such direct and often contentious confrontations. But MassResistance will continue to bring the truth.