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## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

**THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021**

Dubuque County Right to Life awards up to \$10,000 worth of scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to attend college.

Expectations:

- Students must submit a written copy of an original speech (5-10 minutes in length) on the topic "The Slippery Slope: Abortion, Euthanasia, & Assisted Suicide."
- Students must submit evidence of service hours logged in the cause of protecting human life.
- Students must submit one (1) recommendation letter describing individual commitment to some aspect of the DCRTL mission.

Please go to [www.dcrtl.org/scholarships](http://www.dcrtl.org/scholarships) for more information and to apply. Finalists must be available to participate in a speech presentation at the DCRTL office on the morning of Saturday, April 3, 2021. Contact Ashley Stackis for more information at 563-556-5960.



### Mass for the Unborn Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

Church of the Resurrection (4300 Asbury Road, Dubuque)  
6:25pm Rosary, 7:00pm Mass



In honor of the **Feast of the Annunciation** and the **International Day of the Unborn Child**, DCRTL is sponsoring a **Mass for the Unborn**. This Mass will be held on Thursday, March 25 (exactly 9 months before Christmas) at Church of the Resurrection in Dubuque. The evening will open at 6:25pm with a special pro-life Rosary led by Duhawks for Life. Then, Mass will follow at 7:00pm. The main celebrant will be Rev. Phil Gibbs, Pastor of Church of the Resurrection. Please join us for this special evening. Everyone is welcome!

### Mother's Day Roses

**Make this Mother's Day extra special for someone you care about!**

On this day we remember all the sacrifices mothers have made throughout their lives to help their children grow and develop into adulthood. What better way to honor your mother than with a beautiful bouquet of roses that she will love!

Rose bouquets (12 roses) can be purchased from the DCRTL office for \$25. Please call us (563-556-5960) by 3:30pm Wednesday, April 21 to order a bouquet. If ordered, the bouquet pick-up location and times are as follows:

- DCRTL Office (2205 Carter Rd, Dubuque) May 7, 11am-4pm
- DCRTL Satellite Office (1657 15<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Dyersville) May 7, 12-1pm & 6-7pm

**Payment for the bouquet(s) will need to be made before pick-up please.**

DCRTL will have single roses available for a donation at many of the local churches over Mother's Day weekend. **Thank you!**

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# March

## March

Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>DCRTL Scholarship Submission Due</b>
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	Iowa Prayer Rally for Life, Iowa State Capital
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Director's Meeting
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Trip to Planned Parenthood in Cedar Rapids for the 40 Days for Life, Praying/ Standing for Life From 10am-12pm</b>
Sunday, 21 <sup>st</sup>	World Down Syndrome Day
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mass for the Unborn, Church of the Resurrection in Dubuque, 6:25pm Rosary, 7:00pm Mass</b>
Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup>	40 Days for Life Spring Prayer Campaign Ends
Monday, 29 <sup>th</sup>	Lenten Pro-Life Prayer Campaign Ends

## April

## Abortion Recovery Month

Saturday, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	DCRTL Scholarship Speech Contest, 9am-12pm, DCRTL Office
Sunday, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Happy Easter! 
Saturday, 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt &amp; Craft Day, St. Columbkille Green Space, 10-11am</b>
Thursday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Director's Meeting
Tuesday, 27 <sup>th</sup>	National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day
Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>24 Hours of Prayer for Life</b>



## Trip to Planned Parenthood in Cedar Rapids for 40 Days for Life

**Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-12pm**

**When people are praying outside an abortion clinic, the no-show rate increases to 75%. Will you join us?**

### Schedule for Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>:

- **8:15am:** Please arrive to the DCRTL office (2205 Carter Rd, Dubuque)
- **8:30am:** We will depart from the DCRTL office
- **10am–12pm:** Pray outside of Planned Parenthood (3425 1st Ave. SE, Cedar Rapids)

Due to COVID-19 we will not be carpooling, but rather caravanning to Cedar Rapids. Please grab your family and friends to fill your car! After we pray from 10am-12pm, you have the option of either grabbing lunch with other fellow prayer warriors or driving back home. Please contact our office (563-556-5960) to let us know if you will be joining on this journey. Feel free to bring a foldable chair as well if sitting to pray is preferred during the 2 hours.

Please join us in standing up for life on **Friday, March 19** to pray outside of Planned Parenthood in Cedar Rapids. We hope for many car-loads to join! If it is easier for you to simply meet us there instead of caravanning from the DCRTL office, please feel free!



### *A Note From Ashley Stackis, Executive Director*

On February 1<sup>st</sup> I had the privilege of testifying before the Iowa Senate Subcommittee in support of the Protect Life Amendment. That same afternoon I posted a video to the DCRTL Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/dcrtl](http://www.facebook.com/dcrtl)) explaining the Amendment, as well as sharing my testimony. I encourage you to go online, watch the short video, and share it with your friends and family. So far it has been seen by over 3,500 people! But in case you don't have the option to watch it, here is my testimony:

*Good afternoon and thank you for bringing the Protect Life Amendment forward. I could happily spend several hours sharing with you why all life is precious from conception to natural death. I would tell you that I, myself, was unplanned to my young, unwed parents, and that one out of every three babies were aborted the year I was luckily born. I'd tell you about my friend who took a medication abortion and had to pick up pieces of her baby off of her bathroom floor, who will forever deal with the trauma that caused. I'd tell you about the countless women I've met*

*who will forever regret the life or lives they took through abortion. I'd tell you this, and so much more. But today, the Amendment before us isn't about being pro-life. This Amendment is needed because of judicial over-reach. Unelected judges decided to open the door in Iowa to late term abortion and tax payers paying for it. I guarantee that the majority of Iowans do not want to pay for a child to be born up to their neck, only for his or her neck to be snipped by scissors, to allow a suction tube to be inserted to suck out the brain, for the skull to then collapse so that they're able to deliver a dead baby. Iowans do not want to pay for this, but unelected judges decided to open this flood gate in their June 2018 ruling. This Amendment simply allows the legislature and the people of Iowa to decide how to regulate abortion, mind you that is either for or against. This is about the rule of law, not the rule of a select few unelected judges. Thank you for your time, and for supporting the Protect Life Amendment.*

Yours in the service of LIFE,  
Ash

## 2021 L.L.F.F.E. Dinner

We hope that you are all staying safe during this difficult time. With the COVID-19 pandemic, we made the very difficult decision to cancel our in-person 2021 LIFE Dinner Banquet. We want to ensure that we are doing our part to protect our community and our wonderful pro-life supporters!

DCRTL is committed to educating our community on the dangers of abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia, and we will continue to do so regardless of the obstacles we face. We are currently thinking outside of the box; expanding our reach online and pivoting in-person events to allow for social distancing. PLEASE make sure to follow us on our website and social media pages to keep up-to-date with our efforts.

**Website:** [www.dcrtl.org](http://www.dcrtl.org)

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The LIFE Dinner Banquet is our main funding source each year to fulfill our important educational mission. Please watch your mailbox in April for an invite to support the life saving mission of DCRTL. We appreciate and count on your support. We need you, the youth need you, and the future generations need you. Thank YOU, so much, in advance.

Please stay well and stay safe!

Sincerely,

Your Friends at Dubuque County Right to Life, Inc.



- Thank you to Ken & Marlene Tekippe for donating toilet paper to our office!
- Thank you to Ellie Kirby, Zoee Moore, Kayla Sass, Nora Schmalz, and Katherine Schmalz for volunteering at the DCRTL office!

## Memorials & Honorariums

### In Memory Of:

- **Mickey Burlage**, given by Jack & Maria Smith
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### In Honor Of:

- **Christy Gotto's Birthday**, given by Bruce & Rosemary Brillhart and Michael & Christy Gotto
- **Mr. & Mrs. Francis Yaklin**, given by Sebastian & Danielle Yaklin

When a gift is given in memory or in honor of a loved one, an acknowledgement card is sent to the person or family you designate. With gifts of \$250 or greater, their name is engraved on our memorial plaque, displayed in our office. Simply send us, along with your gift, the name of the person you are honoring and the name and address of the family to whom you'd like the acknowledgement sent. We'll be happy to send a card.



According to *The Boycott Handbook*, published by [Life Decisions International \(LDI\)](#), *The March of Dimes Foundation* is a "nonprofit behaving badly." This designation results from their link to Planned Parenthood and/or its agenda. While not *boycott targets* per se, pro-life advocates should be aware of their activities. Here is what you should know about the March of Dimes: **they advocate for embryonic stem cell research & their policy is effectively "pro-choice" toward preborn children deemed "imperfect."** If you would like a copy of the Handbook published by LDI, which includes information on all Primary Boycott Targets as well as Nonprofits Behaving Badly, feel free to pick up a copy from the DCRTL office for a good will donation. Thank you!

## The Hyde Amendment: Why It Matters!

I'm sure you've heard of the Hyde Amendment, but DCRTL has a critical update on its status. This amendment routinely attaches to federal spending programs, like Medicaid, and prohibits them from paying for abortions except to save the life of the mother (which is never medically necessary). Revoking Hyde would force taxpayers to directly pay for the killing of preborn babies. A study by the Charlotte Lozier Institute found that the Hyde Amendment has saved more than 2 million preborn babies from abortion since 1976 and it continues to save more than **60,000 precious lives each year!**

The Hyde Amendment has enjoyed wide bipartisan support for decades, being included in every congressional spending bill since 1976. Virtually every public opinion poll shows that the American people overwhelmingly oppose forcing taxpayers to fund abortions. The US Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the Hyde Amendment on numerous occasions. However, President Biden, who supported the Hyde Amendment for decades while in the Senate, is now pushing for it to be terminated. Rep. Nancy Pelosi & Sen. Charles Schumer agree, promising to repeal the Hyde Amendment and require taxpayer-funded abortions for Medicaid recipients in this year's spending bills. So, what changed in 44 years? Pro-abortion activists have significantly shifted their messaging, launching a new propaganda campaign to paint the Hyde Amendment as "racist." They argue that because Black and Hispanic women are more likely to be on Medicaid, the Hyde Amendment unfairly targets them. This assertion is untrue and racist in its reasoning. It ignores the fact that abortion hurts all women, including Black, Hispanic, and Latina women. Medicaid is there to support expectant moms in economic crisis, but not by killing their unborn babies.

Now, for the first time since the 1970's, the Hyde Amendment is in real danger of being overturned. If this Administration is successful in their plans, thousands of babies will be killed by abortion every single day, at taxpayer expense. Please contact your Iowa federal congressional leaders in Washington and tell them how you feel about the Hyde Amendment.

## From our Library...

DCRTL has a HUGE up-to-date educational library, consisting of books, magazines, booklets, CD's, and DVD's, all available to rent for FREE! Below we are featuring two short books for teens. Just stop by our office to check out our huge selection, rent something you are interested in (and maybe grab something for your friends too), and return them when you can. It is as simple as that!

### Pure Womanhood...By Crystalina Evert



If you've ever tried to talk to a young girl about purity, especially one who's just entering high school, you know how difficult it can be. Finding the right words to let her know about the temptations and pressures she'll be facing as she grows up can prove quite a task. What if you could give her something to read that she'd enjoy - and believe? Whether the young women you know have yet to discover the ways of the world or if they've already made mistakes and are heading down a destructive path, "Pure Womanhood" gives them the reasons - and the assurance - that chastity is the right choice and that it's never too late to start over.

### Pure Manhood...By Jason Evert



Young men deserve straight answers to tough questions about women, dating, sexuality, and authentic masculinity, including...What do girls want? How far is too far? What's wrong with just thinking about it? What's wrong with porn? You're not hurting anyone. What if it's just a swimsuit magazine? If she's willing to do it, why is it wrong? What about safe sex? Shouldn't I be free to do whatever I want? How do I stay pure? Pure Manhood answers these questions and more, while offering practical strategies to help young men to grow in the virtue of chastity.



## Easter Egg Hunt & Craft Day



Saturday, April 10, 10-11am

Green Space behind St. Columbkille Parish (1240 Rush St, Dubuque)

We have a very special afternoon planned for you and your family, to celebrate Easter! Please join us for an Easter egg hunt, crafts, coloring, and fun in the green space behind St. Columbkille Parish! Please bring an Easter basket to collect your eggs. All ages are welcome – bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors, etc. The more the merrier!

In case of inclement weather, we have a rain date of Saturday, April 17 from 10-11am.

**Bring the whole family for lots of fun – we can't wait to see you there!**

## 24 HOURS OF prayer for life

DCRTL will be hosting a 24 Hours of Prayer for Life, to pray for the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death on **Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** (to be prayed from anywhere). Since we are cancelling our in-person LIFE Dinner Banquet, this is a perfect opportunity to shower the life-saving mission of DCRTL and other pro-life organizations with your prayers.

### Ways to sign up for an hour of prayer:

- Online at [www.shorturl.at/dkGIL](http://www.shorturl.at/dkGIL)
- Call DCRTL at 563-556-5960
- Email DCRTL at [dcrtl@dcrtl.org](mailto:dcrtl@dcrtl.org)

Please consider signing up to pray for a 1-hour time slot between 12:00am - 11:59pm on this special day that you will so graciously dedicate in praying for LIFE. **Thank you!**

## DCRTL Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Needs

**Rachel's Vineyard Counselor:** We are looking for a retired or licensed counselor for our retreat team. This individual must have experience and be comfortable in a group setting. It is even more essential that the mental health professional have a strong faith rooted in a prayerful, humble spirit. This individual must be capable of flexibility and working together with others on the retreat team.

You will be expected to attend a two day training in August in addition to several weekly meetings. The retreat will be held on Friday, September 24 through Sunday, September 26, 2021 at the Shalom Spirituality Center in Dubuque. After prayerful consideration, if you are interested, please call Teresa at 563-542-8378. Or if you know of anyone who may have interest, please forward along this information. Thank you!



## World Down Syndrome Day

March 21 is celebrated around the world as World Down Syndrome Day! First observed in 2006, World Down Syndrome Day was placed on day 21 of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month, to signify the uniqueness of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21<sup>st</sup> chromosome causing Down syndrome.



In some countries, the abortion rate for Down syndrome can be as high as 90% in the United Kingdom, 98% in Denmark and 100% in Iceland. **In the United States, 67-85% of children who are diagnosed with Down syndrome in utero are aborted.** In an effort to stop the discrimination against children with Down syndrome, many states have enacted legislation to prohibit the eugenic practice of Down syndrome discrimination abortion.

Join us to create a voice for advocating for the rights, inclusion and well-being of people with Down syndrome on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Each year the voice of people with Down syndrome, and those who live and work with them, grows louder.

## Memorial to the Unborn Update

We are getting so close to our goal! Shortly, we will need to commit to our plan of re-construction with our contractor. To do so, we need to, first, reach our goal. Yes, this has been a very difficult year, on many fronts. However, we must persevere and look to the future and present a welcoming, and healing, water feature for those who have been impacted so severely by the scourge of abortion. In addition, it is hoped that this Memorial will continue to be a source of inspiration to those who have "fought the fight" and will, by the grace of God, continue to do so. Please, do all that you can to help us reach the goal of \$22,000.



Your tax-deductible donation towards this initiative can be mailed to DCRTL (2205 Carter Rd, Dubuque, IA 52001), with "Memorial to the Unborn" written in the memo line. Thank you so much for your support!

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## **Abortion Nationally & Internationally**

### **President Biden Restores Funding to Planned Parenthood**

President Biden signed a presidential memorandum reversing the Trump administration's rule blocking abortion businesses and centers that refer patients for abortion from receiving federal funding through the Title X family planning program. The 2018 "Protect Life Rule" required abortion businesses to both fiscally and physically separate family planning/birth control services from their abortion-related business. It also stated that family planning centers must stop referring patients for abortions in order to receive Title X funding. Title X states, "None of the funds appropriated under this title shall be used in programs where abortion is a method of family planning." The Department of Health and Human Services under Trump worked to ensure this was properly enforced.

From 2013 - 2015, Planned Parenthood (PP) received \$1.5 billion in federal funding, including \$170 million from the Title X "family planning" program. That program was PP's second largest source of federal funding after Medicaid. When the Protect Life Rule went into effect, PP chose to refuse federal funding from Title X rather than comply with the rule. This freed \$33 million in Title X funds to go to recipients that did comply. Now, the Biden administration is allowing that funding to be restored to abortion providers such as PP, forcing Americans to give even more taxpayer dollars to the nation's largest abortion business which commits 40% of the abortions in the country.

### **President Biden Restores Foreign Aid to Abortion by Repealing Mexico City Policy**

The Mexico City Policy blocks international non-profits from receiving U.S. funding if they provide abortion counseling or referrals. The Biden administration announced on January 28 the repeal of the Mexico City Policy, restoring foreign aid to organizations involved in abortion and guaranteeing thousands of additional babies will be killed worldwide.

Shortly after taking office in 2017, former President Trump's Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance (PLGHA) policy not only reinstated the Mexico City Policy, which under previous Republican presidents had applied to groups that committed abortions, but took an additional step of expanding it to groups that promote or discuss abortion. The action resulted in international abortion providers PP and Marie Stopes losing millions of dollars because they refused to drop abortion in order to qualify for the money. At the same time, reviews by the State Department found most recipients complied with the rules without issue, leaving the distribution of legitimate foreign aid unharmed.

### **President Biden Reverses UN Declaration Saying There's No Right to Kill Babies in Abortion**

Biden removed the U.S. from a historic international pro-life declaration that pushes back against the UN's pro-abortion agenda. The US and 33 other countries, including Brazil, Egypt, Hungary, Indonesia and Uganda, signed the declaration in October. Though non-binding, the Geneva Consensus declaration sent a strong message that the US and other signers support unborn babies' right to life and will not tolerate the UN's abortion advocacy.

It specifically states a commitment to work together to:

- ✓ Improve and secure access to health and development gains for women, including sexual and reproductive health, which must always promote optimal health, the highest attainable standard of health, without including abortion.
- ✓ Reaffirm that there is no international right to abortion, nor any international obligation on the part of States to finance or facilitate abortion, consistent with the long-standing international consensus that each nation has the sovereign right to implement programs and activities consistent with their laws and policies.

Austin Ruse, president of international pro-life group C-Fam, said the historic document was more than two decades in the making. "C-Fam has worked for 24 years toward the declaration made by the Trump administration ... together with a coalition of 32 UN Member States," Ruse said in a statement last fall. "The UN has no business interfering in sovereign decisions when it comes to protecting life in the womb."

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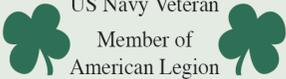
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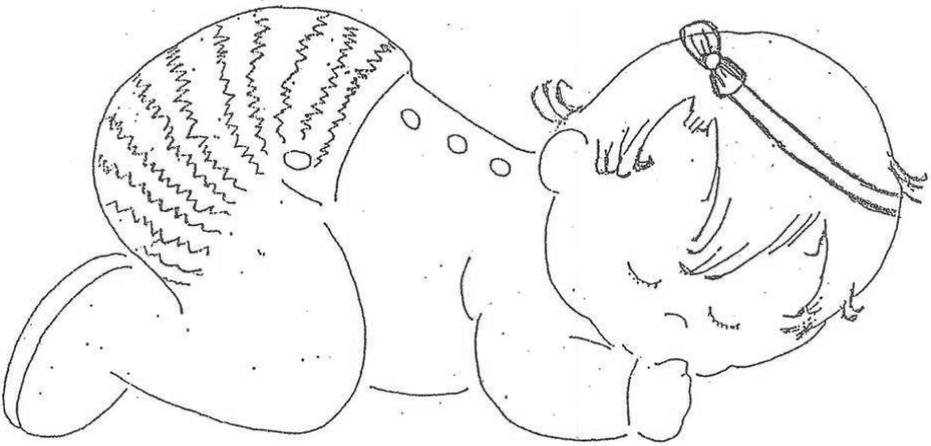
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Below you will find a "Spiritual Adoption Prayer" for your little ones. To make it fun, easy to understand, and to keep your kids involved, we have created coloring page prayer sheets for them to color and learn. They can choose if they would like their baby to be a sweet boy or girl, name them, color them, and then pray for them every day for 9 months until their spiritually adopted baby is born!



Adoptive Baby's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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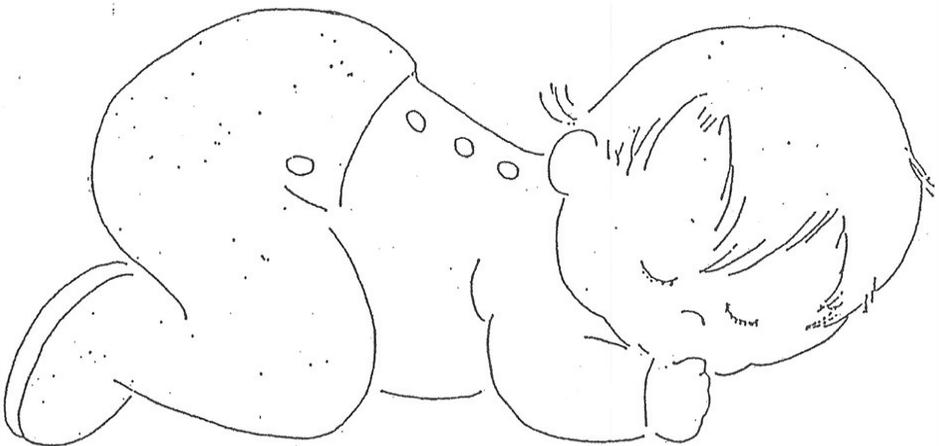
### *Spiritual Adoption Prayer*

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,  
I love you very much.

I beg you to spare the life of the  
unborn child that I have spiritually  
adopted who is in danger of abortion.

(Prayer written by Venerable Fulton Sheen)

♥ Please pray daily for your adopted baby ♥

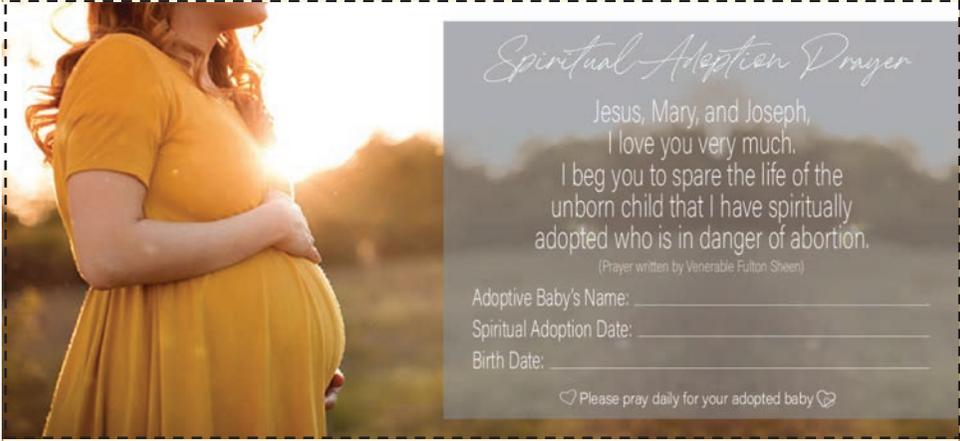


## Please Spiritually Adopt an Unborn Baby!

Participants in the Spiritual Adoption program pledge to pray for 40 weeks, from March 25-December 25, for the safety of an unborn baby, especially one in danger of abortion. While this child remains unknown to us, God knows him or her. We hope that you will participate in this program and please also pray this as a family – what a beautiful way to share the sanctity of life with your children!

**Jesus came to earth not on Christmas Day, but 9 months earlier with Mary's miraculous pregnancy. Thus the 9 month period of prayer beginning March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation, until December 25, Christmas.**

Simply cut out the below prayer card and place it somewhere that will remind you to pray every day for your spiritually adopted baby.



## IOWA CONSTITUTION



## UPDATE

The people of Iowa, not the state Supreme Court, should decide how Iowa regulates abortion. In June 2018, the Iowa Supreme Court created an unlimited "right" to abortion in Iowa by striking down an Iowa law providing for a 3-day reflection period before an abortion is performed. To reach their decision, the Court "discovered" a fundamental right to abortion in the Iowa Constitution.

- The Court's decision is **even more radical than Roe v. Wade**, opening the door to abortion in Iowa at any time, for any reason, right up to birth. Just like New York.
- The decision means **every pro-life law ever passed or that could be passed in Iowa could be declared "unconstitutional."**
- Dissenting judges worry the decision is "a stepping stone" to making taxpayers fund abortion.

**No mere law can stop Iowa's rogue court. The surest way to overturn this radical ruling is a state constitutional amendment.** We support a Protect Life Amendment (PLA) that would simply clarify that our state Constitution does not recognize, grant, or secure a right to an abortion.

The PLA had been passed by the Iowa Senate in 2020, but unfortunately did not pass in the Iowa House of Representatives. The Iowa Coalition of Pro-Life Leaders are again presenting the PLA this legislative session. The amendment must pass both chambers of the Legislature in 2 consecutive General Assemblies (2021-2022 & 2022-2023), and then if passed, added to the ballot for a vote of the people of Iowa for approval likely in the Fall 2024.

### UPDATE:

- **Iowa House:** On January 27, the PLA passed by a vote of 55-44.
- **Iowa Senate:** On February 1, the PLA was approved by a Senate subcommittee by a 2-1 vote, on February 10 it was approved by the Senate State Government Committee by a 10-5 vote, and next moves to a full floor vote by the Senate.

Pro-life forces are at work all over the state educating the public on this very important effort, and DCRTL will keep you informed of developments in this "Iowa PLA UPDATE" section of the newsletter. In the meantime, please contact your legislators to tell them how you feel about the PLA to the Iowa Constitution. Thank you!



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