

## Canada-Wide News



The Canadian Paediatric Society is recommending that teen girls use the intra-uterine devices (IUDs) as their first choice of artificial birth control. In an article in the May 31 *National Post*, the Society waxed eloquent on the positive aspects of IUDs, while playing down any negative effects. But what truly stands out is the inability or unwillingness of the Society to urge young girls to refrain from sexual intimacy at all, and rather develop healthy relationships of non-intimate nature. IUDs and other such instrument choices are not for disease prevention or control; in fact, they invite all kinds of genital diseases that can emotionally and physically harm girls through their entire life.

In another case that limits freedom of conscience, a group of Ontario Christian doctors is appealing an Ontario Superior Court decision in January that compels Ontario doctors to participate in or refer patients for any medical “service” to which any doctor may have a moral objection, notably abortion or euthanasia. In addition, all doctors must commit these “services” in an emergency, regardless of their moral objection. Doctors in violation of the law will be subject to severe penalties. The appeal was submitted to the Ontario Appeal Court on May 18 by the five original Christian doctors, Canadian

Physicians for Life, the Christian Medical and Dental Society of Canada, and the Canadian Federation of Catholic Physicians’ Societies.

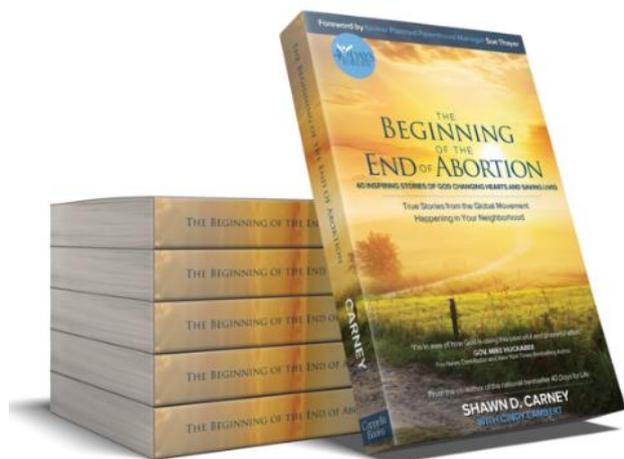


A killdeer, a small bird also known as a plover, built a nest near the Canadian War Museum, where the RBC Bluesfest was scheduled to begin July 5, and it literally became a federal case. In late June, the National Capital Commission (NCC) which oversees most federal properties in Ottawa, hired a security guard – presumably guards – to watch over the next 24 hours a day until the chicks safely hatched. There were worries that it would disrupt the blues festival although there were also discussions about relocating the nest. The bird is not endangered; it is, in fact, quite common but still enjoys “protected status” in Canada. The nest was removed after the festival’s organizers consulted with the NCC and Environment and Climate Change Canada. Does one really need to point out the irony of the extent to which the government protects wildlife but not preborn human life. Of course, the story made the front page of the *Globe & Mail* and was covered by both the CBC and Canadian Press.



## The Beginning of the End of Abortion...

The following is an excerpt taken from the soon to be released book from 40 Days for Life president Shawn Carney. Details to purchase a copy may be found below.



*Coincidence is God's way of remaining anonymous.* –  
Albert Einstein

More abortion facilities per capita than any other state in the union. That was Iowa's claim to fame in 2011. But that was before 40 Days for Life stormed across the state . . . and everything changed.

For seventeen years I was the center manager of the Storm Lake, Iowa, Planned Parenthood facility. Like so many other abortion workers, I thought I was helping women. But God had so much more in store for me. Deeply troubled by the start of webcam abortions, I began seeking out pro-life organizations.

For a webcam abortion, Planned Parenthood has a building, but no abortionist on site. A mother goes into these locations, talks with an abortionist over the Internet, and is then given the two pills needed to murder her child. She takes one pill in the Planned Parenthood office and then takes the second pill at home. If she has any problems at home, she is instructed to go to an emergency room and tell the staff that she is having a miscarriage.

Around that same time, I left the church I'd attended my whole life and landed in a wonderful Bible-believing, Christ-centered fellowship. They loved me despite where I worked. I discovered Christian radio and was constantly steeped in the Word. My heart softened, and I knew my days at Planned Parenthood were numbered. The decision was taken out of my hands: Citing downsizing, my bosses fired me. It was a tremendous relief.

The "ostrich syndrome" set in—where you do your best to ignore something you don't want to face. I avoided the street where I had previously worked, where Planned Parenthood was killing babies using drugs and an Internet connection. But when someone asked point blank about my former job and what they do there, and I saw the shock on several faces while I explained the horrific act of webcam abortion, my heart was convicted and I was spurred to action.

From my days with the abortion giant, I knew how much Planned Parenthood despises 40 Days for Life. 40 Days of Torture they would call it. Or worse. But I had witnessed firsthand the chaos and struggle inside the clinic whenever someone was outside praying. I knew it moved hearts.

Registration for the Fall 2011 40 Days for Life campaign was closing soon, and without hesitation, I registered Storm Lake. There I was, a former Planned Parenthood manager who was now leading a 40 Days for Life campaign. It was both God's grace and his sense of humor as well. Our rural town had lots of great churches, but as far as doing events together, no way. So began the uphill battle of recruiting prayer volunteers:

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- What would I pray about for an hour?
- What if it's snowing?
- I'm not sure I want people to see me doing that!

Those were all common concerns of potential volunteers.

But somehow, over the brief time we had to prepare before the start of 40 Days, God worked another miracle. Our small team kept meeting, and I continued to share the facts of webcam abortion and that it was happening right here in our little town. Word spread. At the kick-off rally, seventy-five people showed up—a huge crowd for our little town! We sang, we prayed, we lit candles, and by the end of the rally, I thought maybe, just maybe, this might work. Though we still had many openings in our vigil schedule, time slots were indeed filling up.

The next morning, I pulled into my old usual parking spot—the one I had used for all those years of employment. Nervous about facing my former coworkers, I decided to just pray from my car. After all, it was a little chilly and I had my one-year old-with me. I rationalized that God hears our prayers no matter where we are, right? But I felt convicted for my timidity, and I got out of the safety of my car and stood in front of my former clinic for what would be the first of many hours.

There are no words to fully explain the blessings of that 40 Days for Life campaign. I faced my former coworkers and yes, they ridiculed me. But I believe that deep down they knew that I was standing for Truth. I saw many former clients, some of whom were angry and others who immediately left once they realized that abortions

were being done there. Some of the people driving by would offer a friendly wave, others not so friendly. But even on our worst days, everyone who saw us knew that we cared enough to be out there in the snow, sleet, or rain. Our prayers mattered.

Who was most blessed of all? That would be me. As a single mom with a never-ending to-do list, how did I have time to lead our community's first ever 40 Days for Life? How could I bring together a town divided by denominations and different beliefs? Easy answer—I didn't. It was all about God. The Healer. The Redeemer. He is also the one who closed our abortion facility just three months after our 480 hours of prayer. Storm Lake, Iowa, was the first of twenty abortion facilities in Iowa to close!

There is indescribable power in every prayer. God hears and he cares. The blessing that 40 Days for Life brings is beyond what we can even imagine. My friend, you are called. Get out of your car and take a stand. If I can do it, you can. Pray with courage, believing and not doubting. For nothing, nothing at all, is too hard for our God.



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## Brave Mothers

Beth (alias) called us after the birth of her daughter. She had sought us out as relations between the (estranged) father of her daughter and herself were upsetting her. First, he was asking that the birth certificate be modified to include his name and, some time later, wanted to have his surname added to his daughter's.

Beth felt perplexed in both instances.

She called and used us as a sounding board as she mulled over what was stirring within her.

Beth has consistently had difficulty relating with her daughter's father. She found him aggressive and coercive, a trait that has not changed since the child's arrival. In regards to both of his petitions she noticed the same. She also felt remorse for her acquiescing to both of his wishes.

We listened, reflected back. Also, we arranged a meeting with a lawyer to help Beth get some clarity regarding the issue.

Ending abortion necessarily involves helping mothers. Often this is during the pregnancy. But also, as with Beth, after the delivery of the child, we are present, helping mothers establish themselves with their children. To some we provide diapers, to others, furniture, and to others, pointing out resources in the community like where she can have their income tax returns prepared and filed.

At the Quebec Life Coalition, we are working at ending abortion not only through education and political means but also by direct aid to women in need.

**Prayer Intention** – Heavenly Father, we thank you for the graces needed to help young mothers like Beth. We ask you to heed our prayers to support them in their ever important task of caring and nurturing their young children. May too our benefactors be so blessed seeing the valuable part they play in this building up a culture of life.

**Upcoming events: 1 – Open House/Corn on the Cob**, Sunday, August 19, 2018, RSVP, (514) 344-2686... **2 – Pilgrimage in the City**, Saturday, September 15, 2018... **3 – 40 Days for Life** prayer vigil, Sep 26 – Nov 04, 2018... **4 – Life Chain**, Sunday, September 30, 2018. **5 – “The Euthanasia Deception,”** dvd screening, fall, 2018.

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