

Funding of Stem Cell Research

On June 20, 2007, the Executive Order 13435, "Expanding Approved Stem Cell Lines in Ethically Responsible Ways" was signed by President Bush.

"(b) it is critical to establish moral and ethical boundaries to allow the Nation to move forward vigorously with medical research, while also maintaining the highest ethical standards and respecting human life and human dignity;

"(c) the destruction of nascent life for research violates the principle that no life should be used as a mere means for achieving the medical benefit of another;

"(d) human embryos and fetuses, as living members of the human species, are **not raw materials to be exploited or commodities to be bought and sold;**..." Executive Order 13435

On March 9, 2009, President Obama signed an Executive Order, "Removing Barriers to Responsible Scientific Research Involving Human Stem Cells."

The Order included two "**Revocations:**"

- (a) The Presidential statement of August 9, 2001, limiting Federal funding for research involving human embryonic stem cells, shall have no further effect as a statement of governmental policy.
- (b) Executive Order 13435..., statement on human embryonic stem cell research, is revoked.

The President also stated that "*(the executive action) is about letting scientists...do their jobs, free from manipulation or coercion...*"

Is any close ethical scrutiny and regulation of scientific advance by the President's Council on Bioethics considered "manipulation or coercion?"

Council Chair, Edmund Pellegrino issued this personal statement: "...*Ethically, I cannot support any policy permitting deliberate production and/or destruction of a human fetus or embryo for any purpose, scientific or therapeutic.*"

TRUTH ABOUT EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS REVEALED ON OPRAH SHOW!

A cardiovascular surgeon from Columbia University appeared recently on Oprah Winfrey's popular television program and is generating 'buzz' within pro-life circles.

During the program, Dr. Mehmet Oz, told Americans the truth about embryonic stem cell research (ESCR).

He described the difficult problems that researchers have had in controlling embryonic cells, noting that they cause tumors after injection into animals during experiments.

Dr. Oz then went on to talk about the new science of **induced stem cells made by reverting skin and other adult stem cells** into an embryonic-like state without the destruction of human life.

The comments have drawn wide interest because Oz made them in front of the popular television personality and ESCR advocate, Michael J. Fox, who has "warped and twisted" the positions of pro-life advocates regarding this research during previous election campaigns.

Dr. Oz now predicts that researchers are within ten years of making major breakthroughs using adult stem cells.

[These cells, of course, are already helping patients in more than 100 disease categories and conditions. Ed.]

He added "I, personally, think we are "**single digit years**" away from making a big impact in the lives of people with Parkinson's disease", [which has afflicted Michael J Fox for years]... bringing a smile to Michael's face.

Doctors in Texas were recently able to successfully use adult stem cells from a patient's bone marrow to treat the effects of his stroke.

Those successes could be even sooner than Dr. Oz thinks. ☺

22nd Annual
Walk for Life

Saturday, June 6

Memorial Park

Life Network

www.walkforlife.com

“My Chance”

Hear the musical story of a young woman haunted by her abortion. Mourning her child into her old age, she couldn't conceive again.

“They promised we'd never regret, and to this day their words still hurt.

“We prayed each day that God would understand, but we never got a second Chance.

“He was my one, my only Chance.”

View this beautiful music video for “My Chance,” at: <http://www.jtmusic.net/home/>
K. Gilbert, LifeSiteNews.com, 16 Apr 09

The Red Envelope Project
Over two million sent!

A White House mailroom staffer has confirmed that nearly 2.5 million red envelopes have been received in protest of President Obama's pro-abortion record.

The campaign is one of the largest efforts this staffer can recall in his 35 years working at the White House.

A Massachusetts resident, Christ Otto, was given the idea, while at prayer back in February.

He sent an e-mail request to 120 of his ministry friends and supporters. This turned into a nationwide phenomenon.

“For me, this has been a living parable of my philosophy of life and ministry; Listen to the Lord, and do what He tells you.”

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You can still send red envelopes to the President.

Click here to order yours: <http://www.lifeissues.org/red/index.html>

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Election of Officers

Election of officers was held at the April Board meeting. The current officers were re-elected.

Anyone interested in learning more about what we do and how they can help is welcome to attend our meeting.

For directions, call 630-1999

Help Needed

County Fair – July 25 – Aug 2
State Fair – August 28 – Sept 7
Call 630-1999

A DOCTOR'S WISDOM

A worried woman went to her gynecologist and said, "Doctor, I have a serious problem and desperately need your help! My baby is not even one year old and I'm pregnant again. I don't want kids so close together."

So the doctor said, "Ok, and what do you want me to do?" She said, "I want you to end my pregnancy, and I'm counting on your help with this." The doctor thought for a little, and after some silence he said to the lady, "I think I have a better solution for your problem. It's less dangerous for you, too."

She smiled, thinking the doctor was going to accept her request. He continued, "You see, in order for you not to have to take care of two babies at the same time, let's kill the one in your arms. This way, you could have some rest some before the other one is born.

If we're going to kill one of them, it doesn't matter which one it is. There would be no risk for your body if you chose the one in your arms." The lady was horrified and said, "No doctor! How terrible! It's a crime to kill a child!" "I agree," the doctor replied. "But you seemed to be OK with it, so I thought maybe that was the best solution."

The doctor smiled, realizing that he had made his point. He convinced the mom that there is no difference in killing a child that's already been born and one that's still in the womb. It is still murder. Only the age is different.

The crime is the same!

A Reason to Hope

Justice For All (JFA), a prolife organization of “Students for Bio-Ethical Equality,” based in Wichita, Kansas, is that reason. www.JFAweb.org

Their “...mission is to train thousands, who will make abortion unthinkable for millions, **one person at a time.**”

“Our method is a series of training seminars that culminate in a larger-than-life outdoor photo exhibit, strategically placed on college and university campuses. (emphasis added)

“Rimming the display are scores of high school and college students who have been trained to ask the right questions, listen, and ‘give an answer... with gentleness and reverence’ (1 Peter 3:15).”
JFA literature

A JFA message to each of us is: “Graciously win opposition. Learn to dialogue constructively rather than arguing contentiously. ...Enroll in the JFA Exhibit seminar, “Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue.”

The young men and women involved in JFA are financially supported by individual sponsors and correspond with their sponsors regularly.

JFA Exhibits presently impact over 250,000 college students annually and have traveled to more than 60 universities across the nation over the past 8 years.

JFA is forging educational alliances with private high schools and colleges across America to help train and equip the next generation of Christian leadership around the world.

JFA partners with Life Training Institutes (prolifetraining.com), and Stand To Reason (str.org) to give more than 1,000 student volunteers each year America’s best short course in bio-ethics and Christian apologetics.

JFA’s partnership with local pregnancy resource centers ensures that compassionate assistance during and after an Exhibit is only a few miles or merely a phone call away.

“Why does the most affluent society in history kill off so many of its youngest and most vulnerable members? Answer: Selfishness, fueled by ignorance.”
JFA’s 20-page pamphlet

The United Nations & the Obama Impact

Since his inauguration, President Barack Obama has:

- Restored US funding for the UN Population Fund that helped set up and run the Chinese forced abortion program;
- Overtuned the US ban on funding of Intl Planned Parenthood Federation and the Center for Reproductive Rights, both deeply involved in forcing abortion on unwilling people, especially in Latin America;
- Had his negotiators at the UN make aggressive pro-abortion and anti-family statements at the UN.
- Recently supported language used by UN agencies, UN committees, radical lawyers and judges to impose abortion on reluctant countries.
- Overtuned the previous pro-life positions of the United States.

The United States will now join the United Nations bureaucracy, Canada and the European Union as the most aggressive promoters of abortion all over the world.

The new pro-abortion coalition, which includes radical feminists, will actively seek to impose abortion on all the countries of Latin America, Africa, the Far East and the few remaining pro-life countries in Europe.

Standing in their way are a tiny few countries willing to risk everything to defend the unborn child.

Austin Ruse, Friday Fax, 14 April 09

The Friday Fax is the only weekly source of pro-life and pro-family news coming out of UN headquarters in New York City. – ed.

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On 3 April 09, the United Nation’s Commission on Population and Development (CPD) accepted Iran’s proposal that the term “sexual and reproductive health and rights” would be removed from the proposed 2009 “Program of Action.”

Comoros, Peru, Poland, Ireland, Chile, the Holy See, Malta and Saint Lucia spoke out against the other remaining reproductive health-related terms: “reproductive rights,” “reproductive health services,” and “sexual and reproductive health.”

No new rights were created or acknowledged in this document and **the universal right to conscience can, in no way, be overridden or weakened – at this time.**

Samantha Singon, New York C-Fam, 3 April 09



*Thanks, Mom,  
For the beautiful  
Gift of Life*

*To all mothers  
on your day of honor,  
we thank you for your  
courageous love  
in giving us  
life...*

*and to those birth mothers  
who lovingly choose adoption  
for their children and  
those who give the love of their  
hearts to adopted children,*

*we say to all,*

***“Happy Mother’s Day!”***

*We love you and give you our thanks  
every day of our lives.*

Family Resources Center, Peoria, IL