

"Nicholas was born on 12-22-04, so he is almost 20 months old. God was working on me and He used [the JFA] exhibit and my pregnancy to get mine and Nicholas' father's attention in a BIG way.

[Nick] could have easily been an abortion photo on your exhibit. You are free to use my testimony anytime. I will write more if you ever need me too. You are also free to use Nick's picture [below].

He is the lover of my soul...and I love him too SO MUCH. I saw the [JFA] exhibit...at the University of North Texas.... All things are possible through Christ, who strengthens us!

Thanks for your perseverance and dedication to your cause. The Lord will bless you for it...I know!" April

—email from Nick's mother, 8/16/2006

November 19, 2006

Why is Jon Wagner leaving California for two years?

Most people, even Christians, are silent, ignorant, or angry about abortion, a national and individual tragedy that continues to claim more than 1.3 million lives each year. Millions who have been caught up in abortion personally purposefully ignore any discussion about abortion.

After all, abortion is a challenging, annoying, tiresome, personal, and unsolvable issue. Even worse, assertions and anger usually fuel the cultural debate, while empathy and graciousness are nearly always absent.

Enter the Justice For All Exhibit program. The large JFA display effectively addresses the moral and scientific ignorance surrounding the issue. JFA trained volunteers turn the typical debate about abortion into dialogue, taking each person seriously, entreating them in a loving manner.

Justice For All is changing hearts and minds about the value of human life and saving lives on university campuses across the United States.

The MISSION OF JFA is "To make abortion unthinkable for millions of college students, one student at a time." Our mission is profound because it shows that we want many students to change how they think about abortion but we want to meet this objective through healthy dialogue in relationships one on one.

Our mission is accomplished by making abortion real for students. Our large display of accurate pictures of abortion, fetal development pictures, scientific information, and effective questions is very powerful and restores meaning to the issue of abortion. This display quickly creates the debate.

We are able to turn this debate into a healthy dialogue with the help of volunteers who are trained to build this dialogue within relationships. Volunteers and staff listen intently, ask appropriate questions, and build common ground by agreeing whenever possible. We get the opportunity to refine our skills of dialogue as we practice listening and build relationships with each individual.

Students on campus who have had experience with abortion can be cared for after they realize the reality of their situation, whether they or someone close to them had the abortion.

I started to study the abortion issue in 9th grade and quickly realized that defending human value and human beings whose rights are ignored is always important regardless of what society thinks. I was further motivated at school when I read Martin Luther King Jr's statement, "**Freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed**" (Why We Can't Wait). I



Read Nick's story (above)

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started to realize the parallel between King Jr’s struggle and my own as I journaled the idea, **“It will take an eternity for the unborn to defend themselves.”**

I tried to make a difference at APU by starting a club called Defending Human Value. The club was a liaison between our students and the pregnancy resource centers around the area. We also did training and discussion on abortion, and we took trips to Texas in 2005 and to California in 2006 with Justice For All.

When I graduated in May of 2006, I was compelled and equipped to join the JFA staff for two years. I chose to dedicate significant time to defending the unborn before taking any “normal job.”



My internship with JFA will extend between January 2007 and January 2009. Responsibilities will include:

- Managing a portion of exhibit set-up
- Training volunteers before the exhibit outreach.
- Training volunteers by mentoring on-site during campus exhibits.
- Mentoring college pro-life leaders across the country by helping them with planning, recruiting, and influence on their campuses.

Here’s how you can partner with me:

- Send a monthly gift of \$25, \$50 or even \$150/month (Target goal is \$2,500/month)
- Partner with me with a one time gift of \$25, \$100, \$200, or even \$500
- Donate a car (tax deductible) or provide funds for a car in Wichita (app. \$5,000)

Come to a farewell party for Jon in Atascadero or Azusa

Azusa – December 14

Atascadero – December 27

Invitation with times and locations enclosed!!!

Defending Human Value,

Jonathan Wagner

P.S. Pray regularly for my internship (I’ll send email updates)

- Pray for each relationship I build and for each conversation I have on campus.
- Pray for safety as I travel around the country and in Wichita (JFA headquarters)
- Pray that I can effectively help campus clubs and mentor students to lead their peers.
- Make sure to include your email address on the enclosed form.

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