

Breakout Session Descriptions

Explanation of Adoption and Foster Care - Judge Pratt

Are these systems really as broken as pro-aborts like to say they are? Why do we hear such sad stories from kids coming out of these homes? How do adoption and foster care really work?

Judge Charles Pratt, a local retired Family Relations judge, gives insight as to why and how adoption and foster care work to help kids.

Fetal Development - Abigail Lorenzen

Ever wonder how early you grew your fingers? Or why babies' heads are so huge? Or how conjoined twins end up conjoined? Abigail, Education Coordinator for Right to Life of Northeast Indiana, guides you through the first 9 months of human development, explaining the incredible things that happen as a human grows during pregnancy.

Abortion's Impact on Women - Dr. Francis

Abortion choice supporters often claim that legal abortion is safe abortion. Dr. Francis exposes the fact that abortion destroys the life of an unborn child and also has significant medical ramifications on the mother. Citing solid research, this talk explores the science behind abortion's devastating physical effects on women.

Population Control/Eugenics - Chiara McKenna

"If we hadn't aborted those 65 million kids in the US, our population would have exploded, and since the US couldn't support them, they'd all be living in poverty." Ever heard something like that? Or had that thought cross your mind? Population explosion has been talked about for years but the world now has the opposite problem - implosion. Chiara McKenna of The Population Research Institute shows you the realities of population control and the atrocities that eugenics causes in the US (screening the human race for traits deemed desirable—an example would be the Holocaust).

Artificial Reproductive Technology - Dr. Stroud

How do processes like In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), surrogacy, and others like them line up with ethics? Are they pro-life because their goal is to make more babies? To help families who can't have children on their own to grow? Maybe you know someone who has used ART. Dr. Christopher Stroud, MD, untangles the science and morals of ART, showing just how deeply it affects humanity.

Sidewalk Advocacy Primer - Livvy Brohard

Showing up to the sidewalk outside an abortion facility is an intimidating idea for most people – if they're not trained and prepared for what to expect. Sidewalk Advocates for Life's training equips and energizes people to reach out to pregnant moms and help them choose LIFE for their preborn babies. In this breakout session, you will experience the foundational principles for effective sidewalk advocacy, including the Sidewalk Advocates for Life 5 Point Method or "Heart Method." You will also learn which points to focus on in conversation with pregnant moms, other types of abortion facility clients, and friends or partners accompanying the clients – and how you

can get more involved in this front-line effort to save lives. Livvy Brohard of Created Equal will be teaching this interactive workshop!

Chemical Abortion - Sen. Johnson

Chemical abortion is all over the news right now, and this breakout will help you untangle what the issues are behind this method of abortion. Senator Johnson will be talking about the dangerous drugs that cause abortion and harm mothers, as well as the efforts to regulate these medications amidst the pro-choice push to make them widely accessible.

Tactics - Shawn Meyer

Having good answers to tough arguments and objections put forth by abortion defenders is crucial, but something more is also needed. We must know how to defend our beliefs in a winsome and compelling way. Come and learn how to effectively navigate a conversation on abortion. Shawn Meyer, pastor at Aletheia Christian Church in Ohio, will be leading this discussion.

Medical Assistance in Dying and Euthanasia - Samuel Sey

While it may seem far away, being able to kill yourself is relatively easy in our neighbor country, Canada, and it's spreading in the US as well. Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) is legal in an increasing number of US states and comes up each year in many states, including Indiana. How do you convince people that they shouldn't be able to kill themselves? How do you show the damage it does to have physicians involved in ending people's lives? Samuel Sey, Ghanaian-Canadian pro-life advocate and author of the Slow to Write blog, will walk you through it all.

10 Ways for Students to Get Involved in the Pro-Life Cause - Abigail Lorenzen

Think that you have to wait until you've graduated to advocate for the unborn? Think again! This presentation will help you realize how powerful your voice can be while you are in high school or college. Learn about things that you can do right now to make a difference and get involved in the pro-life movement!