

Life Altering Consequences of Elections

It can't be overstated how important the 2020 election is for the protection of unborn children and family integrity, especially elections at the federal level where the US President, House and Senate will determine the next appointees to the Supreme Court of the United States. It's probable that two pro-abortion justices could be replaced in the next four years, critically altering a balance for the protection of human life, possibly for years to come.

Recent Relevant Court Rulings: In April, a Supreme Court ruling not directly related to abortion had court watchers discussing its implications for overturning *Roe v. Wade* because the current SCOTUS justices in April's *Ramos* ruling overturned a 1972 Supreme Court case adding to precedent of overturning past court decisions. In their official opinions and discussion of the case, the justices raised questions about the proper implementation of *stare decisis* (the court's adherence to previous court rulings). However, *June Medical v. Russo*, a later ruling announced June 29, put a damper on pro-life hopes for reform of abortion laws. *Continued on page 3*

Pro-Abortion #BlackLivesMatter Movement

RTL note: *Not all people of black ancestry agree with the ideology of Black Lives Matter organizations (BLM); nor does BLM represent or support conservative, pro-life blacks such as Ryan Bomberger, a frequent writer for LifeNews and founder, along with his wife, of the life-affirming Radiance Foundation. As Bomberger outlines in this article, the BLM ideology is not conducive to true equality, rather they vie for a specific set of liberal political agendas, including legal abortion regardless of it's negative impact on black communities.*

[Article by Ryan Bomberger](#). TheRadianceFoundation.org, June 5, 2020. Edited for space.

Every life unjustly killed deserves justice. In the cause to make things right, I will not join a movement that has nearly everything wrong. More innocent lives have now been killed [police and civilians, including black lives] since these predominantly violent protests began over George Floyd's horrific death. "Well...just pick out the good things in the #BlackLivesMatter movement," I'm told. Really? Their mission is *not* my mission. Yes, #BlackLivesMatter. But Truth matters.

The founders of the #BlackLivesMatter Foundation (BLMF), created it to radically shift culture. The far-left Ford Foundation, the world's largest population control organization, vowed in 2016 to raise \$100 million for a nationwide coalition of BLM groups [which] released a shocking manifesto of policy positions that are deeply political and deeply disturbing. Drawing mostly from those positions, here are the top reasons [see [full article](#) for all 10 reasons] why I will *never* support the #BlackLivesMatter movement.

The premise isn't true. According to the FBI's latest homicide statistics, I'm eleven times more likely to be killed by someone of my own brown complexion than a white person. Also, a comprehensive 2019 study concluded: "White officers are not more likely to shoot minority civilians than non-White officers." Every loss of life is tragic, [but statistical context is important].

There is no goal of forgiveness or reconciliation. None. It's never mentioned on their sites. You can't talk about the sins of the past and expect to move forward if there is no intention of forgiveness. This should, immediately, be a deal-breaker for Christians. *Continued on page 3*

Thrift Shop Report

Month of May

188 Customers

(Work-to-earn on hold)

125 Units, assistance program

Garage Sale Report

Record income over \$13,000

50/50 Raffle prize was \$399

Congrats to Lisa Holthaus!

Exemplary Models of Forgiveness in Pro-life Movement

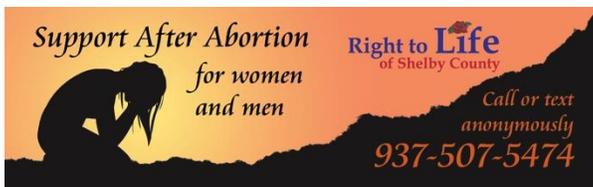
Speaking of forgiveness and reconciliation, as noted on their search bio: “40 Days for Life has become an example to many communities on how to offer hope, compassion and love to those who feel that their only hope is an abortion.” In what is now a well known story (thanks to the movie, *Unplanned*, which is still available to borrow from RTL) the extension of hope and forgiveness offered by the 40 Days for Life founders to former Planned Parenthood employee, Abby Johnson, has blossomed into Abby’s extensive ministry to help other abortion clinic employees escape and heal from the trauma of that work.

One testimony from Abby’s ATTWN website, AbortionWorker.Com, remarks: “I am not sure if there is a lonelier group of people than former abortion clinic nurses and doctors. Our hands have helped do things no one should ever think of, let alone do. ATTWN gave me my first opportunity to be open with others who knew the regret, knew the pain, and helped me start forgiving myself.” ATTWN does not beat them down for their past, but lifts them up.

In Ohio, Rachel’s Vineyard offers similar opportunities of healing for those who have experienced abortion in any way, including parents who pressured or forced their daughters to abort, or those who discovered too late that a grandchild was threatened by abortion.

The next **Post Abortion Healing Retreat with Rachel’s Vineyard is Aug 7-9**. Contact Carolyn Klair at 614-721-2100 or CarolynK@pdhc.org or visit <http://www.ourchoiceourvoice.org/> for more information.

As noted on the new [Post-Abortion Support page on Shelby County RTL’s website](#): “The pro-life community is above all a **loving** community that cares about you and your wellbeing.”



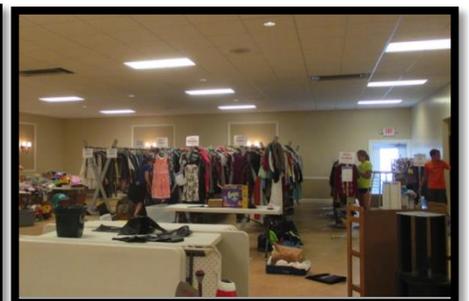
Our most recent billboards on display near Vandemark/SR47 through [Kenjoh](#).



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Right to Life of Shelby County

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Pictured: Damaged storefront siding being replaced. Wonderful volunteers packing after garage sale.

July-August Prayer Intentions

For conversion for public officials, candidates and lobbyists, who are not pro-life, to embrace the truth of the pro-life position: that all human life must be respected and protected by law, from conception onward.



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The 5-4 vote of the court in [June Medical](#) is directly related to regulation of abortion. The court has not allowed Louisiana to enforce a recently passed law that would have required abortionists to comply with the same safety standards as Louisiana's other ambulatory surgical centers.

Chief Justice Roberts was again the swing vote, unfortunately siding with the four unflinchingly pro-abortion justices. The specifics of Roberts' concurring opinion, however, don't appear to be founded on pro-abortion sentiment, so there is reason still to hope his adherence to *stare decisis* would be applied differently to a precedent as heinous as *Roe v. Wade*. It is to be hoped that the "scholarly, multi-factor test for deciding when to follow precedent," laid out by Kavanaugh in April (according to a [National Review article, April 21](#)) will be influential. "It matters *how wrong* the previous decision was, and disagreement over whether a decision was wrong is 'sometimes the *real* dispute when judges joust over *stare decisis*.'" Nonetheless, the addition of one or two more rightly-principled justices is essential to establishing integrity in the court.

Our civic duty to vote ought to impact the courts positively this fall.

With the right resources, the positions of most prominent candidates regarding abortion and other life issues are easily determined (and usually in stark contrast between political opponents aligned with the significantly conflicting official positions of the major political parties. [A great source of information is iVoterGuide.com](#) which lists party positions, candidate scorecards and questionnaire responses, and even information about [polling locations](#). Sign up right away for iVoterGuide.com emails. Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio, Ohio RTL and [Buckeye Ballot](#) will also be issuing endorsements based on candidates' stances on abortion and other life issues.

As seen in the 2020 primary elections – many delayed or postponed by state leaders (arguably unconstitutionally) – there are leaders who do not give due respect to voter rights at the polls. There are also concerns with increased voter fraud due to an expected increase in mail-in ballots, as iVoter Guide has been warning. Be determined to exercise your right to vote, but do not vote blindly; do your research and talk to others. Do not procrastinate; research early and well, inform others; vote and encourage others to vote; pray and pray some more with hope!

Pro-Abortion #BLM Organization *Continued from page 1*

It's all about Black Power. It's plastered all over the MFBL website. I don't promote social colorblindness; I love all of our diverse hues of skin. But I'm so much more than my pigmentation. Martin Luther King promoted "God's power and human power." I'm with him.

They heavily promote homosexuality and transgenderism. "*When we gather, we do so with the intention of freeing ourselves from the tight grip of heteronormative thinking.*" I'm not embracing confusion. The Bible is unambiguous about sexuality. Loving every human being is not the same as loving every human doing.

They completely ignore fatherhood. From BLMF: "*We disrupt the Western-prescribed nuclear family structure requirement by supporting each other as extended families and 'villages' that collectively care for one another, especially our children, to the degree that mothers, parents, and children are comfortable.*" Well, every "village" that has fatherless families is a village that suffers higher crime rates, higher drug usage, higher abortion rates, higher drop-out rates, higher poverty rates, and so much more. #DadsMatter.

Apparently, not all black lives matter. Pro-abortion BLMF declared: "We deserve and thus we demand reproductive justice [aka abortion] that gives us autonomy over our bodies and our identities while ensuring that our children and families are supported, safe, and able to thrive." Aborted children don't thrive. BLM groups announced "solidarity" with "reproductive justice" groups back in February 2015. You cannot simultaneously fight violence while celebrating it.

Closure of Ohio Oldest Abortion Facility

Earlier this month, one of the three abortion clinics in Columbus closed its doors. Founder's Women's Health Center which first opened in 1973 was Ohio's oldest abortion and longest operating abortion facility.

The following statement may be attributed to Mike Gonidakis, President of Ohio Right to Life:

"Ohio Right to Life is relieved to learn that Founder's finally closed. This unhealthy and unsafe abortion clinic that has hurt countless women and caused the death of thousands of innocent babies was a blight on our great state. Its closing is a long-fought victory for Pro-Life Ohio and a reason to celebrate. Today the cause of life has prevailed."

"As the fight to protect vulnerable life continues to be waged both here in Ohio and on a national level, the closing of Founder's is a poignant reminder for us to never lose heart in doing good. Ohio is pro-life and our commitment to ending abortion is moving mountains and saving lives."

Update from Dayton Right to Life Regarding Dayton Abortion Clinic

June 9-12 Wednesday continues to be a busy day for sidewalk prayers and witness [at Women's Med Center abortion clinic in Dayton.] On Wednesday the 10th, the family of a 13-year old changed their minds! There was also one worker who quit this week! Lots of answered prayers!

Ohio Legislation to Watch

Pro-life bills currently being proposed to the Ohio General Assembly include [The Human Life Protection Act](#) (H.B. 538). According to the Ohio Right to Life legislative webpage, "This legislation would prohibit all abortions except those necessary to save the mother's life [never actually necessary], but would not take effect until the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*. It is a common misconception that once *Roe* is overturned, abortion will become illegal in the United States. However, overturning *Roe* would in reality result in leaving the decision to permit or prohibit abortion up to each state. If *Roe* were overturned today, a baby in Ohio could be aborted until up to 20 weeks gestation." This significant bill is sponsored by John Becker (R).

Another bill of note is the [Telemedicine Abortion Ban](#) (S.B. 260). According to Ohio Right to Life, "This bill would prohibit the use of telemedicine for the purpose of providing abortion-inducing drugs. Statistics demonstrate that since the telemedicine abortion program started in Iowa in 2008, chemical abortions rose to make up 64 percent of all abortions, the highest in the U.S. The FDA has determined that Mifeprex, the most common form of a chemical abortion, carries with it a risk great enough that they have required a REMS (Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies) to be developed. Only approximately 5% of all the FDA approved medications are currently required to have a REMS." Unfortunately this measure would not prevent all chemical abortions and consequent harm to women, but it could reduce them significantly.

Still awaiting introduction is the [Abortion Trafficking Prevention Act](#) which would ban fetal tissue trafficking in Ohio. "Federal law currently bans this practice, but a loophole allows tissue traffickers to compensate abortion clinics for services related to the trafficking of fetal tissue, including storage and transportation. This bill would make the exchange of any form of compensation for fetal tissue or organs illegal and would make the activity a third-degree felony." Ohio Right to Life website provides easy steps to contact your legislators regarding these bills.