

Thanks for participating

LIFE CHAIN: We are so thankful for the 80 people who came out to the National Life Chain standing in solidarity, with so many others across Canada, to be a voice for the voiceless! Participants lined Hespeler Road wearing our "Choose Life" T-shirts, and garnered so much positive feedback by sounds of honking horns and thumbs up. However it would be remiss for us to not mention there was also some negative feedback (though small as it was) – but that is why we stand, because so many still feel it is their right to take the life of an innocent unborn child! We have to continue to pray that each heart will be changed and eyes will be opened to the plight of our unborn brothers and sisters.



WALK FOR LIFE: It was great to be back in person this year at the Galt Legion for our Walk for Life! Approximately 30 people participated in our 5 km walk from the Legion, while a few walked remotely. All in all, the amount collected for this, our largest fund raiser of the year, was \$13,156.00 – surpassing last year's number of \$12,616.00! "Thank You" to everyone who walked, donated, and prayed for a successful and sunny day for our walk! ■



New Ads Around Town, Coming Soon!

Look for our new "Adoption" and "Anti-Euthanasia" ads on two of our current benches around town beginning November 15th.

The "You can give the greatest gift. Choose Life Explore Adoption" will be seen at 725 Coronation Blvd (Medical Centre) and the "Be The Reason For Someone's Tomorrow. Assisted Death Is Not The Answer" message will be seen at Ainslie Street.

Additionally, we will be featuring some of our ads in the The Cambridge Times Newspaper during the months of November and December.

If you are able to help offset the cost of this advertising, please use the donation envelope enclosed in this newsletter. All donations are tax deductible. ■



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When human life begins isn't a belief

By Kristen Hawkins, President of Students for Life of America

One of the many shaky foundations the justification for abortion rests on is the lie that "we don't know when human life begins."

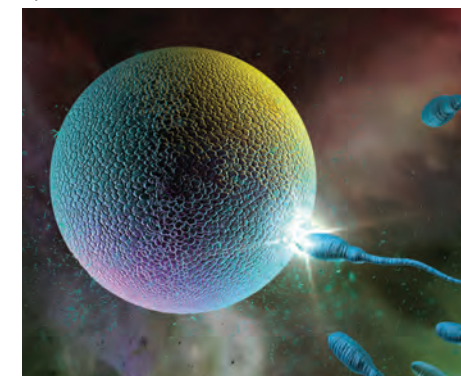
In reality, that's been settled in the scientific community for a long time. And it's only those who stand to profit from abortion out there working hard to confuse everyone.

Everyone wants to pick some arbitrary point on the human timeline as a "beginning," whether that be a heartbeat, brain activity, pain capability, or cognitive function.

The simple biological truth of the matter is that the Cell Theory states that all cells arise from pre-existing cells. There is no blackout period between sperm and egg uniting – no gray area between that moment and some random development that suddenly makes us living humans.

I'm going to go full nerd for a second, but stick with me.

The Carnegie Stages of Human Development indicate



that human development begins in the zygotic stage.

BUT, consider the assertion of developmental biologist and leading textbook author in the field, Scott Gilbert.

In his text, Gilbert takes us through the life cycle of a dog. The book, Developmental Biology, is arguably the leading text in the field.

According to Gilbert:

"Traditional ways of classifying catalog animals according to their adult structure. But, as J. T. Bonner (1965) pointed out, this is a very artificial method, because what we consider an individual is usually just a brief slice of its life cycle. When we consider a dog, for instance, we usually picture an adult. But the dog is a "dog" from the moment of fertilization of a dog egg by a dog sperm. It remains a dog even as a senescent dying hound. Therefore, the dog is actually the entire life cycle of the animal, from fertilization through death."

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Isn't it interesting how scientists so readily admit these realities when talking about animals or even life on Mars, yet play dumb when it comes to our own species?

We are human for our entire life cycle.

We are whole and complete in form and function at every stage of our development, for that given developmental stage.

I'm reminded of Seth Dillon, CEO of The Babylon Bee, and his remarks as a recent guest on The Joe Rogan Experience:

"Once life has begun, I don't think you can draw lines," Dillon said. "I would lay it out like this – It is wrong to intentionally kill a human life, abortion intentionally kills an innocent human life, therefore abortion is wrong."

Rogan asked, "Do you think that, like, once the conception happens, there is some sort of miraculous event like at the very moment? Like, you could literally get to the point where the sperm cracks the egg, if you could scoop that egg out right there, would that be abortion?"

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Dillon responded that “at some point” you must assume a magic moment occurred. “You believe that we eventually become valuable humans, right? Where’s the moment where you think the magic happens?” Dillon asked.

Many media outlets referred to Rogan as ‘speechless’ following this exchange - because Dillon, of course, is completely right. One of the coolest things I’ve ever learned during my time in the pro-life movement is that there is literally a flash of light when

conception occurs. Sure sounds like a magic moment to me. Human life begins at fertilization. And once everyone accepts this reality, we’ll be another large, cultural step closer to making abortion unthinkable in our nation. ■

MAiD expansion takes us to a ‘dark place’

By Charles Lewis (reprinted from the Catholic Register, October 6, 2022)



of Canadians supported some form of legalized assisted suicide. Why was that?

EFC: When the first MAiD law was passed, Canadians thought of it as limited to people who were dying and in unbearable pain. I don’t think most people anticipated or realized how quickly the law would expand or just how ineffective the safeguards would be in practice. At the time, we cautioned that the wording of the law was imprecise and the requirements so subjective that it would allow MAiD in situations beyond what most people expected.

CR: Did you ever envision the day when the mentally ill would be eligible?

EFC: Unfortunately, yes. Once you allow MAiD for one group of people, it becomes difficult to deny it to others. But I never imagined it would take place so quickly and with so little public discussion and study — especially since there is no consensus on whether and how access should be expanded to people with mental illness alone. Such a far-reaching change should have had significant study and debate in Parliament, but it did not. And now this change in law is poised to take effect without any additional legislative safeguards — safeguards which are too often already inadequate under the current reality, never mind with the immense additional complexity of mental illness alone.

CR: MAiD is dangerous in general, but do you think killing of the mentally ill brings us to an even darker place?

EFC: I think the expansion of MAiD to individuals with disability and chronic illness has already taken us to a dark place. It has laid bare a deeply disturbing ableism that puts the lives of people living with disability or chronic illness at risk. The EFC said at the time — and continues to say — it is unconscionable that in Canada it is easier to access a medically hastened death than it is to access or afford the medical care and supports needed to live well.

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Join Cambridge Right to Life for Our 2022 AGM

Bring your own lunch and join us to hear about our latest pro-life initiatives on
Thursday, November 24 from noon to 1:00PM at The Galt Legion (4 Veterans Way).

Following the AGM we will view the video “**I AM Standing for Life National Roundtable**,” one of the most in-depth videos ever produced on the topic of pro-life apologetics, and especially important now that we are seeing a push for infant euthanasia.

Agenda:

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| 1. Meeting call to order | 4. Elections |
| 2. Acceptance of agenda | 5. Walk for Life Prizes |
| 3. Financial Statements/Reports | 6. Adjournment |



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CR: The same Angus Reid poll also showed about 70 per cent of Catholics in favour of legalized assisted suicide while 70 per cent of Evangelical Protestants opposed euthanasia. Why do you think your religious community was so strongly against this?

EFC: We believe Scripture teaches that God gives us life, that each of us is fearfully and wonderfully made in His image, regardless of ability, medical condition or social status. That each life has value and purpose. We believe that to actively end a person’s life, even by medical procedure, runs counter to that teaching. This isn’t to say we believe life must be prolonged at all costs when it is nearing its natural end. Refusing unwanted medical treatment, though, is something different from MAiD, which intentionally ends a person’s life.

CR: Do you think there’s a chance to convince Canadians, and hence the government, that the killing of the mentally ill has gone too far?

EFC: I certainly hope so. I think this is something that should be deeply concerning to all Canadians, and to all parliamentarians. Based on what we know of

the statistics, I think it’s safe to say that if we aren’t struggling ourselves, all of us have friends, family members or loved ones who struggle with mental health. **CR: Do you think opposing the killing of the mentally ill could also convince some that euthanasia is generally wrong?**

EFC: I think Canadians are already beginning to see problems with MAiD. The media is telling story after story of people with disabilities who are requesting MAiD because they do not have access to treatment or supports to live, things like adequate housing or food. We were made aware recently of a young man in his early 20s with diabetes who had suffered some vision loss and had applied for — and been approved for — MAiD. Mercifully the doctor withdrew approval in the face of significant outcry from the young man’s family. How many Canadians would ever have imagined that a young man with the possibility of a long life ahead would be approved for MAiD? At minimum, I hope a significant number of Canadians will pause for serious consideration. ■