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PUTTING HER FEET WHERE HER MOUTH IS

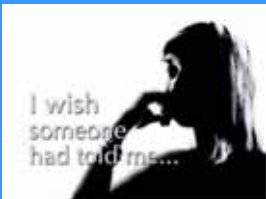
Kerrie Zabaks has a passion for life. When she saw the Little Feet pins at a conference she was excited about what she could do with them.

Kerrie owns and operates the **Red Barista**, a coffee shop wedged between the Sydney Town Hall and St Andrews House (attached to St Andrews Anglican Cathedral) in the centre of Sydney. She has the Little Feet pins (supplied by Choices



of Life) prominently on display on the cash register. When a customer asks about the Little Feet she doesn't hesitate to tell them. She has had many conversations (a captive audience while she makes their coffee) and has already sold some pairs of Little Feet to interested customers. She expects that the students from St Andrews Cathedral School will soon find out about the Little Feet – and word will get around! Why don't you check out Kerrie when you are next in Sydney and need a coffee or a bite to eat. She's at **Shop 45 in the Town Hall Square**. Her website is www.redbarista.com.au When you have opportunity thank Kerrie for putting her feet where her mouth is.

(Know someone else who could do this? Contact Bruce Coleman!)



Julie Jordan

NEW TRAINEES NOW PRESENTING. CONGRATULATIONS!

After extensive training Julie (in Sydney) and Sally (in Geelong) are now taking classes in the schools. It is wonderful to have competent and professional presenters taking the message of life to our young people.



Sally Baird

DINNER AT DENMAN (country NSW)

On 25th October over 20 adults and a number of children enjoyed a Chinese meal and heard Bruce share the ministry of the Choices of Life. They travelled from Scone, Muswellbrook, Maitland as well as within Denman itself. It was a great evening of encouragement and looking to the future. Plans are already underway to have "Life Stalls" at the country fairs and shows throughout various towns in the Hunter Valley during 2009. The organiser of the dinner, and the coordinator of this ambitious program, is Frances Hopkins, a 15-year old home school student from Denman.



Frances and the dinner at Denman



STOP PRESS—Adults, Young Adults, Teens Pro-Life Camp
16-18 January 2009
Camp Toukley, 90 minutes north of Sydney.
Details and application on enclosed form OR contact Bruce Coleman

HELP CHOICES OF LIFE TO EXPAND! NEW TRAINEES - NEW OPPORTUNITIES

During 2008 Bruce Coleman spoke at schools and trained new presenters in Victoria and Tasmania. Training must continue in 2009 in NSW, Victoria, Tasmania. Possible new trainees must be followed up. People in north west Victoria have requested training. Opportunities are also emerging in Canberra (ACT), Darwin and areas of Queensland.

It is exciting to have all these new opportunities to take the message of life to more and more young people. However they create extra pressures on time and finances. Bruce is obviously finding it necessary to travel more often. Also, finances are limited—individuals, schools and churches are providing some of the much needed donations to assist in undertaking this challenging program. Some individuals have committed to making monthly contributions to Choices of Life—a sincere thank you.

If you would like to sponsor a particular project please complete the attached form with your contribution or monthly donation.

I have also enclosed a Choices of Life brochure—please pass it on to a friend and encourage them to support this vital pro-life work.

TEACHERS/STUDENT COMMENTS

Thank you for the visit you made to Good News almost 2 months ago! The time has flown by, but the children still remember and refer to your visit. I appreciate the feed back we received from the student surveys, its seems the girls had more to say, but that is not unusual!

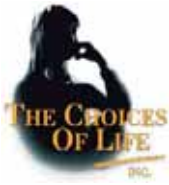
Louise Porra, Good News Lutheran School, Tameit (Werribee), Victoria

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO SUPPORT THE PRESENTERS

The trainee presenters are committing their time to ensure they are able to make professional presentations. Choices of Life also seeks to provide them with professional resources to support them in their vital role. **The basic kit — including free-standing banners and unborn baby models — for each presenter or group of presenters costs around \$1000.** Will you help us to make sure that those who are taking on the responsibility of presenting the message of life are adequately resourced? If you are able to help please complete the form below and mail your support to Choices of Life.



Name Address Suburbpostcode Phone Mobile Email Please return to: CHOICES OF LIFE PO BOX 459 GORDON NSW 2072	Please charge <input type="text"/> each month to my credit card until I advise otherwise OR a one off donation of <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 or my choice <input type="text"/> My cheque payable to CHOICES OF LIFE <input type="checkbox"/> Debit to my credit card <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Amex _____/_____/_____/_____ Name on Card _____ Signature _____ Expiry ____/____
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for *The Choices of Life*

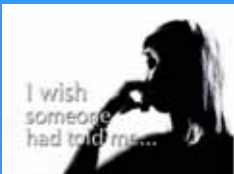
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Miracles Still Happen!

Two teenage girls gave up speaking for 24 hours (almost)



on behalf of the thousands of unborn babies who are never given a voice in an abortion decision. Wearing tee-shirts with clear pro-life messages, and mouths sealed shut with bright red duct tape, **Frances and Susan** walked the streets of their hometown of **Denman, NSW**. Any questions were answered by the statements written on their tee-shirts.

Congratulations—there are teenagers who hold strongly to the value of life—including that of unborn humans—and are willing to close their mouths to prove it!

10 YEARS OF TAKING THE MESSAGE OF LIFE TO SUTHERLAND SHIRE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL (NSW)

Comments from Year 11 students

- "I remember when you came and I was the person you used for your talk when I was in year 6!"
- "Thank you for coming. I am so passionate about life and the issue of abortion."
- "This program is an excellent idea and I hope it doesn't just go to Christian Schools. I hope it goes to public schools too."
- "Thanks. I hope this helps us all to be more aware and to make the correct decisions in our lives"
- "Confirms views that I already had."
- "I will fight for the abolition of abortion when I go to parliament."
- "The church should speak up against abortion—I don't think they are expressing themselves strong enough."

1. Praise God for the opportunity to once again speak to year 6 at the Green Point Christian School (NSW) on 1 December. Pray for a renewed open door into the secondary school.
2. Praise God for the opportunity to speak to Years 6, 9 and 11 at the Tangara School for Girls, Cherrybrook (NSW) on 2 December. The teachers and students are enthusiastically pro-life.
3. Praise God for the three seminars at the Gunnedah High School (NSW). Many of the students were positively influenced by the message.
4. Praise God for those who make monthly donations, or donate as they are able, to the Choices of Life. Pray for others who will make this commitment.
5. Thank God for Julie Jordan. On 5 November she spoke to year 6 students at St Mary Star of the Sea in Hurstville (NSW). In 2009 Julie wants to present weekly in Primary Schools as well as learn the Secondary program.
6. Sutherland Shire Christian School (NSW) has welcomed the pro-life message each year for the past 10 years. Praise God for faithful Christian staff such as Andrew Middleton (Assistant Principal).
7. Praise God for the opportunity to speak at the Blue Mountains Christian School, Blackheath (NSW). Pray for more schools on the Blue Mountains to be open to the message.
8. The passage of the anti-life, pro-abortion legislation in Victoria has made some Christians more aware of their responsibility to work to support life. Pray for God to raise up more people who will be active in this area.
9. Pray for Frances (from Denman, NSW) and other pro-life young people who are keen to support a pro-life camp in January 2009. They want to inform other young people and build a network of support across Australia.
10. The Blue Mountains area, west of Sydney, has been a difficult area in which to get any speaking appointments. Please pray for opportunities.
11. Continue to pray for increased speaking appointments in the state schools. Pray that the teachers will be receptive to having a presentation and that students will respond positively.
12. Praise God for the opportunity to speak at the breakfast meeting at the Revesby Presbyterian Church (NSW) on 15 November.
13. Pray for Julie as she takes the Year 6 class at St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, Dundas (NSW) on 11 November.
14. Robyn Green is an indigenous singer and leader from Darwin. Robyn has said that the message of life and hope is sorely needed in the Top End. Pray for Bruce to be able to visit Darwin and the indigenous communities in 2009.
15. Pray for the students at Channel Christian School, Southern Christian College and Northern Suburbs Christian School (Tasmania). They were enthusiastic about the message Bruce presented to them.
16. Pray for the Year 6 students at Tyndale Christian School, Blacktown (NSW) on 13 November. Pray for a renewed opportunity in the Secondary School.
17. Pray for students in the schools who have experienced an abortion. Pray that they will find the support of a faithful friend and experience the healing that only Jesus Christ can bring.
18. Praise God for the opportunities to speak at Christian schools in the Hobart area. Doors are opening into northern Tasmania.
19. Praise God for His divine appointments. While in Hobart Bruce had a positive conversation with Simon Matthews, the Executive Director of Christian Schools Tasmania. He has indicated his support.
20. Praise God for the opportunity to speak in churches—Katoomba and Gunnedah Baptist (NSW), Crossroads Presbyterian (Hobart) - and for prayerful and practical support for Choices of Life.
21. Pray for preparations for the Choices of Life Annual Dinner to be held in Sydney on Saturday 27th June 2009.
22. Praise God for Sally Baird and her commitment to a professional presentation at the Broadmeadows Sunday School (Victoria) on 9 November
23. Pray for those who have expressed interest in being trained at the Hope Generation Church on Melbourne's east side.
24. Pray for the National and NSW Council of Choices of Life—Peter Barnes, Rod Hordern, Pat Christian, John Kingsmill and Bruce Coleman. Pray for wisdom in decision making.
25. Pray for Brenda as she coordinates and works with Naomi, Sherrin, Chris, and Geoff on behalf of Choices of Life in Tasmania. Pray for them as they continue training for school presentations.
26. Pray for pastors and ministers to realise the importance of the abortion issue in the life and ministry of their church. Hurting men and women need to know that there is support and healing available.
27. Pray for potential trainees in Canberra who are concerned about the prevailing negative attitude amongst many young people in the ACT. They have a desire to present the real value of life in the midst of a sense of hopelessness.
28. Invitations have been received to bring the message of life to Brisbane, Toowoomba and Cairns in Queensland. Pray for wisdom in taking up these opportunities at the right time—in God's time.
29. Praise God for the opportunity to speak to Years 6 and 10 at the Cedars Christian College at Unanderra (NSW) on 14 November.
30. Pray for the group in Hobart that are planning displays for shopping centres and markets to promote the pro-life message.
31. Pray for youth groups—such as St John's Presbyterian (Hobart) and St Joseph's Catholic, Croydon (NSW) - where Bruce has the opportunity to share the pro-life message.