

8. Following AFLM's founding in 1985, we applied for and obtained nonprofit tax-exempt organization status with the IRS. All contributions made to AFLM are tax-deductible. We have a 501 C-3 status and make all of the required annual reports to the IRS. These reports are prepared by a Certified Public Accountant who monitors our accounting practices. Copies of these reports are available for public inspection upon request.

9. Most of the people that are involved with AFLM are volunteers. However, a few individuals who have devoted themselves full-time to the ministry receive financial compensation through one of two sources:

a. Subsistence Salaried Employees. Some of the full-time staff at AFLM receive housing and a small salary to meet their essential living expenses.

b. Faith Missionaries. Some of the full-time staff, under supervision of the Board of Directors, raise support from individuals, churches and organizations. These staff members do not receive a salary from AFLM but depend on God to provide for them through these gifts.

Programs

Reaching Out To Unborn Children and Their Mothers

Since the 1973 Supreme Court Roe vs. Wade decision legalizing abortion, millions of children have died. Much to our nation's shame, that toll climbs higher as 4,500 more babies die each day.

What are Christians doing to stop this innocent bloodshed? Are they doing anything to intervene for the babies dying in local abortion facilities each day? What about reaching out to those who are considering abortion as an alternative to carrying their child to term?

These are the questions that Andrew Burnett asked himself after viewing a documentary film on abortion in 1984. At that time it became clear to Mr. Burnett that God was laying it on his heart to speak out for those children, to be an advocate for the unborn. Thus, the organization Advocates for Life Ministries (AFLM) was founded in February of 1985 with the goal of "rescuing the unborn and their mothers from abortion" with the love and compassion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

AFLM began by bringing a Christian presence to the abortion facilities in Portland, Oregon, educating the community at large, and encouraging the Church to take responsibility for protecting women and children.

In an effort to educate and reach more people, the AFLM Action Newslines were established which brought local and national pro-life news to its callers (503-257-3031).

During the summer of 1985, our magazine *The Advocate* began as a four-page newsletter sent to approximately 300 activists in the Portland area. It soon went from four to eight—and then to 12 pages, while at the same time circulation mushroomed. In 1989, Mr. Burnett, as editor, decided to change the principle focus of the publication from a local emphasis to a national and international one.

The Advocate is now about 32 pages and the circulation to many thousands.

In the summer of 1986, AFLM organized its first rescue mission, a rescue mission being when Christians go in the spirit of Proverbs 24:11—"Rescue those being dragged away to slaughter"—and placing themselves between the abortionists and their victims: the baby and mother.

Over the years, AFLM has expanded its ministries so that we can more effectively meet the needs of those we reach out to. For example, our caregiving ministries now deal with crisis pregnancy work, shepherding homes, post-abortion counseling, medical care referrals and providing baby and maternity clothes and baby furniture, etc.

We hope you will join us in the important task of reaching out to the unborn and their parents. Together—with God's guidance and the partnership of brothers and sisters in the Lord such as yourselves—we can continue to minister to those in need. Above all, we stand ready to assist you in any way, and we ask you to prayerfully consider your role in this ministry. Please do not hesitate to call or write us with any need you may have.

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