86 Bishops Express Solidarity With Vermont Rescuers

Miami, FL—In an unprecedented gesture of solidarity with leading members of the Rescue movement, 86 Cardinals, Archbishops, and Bishops—all members of the Brazilian Hierarchy—signed a letter of support and solidarity addressed to the 95 rescuers who, until recently, were imprisoned in Vermont for their Rescue efforts.

The letter to the rescuers saluted their "work in defense of life and Christian values..." and was personally signed by each of the 86 Brazilian Prelates.

The letter was initiated by Msgr. Ney de Sa Earp, head of Brazil's pro-life movement, who visited the imprisoned rescuers during April when he was in the U.S. to attend the Human Life International Conference in Miami.

Msgr. Ney Earp carried a letter to the Brazilian Bishops from Thomas Herlihy, Fr. Norman Weslin, and Joan Andrews who were among the 95 rescuers in prison. Their letter urged the Bishops "to become visible and vocal witnesses" against the evil of abortion. ■

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New Zealand Rescue Number Six

by Phil O'Connor

On May 10th, 1990 at Auchlord's (New Zealand) largest abortuary, the "Epsom Day Clinic," seventy rescuers conducted a "sit in". Eleven arrestees occupied the "procedure room" and the prayer support group initially blocked the main doorway to the building and thereafter stood vigil and prayed adjacent to the driveway.

As a result of the action of the rescuers placing themselves between abortionist and baby, four women spoken to by the Counseling Team turned away, deciding not to abort but to continue giving life to their children.

The abortuary itself was closed down for the greater part of the morning as rescuers were able to occupy the room for nearly an hour before being dragged away. The room then had to be re-sterilized which bought more time for the babies.

While it was disappointing to note that some abortions were performed later on, rescuers felt sure that a large number of the 28 instrument trays laid out on stainless steel trolleys in the operating room were unused, at least for this day.

Throughout a great spirit and solidarity in prayer prevailed. This was felt especially through the prayer support group. ■

California KCs To Expel Pro-Abortion Members

by Arthur J. Brew

San Francisco, CA—In a history-making action that could have profound implications for Catholic politicians all across America, 500 delegates to the annual Knights of Columbus California state convention here overwhelmingly adopted a resolution "to suspend summarily and bring expulsion proceedings against any member who dissents from Church teaching and gives scandal by public support of a pro-choice position on abortion whether by statement, vote, or action."

The resolution drafted and introduced by a K.C. "Save Our Babies" caucus further stated that the Supreme Knight and Board of Directors should "be encouraged to perform their duty under Section 165 on the national level as well."

In the May 17th-20th sessions held at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel, the delegates also recommended that their resolution "be transmitted to the national convention for the purpose of adopting the same as a national resolution."

Another resolution unanimously adopted at the convention commended San Diego Bishop Leo T. Maher for his courageous act in censuring California Assemblywoman Lucy Killea for her outspoken support of abortion. A Catholic, Killea was told by Bishop Maher that she could no longer receive Holy Communion while holding such views as a public official. The Bishop's action brought him widespread criticism in both secular and religious circles. Maher recently underwent surgery for a brain tumor and is due to retire this summer at the age of 75. ■

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Commentary

Child-killing and the oppression of God's People

by Randall A. Terry

Randall Terry

I wavered amidst shock, dismay and anger. How could the Supreme Court refuse to suspend Atlanta's ban against picketing, leafletting, praying or even preaching the gospel within 50 feet of an abortuary? How could they suspend every Christian's First Amendment rights of assembly?

Easily. It is the hand of God. That's right. God Himself is slowly but surely taking away our rights, handing us over to our enemies to be oppressed. Do you think this insane? Read on.

"They even sacrificed their sons and their daughters to demons, And shed innocent blood, The blood of their sons and their daughters...And the land was polluted with the blood...Therefore the anger of the Lord was kindled against His people...Then He gave them into the hand of the nations; And those who hated them ruled over them. Their enemies also oppressed them, And they were subdued under their power."

Psalm 106:37,38,40-42

Here God shows us the direct link between child-killing and the oppression of His people. Those of you familiar with blood-guiltiness understand that not only those who kill their children are guilty, but those who tolerate child-killing are guilty. We all have blood on our hands. Hence, we will all suffer the displeasure of the Lord.

In case it isn't clear what this passage means—and many times in the Scriptures and history this principle is exemplified—let me remove all doubt. The Christian community—you and I—are being handed over, by God, to our enemies. We will see more and more oppression, tyranny and injustice against Christians; more and more sham trials; hassles with Social Services; battles with the I.R.S. over tax-exempt issues; interference from local, state and federal school officials over our Christian schools; more arrests for praying; more mockery and vilification from the news media, TV sitcoms, and Hollywood movies; more acts of violence against Christians; more lawsuits against pastors, TV and radio speakers because of what they preach; and on and on it will go. The enemies of God will seek to control 1) what we do, 2) what we say, 3) when we do or say it, and 4) where we do or say it. Ultimately, they want to castrate the church. And except we repent, they will succeed. So what do we do?

II Chronicles, chapter 27 lays out a clear, concise battle plan: 1) King Jotham rebuilt the upper gate of the house of the Lord, 2) he built fortresses, walls, cities in the mountains—all as defensive measures, and 3) he attacked the Ammonites. If we have any hope of turning this nation around, and rescuing our children from the full brunt of the present and coming oppression, we must heed Jotham's example.

His first activity revealed his God-centered posture. We must determine to be God/Christ centered people, laboring in prayer, excelling in the worship of our King. If we don't secure God's help through prayer, we are doomed, for vain is the help of men.

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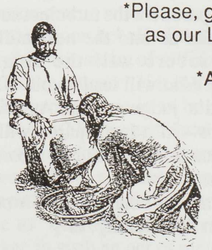

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