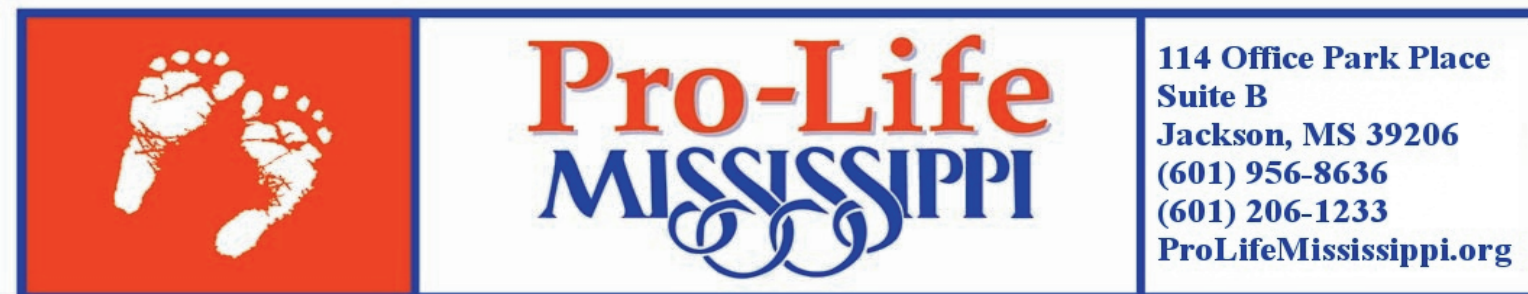




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## PLM OFFICE MOVES TO NEW LOCATION

Thanks to the generosity of pro-life supporter Joyce Caracci, Pro-Life Mississippi will be housed in a spacious, rent-free building in northeast Jackson this fall.

“The board of PLM was overwhelmed by this gracious gift”, stated board president Dr. Beverly McMillan. “Like many charitable organizations, we operate on a shoe-string budget. This move will eliminate much of our office overhead.”

“I am excited about having so much more space,” stated PLM vice president Brian Alexander. “We will have plenty of storage for our pro-life literature, as well as a larger room for holding our monthly board meetings and sidewalk counselor training sessions.” Board member Ester Mann concurs. “This is truly an example of God answering prayer before we even ask,” she maintained.

PLM’s new address will be 114 Office Park Plaza, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39206. The telephone number will remain 601-956-8636.

## Annual Candlelight Vigil



Saturday, January 16, 2010 From 4:30 pm until 7:30 pm

Location: First Floor Rotunda, Capitol Building

# PLM Spring Banquet A Big Success

Over 400 people attended PLM's Annual Spring Banquet, held at first Baptist Church, Jackson, April 2, 2009. A large ecumenical crowd was entertained by classical violin music performed by Belhaven Fine Arts major, Julia Watkins. The invocation was given by First Baptist Church's senior pastor, Rev. Stan Buckley and the benediction was prayed by retired Bishop of the Catholic diocese of Jackson, Bishop William Houck.

Dr. Matt Friedeman, national talk show host and Professor of Evangelism and Discipleship at Wesley Biblical Seminary, was the banquet speaker. Dr. Friedeman's message was one of forgiveness and love, even for pro-abortion advocates and abortion clinic workers. "The love of Christ is the power that will overcome the evil of abortion", he emphasized.

Other highlights of the evening included the presentation of the "Pro-Lifer of the Year" award to long time pro-life activist and sidewalk counselor, Roy McMillan. Many in the audience were moved to tears by his acceptance speech, which recounted the fact that he had been abandoned as a newborn infant on the doorsteps of a

Baptist church in Louisiana in 1943. McMillan has been responsible for spearheading numerous pro-life campaigns in Mississippi, including Operation Rescue, Face the Truth and the "Saving every Sydney" billboard effort. Local artist Jeanette Jarmon exhibited her Christian paintings, T-shirts and handbags. She donated 50% of her proceeds to PLM.

PLM president, Dr. Beverly McMillan, hosted the event. She expressed her gratitude for the many volunteers who were responsible for a very successful festivity. "Occasions like this serve to 'recharge' the batteries of our board and all who have labored so long in the pro-life battle. It is a great energizer to feel such wonderful support from the Christian community." Her reaction to her husband's citation as pro-lifer of the year? "I have to commend the selection committee. I had no idea Roy had been chosen until the day of the banquet. Of course, I am thrilled for him."

*Editor's Note: Roy was voted Pro-Lifer of the year at a Board meeting Dr. McMillan could not attend due to a medical conference. It was quite a job keeping this secret from her.*

## NEWS FROM THE SIDEWALK

One of PLM's most satisfying ministries is to provide support to the small but effective band of dedicated Christians who daily bring encouragement and counseling to abortion-bound moms outside Mississippi's only remaining abortion mill in Jackson. PLM furnishes literature for them to dispense, stores their signs, and maintains statistics on the number of "turn-aways" reported by these wonderful and dedicated sidewalk counselors.

Since January of 2009, they have confirmed 45 babies saved from abortion, given out 45 baby gift bags (provided by a number of generous churches throughout the state), passed out 1,629 pieces of pro-life literature, and given away over 300 Beanie Baby literature packs.

"We are always in need of new recruits to this gratifying, front-line effort for life," states Bryan Logan, PLM board member and chairman of the board's Sidewalk Counseling committee. "While volunteers are welcome to come to the Fondren abortion facility any day Monday through Friday, they can also find out current information about the schedule at the abortuary and pick up literature from the Pro Life Mississippi office. I hope many Mississippians will prayerfully consider joining our ministry."

PLM office manager, Tammy Adams, is available with information about how to contact the sidewalk counseling 'captains' assigned for each weekday. "The captain can arrange to meet you at the mill and help orient you to the ministry," she stated. "We also hold sidewalk counseling seminars periodically throughout the year for the express purpose of training new volunteers."

Ms. Adams can be reached at the PLM office 601-956-8636.

## Meet The Board Members

*We continue to introduce our readers to members of the Board of Directors of Pro Life Mississippi (PLM), and take pleasure in focusing in this issue on one of our newest board members, Dr. Caroline Knight.*

**PLM:** Tell us a little about your background and education.

**Dr. Knight:** I was born and raised by Christian parents in Missouri. My Dad was a Methodist Minister and our family also traveled and sang together. We were called "The Singing Leslie Family". I accepted Christ as my Savior at age nine, and at age thirteen I answered a call to missionary service.

I have a B.A. in Bible with a minor in social Work, a Masters Degree in Counseling from Liberty University, and a Doctorate of Ministry from Trinity Theological Seminary.

**PLM:** How did you answer your missionary call?

**Dr. Knight:** I worked as a missionary in the inner city of Seattle for five years at a homeless shelter that served over one hundred people every day. I was married for twenty-eight years and my family and I lived in East Africa for ten years working as pioneer missionaries. I have four children ages fifteen through twenty-three – Andrew, Amanda, Austin and Abel. Our family was privileged to bring the Gospel to

many villages that had never heard it before. During our stay we planted forty churches, opened a medical clinic and started a primary school.

**PLM:** Since coming back to the States, what have you done?

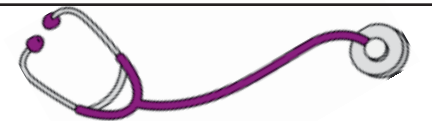
**Dr. Knight:** I have been a professor of Counseling and Missions at Wesley College for the past seven years, and created and launched their counseling program in 2005.

**PLM:** How did you become involved in the Pro Life movement?

**Dr. Knight:** I have been strongly pro-life all of my life and engaged in sidewalk counseling for many years. One day I was praying about what I should do in the fight for life and what my involvement should be. The Lord sent a vision to me of a mangled and bloody little baby girl. He spoke to me in a voice of rebuke, just three words: "I Love Her!" The vision was so real and shocking that I became physically ill. I ran to the bathroom to vomit from the nausea that overwhelmed me. That was my answer. I no longer asked what to do, but prayed instead for Christ to give me strength to fight as a warrior for my King on behalf of His beloved babies.

*Dr. Knight is currently serving PLM in fundraising and development.*

## The President's Corner



Pro-Life Mississippi has always been at the forefront of defending our unborn children from the absolute monstrosity of abortion. Without life, little else matters, so it is no surprise that this abomination consumes the majority of our time.

It should also not be surprising that our charter extends beyond abortion to such things as Embryonic Stem Cell Research, Cloning, and Euthanasia. Things that are very much in the spotlight with all the hype going around about "Health Care Reform."

I have read the bill (O.K. I'll admit I was sleepwalking through most of it, punctuated by periods of sheer terror at what I was reading.) and I am thoroughly convinced this is a life issue that every single American needs to become familiar with, because at some point in their lives

every American will have their life changed by what is being proposed with this legislation.

There are quite a few provisions most Pro-Lifer's would find objectionable clearly spelled out in black and white. What's worse is many of the biggest "Power Grabs" leave no clue what the government intends to do with that power - only that policies and guidelines will be determined by newly created agencies.

I won't torture anyone by asking that you read the entire HR3200 bill, but I would like to ask that you read Liberty Counsel's overview to point you to the most suspicious sections. The document is available at: [http://www.lc.org/media/9980/attachments/healthcare\\_overview\\_obama\\_072909.pdf](http://www.lc.org/media/9980/attachments/healthcare_overview_obama_072909.pdf)