



Dear friends,

Several days ago, I asked the team for updates and testimonies for this newsletter. It's been exciting to receive them, each speaking to the hard work that is being done on your behalf across the country. While I wish it were possible to include them all, **I trust you'll find the following sampling very encouraging.**

The summer interns have already completed half their time with CCBR! After the first week of training, **they're spending 4.5 days per week doing activism**, with the remainder in the office for higher level training.

Fantastic news from Calgary

The Calgary intern team went to Regina for six days. The trip included activism and two presentations, which brought together a small group of very interested volunteers who are now working with CCBR staff to set up a local activism group!

Alex vande Bruinhorst: "Recently while postcarding, a lady came out of her house. I handed her a postcard, which she recognized immediately. About a year ago she had picked one up outside when it blew onto her foot. She had looked at it, taken it home, read through it, cried about it, and kept it. Sometime later she'd become pregnant and her boyfriend pressured her to abort or he would leave her. **She told me that seeing the pictures on the postcard convinced her that she couldn't do that to her child.**"



Alex literally met a pregnant woman who, postcard in hand, said, **"This makes a difference. It saves lives."** Despite her boyfriend's and doctor's pressure to abort, she plans to keep and raise her child. What a privilege to know of this little life being saved—and to support this mom!—because of last year's postcards.

Travelling Interns are gaining momentum

Going from place to place, these interns have helped lead activism in Vancouver, Edson, Edmonton, and Lethbridge, and are working with groups in Prince George, Kamloops, Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Red Deer, and Taber to help with activism in the coming months. They've also trained nearly a dozen new volunteers.

Progress on Toronto streets

The intern team helped with the March for Life and recently went to Ottawa for a week of postcarding, "Choice" Chain, banner outreach, and networking with other pro-lifers. They've faced increasing hostility on the streets but have been responding incredibly well.

Blaise Alleyne: "When I saw a couple stop in front of an 8-week abortion victim photo, I offered them pamphlets and asked what they thought about abortion. The woman said, **'I didn't know it looked like this! I'm pregnant right now!'** I congratulated her; she said she was six weeks along.



I asked if they wanted to watch a video of healthy first-trimester children in-utero. As I was pulling the video up on the tablet, the woman said, 'I feel like this is a sign!' I asked her what she meant. She explained that when they found out about the pregnancy, they didn't know what to do, but after the ultrasound and hearing the heartbeat, she felt, *I gotta keep the baby*. I asked if they had help and support. She said yes but I also gave her a Choice42 card and went through the help available in Toronto. They thanked me and I wished them well."

While the mom had already decided she didn't want an abortion, she also felt like this was a sign. **Seeing the abortion photos, prenatal video, and receiving information about support reaffirmed their choice for life!**

NEW: The Pro-Life Study Series

After much work behind the scenes, **we're excited to tell you about CCBR's brand-new project, *A Christian's Guide to Defending Life in the Womb: A Pro-Life Study Series***. This 5-week series includes a 30-minute video featuring a different CCBR speaker for each session, followed by small group discussions.

Two churches in Vancouver are currently running a pilot project with a combined total of 50 participants. **The series will be available in September 2019**. Pricing is \$500/hosting church or organization or \$30/participant, which includes a copy of the videos, as well as facilitator and discussion guides. Please contact Rachel Miclat at rmiclat@endthekilling.ca to order or for more information.

Be part of the action!

This newsletter speaks of a simple but powerful fact: **your support saves lives**. The interns are over halfway through their summer and they have been funded only by what you and their friends and family have given.

At this time, just over 30% of the total \$100,000 goal for the summer has been reached, with another \$70,000 to raise. We are grateful for every one of you who has given so generously! **If you haven't donated yet, or if you have friends and family you can share this with, check out the #NotAnother50 campaign at: www.endthekilling.wonderwe.com**. Every \$10, \$100, or \$1,000 is a tremendous help, and is being blessed in bigger ways than we could have imagined!

Being pro-life is an action, not just a belief. Today we invite you, your family, friends, church, and community—all of us together—to act: to be *all in* as we fight this battle to save lives.

On behalf of the team,



Maaïke Rosendal

There are many reasons to give thanks:

- On June 2nd Calgary team member Rachel Dalcin married her fiancé Jason Miclat.
- On June 23rd Nick and I welcomed Nora, our fifth child, to the world outside the womb.
- On July 1st colleague Pieter Bos and his wife Elissa were blessed with a firstborn son.

