



## Christian Voices for Life

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## 40 Days for Life - Making a Difference

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**Education:** One lady by the name of Meredith Olson was praying outside the abortion clinic in College Station. A man drove by and said, “Why don’t you do something about the children in Iraq?” Meredith took the challenge seriously, but she decided, “Today, I can’t do anything about the children in Iraq. But I can do something about the children here.” (1)

I love that song – “We Can Make a Difference, we can make a difference; we can make a difference in the world.” We all want to make a difference, don’t we? It is easy to feel helpless about wars in Africa, world poverty, or forced abortion in

China. But abortion here in our own city – we CAN DO SOMETHING that will really make a difference. 40 Days for Life is a proven strategy to save lives. There are 15,256 babies – which we know of – whose mothers chose life because they saw someone praying outside an abortion clinic during a 40 Days for Life campaign. We also know of 186 workers who have quit their jobs, and 99 abortion facilities which have closed down! (2) Former abortion workers report that when people are praying outside the clinic, the “no-show” rate for abortion appointments goes up – sometimes to as high as 75%! (3)

Each spring, the 40 Days for Life campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, along with the season of Lent. Lent is a time for repentance, prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Can you make time this Lent to make a difference in the life of a young woman who is tempted to abort? You don’t have to say a word – just stand and pray and be a witness.

1. Bereit, David and Carney, Shawn, *40 Days for Life: Discover What God Has Done*, 2012, 2017.
2. <https://40daysforlife.com/results/> accessed 3/4/2019.
3. <https://www.lifesitenews.com/pulse/when-you-show-up-...-they-dont>



**Prayer:** Please, Lord, use this 40 Days for Life campaign to help many women choose life rather than abortion. Help the witness of the volunteers serve to remind all who enter the clinics that God is the author of life, and look harder for alternative solutions to the problems they face. Help all pregnant women to become aware of the help and support that is available at pregnancy help centers. Help the staff of the abortion clinic to consider whether they really want to continue working in an industry that kills babies. Bless the thousands of volunteers who will participate in this campaign around the world, and help them to be faithful to their commitments to pray and witness on the sidewalk.



**Action:** Please join us any Monday or Thursday in Lent, between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm, at 8200 Wednesbury Lane in southwest Houston, or at the Planned Parenthood at 4600 Gulf Freeway on **Friday Mar 15**, or **Tues Mar 26** (6:30 am – 6:30 pm). Can you spare one hour a week, or even just one hour to stand up and pray outside a place where children are being killed? Go to our [40 Days page](#) to get more details and sign up! To sign up for any other days at PP, contact [Theresa@houstoncoalition.com](mailto:Theresa@houstoncoalition.com) or 713-395-1330.