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# Bring Us Back To Life

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Bring Us Back To Life: A Pro-Life Prayer
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To the tens of millions of children whose time on this earth was far too short, but who are now forever held in their heavenly Father's arms.

#### introduction

This pro-life prayer devotional represents the most powerful resource we will ever have in ending abortion: prayer.

It's so easy to overlook prayer, or to trust in our own programs or abilities, or to even treat God like He is just a bystander watching how well we can fend for ourselves.

But the truth is, abortion at its very core is a spiritual battle, and spiritual battles cannot be fought without prayer.

Bring Us Back To Life is written to help you focus your heart on the prayerful expectation that God will move mightily as we trust Him and bring our hopes, fears, and pleas before Him.

This devotional is created purposefully with thirty separate days of topics in order to walk you through one month of prayer, then to return back to day one and start all over again.

At the end of each section, you'll find space where you can write down what God is placing on your heart as you pray. Or, you may have specific persons that you will pray for.

Scripture verses are also provided to help you gain deeper reflection into each specific area of prayer.

Although this is just a small resource, it will hopefully open up a gateway to prayer in your life that will bless you and help bring about the end to abortion.

Every human life is valuable, because every human life is created in the image of God. It is the same God who fashioned you in your mother's womb who now calls you to deeper fellowship with Him through prayer.

May you be blessed, and may your prayer life abound, as we seek His face and trust in His will.

For Life,

Mike Fichter

## Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



Day 1: protection of the unborn

Unborn babies are the most vulnerable members of our society, and yet every year, over 800,000 of these children die as the result of abortion.

Pray today that abortion will soon end forever.

Pray that these little ones will be protected from m the brutality of abortion.

Pray that the truth found in Psalm 139 will change hearts and minds throughout our nation and that we will return to a foundational respect for all human life.

Praise God that your mom chose life.

Psalm 139: 13-14

You knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

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Day 2: health care workers

Health care workers are on the front lines of everyday decisions impacting the value of life. They need wisdom and courage to address tough issues while holding fast to their role in healing and supporting life.

Pray that health care workers will always hold true to a commitment to do no harm in all situations.

Pray that health care workers will have the wisdom to present life-saving alternatives to abortion and euthanasia.

Pray that the conscience rights and employment of pro-life health care workers will be protected in their places of work.

#### Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

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Day 3: state and local elected officials

Being an elected official in today's world is a tough job, yet we need leaders willing to do what's right to serve our state and local communities while respecting all rights, including the right to life of unborn children.

Pray that God will change the hearts of elected officials who support abortion on demand.

Pray for the protection of legislators and their families.

Pray that pro-life legislators will speak with truth and boldness in defending life.

Pray that pro-life legislators will have wisdom in strategically advocating for the unborn.

#### I Timothy 2:1-2

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

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Day 4: moms considering abortion

Right now, as you read this, there are moms across the world who are contemplating abortion. The lives of their babies are hanging in the balance.

Pray that these moms will choose life instead of choosing abortion.

Pray that God will send, well-grounded believers into the lives of these moms to show love, share grace, and help to choose life.

Pray that God will give strength to overcome the fears, concerns, and coercion many of these women are facing.

Pray that their tiny babies will be real to them.

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Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.

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Day 5: sidewalk counselors

Sidewalk counselors faithfully endure all types of situations in order to just be available to help women on the edge of abortion to change their minds and choose life.

Pray for the physical and spiritual protection of sidewalk counselors who are often subject to verbal attacks and insults.

Pray that these counselors will choose grace by refusing to be caught up in verbal confrontations.

Pray that many lives will be saved through the prayers and effective witness of counselors.

Pray that God's peace will surround them.

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Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

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Day 6: adoptive families

Adoptive families show their love for children by making them a part of a forever family. Adoption opportunities exist not only for newborn babies, but also for embryos and older children in foster care.

Pray that more families will be moved to choose adoption.

Pray that adoptive parents will find grace and wisdom in navigating the big changes adoption will bring to a family.

Pray that more and more women considering abortion will choose adoption instead.

Pray that many foster children will be adopted.

#### James 1:27

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

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Day 7: wisdom

We all need wisdom. In a day when it's so easy to let social media and news outlets tell us what to think, we need wisdom to understand how we can speak for life.

Pray that God will create a hunger for you to read the book of Proverbs on a regular basis.

Pray that God will grant wisdom to influence leaders to know how to best use their influence in speaking for unborn children.

Pray for wisdom in responding to arguments supportive of abortion and euthanasia.

Pray for wisdom in countering the philosophies of a world that rejects God as Creator of life.

#### James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

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Day 8: church and ministry leaders

Pastors and ministry leaders are charged with sharing God's truth, even when it is unpopular in the culture. The pressures of ministry can be intense, and the need to shepherd the flock with grace and truth can be overwhelming.

Pray that pastors and ministry leaders will be bold in teaching what God's word says about the value of every human life.

Pray that congregations will come alongside pastors and ministry leaders to support them.

Pray that churches will show true love by serving the needs of single moms in their congregations.

## II Timothy 4:2

Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

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Day 9: fathers

Many women will feel pressure to choose abortion when fathers abandon their responsibilities as men, refusing to offer any meaningful support to new moms.

Pray that God will raise up a new generation of men who take personal responsibility for their actions and hold other men accountable.

Pray that men will reject the notion of paying for an abortion as a way of avoiding responsibility for the new life they helped create.

Pray that fathers will help train up their children in the way they should go.

Pray that fathers will seek to honor God.

#### Joshua 24:15

And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

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Day 10: abortion recovery

Abortion recovery is one of the largest untapped mission fields in America, with tens of millions of women – and men—living in the regret and sadness of abortion decisions.

Pray that all women and men living in the pain of abortion's aftermath will find the forgiveness and grace only found in Christ.

Pray that those women who have experienced abortion will become leaders in counseling other women to choose life, not abortion.

Pray that parents, boyfriends, employers, and others who helped pressure women into abortion decisions will be convicted of their actions and ask for forgiveness.

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He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

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Day 11: civility

Abortion is an issue that strikes an emotional chord with just about anyone. But when the passion for saving lives crosses the line and becomes abrasive, abusive, and even untruthful, our mission to save lives suffers.

Pray that every pro-life organization will be known for always acting with civility while holding fast to the truth.

Pray that the world will see a marked contrast between pro-life supporters and the abortion industry.

Pray that through civility, those who are conflicted on the issue will want to hear more about what we are saying about the God-given value of every unborn child.

#### II Corinthians 2:15

For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

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Day 12: abortion business workers

Every day, abortion business workers enter a world where life is destroyed. Some may be lured by the money, some by a misguided sense that they are actually serving others.

Pray that God will move mightily in the abortion industry and bring hundreds of abortion business workers out of it for good.

Pray that God will open the eyes of abortion business workers to see unborn children as real children being killed in their clinics.

Pray that God compels family, friends, coworkers, and even casual acquaintances to start real conversations about quitting the business. Pray they become champions for life.

#### II Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

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Day 13: opportunities

New opportunities to save lives may be all around us, but sometimes we can lack the vision to see them. What opportunities might be waiting for you today?

Pray that God will open your eyes to every opportunity around you to serve moms and babies today.

Pray for opportunities to help a woman considering abortion to choose life.

Pray that the pro-life movement will uncover new opportunities to change hearts and minds on the issue of abortion.

Pray that foundations and individuals will give generously to help secure new opportunities.

#### Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

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Day 14: next generation leaders

Great movements rise or fall on the shoulders of godly leaders willing to serve sacrificially for the benefit of others. The pro-life movement is at a moment when new leaders with fresh vision are needed for the mission.

Pray that God will move across the nation in the hearts of leaders under 30 years of age who are ready to speak for the unborn.

Pray that godly mentors will fulfill their responsibility to help young leaders excel.

Pray that the next generation of leaders will be the generation that sees an end to abortion.

Pray that older leaders make room for the new leaders to start exerting their styles.

#### I Tim 4:12

Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.

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Day 15: educators

Educators at all levels from preschool to graduate school have the tremendous ability to shape the hearts and minds of the next generation on issues like abortion.

Thank God for pro-life educators who teach a respect for all human life, including the unborn.

Pray for educators who find themselves in situations in which they may feel pressured to compromise their beliefs.

Pray for students at all levels to have hearts and minds open to the scientific truth that human life begins at the moment of fertilization.

Pray that educators who teach biblical views will be supported by parents and peers.

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He must increase,	but I must decrease.

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Day 16: research scientists

Research scientists are on the leading edge of life-saving technologies such as surgeries in the womb, yet they are also faced with tremendous pressure to help develop technologies that can destroy life.

Pray that research scientists will start their work from the basis that unborn children are fully human and deserving of respect.

Pray that leaders in research science will set the pace for others by always operating with the highest moral integrity.

Thank God for the life-saving advancements that are possible through ethical research.

Pray that new technologies will be discovered to help children with disabilities in the womb, not to harm them.

#### Proverbs 4:23

Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

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Day 17: pro-life leaders

Pro-life leaders are on the frontlines of the abortion struggle every day, and the ongoing pressure of dealing with life and death issues can be difficult.

Pray that God will show you ways you can be an encouragement to pro-life leaders you know.

Pray that pro-life leaders and their families will be protected from spiritual attacks.

Pray that God will surround pro-life leaders with friends, prayer partners, and mentors that will help them face the challenges of leadership.

Pray for a new generation of leaders to rise up to lead efforts into the future.

#### John 12:26

If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

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Day 18: generous hearts

God has provided His people with all of the resources needed to help the pro-life movement do more than anyone dare dream.

Pray that God will unleash a blessing of resources, through generous and faithful givers, to pro-life organizations across the world.

Pray that every single gift will be instrumental in helping to save the lives of unborn children.

Pray that God will bless those who give with abundant blessings for their faithfulness.

Rejoice in God's provision in your life.

Pray for an audacious new vision among pro-life organizations for life-saving work, and for God to raise up donors to make these audacious plans a reality.

#### Malachi 3:10

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

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Day 19: women facing coercion

Abortion seems to always be portrayed by the world as a great exercise of personal freedom, yet for many women, it is nothing more than the end result of coercion and abuse.

Pray that God will protect pregnant moms from abusive husbands and boyfriends.

Pray that the plans of abusers trying to force abortion decisions will be thwarted.

Pray that women will have courage and find the legal help to defend themselves and their unborn babies from abuse of all types.

Pray that God will shatter the chains of human trafficking.

Pray that abusers will be reported to police.

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You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?

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Day 20: federal elected officials

Few things provide emotional fuel in the abortion battle like the federal government. While it may be difficult to pray for leaders we disagree with, God still commands us to do so.

Praise God for the men and women who faithfully serve to protect life in the halls of Congress.

Pray that God will change the hearts and minds of those elected officials who support the killing of unborn children.

Pray that genuine repentance and revival begins in the nation's capitol.

Pray for the protection of pro-life elected officials and their families.

#### I Peter 2:17

Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

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Day 21: courage

Life takes courage, especially when walking against the flow of what the world says is popular or right. Courage is needed when facing the giants of our day, and for speaking for the most vulnerable of our society.

Pray that God will grant you the courage to speak more boldly for the unborn.

Thank God for the business leaders who courageously speak up for the unborn, even when it may be harmful to their business.

Pray that God gives the courage for pregnant women in seemingly impossible situations to choose life instead of abortion.

Pray for the courage of pastors and leaders.

#### I Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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Day 22: changed hearts and minds

Change the culture, and the politics will follow. The only true heart change comes through Christ, and nothing or no one else. When hearts and minds change, abortion will end.

Pray that God gives pro-life leaders a conviction that the changing of hearts and minds must be the priority in ending abortion.

Pray that God raises up creative new voices who create pathways and programs for truly changing the culture on life issues.

Thank God that He is still in the business of changing hearts and minds.

Pray for the next generation of Americans.

Pray that abortion becomes unthinkable.

# I Kings 18:37

Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back.

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Day 23: volunteers

The overwhelming number of persons involved in pro-life ministry are volunteers, faithfully serving in capacities ranging from administrative work to one-on-one counseling with women considering abortion.

Ask God to show you where you can volunteer your time, talent and services.

Thank God for faithful volunteers.

Pray for God's blessing on volunteers.

Pray for God's protection for volunteers and their families.

Pray that many more volunteers will arise to help protect life and serve the needs of moms.

#### Luke 6:31

And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

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Day 24: PRC workers

When a woman is facing an unplanned pregnancy, she is often confused, scared, and looking for someone who will reach out to her with unconditional love. This is where front line abortion decisions are made every day.

Thank God for the many pregnancy resource center workers who tirelessly serve women in helping them choose life instead of abortion.

Pray that God will give counselors hearts of compassion and the wisdom to say the right things to help women choose life.

Pray that PRC workers will be blessed in many ways for their faithfulness.

Pray for the encouragement of PRC workers.

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And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.

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Day 25: government agency workers

Lost in the big picture of local, state, and federal government are the agency workers who go to work, day after day, to carry out the business of government administration.

Thank God for the pro-life agency workers who faithfully carry out their duties with a heart for serving unborn babies and their moms.

Ask God to bring many more administrative workers into the system who are faithful to His word and who show grace.

Pray that God protects pro-life administrative workers from political retribution or job loss because of their beliefs.

Pray that much good will be done in these roles.

#### Philippians 4:8

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

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Day 26: judges

Perhaps no other public role gets as much attention in the realm of abortion than judges. Every judge has enormous opportunity to uphold justice and respect for human life.

Pray that Roe vs. Wade will be reversed.

Pray that judges committed to justice and the sanctity of life will serve faithfully and refuse to have their rulings influenced by popularity or political ideologies.

Pray that the plans of abortion businesses to block pro-life laws will be thwarted in the courts.

Pray for wisdom and favor for pro-life attorneys who prepare and argue cases before the court.

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When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers.

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Day 27: children with disabilities

While most Americans exhibit concern and compassion for children with disabilities, new advances in prenatal testing offer more and more opportunity for parents to consider abortion for children diagnosed in the womb.

Thank God for parents who refuse to consider abortion when a prenatal diagnosis indicates Down syndrome.

Pray that new advances in prenatal surgery will lead to more and more children in the womb being treated instead of aborted.

Pray for the wisdom of doctors and counselors in helping parents to be confident in choosing life instead of abortion.

#### Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

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Day 28: hope

Sometimes it's easy to be discouraged when it feels like all news is bad news. Yet even in the midst of challenges, we have reason for hope all around us when we take time to see it.

Praise God that He is an everlasting anchor of hope, even in the stormiest seas of life.

Thank God for how much progress has been made in pro-life work since 1973.

Ask God to give you a new infusion of hope based on knowing He is always in control.

Praise God today for the decisions that will be made to choose life.

Ask God to raise up a new generation of Americans who will restore protection for life.

#### John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

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Day 29: repentance

God is not overlooking the deaths of over 60 million unborn children by abortion since 1973. It is only through His divine mercy that the full consequence of this sin has yet to be felt. It is far past time for repentance.

Ask God's forgiveness for America's horrific involvement in abortion, and that He send a revival on our land that begins with repentance and brings about the end of abortion.

Ask for God's forgiveness for any times in which you had opportunity to speak for the unborn, but chose not to do so.

Ask that God break our hearts, and the hearts of our neighbors, over the sin of abortion.

#### II Chronicles 7:14

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

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Day 30: families

There is no overestimating the value of family when it comes to creating a culture of life. From the dinner table to quiet conversations over coffee, family is where pro-life commitment is formed or neglected.

Ask that God gives parents a conviction to speak to their children about the value of every human life, including unborn children.

Thank God for the families that place faith and commitment foremost in their lives.

Pray that parents and siblings of young women in unplanned pregnancies provide support and not condemnation.

Pray that God blesses families standing for life.

#### Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

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#### Revelation 21:4

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.

