

Dear _____,

I write to propose that the _____ leadership act to establish a pro-life office and pro-life activities throughout our churches/congregations/synagogues. I believe that such leadership and the establishment of a permanent office will greatly increase pro-life teaching and activism. In fact, considering the seriousness of the moral evil and injustice in legalized abortion, I believe it is our moral responsibility to take the lead and make pro-life work a part of our regular activities.

A permanent pro-life office as a part of our leadership would play the role of coordinating events and making sure that congregations are sharing the news and have good materials to do it with. A pro-life office would also be useful in communicating with pro-life offices elsewhere and forming useful long-term bonds with the rest of the Body of Messiah.

Much of the work of course, would be done on the local level, through congregations. Our priests/pastors/rabbis can both preach and organize for life-saving and heart-turning pro-life work. Below I have included a list of what pro-life work on a congregational level might include:

Preaching on the subject: This naturally includes the ethics behind our need to protect unborn children, and the ability to explain why the many rationales given for the killing of the unborn do not fly ethically. Preaching also includes instilling that it is our moral responsibility to act, and that to do nothing is morally unacceptable. Furthermore, teaching includes communicating that it is not acceptable to support politicians and organizations which support abortion. Abortion involves societally-sanctioned mass murder, and there is hardly a counterbalance to that intrinsic large-scale evil among other normal political issues. We cannot proclaim abortion to be murder and then support those who are behind it for this reason or that.

Organizing activism in the pro-life sphere: Organization could include preaching from the pulpit, written communication and meetings. Some congregations bring their entire flock to pro-life vigils once the fire is lit. Among the various spheres of pro-life work are street vigils and street counseling, pro-life pregnancy centers, protest marches, education and political lobbying.

Teaching against the roots behind abortion: Obviously the roots behind abortion are many, but in this case I mean what appears historically to be the most direct root – contraception. The mass acceptance of contraception among believers was historically prior to the acceptance of abortion and was also

legally prior, in the sense that the “privacy” clause was used first in defending contraception, before it was ever used to defend baby-killing abortion. Contraception also appears to be logically prior, as once we have loudly proclaimed a child to be a nuisance or a curse by contracepting, it seems logical that there is now much more compulsion to have an abortion. It’s much easier to abort a nuisance, than it is to abort a blessing and child of God. Not only is contraception a major root of abortion, but many forms of contraception are abortifacient in their qualities, both the morning/week after pills and also the ordinary “birth control” pill. Lastly, I propose we teach against contraception in harmony with the two thousand year-old Christian doctrine against it, which holds that contraception is intrinsically evil. There is biblical principle, natural law and theological principle of love in marriage which stand strongly against any practice of contraception.

Please consider the above proposal for the future of our organization and the Body of Messiah as a whole. I believe a commitment to pro-life work a part of our [denominational/church name here] mission which is headed in Messiah. People frequently say that if they had lived in Germany during the holocaust, and there were death camps in their back yard, they surely would have done something. Well, there are death camps in our back yard, and what are we doing?

Thank you kindly for all your time and consideration.

Yours in Messiah,