

INTRODUCTION TO PIN DAY TURN 5 MINUTES WORK INTO \$500 OR MORE!

My name is Dinah Monahan. I direct a small CPC in a rural town of Show Low, AZ. While reading a newsletter from the Pregnancy Distress Center in Columbus, Ohio, I ran across this article: Annual Pin Day Raises \$9,000

"How does PIN DAY work? During one or more regularly scheduled church meeting(s) a PDC representative will share with the congregation for five minutes. After the service the volunteer will freely distribute Precious Feet Pins, the International Pro-Life Symbol. Under the direction of the Pastor, church members will be given an opportunity to give a donation to the work at the Pregnancy Distress Center. We will also have information available on other ways to help meet the needs of our clients.

The project received a terrific response from churches last year. We were able to share the ministry and the needs of PDC in 45 churches, distribute 5,000 Precious Feet Pins and raise \$9,000!"

After reading this, I decided to try this approach for our Women's Choice Pregnancy Clinic. We had speakers go to the different churches and speak on abortion. We spoke for only five minutes. (I have included a copy of the speech on the back that can be adapted to any group)

At the end of the speech, we wanted to challenge the audience to do something for "Life." "Not everyone can be a counselor," We told them, "Not everyone can give speeches. But everyone can wear The Precious Feet." We then read two quotes from the flyer, Do Precious Feet Save Babies Lives? (enclosed). Instead of setting up a display of Precious Feet and Hands in the back, we passed a basket person to person - just like an offering plate. The baskets were decorated. On one half there were Precious Feet and Precious Hands. The other side was empty. We ended with this, "If you would like to help save babies, take a pair of Precious Feet and wear them all of the time. If you believe in what we are doing, you can help us by giving a donation."

An amazing thing happens when you use this basket approach. If I had placed the Precious Feet display on a back table, few people would have actually stopped. But because the basket passes right in front of them, people take Precious Feet. If I had asked for only \$2.00 each that is all I would have gotten. Because I asked for a donation, I got \$5's, \$10's, and \$20's. Between three of us, we spoke a total of 10 times. We distributed close to 400 Precious Feet. The churches were small, yet we collected \$2,400!!!

If you have speakers who go out and talk to any groups, you should take along your pretty baskets full of Precious Feet and Precious Hands! It doesn't take any more time, yet can make your education efforts become terrific fund raisers also!

5 MINUTE PRO-LIFE SPEECH

Intro:

Almost 40 years ago, three people were instrumental in changing the face of America and ushering in the wholesale killing of unborn babies. Dr. Bernard Nathanson was the head of NARAL, a group whose only goal was to make abortion on demand a reality in the U.S. He had a good reason - he ran the world's largest abortion clinic in N.Y. - a state where it was legal. Expanding his abortion business was something he wanted to see. Norma McCorvey was on the other end of the social scale - she was a poor, backward young woman who found herself pregnant and didn't want to be. Through the orchestration of pro-abortion lawyers, Norma became Roe in Roe vs. Wade - the Supreme Court decision that ushered in legal abortion in America. While most people have heard of Roe vs. Wade, they have not heard of Doe vs. Bolton, which came right on the heels of Roe. Sandra Cano's circumstances were much like Norma McCorveys. She was Doe in Doe vs. Bolton. Her case established that abortions could be performed up until the day of birth for the "health" of the mother, regardless of state laws. The court then went on to define health as being physical, emotional, and financial. Factors such as the number of children and living conditions were also defined under the mother's "health." In other words - for any reason at all. Since that time, over 50,000,000 babies have been aborted and it continues at a rate of approximately 3020 a day.

Body:

Our Knights of Columbus Council is committed to saving babies. We do this through education, _____ (list your projects) _____. Incredible as it seems, most people do not know that an unborn baby is fully formed by 8 weeks. They don't know that at 10 weeks their little hands and feet are perfectly formed. The fingers will curl around an object placed in their hands. The toes fan and curl. By 12 weeks they swallow, squint and swim around in their enclosed water world. Incredibly, this is when most mothers find out they are pregnant! At 4 months the baby has eye lashes and hair. She can hear sounds including her mom's heartbeat and voice. In the fifth month the baby is about 12 inches long. Fingernails are growing and the baby often scratches herself. She has fully developed vocal cords and uses them to cry but the cries cannot be heard because there is no air. This was discovered when a doctor put air in a woman's amniotic sac and the baby's cries, exposed to the air, kept the mother up much of the night. Babies born at this stage have lived. From this point on, all a baby does is grow, much like a one year old grows into a three year old.

Our Council is part of a much larger family known as the Pro-Life movement. We care about the unborn child and also the pregnant woman. The Pro-Life movement, contrary to what you might hear in the media, is a movement of love. Through Pregnancy Care

Centers, Maternity Homes and other ministries, women can find everything from free pregnancy tests to shelter and medical care. We are the ones who truly offer choice.

I realize that not all of you can counsel or speak or give of your time to this movement. But I know that all of you would like to have a part in saving babies lives. There is a way you can do this. These little Precious Feet are the exact size and shape of an unborn babies feet at 10 weeks after conception. When you wear them on your lapel, people ask what they are. You then have the opportunity to share about the humanity of the unborn. You never know who you will reach. Listen to these two true stories.

From Kathy in Phoenix, Arizona: "I am so overjoyed to have learned of the Precious Feet. I am 16 years old. One day I was in the library and saw a girl that had the cutest little lapel pin of baby feet that I was curious and asked her about them. She told me what they stood for...it touched me so dearly and this girl was so sweet. I was even thinking about getting an abortion but now I will not. I will have the baby and give it up for adoption. Too bad I can't keep it...but I know this will be best for the child. I feel it was inspiration for me to go to the library that night."

From Ray in Springfield, Missouri: "Recently one of our friends gave a pair of Precious Feet to a pregnant, unmarried girl she knew...An abortion was being planned and the girl was receiving pressure to carry out those plans. After seeing the feet she couldn't believe them. The usual, 'This can't be true', and, 'I don't believe it' led to further research and examination of just what would be happening if the abortion were carried out. In other words - a life was saved!"

Finish by saying, I am going to pass around a basket. Please take a pair of Precious Feet and wear them. And, if you believe in what we are doing, please give a donation to our cause. Your donation allows us to work for the unborn, to _____(list your projects)_____.

Closing:

Oh.....remember Dr. Nathanson, Norma McCorvey and Sandra Cano? The story does not end there. All three of these people are now Christians. Dr. Nathanson and Norma McCorvey joined the Catholic Church. They spend their time sharing the Pro-Life message and saving babies. You see, God loves everyone involved in this struggle - the women who abort, the abortionist like Dr. Nathanson, Norma and Sandra, who inadvertently opened the floodgate of death in this country. God has reached down and shown us once again that the greatest weapon we have in this battle is His love....He'll do the rest.

NOTE: If you are giving a longer speech, use the Precious Feet Basket at the end. You will be just as effective and will be amazed at the financial support you will receive.