

Making Abortion Unthinkable with JFA

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PRAY FOR Conversations We Thank God for Catherine Wurts and for His Work through Her Years of Service with JFA: Please pray with us for Catherine Wurts as she leaves JFA this month to pursue graduate studies. As a JFA volunteer (2006-2008) and a JFA staff member (2009-2017), Catherine has directly impacted thousands of people through conversations during outreach events, through her public presentations, and through personal mentoring of participants in JFA's Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue Training Program. In addition to her roles as dialogue artist and trainer, Catherine served as JFA's Intern Recruiter and Trainer Certification Specialist. More importantly, Catherine encouraged our staff towards a deeper devotion to God and to prayer. We thank God for the sacrifice and



devotion Catherine has given to JFA's staff, volunteers, and mission over these many years, and she will be sorely missed. Please pray for God's guidance for Catherine throughout her graduate program and beyond, and pray for the conversations Catherine will create in the coming years. At the JFA blog, we've linked some highlights from Catherine's work, and you can leave a note about what her work has meant to you personally.

Pray for Catherine, See Highlights, and Leave a Note: www.jfaweb.org/catherine-wurts-farewell Pray also for Our Upcoming Major Events in IN, MN, TX, and OK: www.jfaweb.org/calendar

PREPARE FOR CONVERSATIONS

Featured Resource for Equipping Yourself: Can you imagine a skilled pro-life dialogue artist speaking at Google headquarters? What if that presentation then was posted by Talks at Google on its YouTube channel? This is exactly what's just happened. We're ecstatic that our friend Stephanie Gray has recently been featured by Google. By watching, you can both learn from her moving presentation and help it surpass 100,000 views (as of this printing, it has over 98,200 views). In her talk, "Abortion: From Controversy to Civility," Stephanie modeled powerfully how sharing stories, questions, and thought experiments can transform your conversations about abortion. The whole talk is just over an hour long and is certainly worth watching. If you'd like to start with a short segment, however, we've highlighted two minutes from the Q&A portion (53:26 - 55:26). Listen for Stephanie's great advice on starting conversations in a pro-choice environment. (Steve Wagner notes that he and Stephanie both look back to a support-raising retreat they attended in 2001, led by Scott Klusendorf, as formative in the pro-life work they went on to do and continue to this day.)

Watch the Presentation: www.jfaweb.org/stephanie-gray-at-google

START CONVERSATIONS Featured Conversation Starter: Use the post, "Equal Rights for Whom? – Stephanie Gray at Google" to start a conversation in a natural way with a friend who has any perspective on abortion. The post is written with the pro-choice person in mind and features a two-minute clip from Stephanie Gray's talk at Google in which she discusses the UN Declaration of Human Rights. (See the "Featured Resource" above for more about this talk.) Then the post asks two questions that get the conversation started. To view the post and share it on social media, use the links below. If you use this tool to start a conversation, please let us know how it goes!

Share the Post: www.twitter.com/7conversations; www.ifaweb.org/start-the-conversation



About the *Making Abortion Unthinkable with JFA* Resource Bulletin

For friends of JFA who ask, "What can <u>I</u> do to make abortion unthinkable?" this resource bulletin offers some answers. Beyond supporting JFA financially, which enables JFA's trainers and volunteers to create conversations that make abortion unthinkable at JFA's events, you can **PRAY** for the conversations the JFA community is creating (including your own), **PREPARE** for conversations, and **START** conversations.

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