

THE PATH OF LIFE NEWSLETTER

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DEAR FRIENDS,

People have asked me why fetal models are so important in our ministry and the answer is simple.

By God's grace, I have worked from the pro-life perspective for over 18 years, during which time I have seen advancement in the production of many educational materials. I have attended large and small events, sometimes with many people who want to know more about human life, and also have met alone with a woman who wants to have her baby but feels overwhelmed or perhaps thinks her best option is abortion. In my experience, the "Touch of Life" fetal model kit created by Heritage House 76 in Arizona, USA, is one of the best resources for promoting the culture of life, as people are immediately drawn to the fetal models. *Using these models to inform, illustrate, and celebrate life in the womb is of utmost importance.*



Fetal models in Colombia

Using Touch of Life Fetal Models to Inform

We recommend that the models be placed where people can see them from a distance and decide if they want to zoom in for more details. The models come with a two-sided card that shows a photo of certain characteristics of that stage on one side and interesting milestones of fetal development on the opposite side. When helping an abortion-minded woman, we show her the models calmly, observing her reaction and giving her a little information about each stage. If she is willing, we share information about the abortion procedures, according to the stage of development, in a brief and precise manner. Fetal models are a great help in providing information in a professional and effective manner.



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Using Touch of Life Fetal Models to Illustrate

Models are also very effective in illustrating prenatal development. We often read about human development in the womb, but being able to touch the models and see their actual size allows us to understand their development with all our senses. It is invaluable to be able to perceive details such as facial expressions and the tiny developing hands and feet. The weight and size of these models are similar to that of a baby in the womb and are medically approved. They are very popular among young people, which makes them a great tool to use in talks and workshops on sexuality, family, and abortion, among other topics.



Young people usually ask questions when they touch the models, and space is created for dialogue to raise awareness about the wonder of life from its beginnings. The models are also useful for classes on responsible parenting, prenatal care, and birth preparation. Because abortion procedures are seen in a different light when they can be associated with a particular developmental model, these models play a unique role in abortion prevention. One of the reasons for the increase in abortion is that it is often analyzed from the point of view of ideas and arguments, without taking into account that we are talking about the life of a human being. Models help us bring the conversation down from

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illustrating the wonder of life.

Using Touch of Life Fetal Models to Celebrate Life

For more than ten years, the Touch of Life fetal models have been great tools for celebrating human life since conception. Their presence inspires tenderness and awe, making them very appropriate for church gatherings, religious settings, pro-life events, and the community at large. They have been welcomed into many churches in the United States, especially during the month of January when we remember the terrible *Roe v. Wade* law that opened the door to abortion on demand on January 22. 1973.

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During the month of January, we honor the sanctity of human life in this country. Different groups hold various events and celebrations commemorating the value of human life and raising awareness about the very high incidence of abortion. Many congregations send special donations to crisis pregnancy centers or to various prolife organizations in the community, such as orphanages, shelters for women with children, and food banks. Believers pray for pro-life workers and make petitions for an end to abortion. Families honor the memories of those babies who were born lifeless or who were miscarried, as they are precious, loved, and missed despite their absence. Pro-life advocates and joyful mothers share testimonies of how their babies were saved from abortion while post-abortion recovery ministries offer help to those wounded by abortion.

The models can be viewed at the entrance of churches or even near the altar, accompanied by texts or scriptures such as Psalm 139:13-16, which states that

God saw us while in our mother's womb. Their presence helps us celebrate life as a gift from God.

Reaching people with an effective pro-life message is crucial. That's why many of the 4,000 pro-life centers in the United States have a set of Heritage House Fetal Touch of Life models. Many pro-life communicators use them at conferences and special events. Healthcare personnel also find them very appropriate for prenatal care and childbirth preparation classes. Their use to inform and illustrate fetal development, as well as to celebrate human life before birth, makes them a powerful pro-life tool.

Path of Life has provided over thirty kits of Touch of Life models to pro-life advocates and centers in eight different nations! These models have reached thousands with the truth and wonder of prenatal development, and hundreds of precious babies have been saved from abortion.

Thank you - You are helping us plant seeds of life and truth around the world, and God will make them grow.

Be blessed!



For you formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. Marvelous are Your works ... My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book, they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them.

Psalm 139:113-16



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