



Overview

This fall, from September 23 – November 1, Buffalo will unite with over 200 cities all across the United States for the Fall 2009 nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. Last year over 180 cities participated in the Fall campaign. We are praying that this fifth national effort will speed the coming of the end of abortion in America, and perhaps the world.

Vision and Mission

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a **vision** to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion in America.

The **mission** of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful activism, with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion in America.

Campaign Components

One of the strengths of 40 Days for Life is its simplicity. The campaign is made up of three key components:

- **Prayer and fasting:** people of faith throughout our city and across the country join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
- **Peaceful Vigil:** standing for life through a 40-day peaceful public witness outside the local Buffalo *WomenServices* 2500 Main Street building in North Buffalo.
- **Community Outreach:** taking a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church and school outreach, petition drives, and public visibility

Why 40 Days?

God has used the period of 40 days throughout history to bring about major transformation...

- **Noah** experienced transformation during 40 days of rain
- **Moses** was transformed by 40 days on Mount Sinai
- **David** was transformed by Goliath's 40 day challenge
- **Elijah** was transformed when God gave him 40 days of strength from one meal
- **Nineveh** was transformed when God gave the city 40 days to remain faithful
- **Jesus** was empowered by 40 days in the desert
- **The disciples** were transformed after spending 40 days with Jesus following His resurrection

What will God accomplish when people of faith across our community and throughout our nation unite for 40 days of prayer and fasting, pulling out all the stops to end the violence of abortion? We don't know, but we're sure excited to find out!

Track Record of Results in Buffalo

In 2007 and 2008, our campaign created measurable, lifesaving results:

- In total, over 500 people participated in the peaceful prayer vigils.
- Overall, more than 40 babies were saved. The parents told us they changed their minds as they turned around and left the abortion mill. We offered assistance to every mother in finding the resources she needed.
- Post-abortive women were offered referral to healing ministries like Rachel's Vineyard.
- Four months of prolife billboards were purchased in 2007-2008 with donations. They were placed next to the abortion mill and around the community.
- We increased involvement and financial support to local prolife activities.
- God brought unity to the Pro-life Christian faithful in our area.

How YOU Can Make a Difference

Please pray and ask God to show you the unique role He has for you in the 40 Days for Life effort. Here are some ways you could make a lifesaving impact right here in Buffalo:

- **Prayer warriors** are needed to fast and petition God to bless this effort and do as He promised in 2 Chronicles 7:14; hear our prayer and heal our land.
- **Vigil participation** may be your role. God could be asking you to peacefully stand as His witness outside the local abortion facility as a sign to the community that what goes on inside that building is simply wrong.
- **Community outreach** might be your specialty. If you're a person with an outgoing personality, please consider this. Or maybe you're being called to take a leap of faith and step out to educate your town or city about God's truth.

If you still need more information to help you decide how to get involved:

- Contact Dr. Stan Bukowski, Campaign Director 713-0801
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- or go to [**www.40daysforlife.com/buffalo**](http://www.40daysforlife.com/buffalo)
- Take time to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to show you His plans for your involvement in this life saving effort.