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You Blocked Abortion-on-**Demand in Kenya!**

When you give, Life wins. 100 more countries still need your help.

By Fr. Samuel Gatimu, HLI Kenya

This summer, you brought Kenyan pro-lifers together to flatten a bill that would have legalized abortion on demand.

Over the years, your generous support raised a firm foundation of respect for life in Kenya. Planned Parenthood Global took a swing at it and failed.



YOU **EMPOWERED KENYA TO DEFEND LIFE**

Thanks to you, a group of knowledgeable and wellequipped Kenyan pro-lifers is looking out for their country, lead by Fr. Gatimu of HLI Kenya.

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When Fr. Gatimu of HLI Kenya learned about this bill, he knew he needed help. An army of pro-life priests (trained by YOU!) answered his call. They spoke up together to defend life, and they won.

Dear Friends in Christ,

You want results. So do I.

That's why I know you'll be excited about our new challenge!

An anonymous donor has pledged to match your gifts up to \$50,000 until October 31st. This month, your impact will be doubled.

In today's Mission Report, you can learn how you achieved pro-life politi-

cal victories, saved lives, and healed families. I cannot thank you enough for the hope you give to countless people.

Families the world over are embracing life because of you, but

there are still places where your love has not yet reached. This matching gift is a chance to lay a broader foundation for the Culture of Life.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I am always praying for you.

Yours in Christ and Our Lady,

Fr. Shenan J. Boquet President, Human Life International

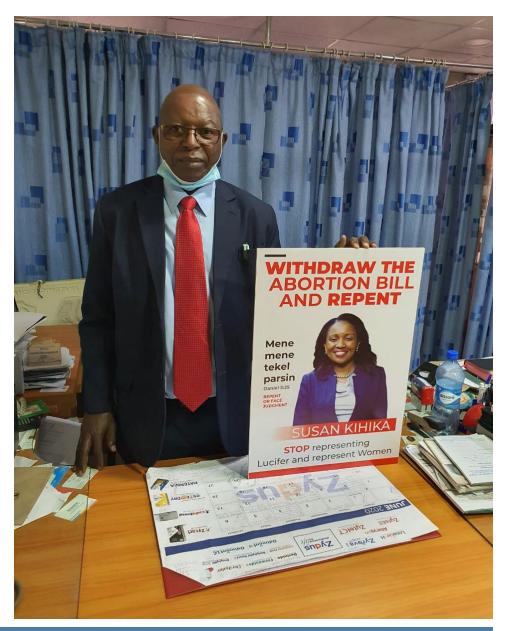


Fr. Shenan J. Boquet President



Kenyans succeeded because you invested in their success. When you continue to grow your support, you can give another country the chance to protect its children.

When Planned Parenthood Global and 26 other pro-abortion groups introduced a "reproductive health" bill in Kenya this summer, Fr. Gatimu smelled a rat. He worked with pro-life lawyer Remigeo



You taught the Gospel of Life to Kenyan priests. They taught it to their parishes. Now, thanks to you, the Kenyan people are standing up for life.

Mugambi to learn how this bill planned to crush the Culture of Life.

You gave Mr. Mugambi prolife training while he was in law school. He has used his legal knowledge to defend life ever since. When he read the bill's vaguely worded statements, he knew what they really meant. In practice, this bill would legalize state-funded abortion on demand and replace traditional African values with anti-life propaganda.

When Fr. Gatimu learned what was at stake, he gathered a force of faith leaders and pro-life groups to stand against the bill. One of the strongest voices was the Kenyan Conference of Catholic Bishops (KCCB).

The clergy in Kenya is solidly pro-life thanks to your investment in priest and seminarian training. They know how these anti-life groups operate, and how to beat them.

The bishops made it clear that it is every Kenyan's job to push back. Archbishop Anthony Muheria of the Archdiocese of Nyeri called this bill "an embarrassment to the Kenyan people... trying to force foreign ideas upon us." You can find a video of his powerful speech at hli.org/kccb. When they heard the bishop's words, the Kenyan people sprang into action. They value the Culture of Life because the clergy you trained have taught them well. **Because of your generosity, an entire country is committed to defending life.**

With your help, Kenyans pressured the senate over the airwaves, in the newspaper, and on social media. They made such a fuss that Senator Susan Kihika, who sponsored the bill, withdrew it for "further consultation."

Please pray that this evil bill will never see the light of day again. It's not a total victory yet, but thanks to you, life has won the first battle.

YOUR GIFTS HAVE A LONG-TERM IMPACT

These courageous Kenyans have proven that the impact of your generosity is not just a flash in the pan. Thanks to you, they have their own pro-life community with their own leaders and their own way to face challenges.

Grass-roots cultural change doesn't happen in a day. But you are a long-term thinker. Seeds you planted years ago are bearing fruit all over Kenya.

You've done something much greater than save Kenyans from an abortion bill. You've given them the power to save themselves.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THE NEXT STEPS

Kenyans succeeded because you invested in their success. Your generosity supports centers like HLI Kenya in nearly 100 countries. But nearly 100 more are still unprotected.

Like you, we want to empower *everyone* to stand up to the culture of death. To do that, we need to expand our programs. And we can't do it without your help.

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Right now, we don't have the resources to prepare every country to withstand attacks on life. When you continue to grow your support you can give another country the chance to protect its children.

If we stick together and trust in God, we will bring the Culture of Life to the whole world.

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Buying or Selling A Home?

You can support Human Life International at no cost to you by taking advantage of the Real Estate for Life program.

For details, visit: hli.org/myhome

Fruzina Says Thank You!

You saved her baby's life, and you didn't stop there! See how far Fruzina has come with your help.

By Dr. Imre Téglásy, HLI Hungary

You may remember Fruzina from last month's Mission Report. She and her husband, Károly, were homeless, unemployed, and pregnant. With no way to care for the child she was carrying, Fruzina considered abortion.

When you came to the rescue, everything changed.

Thanks to your unfailing generosity, our pregnancy help centers, like the one at HLI Hungary, are always ready to support mothers in need. When you connected Fruzina with the medical care she needed and gave her something to eat, she chose life for her baby. Her family was still homeless and jobless, but with you at their side she and Károly trusted God and embraced His gift of a child. That's where we left off last month.

Even greater miracles have sprung from your prayers and generosity since then.



Meet Damaris! She was almost aborted because her parents could not care for her. With your help, now they are back on their feet.



Because of you, Fruzina's family is no longer homeless. Above, Dr. Imre Téglásy visits their new apartment to meet baby Damaris.

YOU GAVE FRUZINA'S FAMILY A BRIGHTER FUTURE

With your support, Dr. Imre Téglásy of HLI Hungary appealed to the local housing administration on Fruzina's behalf. After a battle with the Hungarian bureaucracy, he secured an apartment where the young couple can live and raise their child. And not a moment too soon!

Three days after moving into the apartment, Fruzina brought home a healthy baby girl. She and Károly named their daughter Damaris.

Thank you for helping them welcome her into the world! They are overjoyed that they can offer her a life and a home. **Hungary has one more happy family. You did that.**

But that is not all that you have done for Fruzina's family. Thanks to you, Dr. Téglásy was able to help

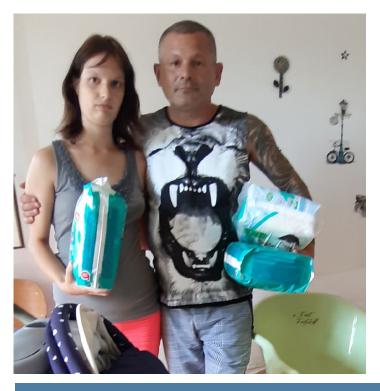
You did more than save Damaris' life. You gave her whole family a future. Your support can give hope to more families like Fruzina's.

Károly find a job maintaining the public gardens in Budapest. By the time this newsletter appears in your mailbox, he will already be back to work supporting his wife and daughter.

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Fruzina and Károly have something to say to you: *Köszönöm*.

Thank you.



Your support helped Károly find a job. Now he can provide for his family.

During the Pandemic, Online Missions Surge

This community of Latin American women says THANK YOU for keeping their faith strong.

By HLI Staff

Instead of counting this year as time lost, thousands of Latin Americans have used it to dive deeper into the Gospel of Life. Your gifts send online training to hundreds of priests, seminarians, religious men and women, and lay faithful across Latin America. The many young lay women who attend our *Humanae Vitae* seminars are just one example.

They want to tell you what a difference you make in their lives.

Through these online missions, you give the gift of community as well as the gift of knowledge. Participants support each other on the journey to

holiness on our online platform. Because of you, friendship is possible even in isolation.

A sense of community is essential for women trying to escape the culture of contraception. Many young women who attend our *Humanae Vitae* seminars feel stigmatized when they choose to live chastely. Because of you, they have a place to learn the Truth and meet friends who support their faith.

As one participant said, "I am not alone, nor crazy! There are others like me... I can live life facing God and receive this great news!"

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IN A WORLD OF LIES, YOU SPEAK THE TRUTH

Without you, most of these women would never hear the truth about contraception. At our seminars, many learn the risks for the first time. They pour out their hearts to each other describing how their health and relationships have suffered. They never guessed that contraception was the cause until you opened their eyes.

Our *Humanae Vitae* seminars have grown as participants bring their friends and family to the table. They are so thankful to you for the chance to learn and live the Gospel of Life together.

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Without the spiritual communities that feed the soul, many women are more vulnerable than ever to the lies of the culture of death. Thank you for knowing how vital it is to spread the Gospel of Life even when travel is limited. You don't know how much it means to us when you keep supporting life and family in these difficult times.

Thanks to you, our Latin American Online Education program is stronger than ever. With your help, we can build fruitful online programs like this one on every continent. At a time when people feel alone, you bring us all together in Christ. Thank you.

Boost your impact!

YOU Can Help us Hit our \$50,000 Target

An anonymous donor will double your gift when you respond before October 31st



Match Your Gift Dollar-for-dollar Every gift you make to HLI makes a dent in the culture of death. You empower the clergy, lend a hand to families in need, and sow the seeds of the Gospel of Life all over the world. You make a difference. **What if your gift had twice the impact?** What if you could save twice as many lives and change twice as many hearts?

This month, you can!

When you participate in our matching gift challenge, an anonymous donor will match any gift you make up to \$50,000. Our goal is to put every cent of this pledge to work building the Culture of Life. We need your help to raise the full amount by October 31st. Are you up for the challenge?

Send your gift using the enclosed reply form, or give online at hli.org/matching