



Your Online Mission Saved Baby Hanna's Life

HLI Hungary Reaches Hundreds of Mothers Monthly through an Abortion Q&A Site

Hainalka had a tough decision to make.

This young Hungarian woman was pregnant, and the baby's father had left her. She worked hard in a factory every day to support herself and her year-old daughter, Dori.

When the baby came, she would need to take some time off, and that would mean losing her job. With no income, she and her children would be homeless. The only other option Hainalka could think of was abortion.

Unsure, Hainalka did what many young women would do. She looked for advice on the internet.

Thanks to you, she found a way to keep her home and save her child's life too.

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Hanna was in danger of abortion until you reached out to her mother through an online forum.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Please lift up your most urgent prayers on behalf of Fr. Johnathan Opio, your missionary in Uganda. **I just learned that he has been attacked twice by thugs of the pro-abortion movement.**

One threw a rock through his windshield. Another sabotaged his tires, causing them to burst when he got up to a high speed.

Thanks be to God, no one was injured.

It appears that these attacks are a retaliation against Fr. Opio's support for pro-life candidates in Uganda.



Fr. Shenan J. Boquet
President

A corrupt government has just taken power. One of its first acts was to cut off all internet access in the country. They have restored limited access in some areas now, so Fr. Opio was able to notify us of his situation by email.

Communication is still very difficult. We are taking steps to learn more about these events and formulate a response.

I pray that these attacks are over now, but there is no way to know if another is coming. We will try to make



Fr. Opio of HLI Uganda (center) was attacked twice by pro-aborts. Please pray for his safety!

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Fr. Opio's work as safe as possible. At the very least he will need a new windshield and tires.

These attacks might have frightened off a lesser missionary. But **Fr. Opio wants to assure you that he will not let you down.** He will continue to spread your message of life and love no matter the risk.

The culture of death is a dangerous enemy. He knows that what they did to him is nothing compared to what they do to families and helpless pre-born children when no one is there to stop them.

Fr. Opio asks that you please pray for the conversion of his attackers, his safety, and the success of the pro-life mission which is so badly needed in Uganda.

Thank you so much for the support you give Fr. Opio and all your pro-life missionaries, both in funds and in prayer. It is because of you that they can build the Culture of Life, and weather the storms the Evil One stirs up against it.

You are the rock on which this whole mission stands.

I hope that my next letter will bring you more details on the situation in Uganda.

Until then, please keep Fr. Opio in your prayers.

Yours in Christ and Our Lady,

Fr. Shenan J. Boquet

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YOUR MISSIONARIES BRING THE PRO-LIFE MESSAGE WHERE IT IS NEEDED MOST

The pro-life programs you support are always tailored to the needs of the community. There is no cookie-cutter solution for everyone. **Your missionaries are so effective because they meet people where they are. And more and more often, that means meeting them on the internet.**

When Dr. Imre Téglásy of HLI Hungary heard about a popular abortion Q&A site, he knew he couldn't miss this chance to bring your message of hope to the frightened mothers who visit it.

Most Hungarian women searching the internet for information on abortion wind up on this site. They post their stories and their questions and wait for others to post responses. Sometimes the answers give them courage and hope. Other times they are pushed further toward abortion.

Dr. Téglásy realized that, in the right hands, this site could be a powerful force for good. So he trained a team of volunteers to monitor the website and help the mothers there choose life.

YOUR PREGNANCY CARE EXPANDS TO 6 NEW CITIES

With training you provided, these volunteers respond to questions

Dr. Téglásy formed a pregnancy care center network in six cities. Now your gifts benefit even more mothers as you send food and supplies all over Hungary.

daily. They teach mothers the value of life and tell them the truth about the violence of abortion. Then they help them access the support they need, through pregnancy care centers like HLI Hungary.

Because this is an online forum, many mothers are too far away to access the support you provide in Budapest. So, Dr. Téglásy formed a network with pregnancy care centers in six cities around the country. **Now your gifts benefit even more mothers as you send food and supplies all over Hungary.**

But material goods are not the only way that your gifts help



Thanks for helping Hainalka keep baby Hanna without losing her home! Her daughters Hanna (left) and Dori (right) are both safe and healthy because of you.

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

If you are 70½ years old or older, you can give any amount up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to Human Life International without having to pay income taxes on the distribution.

Learn more at plannedgiving.hli.org/ira-charitable-rollover

Thank you for all you have done for Hainalka, and hundreds of other women who receive your message of hope every month. You have saved countless children from abortion.

mothers choose life. If the mother chooses adoption, HLI Hungary connects her with an adoptive family for her child. They help support her through the pregnancy and give the child a home after the birth.

Hainalka's case was a bit different. Angelika, the volunteer who connected with her, was able to raise some money for her on Facebook. It was enough to pay her rent until she could go back to work after the birth.

YOU MADE THIS HAPPY ENDING POSSIBLE!

Thank you for training Angelika to help mothers like Hainalka choose life! Thanks to you, she bore a healthy daughter four months ago. Her name is Hanna.

And that's not all the good news! Hainalka has also begun a journey of spiritual renewal. She has

learned a lot about the meaning of sexuality and the importance of marriage. God sent a faithful Christian man into her life, and they are planning to be married this summer!

Thank you for all you have done for Hainalka, and hundreds of other women who receive your message of hope every month. You have saved countless children from abortion through this program.

Most often, we don't find out how a mother's story ended. We respond to her questions, offer guidance and encouragement, then hope and pray that she chooses life.

Some mothers do reach out, though. **HLI Hungary gets about five letters a month from mothers thanking you for helping them keep their child.** And every now and then we get to see how you helped a child like Hanna come into the world.

You are helping families all over Hungary embrace life. Thank you.

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You Changed Hearts of Teachers at Canossa High School

Thanks to you, Theresia is ready to heal her marriage, and have another baby.

On January 12th, Emil Hagamu of HLI Tanzania visited Canossa High School to speak to the teachers.

Last year's talk was such a success that Sr. Leocardia, the school director, asked Emil to return. She said, "some of my staff became pregnant in the months after Emil's talk. They realized that being closed to life was against God's plan."

YOUR MESSAGE ABOUT LIFE AND FAMILY HIT HOME

The talk began with a video that follows a baby's growth in the womb. The women's faces were filled with awe as they saw the miracle of life unfold before them.

Images of fetal growth are powerful tools for protecting hearts and minds from pro-abortion propaganda. But in developing countries like Tanzania, not everyone is lucky enough to see one. **Thank you so much for providing this opportunity to Canossa High School!**

After the video, they talked about why human life is precious from beginning to end.

But what really changed hearts that day was the discussion about fruitful marriage.

Some of these women had forgotten the meaning of marriage. They and their husbands had chosen to close themselves off from new life. Some were already dealing with marital conflict due to contraception.

Emil reminded them of what it

means to be united in self-giving love. He spoke about the privilege of being co-creators with God, and the unique miracle of every human life.

He also revealed the evils of contraception. They learned how it degrades marriage, harms the body, and leads societies to disregard human life.

YOU TURNED MARRIAGES AWAY FROM CONTRACEPTION

After learning the truth about contraception, these women had a different point of view.

They were disgusted that they had embraced an act that brought discord in their marriages. They promised to share what they learned with other women to strengthen their marriages and families.

"Now I understand why the Church condemns contraception.



Several teachers at Canossa High School quit contraception after you sponsored Emil Hagamu of HLI Tanzania to teach them about the dignity of marriage.

Human life is so precious from the moment of conception until natural death. I will bring this teaching to my home, and later, to our neighbors.” — Rose

“I want to teach others why contraception is evil, so that no woman will ever turn to contraception and abortion.” — Theresia

THERESIA SAYS “THANK YOU”

Your seminar also gave these teachers the tools to put their new understanding of fruitful marriage into practice.

Emil taught them how to practice natural family planning according to Church teaching.

Theresia says, “Thank you for sharing the Church’s teaching on natural family planning with me! This knowledge about marriage will help me improve my relationship with my husband. We have been struggling to have another baby.”

CANOSSA STUDENTS HEAR THE PRO-LIFE MESSAGE

Sr. Leocardia thanks you for helping her form teachers that will tell students the truth about human life, sexuality, and marriage.

To get them off to a good start, Emil returned a week later to speak to the 5th, 6th, and 7th grades about chastity.

Because of you, 350 students saw a baby grow in the womb. They learned about God’s plan for human



Theresia and her husband have struggled for years to have another baby. Thank you for teaching her about natural family planning to help her achieve pregnancy!

sexuality and pledged to live chastely.

Thank you for helping the staff and students at Canossa High School be a force for good in the battle for life and family! You are keeping communities all over the world pro-life.

Please make your best gift today to build the Culture of Life around the world!

\$45: Help three women like Theresia achieve pregnancy through natural family planning.

\$80: Train a volunteer to counsel mothers like Hainalka to choose life on the Hungarian abortion Q&A forum.

\$197: Pro-aborts smashed Fr. Opio’s windshield and slashed his tires. Help get his car back on the road so he can keep spreading the Gospel of Life all over Uganda!

Thank you so much for making this sacrifice to spread the Gospel of Life! Please pray for our mission. I will be praying for you. — Father Shenan J. Boquet