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You Saved this Child's Life by Giving his Mother Hope

Thandiwe's poverty and grief almost cost her child his life. Thank you for being there to help her!

It was a bit like the conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman.

Thandiwe was sitting by a well in Zimbabwe. She asked your missionary Veronica for a drink of water. With your support, Veronica was able to give her water to drink, as well as living



water for her soul.

THIS GRIEVING MOTHER HAD LOST HOPE

Veronica could see that Thandiwe was pregnant. She asked how she and the baby were doing, and Thandiwe poured out her heart to her.

Her husband had died six months ago. She had a six-year-old and a two-year-old at home,

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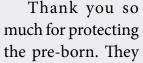
Thandiwe thought she had to have an abortion. Your kindness and love showed her that she could choose life. Dear Friends in Christ,

I pray you are having a wonderful Advent season!

This is the time of year when we remember Christ as a precious preborn child.

When our mother Mary accept-

ed God's gift of a child, her son Jesus brought salvation to us all. Now we are all called to help mothers around the world accept that gift.



the pre-born. They are vulnerable and in need of care, just like Jesus is at this point in Mary's journey.

Remember, what you do for the tiniest of our brothers and sisters, you do for Him. The kindness you show these mothers and children will never be forgotten.

I'm praying for you and your family every day, especially at Holy Mass.

Have a merry Christmas,

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Thanks to the love you showed her, Thandiwe could look past her grief and love her child. This little boy or girl owes you his life.

and no money coming in. She could earn a little through odd jobs, but it wasn't enough.

Thandiwe was wondering if it would be kinder to the child in her womb if she just got an abortion.

In her grief, she had lost hope for herself and her child. You saved that baby's life by helping hope to grow in her heart again.

YOUR KINDNESS TO THANDIWE SAVED HER CHILD'S LIFE

Veronica told her how dear her child is to God, and what a mistake it would be to throw that life away.



Your missionary Veronica (left) is helping Thandiwe care for herself, her family, and her pre-born child.

An abortion would bring her even more sorrow than she was already feeling.

Because God cares so much, Veronica said, He would ask someone to help Thandiwe. In fact, He had already done that before her trouble started. And the person He asked was you.

You helped Thandiwe get maternity care. Now she will be able to have a safe pregnancy and deliver her child in a hospital. You also gave her baby clothes and supplies that she will need in a few weeks. God brought her to us just in time.

Thandiwe still needs a job so she can support her family. It's hard to start a new job when you're just about to have a baby, so Veronica is looking after her for a while. Please pray for a safe delivery, and a good job for Thandiwe.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING THANDIWE HOPE!

Beyond caring for her materially, Veronica gave Thandiwe some much-needed spiritual guidance.

She was crushed and hopeless after her husband's death. But with your support Veronica was able to spend time comforting and counseling her.

Thanks to the love you showed her, Thandiwe could look past her grief and love her child. This little boy or girl owes you his life.

And his mother can find joy and peace. Instead of grieving two deaths, Thandiwe is honoring her husband by embracing the life they created together.

You helped Thandiwe renew her hope, trust in God, and accept her child as a gift. Thank you so much for your life-saving love and generosity.

Your New Liaison to the Organization of American States Steps Up to Keep Latin America Pro-life.

The Mexican Supreme Court just caved to anti-lifers. We're stepping in to help at the International Level.

Did you hear about the tragedy in Mexico?

The Supreme Court recently made a fatal pro-abortion decision similar to *Roe v. Wade*. The legal details are different, but the bogus reasoning is similar.

Like *Roe*, this decision claims that it is unconstitutional to ban abortion in Mexico.

RESPONDING TO THE CRISIS

Pro-abortion groups are getting ready to overturn local pro-life laws as quickly as possible.

Your missionaries are on the ground steering moms away from abortion and building support for pro-life laws. That's the bottom-up



Starting now, Luis Martinez is making your voice heard at the OAS. He's a lawyer who's spent years protecting the pre-born in South America.

grassroots strategy that is saving so many lives and souls with your help.

But right now there is an urgent need to relieve the pressure coming from the top.

The anti-lifers play a top-down game. International bodies and NGOs put pressure on national and local governments. And it's not just Mexico: the same force is pushing down on other Latin American countries.

To relieve the pressure, we are sending a representative to the Organization of American States.

With your support and prayers, missionary Luis Martinez will be fighting back at the international level.

WHAT YOU CAN ACHIEVE THROUGH THE OAS

- Stop more Latin American countries from caving-in to pro-abortion pressure
- Help grassroots missionaries in Mexico change the law so pre-born children are protected

The Organization of American States is something like the EU. It

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is influential in Central and South America.

Keeping OAS policies pro-life, or at least neutral, will let your grassroots efforts flourish more easily. Setbacks like this tragic court decision happen when foreign anti-life influence is strong.

The good news is that's still an achievable goal. The OAS hasn't completely sold out to anti-life interests.

South America is largely Catholic, and most leaders are not comfortable with the "progressive" agenda. But under financial and political pressure, some will compromise their morals. The new abortion law in Mexico is one example. You can help by continuing to support us as we join the fight for life in the OAS.

THE RIGHT MAN FOR THE JOB

Luis Martinez is ready to do amazing work for you in the OAS.

He is a smart lawyer with a strong background in pro-life mission work. Luis knows the ins and outs of the OAS as well as anyone.

Please pray for him as he fights to protect the pre-born at the international level.

This work is only possible because of your generous support. Thank you.

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Protestant Parish Drops Contraception Thanks to Your Mission in Tanzania

Bishop Mwalyego needs your help to spread this Church teaching to parishes in six countries.

"Before today I used contraception. I didn't know what it was doing to my marriage and my soul. Now I will abandon contraception and advise others to do the same out of love for God."

Siwema had this conversion at a mission event you sponsored in Tanzania. She is the wife of a protestant bishop, Samson Mwalyego.

Bishop Mwalyego wishes he had heard your message decades ago. He always taught his flock that contraception is ok. But all the time it was eroding trust in God, tearing marriages apart, and causing abortions. And that's not to mention the damage it does to a woman's body. Thank you for sending your missionary Emil Hagamu to show him the truth!



You changed these women's lives when you taught them contraception is against God's plan for marriage. Now they are open to life! The healing you made possible through this mission came to light as women shared their stories.

TESTIMONIES OF YOUR IMPACT

Maria has been using contraception for almost 20 years. Her health and marriage have slowly gotten worse. She's so excited that you helped her find the cure!

"I have decided to go to the dispensary and ask for

Tanzania





removal of the Norplant that is still in my arm."

Jestina was shocked when she learned that contraception destroys fertility and leads to infidelity. She volunteered to teach about openness to life in the marriage prep program at her parish.

"This training completely changed my life. You changed my views on marriage and family life – **now I know that God is the author of life and love should prevail in my marriage and family.**

Agnes is done with contraception forever.

"I learned that life is God's gift to us; **a child is a joyful responsibility, not a burden to parents.** Please continue teaching more people so that God's voice can be heard and live".

Bishop Mwalyego is determined to spread this teaching further. But he needs your help to do it.

YOU CAN HELP PARISHES ALL OVER AFRICA DROP CONTRACEPTION

When it comes to changing hearts, Bishop Mwalyego is a powerful friend to have. He guides Christians in six African countries. **He wants his whole flock to hear this teaching as soon as possible before any more damage is done.** The pro-life mission isn't just for Catholics; it's for everyone. But our protestant brothers and sisters are harder to reach because they seldom trust Church teaching. Having their bishop on our side makes a huge difference.

Thanks to your generosity, we are ready to start helping him set his people on the right path. We already have strong missions in Tanzania and Malawi. And with your help, we are starting new missions in Rwanda and Zambia this year.

But we are not yet able to reach Bishop Mwalyego's parishes in Burundi and the Congo. There are Catholics and other Christians there who need your help to start living God's plan for life and family. If you continue to support the mission, you can reach them all.

Your mission brought these women and their families closer to God. And in the process, closer to the Church that teaches the truth about life and family.

Thank you for the lives you have changed, and all those you will change by your continued support. Every soul you save is precious to God, and He is proud of you.

THANK YOU for making change possible!

Every story you read in Mission Report is a snapshot of your impact. Your gifts are saving lives and souls all over the world. None of this amazing work would be possible without you.

Thank you for building a pro-life world.

Please pray for the mission. I'll be praying for you.

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Fr. Shenan J. Boquet