

LOVE *unleashes life*

July-August 2015

“I just wanted to say thank you for such a wonderful session, and I wanted to let you know that I actually used your arguments in debating people today following the Planned Parenthood exposé...just wanted to send you a quick note to let you know how much your boldness and balance of truth and love encouraged me, and to let you know that the Lord used you today in my life!”

Dear Friends,

Those words above are from a lawyer who heard me present at the Alliance Defending Freedom Academy in California in July. While there, I spoke to lawyers, entrepreneurs, and other leaders from around the world. The month before, I had spoken at that same organization’s Blackstone Legal Fellowship (that’s me in the photo on the right, centre, with two Canadian law students, Adam and Keith, who attended the event). These were exciting opportunities because they allowed me to fulfill my mandate of “influencing the influencers.” And feedback has been overwhelmingly positive:



- “Thank you so much for taking the time to speak to us and for sharing the resources. **I feel a renewed zeal** to seek ways to advocate for life!”
- “Your session was among the top few favorites and got glowing reviews!”
- “Phenomenal... **I felt much more equipped** after the lecture to engage with those on the other side successfully.”
- “Best speaker I have heard. The practicality of the presentation was wonderful. I appreciated that she almost role played conversations that I can imagine having with my classmates and friends. I appreciated both her candor as well as the seriousness of her approach. I also appreciated her ability to articulate the criticism and then the exact response that we can have. **I feel much more confident to discuss this issue** with persons whom I know may disagree with me.”
- “Ms. Gray is incredibly engaging and she has an easy stage presence. **She is the first to ever give me wisdom for how to express my views** about abortion and I appreciate that the tools she gave us are in so many ways non combative.”



I also travelled to Texas twice to speak for the Diocese of Dallas/Fort Worth at two separate summer camps they hosted for pro-life teenagers, giving almost 3 hours of training each time. While there, I gave two presentations hosted by the Catholic Pro-Life Committee (that’s me, in the second photo, with some of the leaders).

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There was much enthusiasm at all these events for the upcoming release of my book, [Love Unleashes Life: Abortion & the Art of Communicating Truth](http://www.stephaniegray.info/love-unleashes-life), which I'm excited to say will be released this October! I will send out order information in the next newsletter, but in the meantime you can keep updated on things at this link: www.stephaniegray.info/love-unleashes-life

In the past month I also did a Q & A session over the telephone for the summer interns of the Ohio-based pro-life group Created Equal, and then I lead two reflections at a retreat for the staff of the National Campus Life Network (see photo on right).

So what's coming up next?

My fall is getting busy, with more than six events scheduled for September alone. In particular, I think you'll be encouraged by these three opportunities:

1. I'll be speaking at Faith Formation Day, a program for approximately **1,000 teachers** and other Catholic school educators in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.
2. I'll be providing a **day and a half of training** for Re:Generate, a new sexual integrity missionary program of the Archdiocese of Toronto.
3. I'll be speaking to **over 200 priests** from the Archdiocese of Miami.



And I'll be **presenting to audiences of other denominations** as well, since I'm now doing some contract work for the Chilliwack Pro-Life Society, with the specific task of meeting with pastors of Chilliwack's various Christian churches about doing pro-life apologetics and other presentations to their faith communities. Plus, a group of other pro-life leaders and I are working on doing the same in Vancouver.

Much is happening! And I want to thank you for being a part of it through your donations. Not all organizations are able to pay for me to speak, but thanks to your support keeping me full-time in the pro-life movement, I am able to offer my training and insight regardless of a group's abilities. If you'd like to make another donation this month, cheques can be made payable to "Love Unleashes Life" and mailed to the address below; alternatively, people can contribute online by clicking on the "Donate" button on the upper right at www.stephaniegray.info.

With gratitude,



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P.S., Newsletter updates will be coming out every other month, instead of every month. And in the meantime if you'd like to stay on top of my activities, please check out the schedule page here: www.stephaniegray.info/events/

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