



# **Abortion Ultrasound Causes Local Planned Parenthood Director to Quit**

Sometimes a picture is worth a thousand words, and the ultrasound images of a baby being aborted spoke a silent "change of heart" to a former Planned Parenthood director in southeast Texas.

The 29-year-old woman, Abby Johnson, used to escort women into the Bryan, Texas, clinic during her eight years as a volunteer for and employee of Planned Parenthood. Johnson told FoxNews.com, "When I was working at Planned Parenthood I was extremely prochoice."

All that changed when she watched an ultrasound of an abortion that took place in October. Johnson said she saw the fetus "crumple" during the vacuum procedure and that was the fateful moment, "I would say there was a definite conversion in my heart ... a spiritual conversion." Johnson quit her job and joined a pro-life group that prays outside the clinic.



While the ultrasound was the straw that broke the camel's back, Johnson had experienced growing disillusionment as her bosses cranked up the pressure for her to arrange more and more abortions, each costing between \$505 and \$695. "Every meeting that we had was, 'We don't have enough money, we don't have enough money — we've got to keep these abortions coming,' "Johnson said to FoxNews.com. "It's a very lucrative business and that's why they want to increase numbers."

And those numbers add up quickly. On the two days a month that a doctor comes to the clinic, he can perform 30 to 40 abortions per day. For an eight-hour day, that would be at least one every 15 minutes.

Diane Quest, Planned Parenthood's national media director, claims: "Planned Parenthood's focus is on prevention. Nationwide, more than 90% of the health care Planned Parenthood affiliates provide is preventive in nature." Her explanation of "the organization's mission" is that it exists "to help women plan healthy pregnancies and prevent unintended pregnancies."

Johnson says that the hard economic times had left the clinic in dire need of funds, and she was told to change her "priorities" to focus on abortions. "For them there's not a lot of money in education," and there is "not as much money in family planning as there is abortion." Unfortunately, all the pressure came in the form of personal interactions with her regional manager from the Houston office, and Johnson has no written documentation to verify her statements.

In her heart though, Johnson had been part of Planned Parenthood "to help women and ... [do] the right



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thing." When the dollar began to mean more than doing what was best for those coming to the clinic, she saw the hidden "Mr. Hyde" side of Planned Parenthood's public "Dr. Jekyll" persona. "Ideally my goal as the facility's director is that your abortion numbers don't increase," because "you're providing so much family planning and so much education that there is not a demand for abortion services," Johnson said. "But that was not their goal."

In truth, that has never been Planned Parenthood's goal. Founder Margaret Sanger embraced racism, segregation, discrimination, and eugenics. She specifically targeted blacks as getting in the way of racial purity and advancement.

Last year the Smithsonian set up a display honoring Sanger. The following American Life League video explains the inappropriateness of honoring Sanger at the Smithsonian and reveals the insidiously evil intent with which Planned Parenthood was founded and still operates today.

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