

Deep Thoughts from the Executive Director

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Dear Friend for Life,

The numbers are official: 2003 was the finest year in the history of our organization!

- [Americans United for Life \(AUL\), as reported by *World Magazine*, rated Texas the “Most Improved” state in our nation for Pro-Life Legislation. \[Click here\]\(#\) to review the entire AUL report.\)](#)
- AUL also declared Texas to be the number two “Most Pro-Life” state in the nation, due to all our new Pro-Life state laws.
- Texas Right to Life added over 12,000 new members in 2003. We remain the fastest growing Pro-Life group in the nation.
- In a very difficult year, Texas Right to Life 2003 revenue greatly increased over 2002, and we have no debt.
- The number of individuals who supported Texas Right to Life in 2003 increased by 90% over 2002.
- Federal redistricting, now approved by the US Supreme Court, should produce at least 5 new Pro-Life US Congressmen from Texas, thereby creating the strongest Pro-Life Congressional delegation in the history of our nation.
- We created [the most complete record ever compiled in Texas](#) on how our state representatives voted in Austin on the Life Issues during the 78th Texas Legislative Session.



To God goes the glory for 2003, because we erred in many ways, yet God was merciful and generous. Texas has become the epicenter of a Pro-Life revolution that grows stronger and younger every year.

I send this news to you because you have a right to know the health of the organization you helped build with your prayers, support, and activism when you remained with us when the post 9/11 outlook was bleak for nonprofits and ministries. We will never forget those who stood with us in our darkest hour. There will be thousands of tiny Texas born every year because of your faithfulness; you allowed us to achieve those victories that only God fully foresaw and intended.

Enough about the past. We know that what worked last year won't work this year. The enemy will retool and refuel with a fresh supply of our tax dollars. We expect the battle to intensify, and we delight when Planned Parenthood and the advocates of death must balance on their heels playing defense, while we choose the battlefield. To Darth Vader and those of you on the dark side who read this: We are carefully crafting our legislative agenda for 2005. We will re-engage the enemy. Pro-Lifers will keep marching forward, and the next legislative session will make the 78th Session pale in comparison to what we will further accomplish for women's health in Texas.

Back at Houston headquarters:

- Our website is being overhauled; the launch date is April 1.
- Our systems are being expanded and upgraded to accommodate the needs of our growing staff. If you think you would be interested in joining our team, please click [here](#).
- Texas Right to Life is hosting local receptions around the state to recognize those statesmen who arduously fought for the Pro-Life cause in Austin. Click [here](#) here for a list of our statewide events.
- Our Political Action Committee is traveling our state interviewing candidates for public office to determine who is truly Pro-Life and worthy of our endorsement. (Our discoveries and decisions will be mailed and emailed to you.)

2003 was a harbinger of good for Pro-Lifers. We have no secrets to success other than your unlimited supply of prayer, activism, talent, and financial assistance. The secret we have discovered is that there is no secret. With a lot of prayer, strategizing, and hard work, what was once considered impossible can become inevitable. Imagine a Texas where there is no abortion, no cloning, and no euthanasia because no Texan will countenance such abominations. That day will come.

I cannot wait to see what God has in store for us this year. I hope you will continue with us on our wondrous journey.

We pray daily in our office that you and your family will be blessed by peace and happiness in this new year of hope and Life. Be sure to visit the Texas Pro-Life headquarters when you are in Houston.

Yours for Their Lives,



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